



Volume 26-03 EAA Chapter 846 Newsletter - Wadsworth, Ohio March 2025

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Meetings are held on the 2nd

Thursday of every month

@ 7:00 PM

www.chapters.eaa.org/ea846

Please join us for our upcoming EAA Chapter 846
Monthly Gathering on:

Date- Thursday, March 13, 2025

**LOCATION CHANGE-
SKYPARK FBO CONFERENCE ROOM!**

Social time starts 6:30 pm,
Gathering at 7 pm.

March Gathering Agenda:

- **Safety Topic– Mountain Flying, Abby Donofrio**
- **Project Updates & Upcoming Events**
- **Program– Meet the Ray Scholarship Candidates**



What's another name for the
movie Snakes on a Plane?



New Members and Guests

The chapter membership has increased by five new members during February. **Paul Buser, Amy Marcucci and her son, Silvio, Isabella Merritt, and C.M. Shearer.** Paul has recently made the big jump into aviation. Paul and his wife, Dawn, live in Brookpark. Amy and Silvio joined at the Family level and live in South Euclid. Isabella lives in Akron and is beginning her flight training. C.M. Shearer is a private pilot. He and his wife, Barbara, live in Silverlake.



Welcome to the chapter, Paul, Isabella, Amy, Silvio, and C.M.!

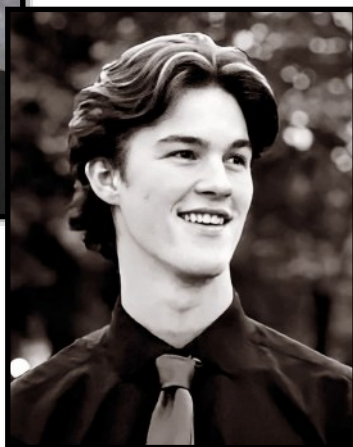
Braden Willis was invited by Abby Donofrio to join us for the February Gathering. Thank you for coming, Braden.

Explore Aviation Camp Scholarships Awarded

Congratulations to **Fiona Burke and Xavier Wilson** for being chosen as the recipients of the 2025 Chapter 846



Explore Aviation Camp Scholarships. Fiona will attend the Session 3 camp from July 15 thru 23 and Xavier will attend the Session 4 camp July 25 thru August 2.



Many thanks to **Amy Tytko** for also applying for the scholarship. Unfortunately, the chapter only had two scholarships with three very qualified candidates. Hopefully Amy will apply for the 2026 scholarship.

February Gathering Highlights

Charlie Gibbons presented members in attendance with a safety topic on Preflight Weather Products and their usage.

This included detailed information on METARS and weather forecasts, including how and where to find them.



The evenings main program was given by **Ray Castner.**

Ray is the propulsion lead for the NASA X-59 Projects supersonic test aircraft.

Included with the presentation were photos and graphs of the aircraft and its testing to date.

Ray Scholarship 2025

By Mike Guenther, Ray Scholarship Coordinator

Chapter 846 was once again awarded a full Ray Aviation Scholarship on behalf of the James Ray Foundation and the Experimental Aircraft Association for 2025.

This will mark the 7th year that our Chapter has been fortunate enough to be selected to receive a flight training scholarship and to be able to award that scholarship to a deserving youth from our local area.

Our annual selection process will once again begin with candidate interviews at our March Gathering and will be awarded by popular vote of the membership. This year we have four outstanding candidates who will be interviewing for the scholarship (*their applications for review and voting instructions are on the next page*).

This year's scholarship is for \$12,000 to be used towards



the completion of a Private Pilot Certificate. This year's recipient will also participate in a trial flight simulator program sponsored by EAA which will allow them to have access to a home flight simulator for the duration of their training.

Please plan to attend our March Gathering in person or virtually to participate in this year's selection process ([ZOOM link below](#)).

The March Gathering will take place in the Skypark FBO conference room.

Meet the Candidates!

And then participate in this year's selection process for the 2025 Chapter 846 Ray Scholarship.

The following four candidates have submitted applications for this years Ray Scholarship program:

[Silvio Marcucci](#)

[Tyler Sommers](#)

[John M. Watts](#)

[Xavier Wilson](#)

Each applicant will present themselves and answer any questions at the March Gathering.

If you are unable to physically attend the meeting, you may join via the ZOOM button below:

[Attend via ZOOM](#)

Zoom meeting ID: 882 6067 6819

- **In-person voting will take place after all candidates have presented during the March 13th Gathering. Voting privileges within the Chapter shall be limited to Regular Chapter Members, Family Chapter Members (excluding Children under 18 years of age), Special Chapter Members and Life Chapter Members. Honorary/ Complimentary Chapter Members shall not have voting privileges within the Chapter.**
- **Members not in attendance may vote via email ballot.**

[VOTE](#)

**(ON-LINE Vote Button becomes EFFECTIVE
7 pm, March 13, 2025)**

Voting begins Thursday March 13, 2025 at 7 pm and ends on March 15, 2025 at 6 pm.

