



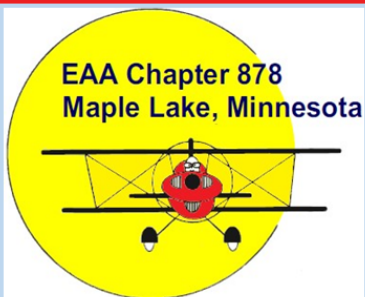
The Maple Lake Flyer

September 2023

AirVenture By The Numbers: 2023

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EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter

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Next EAA Chapter 878 Meeting

Date:	September 12, 2023
Location:	EAA Chapter 878 Hangar, Maple Lake Municipal Airport
Meeting Time:	7:00 PM
Notes:	Guest Speakers from Minneapolis TRACON, Light dinner, 6:00, meeting at 7:00



Have you paid
your dues yet?

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Help EAA Chapter 878 by paying your dues,
payment by either check or credit card is easy!



Presidents Airspace

by Greg Thomes

While I'm not much of a rapper music fan, Kayne West's hit "Champion" came to mind as I was attending a recent Maple Lake city meeting. It was an impressive showing by pilots of all ages and our very own EAA Chapter #878. The City Council and Airport Commission met on August 3rd at the Maple Lake Council chambers to realign their minds on the importance of general aviation in small-town America.

As was mentioned by numerous pilots attending, GA airports underpin the entire aviation sector. Not only are we experiencing the joys of flight, but we are allowing others the opportunity to learn how to fly.

In Champion, Kayne West says, "Did you realize that you were a champion in their eyes"?

May your skies be bright and breezes light.



Secretary's Airspace

by Wayne Flury

HELP WANTED: Secretary for 501(c)(3) volunteer organization. Record and publish minutes of Board of Directors meetings and general meetings. File annual IRS and MN Secretary of State reports (approximately 1/2 hour per year total time) and maintain records of such. Other duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time as may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors.

No experience necessary. Applicants will be evaluated upon their willingness to be involved in the business, goals, activities, and future direction of the organization.

Position available January 1, 2024.

Contact: Wayne Flury, EAA Chapter 878 Secretary, 763-670-6021, wflury@outlook.com.

Per EAA Chapter 878 Bylaws, at our November 2023 meeting we will select chapter officers for two-year terms that begin on January 1, 2024. [Read more > 1 min read](#)



Treasurer Airspace

by Henry Williams



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STEM Airspace

by Dick Borrell

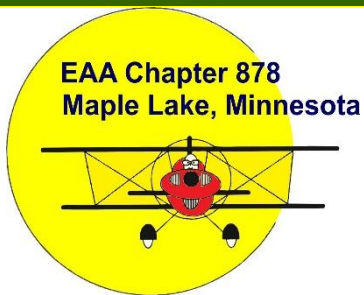
Welcome back Students, Teachers, Counselors and Administration.

Mark your calendars for Saturday September 9th at 11:30 am for a free hamburger social at the Maple Lake Municipal Airport. That is where we are establishing our new STEM/Aviation Education Center. If you'd like to see what Young Eagles is all about, then come around 9:30 to see our volunteers' flying students from all around Wright County.

Our goal as it relates to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) is to help bring the expertise of our members to you and your classrooms! Working together we can prepare for the fast-approaching future.

Technology is coming at an ever-faster pace, and we'd like to help you keep up with it.

The way we do things is changing rapidly. [Read more > 2 min read](#)



EAA 878 "Build and Fly"

by Tom Rammel

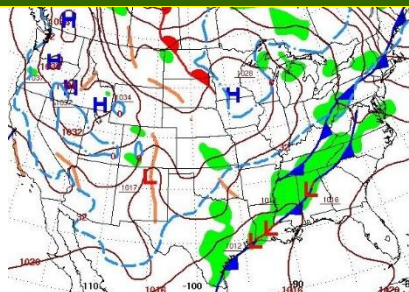
"Build and Fly" EAA program for kids to build and fly an RC model airplane.

Hello all,

Henry has asked me to be in charge of the "Build and Fly" EAA program for kids. I have accepted this opportunity and have taken possession of the model airplane kit and flight simulator for RC aircraft. Henry has donated the computer for the flight simulator including monitor, keyboard, and mouse. Thank you, Henry. I have put the simulator into an enclosure that I designed and built that makes the simulator portable and self-contained. Below is a link to my YouTube channel showing the flight simulator. Please take a few minutes to look over this 7-minute video.

