
Pittsburgh-Butler Region Experimental Aircraft Association - Chapter 857

EAA 857 NEWSLETTER



**Kyle's J3 Cub prepares to return to its native habitat
after an extensive major overhaul of the engine.**

Presidents Message

Hello EAA 857,

We have an exciting meeting in front of us. We will award our second Ray Aviation Scholarship. I wanted to learn more about Ray in the Ray scholarship and maybe some of you are curious as well. Here is an excerpt taken from EAA.org that I found interesting:

The Ray Foundation was founded by James C. and Joan L. Ray. James' dedication to aviation began shortly after the December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor, when he enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He was involved in the D-Day invasion as a command B-17 pilot with the 8th Air Force. Post war, he served in the Air National Guard, and was very involved in general aviation following his service years.

James was the recipient of EAA's 1992 Freedom of Flight Award, and in 2009 had a thoroughfare on the AirVenture grounds named in his honor. His support for numerous EAA initiatives is part of his legacy, as he made possible both facilities and programs that extended EAA's ability to grow participation in aviation. The most visible of those gifts is the Air Academy Lodge. Since 1998, this facility has hosted hundreds of young people each summer at the EAA Air Academy, which gives those ages 12-18 the opportunity to discover more about flight. The Ray Aviation Scholarship Fund is sure to deliver an equally impactful experience for youths who are passionate about aviation.

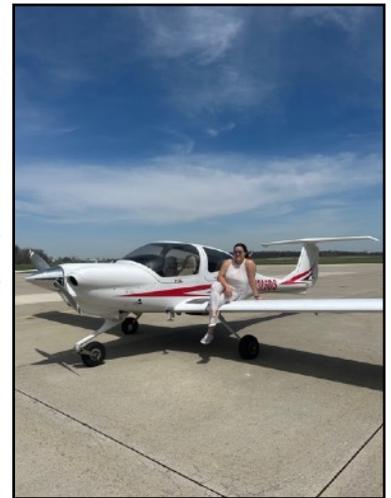
James firmly believed in the life skills, discipline, character, and confidence taught throughout the flight training journey. In keeping with his spirit, the Ray Foundation seeks to encourage the development of human potential through supporting programs that develop life skills such as self-discipline, self-confidence, and self-reliance on the part of the grant recipients. The Foundation has focused a great deal of interest in aviation and the development of strategies and programs that address the involvement and education of young adults in aviation and aerospace.

In personal news, I completed my Certified Flight Instructor check ride on April 20th I flew Diamonds for about 12 hours in Bellefontaine, Ohio at Midwest Corporate Air. They offer great accelerated courses.

I am writing this message from Boston. Mother's Day and my mother's birthday fall within a few days of one another, and she loves to travel so this year we are spending a few days exploring a new city to celebrate. Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there!

As always, I appreciate your efforts and suggestions. Please don't be strangers!

Joss Slagle - Chapter President





Pittsburgh-Butler Region Experimental Aircraft Association—Chapter 857 Minutes of April 18th, 2023 Regular Meeting

Opening: Vice President Kyle Riedel called the meeting to order at 07:04 P.M. and led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting attendees: 18 members were present. And 1 guest.

Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the prior meeting are in the newsletter. Motion to accept the minutes put forth by Marsha Hood and seconded by Dan Hood

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept put forth by Chris McGeary and seconded by Dan Hood

Newsletter: The newsletter has been distributed and uploaded to the chapter website. Newsletter contributions are always welcome!

Website: Enter <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea857> in your browser to view the site.

Tech Advisor: No report

Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday May 16th, 2023

IMC meeting: Next meeting bring in the Medevac pilot to talk about helicopter operation.

Young Eagles June 10th event volunteer sign up: [Site Link](#) Registration opens the 15th of May. Created on the EAA website this afternoon.

Air Academy: By Late May, we need to make payment for Air Academy due by June 5. Two candidates are scheduled to attend this year.