VMC Club

By Gary Baker

The next meeting of the chapter's VMC Club will be held Tuesday, April 1, 7 p.m., in the meeting room at Skypark Airport. This date is a change from the last Tuesday of each month. We will go back to that schedule on Tuesday, April 29.



We will be reviewing radio communications with air traffic control as well as at uncontrolled airports. Some aspects of ForeFlight will be covered, as well as the FAA General Aviation Joint Safety Committee topic of the month. All aviation enthusiasts are invited to join us. FAA Wings credit will be available for this meeting.

More information about VMC Clubs can be found at <https://www.eaa.org/eaapilots/eaapilot-proficiency/proficiency-and-education-programs/vmc-club>.

We hope to see you there.

Young Eagles Days

By Gary Baker— Young Eagles Coordinator

We will be working with the Cleveland Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen on May 10 in offering rides at Burke Lakefront Airport (BKL) to area youth. Landing fees will be waived by the City of Cleveland for the pilots. A volunteer sign-up sheet will be passed around during the March and April Gatherings.



Our next event will be at Medina Airport, Saturday, June 7. Our last event will be at Wayne County Airport, Saturday, August 23.

Young Eagles pilots are always welcome to fly kids on your own. Paperwork is available in the Chapter hangar or see Gary Baker, Young Eagles Coordinator, to have your flight set up online for registration.

Chapter 846 is Forty!

2025 is the fortieth anniversary of our chapter founding. **Chapter 846 was certified by EAA National on July 10, 1985.**



Does anyone have any ideas for celebrating this occasion? Would someone like to take charge of a celebration??? **Thank you!!**

Planned Giving

The chapter is creating an aviation training scholarship in the name of Chapter Founder **Fred Coblentz**. The goal of the Coblentz Aviation Scholarship will be to allow an individual to obtain certification in the aviation industry. Funding of this scholarship will be through donations and other specified income sources.

Even though details of the scholarship still have to be finalized, donations are being accepted. Chapter 846 is recognized by the IRS as a non-profit organization, also known as a 501(c)3. Because of this status, donations can be made to the chapter. Check with your tax advisor to see if this donation could be tax-deductible. Our EIN number is 46-5617309.

Checks, made payable to EAA Chapter 846, can be sent to the Chapter treasurer, Gary Baker, 770 Victoria Circle, Medina, OH 44256 or **Zeffy** or **PayPal**.

[Zeffy](#)

[PayPal](#)

Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

New Co-Pilot!

Congratulations to Kevin and Rachel Fink on the birth of their Daughter.

**Kara Violet Fink was born on March 2, 2025
at 11:40 AM,
7 lbs. 14 oz. 20.25" tall!**



Proud Dad!

Dear members of EAA Chapter 846,

The last few months of my life have been some of the best of my life because of your gift of flight to me. I am so privileged to now be a part of the pilot community. Your generosity and support has allowed me to be one step closer on the path to achieving my dream of flying for a living. I cannot thank you enough for your encouragement and investment in my aviation journey.

The opportunity you have given me is not just a scholarship—it is a stepping stone toward a future in aviation. I am excited to take to the skies, learn, and grow as a pilot, all thanks to your generosity and commitment to fostering the next generation of aviators.

I also appreciate the sense of community and mentorship that EAA Chapter 846 provides. It is inspiring to be part of a group that shares a deep love for aviation and actively supports young aviators like myself. I look forward to keeping you updated on my progress and hope to one day pay it forward by helping others achieve their aviation dreams.

Once again, thank you for your support, generosity, and belief in me. As the weather becomes nicer I am now eager to go put my new certificate to use. Thank you so much for forever changing my life.

Sincerely,

Doug Tytko



Homebuilder Awards!

The following EAA Homebuilders awards were presented to members Chris Shearer for his restoration of his 1946 Taylorcraft and Tim Conway for the restoration of his Twin Comanche. **Great work, Gentlemen!**



Just in...Beware of the Camel's Nose under the Tent!-Karl

Article from Kyle Lewis, AOPA Great Lakes Regional Manager



It has been made public that the Zanesville, Ohio City

Council has introduced an ordinance to set a fee schedule for collecting landing fees at the Zanesville Municipal Airport - ZZV. I only have very preliminary information, and the fee schedule or method of collection is not yet known. **I am asking you to reach out to Zanesville officials and voice your concern on the implementation of landing fees for Part 91 general aviation operations.**

I have spoken with the public service director who is 100% unsympathetic and hostile to GA operations at the airport. He and the city believe that ALL aircraft landing at the airport should be subject to newly imposed landing fees via city ordinance. To be clear, he did not divulge any method of collecting fees, only that fees would be designed to offset the direct cost of operating the airport. Contact information for city administration is listed below.