<https://youtu.be/1bz1XxTFUKo?feature=shared>

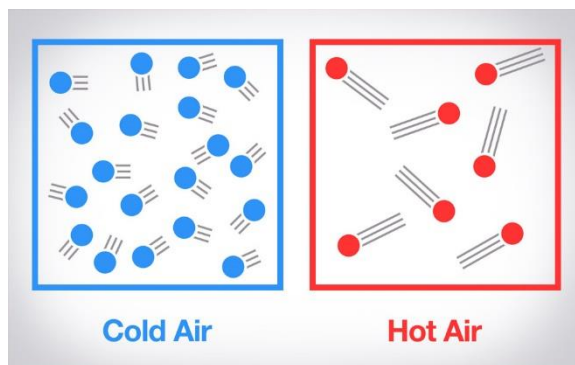
Now we need some kids that want to build and fly this 70" wingspan airplane.



Weather Manners

by Boldmethod

10 Facts About Weather Theory



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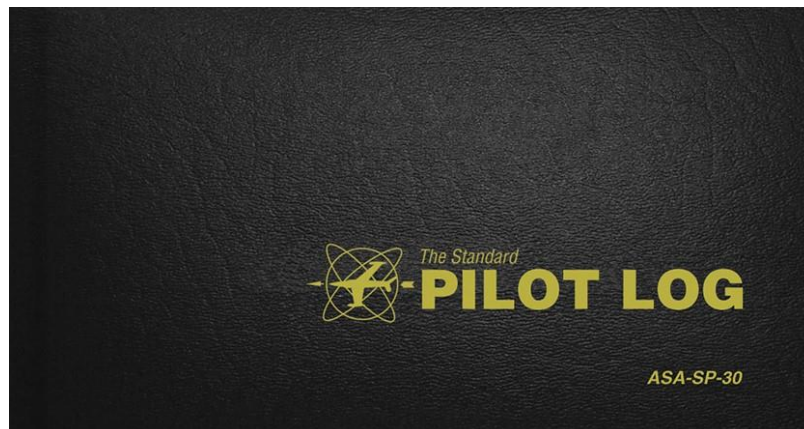
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IFR Tips

by InFO (Information for Operators)

Logging Instrument Approach Procedures (IAP)



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Smiley Face Airspace



Leah Pioniemi, one of our scholarship winners, is featured in this [video](#) produced by the MAC as part of their Meet The Fleet series!



Pilot Tips by FAA

AC No: 90-66C

Date: 6/6/23

Non-Towered Airport Flight Operations



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This Month In History



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EAA Chapter 878 Aviation Education Fund



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A home for our EAA Chapter 878 Aviation Education Center would help us consolidate meetings, conduct training sessions & finish building an RV-4 airplane.

Please join us in this fundraiser to rebuild an old hangar.

Sharing with others would also be helpful.



Notable Mention

by Chapter Leaders & Coordinators

Wanted – Photos of You and Your Airplane

by Elaine Morrow, Chapter Webmaster

Help me make our website a place of chapter recognition and interest. Please send me a photo of your airplane (and you) which I will include on our Chapter 878 website. This includes aircraft projects too! Send to: pilotelaine@aol.com or call 952-913-2356 with any questions.

Requesting Chapter Member Aircraft and Project Info

By Chris Glaeser

Chris Glaeser (as our chapter Flight Advisor) is still looking to get information from all chapter members. about aircraft owned, or projects working on, His focus is to have a list so that if he gets a call from someone asking if he knows anything about RV aircraft or float planes, etc., he has a source of reference.

If you haven't yet responded to Chris, please contact him with your info (a photo may also be nice) with complete data on your airplane, including engine and prop. His contact info is: 952-239-4081, or chris.glaeser@gmail.com.

WINGS - Pilot Proficiency Program

The objective of the WINGS Program is to address the primary accident causal factors that continue to plague the general aviation community. By focusing on this objective, we hope to reduce the number of accidents we see each year for the same causes. As you will see, it is not a simple "Award" program but is instead a true proficiency program, designed to help improve our skills and knowledge as pilots.

[Read more >](#)

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EAA AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2023

by Wayne Flury

Were you there? It's never too late (nor too early!) to talk about your latest (or next) "Oshkosh" experience.

Some numbers, as provided by EAA:

- attendance approximately 677,000, up from the previous record of 650,000 last year
- more than 10,000 aircraft arrived at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh and other airports in east-central Wisconsin. At Wittman alone, there were 21,883 aircraft operations in the 11-day period from July 20-30, which is an average of approximately 148 takeoffs/landings per hour when the airport is open
- 3,365 showplanes, including a record 1,497 registered in vintage aircraft parking, plus 1,067 homebuilt aircraft, 380 warbirds, 194 ultralights, 134 seaplanes and amphibians, 52 aerobatic aircraft, and 41 rotorcraft
- an estimated 40,000 visitors camped at more than 13,000 aircraft and drive-in camp sites
- more than 5,500 volunteers contributing in excess of 250,000 hours
- 848 Commercial exhibitors (another record number)
- more than 1,400 Forums, Workshops, and Presentation sessions hosted throughout the week
- more than 18.3 million people reached by EAA's social media channels during AirVenture (up 78 percent over 2022), with engagement of 1.9 million; more than 189,000 hours of viewing EAA video clips online also occurred during the event (more than double the 2022 total)
- the International Visitors Tent had 2,372 attendees registering from a record-tying 93 countries outside the U.S. (EAA notes that a significant number of international visitors do not register at the tent when they arrive, making the actual total much higher)
- the EAA Aviation Foundation's annual "The Gathering" event, which supports its aviation education programs, attracted more than 1,000 people and raised more than \$2 million dollars that will be focused on EAA's mission of growing participation in aviation
- 863 media representatives on-site, from six continents
- \$170 million estimated economic impact for the five counties in the Oshkosh region (Winnebago, Outagamie, Fond du Lac, Calumet, and Brown)



