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## Chapter 797 Meeting: The Monthly Meeting is November 19, 2022



**WOS 2022, Every sort of flying thing.**

**EAA 797 Morning Fly-In  
Pancake Breakfast  
Is on Nov 19, 2022**

## From The Top

We had a successful wings over Suwannee event thanks to everyone that showed up to help. Please remember there will not be a meeting or breakfast this month

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*Remember that we will be  
electing officers and making  
final plans for the 2022  
Christmas party at the Nov.  
meeting*

*Editor*

I want to send out a huge thank you to all the volunteers!! Without you Wings Over Suwannee would not have been a success. Each and every one of you worked so hard yesterday (10/8/22, Ed) to make things run smoothly and did an excellent job!! It was a beautiful day and we had a great turnout! I am overwhelmed by the amount of volunteers that came! Some of you put in extra hours and it did not go unnoticed. Again, THANK YOU!! Wings Over Suwannee is a lot of work, but you all made my job easier by coming out and working hard!! I believe all our guests that came had an excellent time and that is because of all of you. ☺

*Christina Bedenbaugh  
WOS 2022 Chairman*

## News Wanted!

This is your newsletter. I am very happy to see that several people have stepped forward with their experiences to fill these pages. Let us know how your project is going or where you've been. It's your newsletter, let's make it about you.

*Editor*



## VMC Club

Last month Greg Boyette put on an interesting presentation on the importance of situational awareness. In particular, he focused upon the topic of obstructions in the airport vicinity and object fixation.

Discussion then turned to pattern safety for a rousing roundabout.

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## Members in Absentia

Tina Poirier is having recurring health issues, we pray she gets answers and gets sorted out.

Bob Bowser has been diagnosed with cancer.

I urge you all to keep these members in your thoughts and prayers if you are unable to visit.

*Editor*

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## 100LL, The Ban

In the latest *AvWeb* follow-up article on the emergence of a 100LL substitute, congress is taking action. Citing section 231a of the clean air act: an outright ban of 100LL is being proposed.

“Section 231(a)(2)(A) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), 42 U.S.C. 7571(a)(2)(A), requires the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to propose emission standards for air pollutants that cause or contribute to air pollution which may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare.”

“Reasonably be anticipated to endanger” is not the same as “simply because it exists”. Studies that find no direct causal link between 100LL and background lead concentrations indicating a risk worthy of industry economic hardship, may leave the public welfare economically worse off than the “danger” may warrant.

In the October 2021 session of the United States Supreme Court; “*WEST VIRGINIA ET AL. v. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ET AL*” was heard concerning the authority held by the EPA to enforce emission standards on individual states.

In the syllabus on page 4, section 2, subsection a reads:

“*Precedent teaches that there are “extraordinary cases” in which the “history and the breadth of the authority that [the agency] has asserted,” and the “economic and political significance” of that assertion, provide a “reason to hesitate before concluding that Congress” meant to confer such*

authority.” Yes, it pretty much says to question authority so broadly applied.

I admit that I’m no lawyer, but it sounds like there is a question of whether congress meant to give such power over the economic well being of the general public and it calls into question whether the economic damage must be weighed in the decision. As such, can congress just force us all to ditch 100LL without a clearly delineated threat *outweighing* the economic impact that would surely result?

I also admit that *WV v EPA* is a case over power plant emissions, but the precedent it sets by calling out the perversions of the original Clean Air Act and the setting aside of state’s rights, is a blueprint to call for the phasing in of 100LL alternatives while traditional 100LL supply chains remain active. Moving deeper into the decision of *WV v EPA*, state’s rights are cited repeatedly as being usurped by congress twisting the Clean Air Act into their green agenda baby.