I also hope you are aware that AOPA is monitoring and actively engaging on the use of ADS-B data to collect landing fees. The misuse of ADS-B data is outright opposed by AOPA, as the FAA had previously agreed for ADS-B data to be used **ONLY** for the safety and efficiency of the National Airspace System (NAS). While there are vendors who offer airport statistics and analytics to airport management via ADS-B data, and while this information is good for operational data that can lead to increased funding for airports, **the marketing and monetization of this data to 3rd parties is an overstep to the intended uses of ADS-B.**

While landing fees set by weight category are legal, generally justified, and encouraged by FAA rates and charges policy, AOPA discerns that airports should investigate alternate avenues for revenue generation other than instituting landing fees for Part 91 general aviation. We agree and support that the airport should be as self-sustaining as possible, a requirement in the FAA grant obligations, and landing fees for light general aviation do more harm than good for airport

sustainability.

Landing Fees for Part 91

- Impact Safety (disincentivizing proficiency at a critical phase of flight that must be practiced by pilots)
- Increase barriers to entry for students (required landings are numerous in pilot training)
- Impact marketing the airport for new businesses
- Are shortsighted towards the economic value of transient pilots
- Bring fee revenue and expenditure tracking concerns/accountability
- Lead to inaccurate fee comparisons to dissimilarly situated airports (a small general aviation airport rarely has these fees)
- Are administrative burdens for flight schools, flying clubs, and based businesses
- Impact overall operations

Questions to ask about landing fee implementation

- Has the airport sponsor assessed and studied how implementing landing fees will impact the health and vitality of general aviation, pilots, student pilots, charities, and other businesses that support or rely on GA activity?
- What is the total cost of the specific project, or direct cost being offset by fees, and what is an estimated timeline and percentage of revenue of fees being used for the specific cost or project?
- What is driving the implementation of these landing fees?
- Is the airport sponsor currently transparent on fee structure and airport revenues?
- When was the last time the airport sponsor adjusted its rates and charges for on-airport leaseholders? Are current rates and charges fair and reasonable to sustain the airport?
- Will revenues from these fees only be used for airside safety enhancements?
- Is there a concern about too much flight training? Will fees be used as a deterrent, aka "weaponizing" fees?
- Have all other avenues been investigated to obtain revenue from sources OTHER THAN general aviation pilots?
- Are there other fees on the airport (ramp, security, infrastructure, fuel flowage, etc.)
- How will collecting these fees be documented and made transparent to the public?
- Who will be responsible for collecting these fees?

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In a [2014 Ohio Department of Transportation Airport Economic Impact Focus Study](#), ZZV contributed \$6.4 million to the local economy. If landing fees are instituted, the sustainability of the airport and local economy could be significantly impacted. ZZV is also an airport used for flight training, organ transplant flights, EAA Young Eagle rallies, and a variety of business and recreational aviation operations.

Please be kind and courteous when contacting city officials and be concise in your comments. Describe how landing fees will impact YOU and how you operate. Email is recommended, but if you choose to call, be aware that you may need to leave a voice message. We do not expect the city to return every phone call or respond to every email, but we need the local aviation **community to be heard!** Also, please consider attending the public meeting on March 10th, 7:00 PM, 401 Market Street, Zanesville OH 43701

Click [HERE](#) for Zanesville Council Minutes referring to the introduced ordinance.

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Why I want to be a Pilot

By Jerry Wang

From a 5th grader from South Carolina and first published in the South Carolina Aviation News. Courtesy of GUMPS Aviation.

When I grow up I want to be a pilot because it's a fun job and easy to do. That's why there are so many pilots flying around these days.

Pilots don't need much school. They just have to learn to read numbers so they can read their instruments. I guess they should be able to read a road map, too.



Pilots have to be brave so they won't get scared if it's foggy and they can't see, or if a wing or motor falls off.

Pilots have to have good eyes to see through the clouds, and they can't be afraid of thunder or lightning because they are much closer to them than we are.

The salary pilots make is another thing I like. They make more money than they know what to do with. This is because most people think that flying a plane is dangerous, except pilots don't because they know how easy it is.

I hope I don't get air-sick because I get car-sick and if I get air-sick I couldn't be a pilot and then I would have to go to work.

BLAZING SADDLES
has just been
edited for
television. It will air
tonight from
8:00-8:07

One of our Own...

