



# CHAPTER 907 SQUADRON NEWSLETTER

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**A Tax Exempt 501 (c)3 Non-Profit Organization**

**Next Meeting: January 9, 2020  
Meeting Time: 7:00PM**

**Mt. Pleasant Airport  
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858  
Guests Welcome!**

**DON'T FORGET TO WEAR  
YOUR NAME TAGS!**

**Thank you to everyone who  
came out to participate in the  
Christmas Parade.**

## View from the Backseat



Hello everyone,

Hope everyone had a happy Holiday Season.

The Christmas Parade went well. We had quite a few kids and some parents walk alongside the float and handed out the toy airplanes.

We had a good turnout for the Christmas party at Cheers. There were twenty one people that attended. We ordered off the menu so everyone could have what they wanted for dinner.

Now that the holidays are over, we will get back to the Saturday morning work sessions. With the weather being cold, we will work on the wing assembly in the meeting room. Butch will send out and e-mail for the dates.

Because of New Years, our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. Hope to see everyone there.

Thanks Randy  
Happy New Year

## EAA Chapter 907 Meeting Minutes

No meeting minutes this month as we worked on the float for the parade and had our Christmas party at Cheers.

### Treasurer's Report

The Chapter's Treasury balances as of November 30, 2019:

Opening balance 10/31/2019	\$ 6364.74
Deposits	\$ 688.72
Expenses	\$ 2515.91
Balance 11/30/2019	\$ 4537.55

Scholarship Fund \$1125.86

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## Chapter 907 Youth Workshop



Our emphasis last month was to prepare the fuselage for the Mt. Pleasant Lighted Christmas Parade. We were successful and in December, the youth group, with some member assistance, put the float together in our hangar for the parade on December 7.

Emma and Jen Hubble called to use the Snoopy Dog House and the Red Baron Tri-plane for the Coleman Christmas Parade. They repaired the Red Baron's plane and won the "Out of Towner's" award in that parade. Congratulations to Emma and Jen!!



## Miscellaneous News Items

### No Relief for Non-compliant ADS-B Transponder Equipment

So you have ADS-B installed in time for the mandate that took effect Jan. 1, 2020, requiring ADS-B Out in certain controlled airspace. But are you sure it's working properly?

The mandate requires aircraft owners to use equipment meeting the requirements of FAR Part 91.225 and 91.227 when flying in what the FAA is calling "rule airspace." The technical requirements that establish the performance requirements for ADS-B equipment were finalized by the FAA in 2011. In 2018, the FAA developed "Exemption 12555," which addresses performance requirements of some GPS receivers used to support ADS-B equipment. Unfortunately, for some aircraft owners, the performance of their GPS receivers falls below the requirement stated in the rule. The good news? The FAA is allowing continued use of this GPS equipment to meet the rule requirements when backup FAA surveillance is available, according to officials with the National Business Aviation Association. This exemption, which expires on Dec. 31, 2024, "is not a time extension for compliance with the ADS-B rule for aircraft, nor a general relaxation of the rule performance requirements," NBAA officials advise. "In other words, this exemption does not extend the compliance date for ADS-B transponder equipment meeting current standards," they explain. A small number of aircraft with pre-2011 ADS-B equipment – or "Version 1" – will need to use the FAA's ADS-B Deviation Authorization Preflight Tool (ADAPT) to seek permission on a flight-by-flight basis to operate in rule airspace. This resource is also available for aircraft owners who haven't had a chance to equip yet – or who don't plan to, but want to make a flight requiring the enter rule airspace.

Exemptions will be granted online at [FAA.gov/NextGen/EquipADSB/adapt](http://FAA.gov/NextGen/EquipADSB/adapt). That page also includes a video that walks you through how to fill out the ADAPT form.

## Birthdays in January



The following Chapter members are celebrating a birthday this month:

Ralph Granger    Becky Granger  
Joan Fleishman    George Bertodatto

*(Please let the Newsletter Editor know your birthday if you haven't done so yet or if it has changed!)*

## Calendar of Events

***Due to the large number of Dawn Patrols scheduled the newsletter will select those within reasonable distance from Mt. Pleasant. For a complete list see MDOT Web site Calendar at [www.michigan.gov/aero/](http://www.michigan.gov/aero/)***  
***Note: Please call ahead to confirm the scheduled event is taking place as published.***

**January 9, 2020. Chapter 907 Monthly Meeting, 7:00PM, Note there will not be a dinner prior to the meeting.** The Chapter will provide snacks after the main meeting. Call Randy MacDonald for more details at 989 644-5540.

## What was It?



NASA's X-57 'Maxwell' is the agency's first all-electric experimental aircraft, or X-plane, and is NASA's first crewed X-plane in two decades. The primary goal of the X-57 project is to share the aircraft's electric-propulsion-focused design and airworthiness process with regulators, which will advance certification approaches for distributed electric propulsion in emerging electric aircraft markets.

The X-57 will undergo as many as three configurations as an electric aircraft, with the final configuration to feature 14 electric motors and propellers (12 high-lift motors along the leading edge of the wing and two large wingtip cruise motors).

## What Is It?



It's not a Comanche

## COOKBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE

We have the Chapter's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cook Books. The suggested price is \$10 but we are selling them for introductory price of \$8. We will have them at our next meeting for your viewing and purchase. This book contains 200 of your favorite recipes that we have all enjoyed over the years at our different events. They would make a great present for birthdays, or any other special day.

## CHAPTER CLOTHING WITH EMBROIDERED LOGO

Chapter Logo shirts, hats, etc. are available directly from In-Stiches or you can order them from Maggie at our meetings

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