Seeing congress call for the outright banning of 100LL before the market has seen an effective alternative deployed and successful, makes me hope precedent can be applied to allow phasing in change over time and reducing the economic shock that would surely be heaped upon the inflation currently curtailing many us from flying as much as we’d like. That’s not to mention the adverse effects on smaller commercial operations, flight schools, etc. In an *Aviation & Airport Development Law* news article from 2014, <https://www.aviationairportdevelopmentlaw.com/2014/09/articles/clean-air-act/epa-challenged-to-issue-endangerment-finding-and-rule-governing-greenhouse-gas-emissions-from-aircraft-engines/#more-294> these concerns were also noted. “*Petitioners do not, however, touch upon the full panoply of impacts EPA’s issuance of a new rule governing emissions from aircraft engines will have, not only on those who are exposed to greenhouse gas emissions, but also upon those who will suffer the economic impacts of adapting to new restrictions, such as aircraft engine manufacturers and aircraft operators.*”

The link to the *AvWeb* article is below, and the case *WV v EPA* is easily web researched: [https://www.avweb.com/aviation-news/epa-proposes-100ll-endangerment-finding/?MailingID=1090&utm\\_source=ActiveCampaign&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=100LL+Endangerment+Finding%2C+Hangar+Access+Denied&utm\\_campaign=100LL+Endangerment+Finding%2C+Hangar+Access+Denied-Monday%2C+October+10%2C+2022](https://www.avweb.com/aviation-news/epa-proposes-100ll-endangerment-finding/?MailingID=1090&utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=100LL+Endangerment+Finding%2C+Hangar+Access+Denied&utm_campaign=100LL+Endangerment+Finding%2C+Hangar+Access+Denied-Monday%2C+October+10%2C+2022)

*Editorial*

## Education Day Results

So where else can students build and fire off their own rocket, build a model airplane, learn about Aviation Careers, have a cockpit experience, and finally take a guided trip around the airport and learn about all of its design features? That’s what 17 homeschooled kids did at EAA 797’s annual Aviation Education Day on October 7. For the last 4 years the Aviation Education Day has kicked off Wings Over Suwannee the day prior to the fly in.

I would like to thank the following teachers who made the program a success: Pete VanSpronson & Alex Melia, Aviation Careers; Bill Prang, Airport Design; Norma Bolyard, Bobbi Rice, Curtis McClung, Greg Boyette, Aircraft Design I; Morris Brown, Jake Roth, Norman Green, Charlie Barnes, Henry Breuning, Bob Lester, Cockpit Experience; and of course Ed Conrad & Dave Poirer with the ever-popular Rocketry.



Group leaders Christina & Brad Bedenbaugh, Norman Poindexter, Clark Deshant, and Jeffrey Russell ensured that the kids didn’t get lost and arrived on time to their next period class. Terry Martin faithfully piloted the tractor for the Airport Design class.



At the end of the day all the kids and volunteers were treated to a yummy hot dog lunch prepared by Ronda & Dave Holmes and Cathy Spegal.

Good Times!  
Allen Rice



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## Car Show @ WOS 2022



I know there were 29 vehicles in the cruise-in. I took a few pictures but not many.

*Dana Sheffield*



**Old Glory**



**The kiddie rides were busy nonstop, sometimes overbooked..**

## Young Eagles

I am looking for pilots to fly young eagles this coming Saturday, 15 October from 9 am to 12 pm at 24J. On the website I only have eight (8) kids signed up, two others that signed up at Wings Over Suwannee and another half dozen who have called. I anticipate maybe 20 kids total. Hope y'all can help out. Your home EAA chapter gets the credit for you flying. These credits are valuable and can add up.

*Dave Holmes*  
[oneyholmes@yahoo.com](mailto:oneyholmes@yahoo.com)

*It's the night before, but email Dave if you can participate Saturday. Thomasville will still be there Sunday & Dave could use the help.*

*Editor*

## Airport upgrades

Here is the first phase of the taxi-way project! This will not be a closure, but you will have to back taxi and communicate a little more! We are very sorry for the inconvenience.

*Bill Harden*

*I will attach the Pdf to this email illustrating the temporary taxiway closures beginning 10/10/22.*

*Editor*



**I don't know who this guy was, but I heard about his Hot Dogs and sausages.**

## Tailwind

I'm sure that I missed something or someone and I welcome healthy criticism. You can send comments, questions, ideas or articles to:  
[dave@davesflyin.com](mailto:dave@davesflyin.com)



*Remember that the kids will be out and help make their holiday fun.*

*Thanks to all the photographers who provided images. I couldn't use them all.*

*Editor*