MEMBERCENTRAL

WHAT OUR MEMBERS ARE BUILDING/RESTORING



Destined to be a Taildragger

Ohio RANS S-21 Outbound

IT ALL STARTED WITH my dad taking me for my first airplane ride when I was 5, in a Cessna 120 with my brother. I can still remember the huge throttle right in front of me and the neat, curved yokes with the Cessna logo. Couldn't really see anything over the instrument panel, but that didn't matter. I could feel it. That started a lifelong passion for aviation. I was lucky that my father was a private pilot and loved to fly — taildraggers. He learned to fly on the GI Bill after WWII in a Taylorcraft. He rented various airplanes at our local airport in Ohio but always came back to the taildraggers. Have you ever flown a J-3 on skis in a foot of powder? Heaven.

Of course, I got a job working at that airport during high school as a line boy. When I was 16, I started my "official" lessons in a PA-18. My dad had joined EAA in the early days and always fantasized about building his own airplane. We looked at a bunch of different designs but ended up buying plans for an EAA Biplane — a taildragger. That never got built, but the dream was always there. After teaching flying in college and entering the Air Force after graduation, I was able to continue my private flying in my spare time. In 1979, my first airplane purchase with an Air Force buddy was a stock J-3 Cub. Shocking, a taildragger. My second airplane was a Bellanca Citabria that I bought to learn aerobatics. Taildragger. Do you see a pattern here?

I never gave up the dream to build my own airplane that started way back with my dad. After a 20-year Air Force career, 13 years of airline flying, and 13 years as an FAA avionics technician, I finally had the time and means to build an experimental airplane. I finished

a six-year restoration on the Cub in 2019, so the time was right. Notwithstanding the fact that I had an N-number reserved for 15 years — it had to go on something! After researching many different designs like the RANS S-20/S-21, Kitfox, RV-8, and Murphy — to name a few — I kept coming back to the RANS S-21. It had to be a complete kit, all metal, and "fast build." I wanted to get into shorter grass strips and be able to carry a bunch of stuff and still have a decent cruise speed to go cross-country when needed. And of course, it had to be a taildragger. I was impressed by the performance numbers and the positive build experiences related by those already building the kit. The RANS S-21 fit all those criteria, so I ordered the kit in 2020 and took delivery in April 2021.

For those of you who have had the joy of watching the big truck pull up and unload your kit after all that waiting, you know that it was one of the coolest days in your life. And one of the scariest days — asking yourself, what have I done as you unpack and inventory the kit. The enormity of the task ahead is laid out in front of you, and it seems impossible that a real airplane will come out of all of this. Fortunately, I was able to attend a rudder build workshop at the RANS factory a month before my kit was delivered. Building the rudder in one afternoon, under the expert guidance of factory builder Eddie Gil, EAA 1445763, put my mind at ease — I can do this. Aircraft structural pull rivets that you can do on your own, all parts CNC matched, many parts preformed, and a complete kit to work with. No searching for hardware or raw materials — it was all organized and labeled to help with the assembly. Add to that, great

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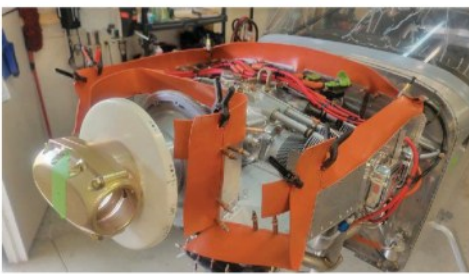
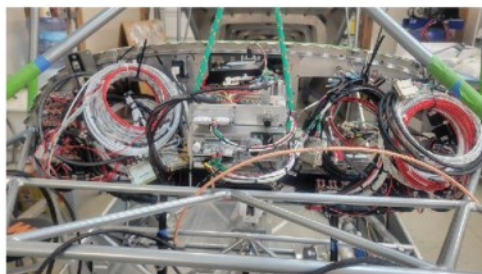
support from the RANS family and a great design by Randy Schlitter, EAA 223759.

The kit was a joy to build — everything matched up beautifully. No special jigs or fixtures to build. After three years and almost 2,000 hours, my dream taildragger was finished. The airplane is powered by a Titan Continental IOX-340 with dual electronic ignition and has an 82-inch Whirlwind ground-adjustable prop. The avionics are all Garmin, expertly built by SteinAir. I received my airworthiness certificate on 8 May 2024 and finished the Phase I testing in late June, using the *EAA Flight Test Manual* and the task-based test card program. The airplane flies like a dream — very docile low-speed handling and performance very close to the factory specs. I couldn't be happier with the design.

A huge shoutout to my designated airworthiness representative (DAR) Matt Tomsheck, EAA 999557, my building buddy Dave Manning, EAA 168821, my technical counselor and EAA flight testing guru Gary Baker, EAA Lifetime 251472, and all the EAA Chapter 846 members who gave guidance and support during the build process. This is EAA at its best.

So, you see, in the end, I didn't really find the airplane — it found me. I was always destined to build and fly a taildragger. Thanks, Dad.

