



Volume 26-04 EAA Chapter 846 Newsletter - Wadsworth, Ohio April 2025

President

Chris Oehlers

cmoehlers@gmail.com

330-485-3552

Vice President

Abby Donofrio

Abby.donofrio@icloud.com

330-441-9707

Treasurer

Gary Baker

ggbaker@zoominternet.net

330-321-6274

Secretary

Kevin Fink

km.fink@yahoo.com

440-823-5479

Newsletter Editor

Karl Aber

ea846newsletter@gmail.com

440-864-2931

Young Eagles Coordinator

Gary Baker—Flight Advisor

ggbaker@zoominternet.net

330-321-3274

Chapter Location

Hangar M-1

Wadsworth Skypark Airport
(15G)

3071 Greenwich Road

Wadsworth, OH 44281

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, April 10, 2025

Chapter Hangar, M1

First Cookout of the Season— Be There!

(Please bring dish to pass, burgers and hot dogs provided)

Cookout starts 6 pm,

Gathering at 7 pm.

April Gathering Agenda:

- **Safety Topic— Airport Signage,
Xavier Wilson**
- **Project Updates & Upcoming
Events**
- **Program— Canard Boulevard
Cozy MKIV, Scott MacLean**



**Who was the first cat to fly in an
airplane?**



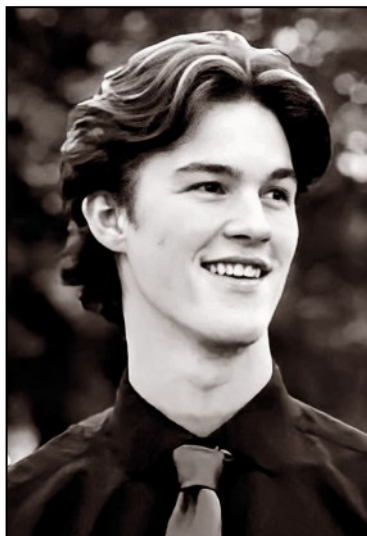
Welcome, Guests and New Members!

It was a family affair during the March Gathering. New member Braden Willis brought his relatives, Dale Willis, Logan Willis and Carter Willis, to the Gathering. Thank you for joining us!

Phil Mohrman joined the chapter at the family level. Phil's son, Brian, is a high school student and is beginning his flight training. The Mohrmans live in Wellington. Braden Willis is an AMT for Flexjet and lives in Doylestown. Chris Hershberger joined the chapter in late March. Chris is the Director of Flight Ops at Mid-Ohio Aviation at Wayne County Airport. He and his wife, Susan, live in Wooster. Welcome to Chapter 846, everyone!

Ray Scholarship 2025

Congratulations to Chapter member Xavier Wilson, who has been selected as our 2025 EAA Ray Scholarship recipient.



Xavier will receive a \$12,000 scholarship on behalf of EAA and the James Ray Foundation and administered by Chapter 846 towards the completion of his Private Pilot Certificate.

He will begin his scholarship journey by completing a trial flight simulator training program sponsored by EAA

which is designed to give him a head start on his actual flight training.

Thank you to **Tyler Sommers, John Watts, and Sylvio Marcucci** for their applications and presentations to the membership during the March Gathering. We wish them the best in their flight training journey.

Congratulations to Xavier and we look forward to having him represent Chapter 846 as our newest Ray Scholar.

Mike Guenthner— Ray Scholarship Coordinator



April's Gathering starts our seasonal monthly hangar cookout!

Please remember to bring a side dish to pass. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided!

It would be great if we could get "other" members to help with the grill. It seems the same folks do it year after year...If I can drop and burn them, so can you— Karl!



If you would like to volunteer, see me or one of the board members. We will be glad to put you "on deck" for the next Gathering, thanks.

Young Eagles Event at Burke Lakefront Airport (KBKL)

Gary Baker— Young Eagles Coordinator

We will be flying Young Eagles from Burke Lakefront Airport Saturday, May 10. We are coordinating with the

Cleveland Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, who will be spreading the word about our program. Chapter members will soon be meeting with Burke tower controllers and Operations staff, as well as some members of the Tuskegee Airmen Chapter.



