

# Frostbitten Flyer

EAA Chapter 850

July 2020

Lake Superior Chapter

North Central U.P. of Michigan

AirVenture 2020 is cancelled,  
but you can still enjoy the “EAA Spirit of Aviation Week”  
July 21-25



While we can't gather in Oshkosh, we can still share The Spirit of Aviation. EAA Spirit of Aviation Week on July 21-25 will celebrate the entire aviation community by showcasing the spectrum of flight in a virtual way. Share your favorite aviation experiences on social using #EAAtogether!

Visit exhibitors from the comfort of your home with EAA's enhanced digital experience, Expocad.

The schedule for Spirit of Aviation Week is now live! With more than 170 events already scheduled, you'll enjoy

a huge variety of free streamed and on-demand aviation content.

Help bring our community together and share your favorite aviation moments by using #EAAtogether on your Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter posts. View posts from your fellow aviators and enthusiasts on the EAAtogether homepage.

Go to <https://www.eaatgether.org/> to learn about all of the virtual activities that will be taking place the week of Oshkosh. *(information taken from EAA email 7/10/20)*



EAA Great Aircraft Raffle Moved to  
2021  
New Ticket Sales Begin August 10

See story [here](#).

The EAA Aircraft Raffle and all entries are governed by the [official rules](#).

## Up-Coming Chapter Events

**Saturday, July 18th, 10am EDT - Chapter meeting outside in the grass at the Chapter Building across from the FBO at Sawyer Internal Airport (KSAW). If possible, please bring you own chair and mask.**

# Words From Ted

We are fast approaching the pinnacle of Summer and yet, strangely enough everything seems so quiet. No parties, no festivals, no fairs and most sadly, no AirVenture. For me, the consolation for not having the usual anticipation and flurried activity in preparation for our annual Oshkosh trip, is being able to relax, enjoy our lake, our woods and just take it easy and pursue my many projects around the homestead.

I find however, that I have a strong desire to fly off to a distant place, any place, a fly-in, a dining destination, a shopping trip or whatever. Then I realize that most of those flying possibilities albeit gathering, restaurant or larger city are either not being held, not open or just too risky of a destination. Let's hope that we can get this covid scourge behind us soon!

On a good note, I believe that we will soon be hosting our first aerobatics competition right here at Sawyer. Roger Bentlage has been spearheading efforts to make this unique event a reality and I'm looking forward to his update on the planning.



Last month, in lieu of a formal chapter meeting, we held an outdoor luncheon on June 27<sup>th</sup> alongside our chapter building at Sawyer. The weather cooperated, the turnout was good and the conversation was lively. Lets face it...we're all social creatures down deep!



Thanks to Dave, Greg and Roger for providing the aerobic flights for entertainment!

As I mentioned in a recent email, we now have a new (free) chapter website. It is located at [www.850.eaachapter.org](http://www.850.eaachapter.org).

I am in the process of improving it and making it more closely relatable to our chapter as it was initially populated by EAA. The officer contact information comes right from the EAA database so it should always be accurate. We need to secure a chapter Flickr account before I will be able to add many pictures but I have put in an application for a free Flickr Pro account based on our 501c3 status. The website includes a "Contact Us" page so you can always reach me by filling out the message form.

We are planning to hold a formal meeting this coming Saturday. Subject to weather, we hope to hold it outside in the lawn either in front of or on the side of our chapter building so please bring your own lawn chair (and mask) if possible. Start time will be 10:00am. I believe that Roger Bentlage will also hold an IAC chapter meeting immediately following ours.

Stay Safe! Ted

# Editor's Notes

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I have been flying my plane to get proficient in using my new avionics. So far it seems I am better at insuring all the switches on the autopilot and the GPS Navigator are set up correctly along with displaying the approach information on my Foreflight when my son-in-law is flying and I am in the right seat. I can tell him how everything works and what he needs to do and when, but I seem to be slower at taking action when I am flying solo. It is nice to see that my military instructor pilot skills have not gotten rusty. Now I just need to work on my instrument skills.

I have noticed that this pandemic has resulted in fewer aircraft flying which makes it easier to go out and practice approaches. Well, at least here in Nebraska where there were several busy flight schools until this all started. Local flight activity has started up again, but not to the pre-covid 19 levels.

The decrease in flight activity is really evident when flying between Nebraska and the U.P. There was hardly any radio activity and traffic on our last trip. There were a few people at the airports we stopped at, but everyone was social distancing. In fact, at one airport we had to restrain our dog because he loves everyone and wants to go say hi, but the person he was attempting to visit did not want to get near him much less us. It seems they only had one case of covid 19 in their county and he thought my dog may make him the next case.

**OSHKOSH IS CANCELLED.** So, what are we to do for our annual airshow fix. Well, see either page one or below for activities you can enjoy while social distancing.



From June 29 to August 2, Sporty's will be hosting a virtual airshow across our website and social media. Much more than just a few product specials, we have a complete schedule of events planned for pilots all around the world. We can't duplicate the brown arch online, but we'll try to do as many other things as we can to create that magical Oshkosh atmosphere.

- *Free webinars*—get current or learn something new
- *Live stream sessions*—talk to Sporty's product experts
- *Contests*—compete against fellow pilots to win prizes
- *Show specials*—save on the best pilot gear
- *New products*—see our latest creations in action
- *Fun videos*—aerobatics, Oshkosh arrival, and more
- *Give back*—support EAA in our matching grant initiative ([Click here](#) to learn more)

To see the activities scheduled for each week [Click Here](#).