Ray Aviation Scholarship: Kyle Riedel presentation. Scholarship awarded to Collin Danielle. Next meeting do a press release with a check. Include last years recipient Naomi Wigley in the press release.

Old Business: Chapter has achieved gold level status for our 2022 program year.

New Business: At next Young Eagles event June 10th, Kyle Riedel is doing a raffle for a full hour of tailwheel instruction in a cub for younger volunteers on the pro pilot track. You don't have to be a member to volunteer.

EAA Chapter 988 Franklin is doing a Flying Start event for adults May 20th.

Closing: The meeting was adjourned at 07:45 P.M. motion made by Dan Hood and seconded by Kyle Riedel

Respectfully submitted: Destinyjay Maletta, Secretary EAA 857

**Introducing Colin Daniello,
EAA 857 2023 Ray Aviation Scholarship Awardee**

My name is Colin Daniello, and I am writing to express my immense gratitude for being awarded with this year's Ray Aviation Scholarship. I am honored to have received this opportunity to kickstart my aviation journey with the support of your chapter.



As a junior at Pine-Richland High School, I am eager to spread my passion for aviation among my classmates through activities sponsored by your organization. I am also excited to participate in The Young Eagles Program and help inspire younger generations to pursue their interest in flying.

Attending my first Butler Air Show as a child ignited my dream of becoming a pilot, and with this scholarship, I have been given the chance to make that dream a reality. I am currently looking for colleges and look forward to sharing this process with you.

Once again, I want to thank you for this incredible opportunity. I am excited to see where this journey takes me and to give back to the aviation community in the future.



Young Eagle's Day Volunteer Incentive

- **Win 1 Free Flight Hour w/Instructor in a Vintage Tail Dragger by Volunteering**
- **Requirements:**
 - ✓ Volunteer for 5 Hours with EAA Chapter 857 on 10 June 2023 at KBTP (YE Day)
 - ✓ Receive a Raffle Ticket making you Eligible to Win
 - ✓ Be an aspiring Pro-Pilot Between the Ages of 16 and 30
 - ✓ Be a "J-3 Cub" Sized Person (Ht: <~6' Wt: <200lbs)
- **Contact Cranberry Aviation for Additional Information (www.cranaviation.com)**

Additional Information

No prior flight experience required.

This can be a Discovery Ride ILO Flight Instruction.

Drawing will occur ~2:00pm on 10 June 2023 (Following YE Day).



FAA Safety Seminar: Mixing Helicopter and Fixed Wing Aircraft at Non-Towered Airports

-- FAASafety.gov --

You have asked us to notify you when a seminar is scheduled that meets your criteria. The following seminar may be of interest to you:

"Mixing Helicopter and Fixed Wing Aircraft at Non-Towered Airports"

Topic: Understanding the Dangers Associated with Helicopter Wake Turbulence, Presented by Mr. Ned Parks.

On Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 18:45 Eastern Daylight Time

Location: Butler Airport Authority Conference Room
473 Airport Rd, Butler, PA
Butler, PA 16002

Select Number: EA03121884

Description: Numerous accidents involving fixed wing aircraft as a result of helicopter wake turbulence have occurred. Helicopters create their own downwash and turbulence and which can be as dangerous as wake turbulence from large fixed wing aircraft. This session will explore the impact of helicopter wake turbulence on fixed wing aircraft.

To view further details and registration information for this seminar, click here:

http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=121884

The sponsor for this seminar is: AGC FAASTeam

The FAA Safety Team (FAASTeam) is committed to providing equal access to this meeting/event for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, please communicate your request as soon as possible with the person in the 'Contact Information' area of the meeting/event notice. Note that two weeks is usually required to arrange services.

The following credit(s) are available for the WINGS/AMT Programs: Basic Knowledge 3 - 1 Credit

Click here to view the WINGS help page: <https://www.FAASafety.gov/OnlineHelp/Default.aspx?page=/WINGS/pub/default.aspx>

Earn your WINGS to get a chance to win a prize. Go to www.wingsindustry.net for more info.