A volunteers' meeting will be held the week prior to May 10 to review our operations, since this location will offer more challenges than our other airports. Watch for an email asking for your availability of a few dates. Please let Gary Baker, YE Coordinator, know of your availability to volunteer during this event. A signup sheet will be passed around during the April and May Gatherings.

Future Young Eagles Events

Our next event will be at Medina Airport, Saturday, June 7. It will be run like the 2024 event. We will finish the year at Wayne County Airport on Saturday, August 23.

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

VMC Club

Gary Baker

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, April 29, 7 p.m., in the meeting room at Skypark Airport.

The subject of the April meeting will be a review of the current GAJSC topic and some ForeFlight information. The program is yet to be determined. *Watch for the FAASafety email notification and Facebook posts in the next few weeks.*

Each month EAA sends out a Question of the Month for a short discussion. This month's question is:

You're preflighting your airplane and realize that you have not checked your ELT in a long time. The battery was replaced just under two years ago but hasn't been tested since. Is there some way you can test the device without triggering a search and rescue event to ensure it still works properly?

These meetings are eligible for FAA Wings credit. You can either register for the meeting after receiving an email from FAASafety.gov or add your name and email to a list available during the meeting. If you do not have an



account at FAASafety.gov, you may create one and sign up for email alerts for meetings and webinars.

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

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!!

Interested in an AirVenture Raffle?

Take your 2025 AirVenture experience to the next level with this member-only VIP experience!

The Aviators Club North offers you an air-conditioned oasis that can be your home base while experiencing what AirVenture is all about. This club is a place to dine, relax, cool down, and watch the air show from some of the best seats around. Enjoy daily visits with some of the week's best air show performers and special guests. You are free to come and go as you please throughout the day.

A donation of four passes for access to the Aviators Club North during AirVenture 2025 has been made to the Chapter. A chance of winning two of the four passes for the Aviators Club can be purchased for \$40. These four passes will be the prizes in two raffle drawings. Two Aviators Club passes will be available for access to the Aviators Club North on Tuesday, July 22, and have a retail value of \$330. Two additional Aviators Club passes will be available for access to the Aviators Club North on Wednesday, July 23, and have a retail value of \$420.



EAA Chapter 846, Wadsworth, OH, has established an aviation scholarship in the name of the Chapter's Founder, Fred Coblentz. This scholarship will be available to an individual interested in furthering his/her education in aviation. Proceeds from this raffle will help fund this scholarship.

The odds of winning will be based upon the number of tickets sold for each day's event.

Donating to the Fred Coblentz Memorial Scholarship does not increase or decrease your chances of winning.

The raffle will close Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 7 p.m. Each purchaser must be a member of EAA National and provide an EAA number. There is no requirement that purchasers need to be a member of EAA Chapter 846.

Winners for each pair of tickets will be drawn during the June EAA Chapter 846 Gathering Thursday, June 12, 2025, which begins at 7 p.m. The winners do not need to be present. Tickets can be purchased here:

[Raffle Entry](#)

Please note: Zeffy is specifically designed to be used by non-profit organizations and receives its income from the payer with a 'suggested' donation at the end of the transaction. The percentage is not set by Chapter 846 and can be changed by the payer before finalizing the transaction.



KOSH!

Spring Cleaning

By Lisa Turner, EAA Lifetime 509911

This piece originally ran in Lisa's Airworthy column in the April 2020 issue of [EAA Sport Aviation magazine](#).



Stillness and quiet hung over the small airport in a protective cloak. Clumps of melting snow streaked with dirt littered the grass. A hint of spring warmth rippled through the 48-degree air, humid after an early morning rain.

I parked the car in front of the T-hangar with the window down and turned off the ignition to drink in the quietude, watching the rays of the emerging sun begin to pierce the fog over the lake.

"Spring's right around the corner!" came a shout from the corner of the hangar. Startled, I looked over to see Dave, a hangar neighbor.

I shook my head and smiled.

"It's only April, Dave," I said. "It could easily snow tonight, and we could wake up to 15 degrees in the morning."