Randy Brooks, EAA Lifetime 165320; Medina, Ohio
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Celebrate Women in Aviation

March is the time to celebrate, “the vital role of women in American history.” Many stories and exhibits of women’s contributions can be found at <https://www.womenshistorymonth.gov/>, but we’re interested in flight, so let’s take a look at some women’s contributions to aviation.



Women were instrumental from the very beginning of aviation, as the Wright brothers’ sister [Katharine](#) played a pivotal role in the development of their aircraft. “During their experiments and travels she handled communications, writing, and supported their test flight operations. In 1909, she accompanied her brothers to Europe to obtain funding and promote sales. During these exhibitions, Wright acted as the representative of the Wright Company. Soon, she and her brothers were seen as celebrities in Europe where she was awarded the Legion of Honor, the highest French order of merit. In 1912, after the passing of Wilbur, Katharine became an officer of the Wright Company until it was sold by Orville in 1915.”

We highlighted the careers of early women pilots Bessie Coleman and Willa Brown, in our series on Facebook for Black History Month, but what about [Katherine Cheung](#), who earned her license in 1932 and became America’s first Asian aviatrix?

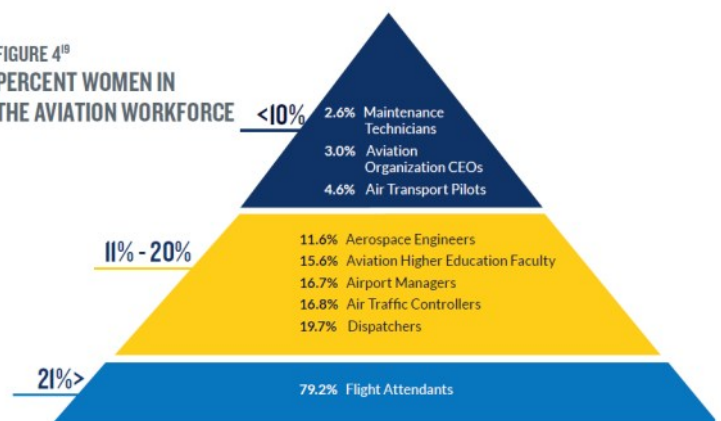


We can’t forget [Jerri Cobb](#). Cobb earned her private license at 16 and her commercial license at 18. Her flying over the next decade caught the attention of NASA’s Dr. Randolph Lovelace in 1959, who offered her the chance to test the ability of women to withstand the NASA astronaut training regime. Cobb excelled at the psychological and physiological testing, and even came to Cleveland for training in the Gimbal Rig, (MASTIF). The rig, which was located inside the NASA Lewis [Altitude Wind Tunnel](#), consisted of three nesting cages, each of which could rotate on separate axis. Unfortunately, Cobb was never admitted to the space program, “At the time, all astronaut candidates were required to have military jet fighter experience, and the military did not allow female jet pilots . . . Nonetheless, additional female pilots were brought into Lovelace’s program and passed physical and mental tests. Cobb campaigned for nearly two years, including testifying before Congress, before giving up her dream of flying in space.” Cobb was the first of the [Mercury 13](#).

These women and so many others, broke barriers to pursue the same love of aviation as their male peers. But after a century of flight, women still make up less than 20% of the aviation workforce, according to the 2022 report, “[Breaking Barriers for Women in Aviation: Flight Plan for the Future.](#)”

EAA is helping to support women’s aviation dreams. [Women-Venture](#) aims to inspire, empower, and break down barriers for young girls and women that dream of flight. In addition, they are encouraging young women in aviation with [GirlVenture](#) and Girls on the Fly. They also offer a variety of programs to encourage an interest in aviation in everyone, with the [AeroEducate](#), [Young Eagles](#) and of course, their flight [scholarships](#). Congratulations to Chapter 846 for their support of these programs, and of, regardless of gender, everyone’s aviation dreams.

FIGURE 4th
PERCENT WOMEN IN
THE AVIATION WORKFORCE



EAA CHAPTER 846
Meeting Minutes– February Monthly Gathering
February 13, 2025

The February monthly gathering was called to order by chapter President Chris Oehlers at 7:13pm.

Guest Present:

Braden Willis

New EAA 846 Members

Denny Albright

Old Business

Secretary Kevin Fink made a motion to accept the February 2025 Board of Directors meeting minutes as published in the current Wingnuts publication. The motion was seconded by Brian Burke. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

As a reminder, 2025 chapter dues are due, and can be given to treasurer Gary Baker.

VMC Club

The next VMC club meeting will take place on February 25th at 7pm in the Skypark FBO airport community room. VMC Club Coordinator Gary Baker will be covering: Aircraft Instruments: What Do We Need? What if They Fail?