## **EAA Webinars**

Register at: [Webinars](#)

7/8/20	7 p.m. CDT	Fast Track to Experimental	Prof. H. Paul Such
7/29/20	7 p.m. CDT	Completing the FAA Application for Medical Certificate: Legal Traps for the Unwary*	Greg Reigel & Patrick Phillips
8/5/20	7 p.m. CDT	Why Valves Stick **	Mike Busch
8/12/20	7 p.m. CDT	Legal Issues in Buying and Selling GA Aircraft*	Kathy Yodice, Pat Floyd & Alan Farkas
8/18/20	7 p.m. CDT	Air Shows: Not Just Events, But a Lifestyle!	Grant and Brittany Nielsen
8/19/20	7 p.m. CDT	How to Use Your Pilot's Operating Handbook*	Mike Bauer
8/26/20	7 p.m. CDT	Experiment in the Cockpit: The Women Airforce Service Pilots of World War II	Katherine Sharp Landdeck

\* Qualifies for FAA Wings credit.

\*\* Qualifies for FAA Wings and AMT credit.

## **Do You Fly With an iPad?**

Then check out this 1.5 hour Sporty's Pilot Shop webinar - [iPad Proficiency Check Webinar](#)

This presentation from Sporty's and iPad Pilot News covers a wide range of practical topics on flying with the iPad and the ForeFlight Mobile app. Led by Bret Koebbe, an active pilot at Sporty's Pilot Shop and head of the video department, this info-packed presentation will explore topics applicable to pilots of all iPad experience levels.

Topics covered include:

- iPad buyer's guide for pilots (including the latest models just announced)
- Fly like a pro pilot with your iPad: developing your own standard operating procedures
- How ForeFlight can improve your preflight planning
- How to take advantage of automated iPad features and use it as a Digital Copilot
- In-flight weather on the iPad (ADS-B & SiriusXM)
- How to use the latest ADS-B weather products
- Must-have iPad accessories for the cockpit

Browse Sporty's iPad featured products: <https://www.sportys.com/pilotshop/ipad>

## **EAA Needs Your Stories!**

Have you built or restored an aircraft? Share your craftsmanship with *EAA Sport Aviation* magazine readers worldwide! Send us a photo and description of your project and we'll consider using it in What Our Members Are Building/Restoring. [Learn more](#) → (From EAA eHotline 7/2/20)

## **Update on FAA Pandemic SFAR**

The FAA Safety Team has published (June 25th) a document of [frequently asked questions](#) and answers about the special federal aviation regulations issued this year to help pilots meet currency, training, and medical requirements during the coronavirus pandemic.

Pilot medical certificates expiring between April 30 and September 30, 2020, will now have a three-month extension after their expiration month under an updated coronavirus-pandemic [special federal aviation regulation](#) the FAA published June 29.

(Above 2 paragraphs came from different AOPA articles)

## Flying Events (within 200nm of KIMT): (B) Breakfast (L) lunch (D) Dinner

*These events were still listed on various sites but remember to check before you go.*

Every Friday (L) Central County (68C), Iola, WI Noon, \$10 life time membership <http://centralcountyflyers.org/lmenu.html>  
July 17-19 Warbird Weekend at KJVL in Janesville, WI has been changed to a Private Event.

Aug 30	Fly-in (B)	Boscobel, WI (OVS)	8:00am - Noon
	Fly-in (B)	Dodge County (UNU) Juneau, WI	8:00am - Noon
	Fly-in (B) Rutabaga Festival	Cumberland, WI (UBE)	7:00am - Noon
Sept 6	Fly-in (B)	Fort Atkinson, WI (61C)	8:00am - Noon
Sept 12	Fly-in (B) Airport Expo	Wittman (OSH), Oshkosh, WI	7:30am - 11:00am \$7
	Fly-in (B) pancakes	Bong (SUW), Superior, WI	7:30am - Noon \$7
Sept 19	Fly-in (B)(L)	Oconto, WI (OCQ)	9:00am - 4:00pm \$5
Sept 20	Fly-in (B)(L)	New Holstein, (8D1)	7:00am - 3:00pm
Oct 19	FAA Safety Event, "Accidents, Incidents and Pilot Proficiency" and Hamburger Social Houghton County (KCMX), Calumet, MI		6:00pm (CDT) (New Date)

# AEROBATIC CONTEST

At

Sawyer International Airport  
KSAW

July 24-26



Sanctioned by the  
International Aerobatic Club



Five category contest - Primary through Unlimited

Sponsored by IAC-134 the "Yooper Loopers"

There is no need to know anything about aerobatics to enjoy the sport and be a part of it. Attend the contest and simply spectate, ask questions, or possibly volunteer. There are several volunteer opportunities that are critical to making a contest successful.

The fun, the laughter, and the friendships are all special, give it a try.

Truth is, only 3 of the Yooper Loopers currently fly aerobatics.

A typical contest weekend:

Friday – contestants arrive and practice, some volunteers will participate in their specific areas. A social evening follows which includes handing out the "unknown" sequences, always fun.

Saturday – detailed contest briefing is attended by contestants, contest officials, airport personnel, and any interested public. Contest flight programs begin following the briefing.

Sunday – flight programs continue if necessary followed by a closing awards ceremony.

Come join us, fly or drive. For more information contact Roger Bentlage at 906-250-3231.

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