"No, no, winter is leaving," he said. "I can feel it in the air. Are you going to pull your machine out and fly this morning?"

"I was thinking about it. I need to look at the airplane and list out the things I need to do and check before I bring it out of storage. I don't think I'll get it all done today. How about you?"

"I've got to go flying. The day is gorgeous, and I've been away too long. I can't wait to get back in the air," Dave said, waving his arms at the sky.

"Oh, I didn't realize you've been flying all winter in the snow and ice," I said. "You're brave."

"No, I haven't flown for five months. But the airplane's been in the hangar; it should be fine," Dave said,

disappearing into his hangar.

He's braver than me, I thought. I collected my bucket of cleaning supplies and jacket and went into the hangar next door. It was a lot colder inside, so I

opened the bi-fold door and let the fresh air, now in the 50s, into the chilly space.

Ten minutes later I saw Dave pull his Decathlon out onto the ramp. Shivering, I left my hangar and walked over to the Decathlon. It was encrusted with dirt and dust. Cobwebs crisscrossed the cockpit as gossamer threads connecting the controls and the seats, stretching back into the baggage area. A pile of magazines and books lay in the passenger seat with shirts and jackets on the floor. Dave grabbed a roll of paper towels and started spraying the windshield with a bottle of Windex.

"Wait! No!" I shouted, but I was too late. Dave was already wiping and scrubbing.

"I can't figure out why this cleaner isn't working on these streaks," Dave said. "It seems like it makes them worse."

"Stop," I said. "You *are* making it worse with the paper towels, and that cleaner isn't good for Plexiglas. You need some clean cotton cloths and Plexiglas cleaner. I have some. Let me get it."

I was feeling like a nag as I returned to the hangar. I gave Dave the Plexi-Clear and several clean cloths and then retreated to the hangar, afraid I would get more annoyed by what I was seeing.

The sun was rising on the horizon, reflecting brightly off the still-wet tarmac. Everything glistened, and the air was fresh and clean. The windsock hung limp in the center of the field. Definitely a flying day. As I turned back to my checklist, I wondered for a second if I could hurry it up

and fly today.

"No, it's not safe," my brain said.

"Hey, Lee," Dave said from outside. "Can you come over here a minute?"

I walked over to the Decathlon. Dave was in the cockpit, cobwebs connecting him to the ceiling.

"Listen," he said. I heard a loud solenoid click. "Dead battery. Can we hand-prop it or can we jump-start it?"

I couldn't bite my tongue any longer. There was so much I wanted to say. I went ahead and said it.

"Dave, look, I know you want to get in the air," I said. "It's a gorgeous day. We all have go-fly fever. But there will be more days like this soon. My advice is to cool it. Do a total and complete preflight and make a list of things you need to do to get back in the air safely. You don't know what other things besides the battery need servicing. Clean the airplane so you can see everything it needs. Then go flying."

There, I'd done it. My typical shy self, emboldened. I braced for Dave to respond in anger, for him to tell me to butt out.

Dave looked at me with disappointment on his face. He climbed out of the cockpit.

"Actually, you are right, Lee," he said. "Thank you."



I breathed a sigh of relief.

Is a Clean and Organized Airplane an Airworthy Airplane?

Not necessarily. There are plenty of airplanes flying that are completely airworthy and also have a mess in the

back seat and a layer of dust on the surfaces. There are also plenty of airplanes that are neat and clean but not safe to fly.

Why Should You Care About Cleaning Your Aircraft?

I propose that an aircraft — any aircraft — that is kept clean and organized will give the pilot earlier indications of problems. Whether it's a powered parachute, an ultralight, a Beech Bonanza, or an RV-7, clean components allow us to inspect faster and feel more confident about finishing a preflight correctly. Other factors include:

Clean windows. See that little tiny speck off the right side? Is that another airplane? It will be much easier to identify when you're scanning the sky if the Plexiglas is really clear.

An organized cockpit. Knowing where things are will reduce the time to locate what you need. An organized cockpit will reduce the panic factor if there's an emergency.