Treasurer's Report

Chapter Treasurer Gary Baker gave updates on the status of the Chapter checking and CD accounts.

Young Eagles Volunteer Recognition

Young Eagles Coordinator Gary Baker passed out awards and pins to all volunteers that helped and flew kids in at events in 2024.

Homebuilders Awards

EAA Homebuilders awards were presented to Chris Shearer for his restoration of his 1946 Taylorcraft and to Tim Conway for the restoration of his Twin Comanche. Great work, Gentlemen!

Air Academy Scholarship 2025

The three Explore Aviation camp scholarship applicants for 2025 are Fiona Burke, Amy Tytko, and Xavier Wilson. Interviews were conducted with the 3 candidates. Voting will close February 15th.

Fly and Build Program

Previously, Greg Cantrell updated the board on the happenings and plans of the Build and Fly Program. Five kids are currently signed up to build the groups RC airplane. They are looking to start building on Sunday nights from 6-8pm in the February/March timeframe. Dates will be picked as we get closer. It should take approximately 4-6 weeks to complete the kit build.

February Safety Topic

Charlie Gibbons gave an interesting and informative presentation on preflight WX products. Thanks, Charlie!

February Monthly Program

Ray Castner, the Propulsion Lead for the NASA X-59 aircraft, gave an interesting and informative presentation on the history and development of the NASA X-59 Low Boom Flight Demonstration aircraft. Thanks, Ray!

Ray Scholarship Updates

Ray Scholarship Coordinator Mike Guenthner gave updates on the 2025 Ray Scholarship program. We currently have five applicants. Voting will take place @ the March Gathering. We should receive notification soon on being awarded the scholarship this year.

"On Deck"

March Monthly Program – Meet the Ray Scholarship candidates.

March Monthly Safety Topic – Mountain Flying – Abby Donofrio.

With no further business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.

Submitted by,

Kevin Fink, Secretary – EAA Chapter 846

**EAA CHAPTER 846
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes of March 3, 2025**

Meeting called to order @ 1910.

Board Members Present: Chris Oehlers, Abby Donofrio, Gary Baker, Ron Lutz, Randy Brooks, Greg Cantrell, Paul Hanchek, Karl Aber, Brian Burke.
Chapter members present: Paulie Hanchek.

(Note: President Chris Oehlers will not be at the March 2025 Gathering. Vice President Abby Donofrio will conduct the meeting.

Full Ray Scholarship Approved for Chapter

The Chapter has been notified that we have been approved for this year's Ray Scholarship. Four candidates will make presentations to the Chapter at the March 13 Gathering that will be held in the Skypark FBO Classroom. Brian Burke will attempt to broadcast the meeting via Zoom. Voting will open on March 13 at 7 pm and close on March 15 at 6 pm.

Young Eagles on May 10 at Burke Lakefront

Abby Donofrio visited with the Burke Lakefront airport manager to confirm that they will waive landing fees for the event. Also, they are still working on a meeting room and ramp parking area to use for the event. Gary Baker is also coordinating with Burke officials.

EAA Build and Fly Program

Greg Cantrell and Ron Lutz will conduct the first build session of the R/C model airplane on Sunday, 9 March from 1800-1930 at the Chapter Hangar. Program will run for the next 6 weeks.

Chapter Camping at Oshkosh

Brian Burke reported that the Chapter campsite is booked full!

EAA Air Academy has a new director

Gary Baker relayed that the EAA Air Academy has a new director.

New Video Projector screen for the Chapter Hangar

Randy Brooks proposed the Chapter purchase a new, larger motorized projector screen to be permanently mounted on the rear wall of the hangar. A motion was made to purchase a new screen (cost is less than \$300) and it passed unanimously. Randy Brooks will be the POC for this project.

New Motion Lights for outside of Chapter Hangar

Ron Lutz proposed we replace the outside motion detector lights with new, brighter units. A motion was made to purchase new lights and it was passed unanimously. Ron Lutz will be POC for this project.

Program Ideas for the remainder of year

Abby Donofrio contacted an FAA FFAST Team member and they are willing to present a program on Engine Monitoring. We decided to have this at the May 2025 Gathering. Also, she's been in contact with Goodyear about them presenting on the Goodyear Airship operation. Hopefully, this will be in June 2025—TBD.

Chapter Logo design

Abby Donofrio showed the latest design of the Chapter logo she's been working on. She had it printed on a sweatshirt. Members liked the design but were concerned how it would look when shrunk down for T-shirts or other uses. Work continues on this project—thanks to Abby for being the POC for this project.

Chapter Fund Raising Raffle for AirVenture Aviator's Club tickets

Gary Baker has graciously donated 2 passes each for the Tuesday and Wednesday Aviators' Club at AirVenture 2025. The plan is to raffle the tickets and use the proceeds to fund the Fred Coblentz Memorial Aviation Scholarship. Details to follow on ticket sales. Many thanks to Gary Baker for his generous donation.