2023 was also another memorable year for me, marking the 34th consecutive year of volunteering at the event (though at least 4 of those early years were only for 2 or 3 days each). I began volunteering at the Announcer's Stand in 1993, and each year since has seen an increase in my involvement, in the people I have gotten to know, and the new friends I have made.

As with anything else in our life, during that length of time there are bound to be lows as well as highs, disappointments as well as euphoric reinforcements, changes in operations, friends and co-workers who have departed, and humility learned as well as personal growth attained. I'm already looking forward to AirVenture Oshkosh 2024 to see where the next leg of this journey will lead.



Announcer's Stand crew, 2023

L to R: Luke Carrico, Rob Lowe, Cherie Rhodes, Steve Buss, Joann Nortley, Danny Clisham, Greg Thomes, Wayne Flury, Jim Zazas.

This traditional yearly group shot has changed A LOT over the years! In a photo from 1993, my first year on the Stand, only Danny Clisham and I are still in the group!

I've been fortunate to meet and work with some great people over the years. Hopefully more to come.

Greg Thomes and I shared duties as interviewers in the daily segments we call "Interview Circle." This feature has grown both in quantity and quality over the years.

In 2023 we had almost 70 15-minute segments spread over the late morning and early afternoon hours of Monday – Saturday. That's a lot of daily prep work to allow us to be ready to ask intelligent questions of our guests!

Our interview guests included various EAA Division leaders, EAA staff, NASA personnel (including test pilots and astronauts), various military aviation commanders, authors, directors of museums, youth in high-achievement activities, authors, directors of compassionate medical transport groups, and more!

Here I'm visiting with Jim Bourke, President of the International Aerobatic Club (IAC) and Britt Lincoln, a member of the US Advanced Aerobatic Team who will be competing in Las Vegas in late October of this year at the World Aerobatic Championships. She is also an up-and-coming air show pilot who has flown the Canby, Duluth and Paynesville air shows in Minnesota this summer.



In position at our "Interview Circle" table on the deck of the Announcer's Stand



Jack Pelton, Chairman of the Board of EAA, addressed the crowd at the Sunday morning "Memorial Wall" dedication ceremony.

If you have never visited the Memorial Wall, it's a beautiful and serene spot near the Fergus Chapel and Pioneer Airfield. Both of these are behind the EAA Headquarters.

This year 52 names were added to the Wall, including that of an Announcer's Stand member and a good friend.

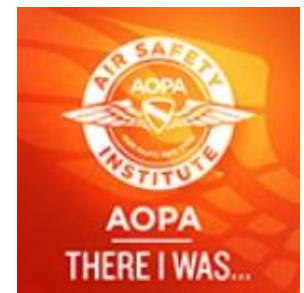
Blue skies, and rest in peace Laroux!

[\(for more AirVenture 2023 images, click here\)](#)



Aviation Podcasts

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Aviation Webinars

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Chapter 878 Aviation Upcoming Events

Oct	10	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	24	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
Nov	14	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	28	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
Dec	9	EAA Chapter 878 meeting holiday party, Huikko's, Buffalo
	26	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM

Note: this list will generally not include the many pancake breakfasts and other fly-ins or local aviation events because they are well publicized on other sites dedicated to that purpose. For other event information, see our [EAA Chapter 878 website](#), and websites such as [EAA](#), [AOPA](#), [Social Flight](#), [Fly-ins](#), and [FunPlacesToFly](#). Also see various Calendars of Events in magazines, and airport bulletin boards.



Editors Airspace

by Ray Svobodny

The EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter is published monthly, 1-week prior to monthly Chapter meetings.

Sharing your knowledge and other news with the Newsletter is both fun and easy but please follow our simple editorial guidelines. Your articles, videos, high resolution images, and The Funnies by Wayne are welcome and needed. Our Chapter Members are particularly interested in aviation-related topics.

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Add your name to the list above – how can you help and support your chapter?

Girls IN AVIATION DAY

A Women in Aviation, International® Event

The countdown to #GIAD2023 is on!

We hope to see you on Saturday, September 23rd at Eden Prairie, MN -

Flying Cloud Airport, at the Jetlinx Campus for the 9th annual GIAD event!

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