Clean surfaces and components. Being able to see everything will enable you to identify and address corrosion — an extra critical factor in older aircraft.

Clean fittings and engine. You'll be able to identify leaks and see torque seal, and visually make sure that cotter keys and other keepers are in place.

First impressions and resale value. We love our airplanes and want others to admire them as we do. A clean airplane is far more inviting and even looks safer than a dirty one.

Cleaning Your Aircraft

Did I talk you into it? If so, here are some tips and tricks for cleaning your aircraft.

- **Clean as soon as you get back from a flight.** Why? It's easier to get the bugs and grit off the surfaces right away. If you wait, not only is it harder to get the contaminants off, but also you'll be less likely to do it.
- **Use the right methods and materials.** It's a lot easier to ruin aircraft surfaces than it is automotive surfaces. Cars and trucks have tempered glass that is tougher to scratch than acrylics, but they are heavy. The acrylic windows in aircraft are tougher and harder to crack than the windows in automobiles, and much lighter, but they are sensitive to abrasion

(read more below).

- **The trouble with covers.** If you hangar your aircraft, a cover designed to fit your airplane with a protective inner coating can keep contaminants off. However, even good covers can produce scratching on windows. If you keep your aircraft outside, the benefit a cover provides will outweigh the somewhat accelerated wear on the windows.
- **Consider critters.** Whether your airplane is inside or out, critters will try to take up residence. If you're flying often, it's less likely but still something to check. Mice love getting into fabric-covered craft and silently chew through lacing, which causes structural damage (read more below).
- **Get organized in the cockpit.** The next time you fly, look around inside. Would anything go flying in turbulence? Do you have to reach for anything you need? Is there anything blocking controls or sightlines to gauges? Think of ways to improve how the interior is organized so you're not distracted during flight.
- **Look for and address corrosion.** Corrosion can hide in corners and be covered by dirt. Inspect leading edges and the propeller carefully. If you live in a coastal area, this is especially important because of the salt air.

Have you hand-washed your car or truck only to find a dent or scratch you hadn't noticed before? This is a great reason to clean your airplane. As thorough as you may be on your preflights, the attention given to cleaning produces a more detailed focus that can help you identify items that you normally would overlook. Besides having your friends and family ooh and ahh over your aircraft, you'll be confident that your aircraft is clean, organized, and airworthy.



Cleaning Acrylic (Plexiglas) Windows

If your aircraft windows are already scratched, hazy, or

smoky, you have two choices. The first is to replace them, and the second is to have them professionally repaired. I say professionally because it is a lot of work, it's easy to mess up, and there are multiple systems available. This is not a job for the fainthearted. You should research systems carefully because everyone has a different opinion.

If your windows are in good, clear shape, then you can keep them that way by following these steps:

- The keywords for acrylic window cleaning are sensitive and gentle. The material is sensitive to scratching, and you want to use gentle cleaning techniques. Have a supply of clean, premium-grade microfiber cloths or clean, lint-free cotton. The cleaning liquid you use should be acrylic specific, or you can use clean water with a few drops of mild dish soap.
- Flush debris, dust, dirt, and bugs from the windows with a gentle fan stream of water. Many experts tell you to use your bare hand to dislodge debris while doing this. You certainly can do this, but you may want to use a clean, wetted microfiber cloth instead. Why get bug guts under your fingernails?
- Once you have the large debris gone from the surface, put some of the cleaner on the wet cloth. Then, gently wipe the window with a vertical rather than a circular motion. Turn the cloth so it's moving the dirt to the inside and use more cloths if that one gets dirty.
- When you dry, use a clean cloth and wipe gently, just enough to get rid of wet streaks.

Critter Damage Check

Did you find mice in your fabric-covered airplane? Be sure to check what you can't identify through the existing inspection covers by taking a suction cup and pulling on fabric panels to make sure they are all still attached. Quiz

The No. 1 reason to clean your airplane is:

- A. Improve aerodynamics.
- B. Impress your friends.
- C. Find and address safety and maintenance issues.
- D. Improve fuel efficiency.