Meeting adjourned @ 2015.



On Deck!

- APRIL Safety Topic– TBD
- APRIL Program– Cozi MKIV, Scott @ Canard Boulevard

Dues are Still Due!

We are up to ninety-one paid members for 2025! Thank you to everyone who is current for this year. Chapter membership runs from January 1 to December 31 each year.



There are still about thirty members from last year who have not yet renewed their membership.

This is a reminder that 2025 Chapter dues have to be current in order to vote on this year's Ray Scholarship recipient. Please complete the Membership Form and bring it with your \$25, cash or check, to the March Gathering. Payments can also be made using Zeffy or PayPal.

[Membership Form](#)

[Zeffy](#)

[PayPal](#)

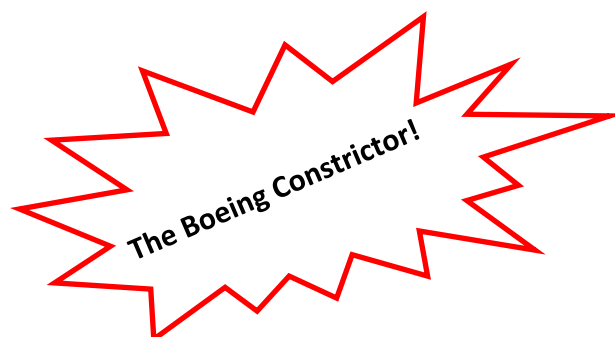
EAA Ohio Regional (ORCN),
March

Tidbits

- 2025 Photos taken during outings, fly-ins, and other interesting chapter events can be deposited in this link for all members to see:

[846 2025 Photo Deposit](#)

- A NOTAM is back to being a Notice to Airmen!



EAA Chapter 846—Upcoming Calendar of Events & Known Fly-Outs

Thursday, March 13, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	Monthly chapter Gathering will be at the SKYPARK FBO CONFERENCE ROOM!	7:00 PM
Tuesday, April 1, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 VMC Club	Meeting will be In the Skypark FBO conference room	7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 2, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 Board Meeting	Chapter Hangar	7:00 PM
Thursday, April 10, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	Monthly chapter Gathering will be at the Chapter Hangar, M1	7:00 PM
Tuesday, April 29, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 VMC Club	Meeting will be In the Skypark FBO conference room	7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 30, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 Board Meeting	Chapter Hangar	7:00 PM

****NOTE– Chapter Board Meetings are subject to change. Please check [Chapter 846 Calendar](#) for last minute changes.**

THE BUILDING CONTINUES...

	Builder	Aircraft	Published Builders Log
1	Mike Baker	Sonex	
2	Steve Bauman	Zenith CH 750 Cruiser	Builders Log
3	Justin Botts	Sling TSI	
4	Jeremy Cowgar	Bearhawk LSA	Builders Log
5	Bob Eiben	Zenith 701	
6	Mike Guenthner	RV-8	Builders Log
7	Paul Hanchek	Steen Aero Skybolt	Builders Log
8	Dale Holmes	RV-7	
9	Dale Housley	Volmer VJ-22	
10	Paul/Ron Lutz	Rans S-20	Builders Log
11	Dave Manning	Rans S-21	
12	Bob Parmalee	RV-12	
13	Joe Stefanini	SubSonex JSX-2	
14	Matt/Josh Tomsheck	Just Highlander	
15	Rob Trout	RV-14	
16	Jay Waddell	Murphy - Renegade Spirit	Builders Log
17	Joe Walker	RV-7	
18	Barry Wawrin	RV-14A	Builders Log
19	Fred Wellman	Zenith CH 750 Cruiser	Builders Log
20	Brad Wurst	Wittman Buttercup	
21	Jim Yurichak	Kolb Firefly	
22	Jeff Zink	RV-7	
Members' Projects on the Chapter 846 website!			

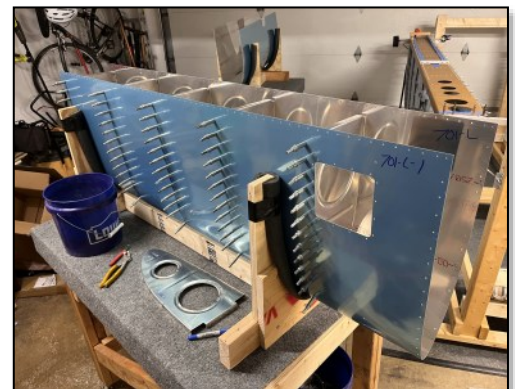
Mike Guenthner RV-8

Wing skins have all been installed and match drilled, wiring conduit has been run, the outboard leading edges have been assembled and matched to the wing



spars and a bunch of other little items accomplished in the past month and there's clecs every-

where!! They're starting to actually look like a pair of wings. Next items are some more match drilling, a few other little odds and ends and then it's on to fuel tank construction with all the mess that comes along with that, although the messy part will have to wait for warmer weather. While we wait for spring there's ailerons, flaps and control rods to build as well.