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**AGC FAASTEAM PRESENTS:
MIXING HELICOPTER &
FIXED WING AIRCRAFT AT
NON-TOWERED AIRPORTS**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023 - 18:45 EDT

BUTLER AIRPORT AUTHORITY
CONFERENCE ROOM
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FOR FIXED WING AND ROTO WING PILOTS

Numerous accidents involving fixed wing aircraft as a result of helicopter wake turbulence have occurred. Helicopters create their own downwash and turbulence and it can be as dangerous as wake turbulence from large fixed wing aircraft. This session will explore the impact of helicopter wake turbulence on fixed wing aircraft, in both IFR and VFR conditions.

A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL
FAASTEAM MANAGER

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*** DOOR PRIZE FROM SPORTY'S PILOT SHOP ***

Take Your Children and Your Grandchildren to Oshkosh!

Another photo shared by Bob Tedesco of some of his family enjoying the show in 2022

A classic Corsair backdrop !



AirVenture 2023 Bus Trip Planned

Hello,

I just wanted to let the EAA chapters know that a bus trip is once again being planned for AirVenture at Oshkosh. If you could pass along the attached information, it will be greatly appreciated. It's always a great group of people to travel with and it's nice when several members from a chapter go together. This is a convenient way to get to this event and it's fun to travel with people that share a common interest. Thanks for your help.

Kent Shoemaker (Shoe)

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Oshkosh – AirVenture Bus Trip

Tuesday, July 25th to Saturday, July 29th

2023




It's time to plan the **2023 Oshkosh – AirVenture Bus Trip**. This will be the 32nd year for the trip and I hope you will be a part of it. This will be the first year that we leave on a **Tuesday** (July 25th) and return on a **Saturday** (July 29th). Departure will be from the Butler Farm Show Airport (3G9) located on Rt.68 just West of Butler. We'll spend three days at AirVenture: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Once again our lodging will be at Ripon College dormitories and we'll travel on an air conditioned coach bus with a restroom.

The cost of the trip increased slightly from last year, mainly due to the increased cost of diesel fuel. However, the trip is still a great bargain because transportation, 4 nights lodging, and breakfast each morning are included, and it's always a great group of people! Participants are responsible for air show entry fees. The cost of the trip is:

Double Occupancy: \$390.00/per person Private Room: \$490/per person

If you're interested in participating in this adventure, then I will need a **deposit check in the amount of \$100.00** made out to **Kent L. Shoemaker**. The balance will be due in May. Please complete the registration form below and send it, along with your deposit to:

Kent L. Shoemaker 225 Glade Run Road Renfrew, PA 16053

In May, a letter requesting the balance due, along with trip details, will be sent to all participants. If you have any questions, please call, text, or email me:

724-766-5847 or kentLshoemaker@gmail.com

Name: _____ **Telephone #** _____

Email address: _____

Home Address: _____

Indicate your lodging choice: Double Occupancy Private Room

Roommate (if applicable) _____

Amount Paid: \$ _____ Balance due: \$ _____



EAA 857 - Chapter Meetings and Events for 2023

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM
in the Conference Room at the Pittsburgh-Butler Regional Airport.

Chapter Meetings	Tuesdays	January 17 February 21 March 21 April 18 May 16 June 20 July 18 August 15 September 19 October 17 November 21	
IMC / VMCClub -		TBD	
International Young Eagles Day -		Saturday,	June 10
EAA 857 Fly-In and YE -		Saturday,	August 12
EAA 857 Fly-In and YE -		Saturday,	September 9

2023 National Events

Sun 'n Fun -	March 28 - April 2
Sentimental Journey -	June 20 - 24
AirVenture Oshkosh 2023 -	July 24 - 30

EAA 857 Chapter Officers for 2023

Use contact@eaa857.org to email the Chapter President.
Your request will be forwarded to the appropriate individual.

President	Josselyn Slagle
Vice President	Kyle Riedel
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	Ted Merklin 2023-2024
	Danny Michaels 2023
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