Answer: C. Find and address safety and maintenance issues. It's easier to identify corrosion areas, loose fasteners, leaks, and faulty adjustments when the components are clean and visible. To some extent, aerodynamics and fuel efficiency may be positive but aren't the top reasons. Of course, impressing your friends is right up there, but shouldn't be No. 1!

Do	Don't
Check the pilot's operating handbook for advice on cleaning.	Grab the first cleaner handy. It could damage aircraft surfaces.
Tape areas like the pitot tube, static port, and other areas where you don't want washing fluids.	Pressure-clean an aircraft unless the manufacturer recommends it. Follow directions exactly.
Find out what the aircraft manufacturer and the coatings (paint) manufacturer say about cleaning techniques and products to use.	Pressure-wash the engine like you do with cars and trucks unless the manufacturer says it's okay. Follow the directions exactly.
Use water to flush dirt and debris from surfaces.	Use high hand pressure to scrub acrylic. Even with a wet, clean cloth, it can produce scratches.
Use waxes and fillers that are specifically designed for what you are cleaning and polishing.	Wipe dry surfaces, especially plastics. It will introduce scratches.
Use only clean, premium microfiber or lint-free cotton cloths to clean acrylics and paint.	Use paper towels on acrylic (Plexiglas), Lexan, or paint. It will introduce scratches.
Inspect all leading edges, particularly the propeller, for debris and corrosion.	Use gasoline, alcohol, acetone, MEK, lacquer thinner, or ammonia-based glass cleaners on acrylics, and check before using them on paint or other metal components.
Use a clean, soft bristle brush for metal and paint areas. A pressurized garden tank sprayer is helpful (not the same as a pressure washer).	Leave the airplane in the sun without drying off all of the wet areas, or you could add streaks and spots that are difficult to remove.

Lisa Turner, EAA Lifetime 509911, is a manufacturing engineer, A&P, technical counselor, flight advisor, and former DAR. She built and flew a Pulsar XP and Kolb Mark III, and is researching her next homebuilt project. Lisa's third book, *Dream Take Flight*, details her Pulsar flying adventures and life lessons.

Write Lisa at Lisa@DreamTakeFlight.com and learn more at <https://DreamTakeFlight.com>.

EAA CHAPTER 846
Meeting Minutes– March Monthly Gathering
March 13, 2025
Chapter Hangar, M1

The March monthly gathering was called to order by chapter President Chris Oehlers at 7:10pm.

Guests Present:

Dale Willis

Logan Willis

Carter Willis

Visitors Present:

New EAA846 Members:

Braden Willis

Phil Mohrman

Old Business

Secretary Kevin Fink made a motion to accept the February 2025 monthly gathering and the March 2025 Board of Directors meeting minutes as published in the current Wingnuts publication. The motion was seconded by Abby Donofrio. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

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

Project Updates

Many chapter members provided updates on the status of their ongoing build projects.

Treasurer's Report

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

VMC Club

The next VMC Club meeting will take place on Tuesday April 1st at 7pm in the Skypark airport community room. VMC Club Coordinator Gary Baker will be covering: Radio Communications & Foreflight.

Air Academy Scholarship 2025

Gary Baker provided a check to one of the two 2025 Explore Aviation Air Academy scholarship recipients, Xavier Wilson. Congratulations to Xavier!

Fly and Build Program

Ron Lutz provided updates on the first model kit building session. Part of the fuselage has been completed. They will be releasing a summer schedule of build events.

Ray Scholarship Updates

Scholarship applicant Q&A sessions were conducted with the following 2025 applicants:

Xavier Wilson

Silvio Marcucci

Tyler Sommers

John Watts

In-person voting took place at the March gathering and online voting will close March 16th at 6pm. Good luck to all of the applicants!

March Safety Topic

Vice President Abby Donofrio gave an interesting and informative presentation on mountain flying. Thanks, Abby!

"On Deck"

April Monthly Program – Canard Blvd. / Cozy MKIV – Scott MacLean

April Monthly Safety Topic – Runway Safety / Airport Signage – Xavier Wilson

With no further business to attend to, a motion to adjourn the March gathering was made at 8:50pm by David Gerdeman and was seconded by Gary Baker. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted by,

Kevin Fink, Secretary – EAA Chapter 846



EAA CHAPTER 846
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes of April 2, 2025
Chapter Hangar, M1

The April Board of Directors meeting was called to order by chapter President Chris Oehlers at 7:06pm.