846 Marketplace

NOTE- Regarding items posted for sale:

**All items for sale will run for three (3) consecutive months then be removed unless I hear from you sooner.
Please notify me if you sell the item prior to the next succeeding newsletter. Thanks– Karl**

Since we don't need our wing and fuselage rotisseries anymore we would like to advertise them in the newsletter. Free to anyone who has a need for them and come pick them up.

Thanks,

Matt and Josh Tomsheck

eas170b@gmail.com (12/24)



Completed in 2000 RV6A built by John Furey & Leroy Shine:

- 718 hours total time airframe & engine since factory new O-360 A1A 180HP



- Sterba propeller
- empty weight 1090lbs.
- KX125 nav/com
- Garmin 150 GPS
- KT76A transponder
- Strikefinder
- Navaid auto pilot
- GEM engine monitor
- PS Engineering intercom
- based @ AKR

1 of 4 RV's built by John Furey, asking \$82k.

**For information contact Eric Derhammer, 330-241-0993
eric.derhammer@yahoo.com (2/25)**



For Sale: Bike rack

THULE bike rack for 2" receiver hitch. Upright, hanging style rack for bikes with regular frames. Heavy duty, great condition. \$50. **Randy Brooks @ 330-635-6919 or randmunnn@gmail.com** (03/25)

Good Homes Wanted

I am happy to donate any and all of the items below to any good home.

Please contact **Chris Shearer at 937-270-7441 or chris.shearer1999@aol.com** if interested. (12/24)



Bostitch staple gun staples



4ft
florescent
light fixture -
-- works, no
bulb



2ft florescent fixture with bulb, ground
mark out stakes



Arc Welding
helmet, small
wire cutters,
painting and
paper hanging
tools, gas
welding
wrench, hand
held compass



Drywall sander



Senco Drywall Screw Gun,
needs new battery(ies)
which can be found
online for around \$40



Floor Jack



Shop Line Circular Saw
– Works (could use a
new blade)



Toolbox, complete with Stinson
Maroon Aerothane paint
overspray



Shop fan, complete with dust and
dried paint, --- works



Two-pronged (no separate ground) 10'
extension cord

Chrysler-style
alternator and voltage
regulator



It is a great opportunity to win a trip and also to help out a Sister Chapter.

100% of the proceeds from this raffle will go to support the aviation outreach programs at EAA Chapter 5 including:

- Local and national summer camps for students
- RC model build and fly programs for young people
- Learn to fly programs for interested adults
- Safety programs for pilots
- Educational programs for aircraft builders

BENEFITS EAA CHAPTER 5
FIRST-CLASS TRIP to

PARIS AIR SHOW RAFFLE!

The 55th International
Paris Air Show
at Le Bourget
Parc des Exposition
June 20-23, 2025

Winner receives:

- Four first-class tickets from anywhere in the US.
- Private airport transfers to and from your hotel.
- Four nights at the Four Seasons Hotel George V Includes an American breakfast each day.
- Four 3-day public passes to the Paris Air Show.

Drawing on May 3rd, 6:00pm



Visit EAA5.org
for full details
and conditions



**New Member
Dues Calculator**

Jan	\$25	July	\$19
Feb	\$25	Aug	\$17
Mar	\$25	Sept	\$15
Apr	\$25	Oct*	\$25
May	\$23	Nov*	\$25
June	\$21	Dec*	\$25

*Incl Dues for Next Year

Gary Baker, Treasurer, 770 Victoria Circle, Medina, OH 44256.

New members' dues will be prorated after April 30th at \$2.00 per month. Dues are on a calendar basis (*See schedule above*).

Various Chapter 846 memberships are available:	<i>Regular Membership \$25.00</i>	<i>Lifetime Membership \$375.00</i>
	<i>Family Membership \$30.00</i>	<i>Student Membership \$10.00</i>

Today's Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Preferred Phone: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

e-Mail Address: _____ *(for receiving chapter newsletter)*

EAA National Member Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

You must be a current EAA National Member to be a voting EAA Chapter 846 member.

Optional information:

Project: _____ **% completed:** _____

Pilot Certificate and Ratings:

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Please indicate any aviation skills or resources that you have and would be willing to share with other members.

Does EAA Chapter 846 have your permission to publish this optional information in our chapter roster? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Thank you for your membership in EAA Chapter 846!

EAA Chapter 846 Wadsworth OH

Mail Membership Form and Dues to: 770 Victoria Circle, Medina, OH 44256