Officers Present:

Chris Oehlers
Abby Donofrio
Gary Baker
Kevin Fink

Board of Directors Members Present:

Brian Burke
Karl Aber (phone)
Ron Lutz
Randy Brooks
Greg Cantrell
Dave Manning

2025 Ray Aviation Scholarship

Ray Scholarship Coordinator Mike Guenthner updated the BOD that Xavier Wilson finally received his medical approval from the FAA. Mike was going to sit down with Xavier to start the official Ray Scholarship application.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Baker gave updates to the BOD about the status of our CD account maturing and the possible renewal. Options were discussed on how to invest the interest earned made on the 11 month CD. Chris Oehlers made a motion to split the funds that were invested 11 months ago between new 5-month and 9-month CDs and to reinvest the interest earned from the previous CD. Abby Donofrio seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

AirVenture Aviators Club Raffle Tickets

Gary Baker updated the BOD that he set up a raffle through Zeffy to raffle off donated tickets for 2 separate days at the Aviators Club during Oshkosh AirVenture 2025. The raffle will be announced to the chapter membership in the near future.

EAA Explore Aviation Air Academy Camp Scholarship

Gary Baker updated the BOD that he will be submitting final payments for our 2 scholarship recipients to EAA National next week.

2025 Young Eagle Events

May 10 has been confirmed with the North Coast Tuskegee Airmen chapter in Cleveland to host a Young Eagles day at Burke Lakefront Airport (KBKL). Landing and ramp fees will be waived for chapter pilots flying this event. Gary and other Chapter members will be meeting with the tower manager to discuss flight operations for the event. At this time, approximately 50 kids are expected. A sign-up sheet will be passed around to ask for volunteers at the April gathering.

2025 Events

The following event dates have been confirmed for 2025:

- May 10th – 10AM – 3PM – Young Eagles Day with CLE Tuskegee Airmen – KBKL Burke Lakefront
- June 7th – Young Eagles Day #1 – 1G5 Medina Municipal Airport
- August 23rd – Young Eagles Day #2 – KBJJ Wayne County Airport
- September 13th – Chapter 846 Pancake Breakfast – KBJJ Wayne County Airport
- Date TBD – Swank Field chapter campout

"On Deck"

April Monthly Program – Scott MacLean – Canard Boulevard, YouTube Channel

April Monthly Safety Topic – Runway Safety / Airport Signage – Xavier Wilson

A motion to adjourn the April Board of Directors meeting was made by Chris Oehlers at 8:14pm and was seconded by Abby Donofrio. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Submitted by,
Kevin Fink, Secretary – EAA Chapter 846**



On Deck!

- May Safety Topic– Non-Towered Airport Operations
– Brian Burke
- May Program– TBD
- May Gathering Picnic Grillers– TBD

Dues are now Due for 2025!

2025 dues are now due. Chapter dues are separate from the EAA National dues, and cheaper! Chapter membership runs from January 1 to December 31 each year. Dues to EAA National are due on the anniversary of first joining EAA.

Please complete the Membership Form and bring that and your \$25 with you to the April Gathering. Checks should be made payable to EAA Chapter 846. Other methods of payment are available using PayPal or Zeffy:

[Membership Form](#)

[Zeffy](#)

[PayPal](#)

Please note: Zeffy is specifically designed to be used by non-profit organizations and receives its income from the payer with a 'suggested'

donation at the end of the transaction. The percentage is not set by Chapter 846 and can be changed by the payer before finalizing the transaction.

Thank you for your membership in Chapter 846!

EAA Ohio Regional Chapter News [April](#)

Tidbit

- 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](#)

Kitty-hawk!



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

Thursday, April 10, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	Monthly chapter Gathering will be at the Chapter Hangar, M1	6 PM Cookout 7 PM GTH
Tuesday, April 29, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 VMC Club	Meeting will be In the Skypark FBO conference room	7:00 PM
Thursday, May 8, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	Monthly chapter Gathering will be at the Chapter Hangar, M1	6 PM Cookout 7 PM GTH
Saturday, May 10, 2025	Young Eagles Burke Lakefront	YE In cooperation with the Tuskegee Airman Association	11:00 AM 3:00 PM
Tuesday, May 27, 2025	EAA Chapter 846 VMC Club	Meeting will be In the Skypark FBO conference room	7:00 PM
Saturday, June 7, 2025	Young Eagles Medina Municipal (1G5)	Young Eagles Event	TBD

****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 Guenther	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 Tomscheck	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!			

Painting has begun on the Rans 20.5

By Paul Lutz

We constructed a 8' x 24' paint booth in the hangar to paint the plane. We are using the AirTech process. The tail feathers are done and the fuselage has the white base coat applied. We will begin masking for the stripes on the fuselage soon.



Mike Guenthner RV-8:

I'm still making steady progress on both wings having recently completed the mock up of both left and right wing out-board leading edge sections. I've also begun construction of both fuel tanks which make up the remainder of the leading edge portion of the wings. That will keep me busy for the next several months.

Pictured below is the construction drawing for the fuel tanks and you can see my crazy highlight system which helps me keep things organized. While most of the instructions for assembling the kit are contained in dedicated textual descriptions, there are many small tasks that are only contained within the construction drawings themselves and can be easily missed if you're not careful, hence all the highlighting!



**OK, Who
Doesn't
Like Jugs?**



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

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 randmun@gmail.com** (03/25)

Anybody interested in living the Airpark life?

I have a 1 acre lot for sale in the Duchy Airpark, Mebane, NC. This is a wonderful aviation community. The only reason I am selling is how well anchored my family is in our current community. We decided to build a hangar at a local airport instead.

I also designed a spectacular home/hangar to be built on the lot if you are interested in a build ready design.

<http://www.duchypoa.org/about-the-community.html>

https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/5319-Osprey-Dr-Mebane-NC-27302/96311127_zpid/?utm_campaign=iosappmessage&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=txtshare

Feel free to reply directly to me or text/call 919-353-7726.

Jake Snyder (Friend of Jay Waddell) (4/25)



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

AOPA FLY-IN

JOIN US AT PROPS AND PISTONS FESTIVAL

AKRON, OH (KAKR) • AUGUST 16–17

With special “Sneak Peek” & Happy Hour • Friday, August 15



AOPA FLY-IN AT THE PROPS AND PISTONS FESTIVAL

Akron Fulton Airport (KAKR) Akron, OH

August 16-17, 2025

Kick off the weekend early with a “Sneak Peek” Happy Hour in the AOPA Exhibit Hall from 3 PM to 6 PM on Friday, August 15!

Join Us and Experience:

- **Airshow Performances** – Thrilling aerial displays to satisfy your aviation enthusiasm.
- **“Cruise-In” Showcase** – A collection of classic cars, custom bikes, and historic military vehicles.
- **Exhibit Hall & Static Display** – Explore the latest aviation tech, gear, and services from top manufacturers, such as Aero-Mach Wilco, Aircraft Spruce, Air Power Inc, Assured Partners Aerospace, Dynon Avionics, Teledyne Battery Products, and many more.
- **Educational Seminars** – Learn from industry experts and enhance your aviation safety knowledge.
- **Aircraft Camping & Community** – Immerse yourself in the aviation experience with fellow enthusiasts.
- **AOPA Members Only Tent** - Prime front row seating for an excellent shaded view of the airshow

Register for this event today and make this festival part of your summer plans! **Aircraft Camping** is limited, so pre-registration is required.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

[Click here to
Download](#)



EAA CHAPTER 846 MEMBERSHIP FORM

APPLICATION for YEAR _____

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

Annual Dues: \$25.00 by February 1. Please complete and mail to:

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

Checks should be made out to: *EAA Chapter 846*

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>

PLEASE CHECK: ☐ Renewal (Year Joined 846 _____) ☐ New Member

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