

# I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



## NEWSLETTER

**October 2022**

<https://chapters.eaa.org/iac88>

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### **President's Column**

With the assistance of Chapter 88 judges, who administered the two last remaining regional judges tests, Tim Stackhouse, IAC Chapter 3 - Upper Canada, became the latest member to be certified as a Regional Judge. Congratulations Tim! I would like to encourage other members to follow Tim's exemplary commitment and effort to alleviate the shortage of judges within the Mid-America region.

Please come and join us at the monthly chapter meeting on Oct. 15 at Romeo airport. Main objective of the meeting is finalizing the bid for the hosting of the IAC Open Championship East. It is also the last practice day of the season at Romeo airport and provides another opportunity to be critiqued prior to competing at the Ohio Frolic contest Thursday - Saturday, October 20-22, 2022.

Sandy

### **Chapter Meeting/Practice Day - September 19 at Romeo State Airport**

Attendees: Laura Buescher, Dave Germann, Sandy Langworthy, Jim Russ, Gunter Niederbacher, Hugo Ritzenthaler and guest of Jim Russ.

Meeting Called to Order at 10:15 by President, Sandy Langworthy

Members present agreed to focus on the drafting of the bid presentation for the 2023 IAC East Open Championship.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:30 pm.

### **Canadian National East Competition**

Chapter 3 - IAC Upper Canada hosted the Aerobatic Canada - Canadian National East Competition on September 17-18 at Midland, Ontario. Despite marginal weather, the chapter had a good turn-out with 14 competitors competing in 3 categories and getting to fly the Known, Free and Unknown sequences.

## Other Issues

### New Regional Judge

At the August chapter meeting, Tim Stackhouse, Judge Candidate, successfully completed the practice grading under the supervision of National Judges Sandy Langworthy and Wayne Buescher. In order to be certified, Tim needed to submit to the Practical Exam. This final test was administered on September 25 at St. Claire airport, where Tim met with Dan Unger and Hugo Ritzenthaler. Tim passed and subsequently was added to the approved judges list by the IAC Judges Chair. Chapter 88 would like to thank Tim for his efforts and congratulate him on his achievement of having become the latest Regional Judge.

### 2023 Michigan Aerobatic Open

As we have previously informed, Chapter 88 intends to host the IAC Open Championship East. At the September meeting, most of the time was spent to formulate the bid that needs to be forwarded to IAC prior to the fall board meeting. A copy of the first draft was sent to the Michigan members for their review. Comments and suggestions are welcome. Our intent is to make a final edit of the bid when we meet on October 15 for the monthly chapter meeting at Romeo airport. Target date for the submission to the IAC Board is Oct. 17. IAC will select the host of the Open Champion East during the board meeting Nov. 11-12, 2022.

## Main Events in 2022

Next Chapter 88 monthly meeting **October 15** – Chapter meeting followed by practice and patch flying, practice judging at Romeo State Airport (D98) starting at 10 am.

Chapter 88 practice days will be managed in accordance to IAC guidelines. These can be found on the IAC website: <https://www.iac.org/chapter-resources>

Every pilot participant must obtain a pilot briefing and undergo a **document check** prior to flying in the designated waived airspace.

Bring a copy of your sequence for a judge to critique you. For anyone flying for patches, we have copies of the patch forms.

EAA insurance policy has been received for all 2022 practice days (including rain days)

Starting with the November chapter meeting, we are returning to Pontiac A/P for winter months meetings. The November meeting is scheduled for **Nov 19 at Premier Jet Services**.

## Other Mid-America Region Competitions

### October 20-22 - Ohio Fall Frolic

- Bellefontaine, OH
- Hotel information: Comfort Inn - \$95/night | Call 937-599-5555 and let them know you're with IAC 34 to get the rate.

## 50<sup>th</sup> Chapter 88 Anniversary - 2023

We are looking for volunteers to join a festivity committee, a Master of Ceremony and lots of input from current and former members to reflect upon the history of the Southeastern Michigan IAC Chapter 88.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer with the composing of the chapter history booklet and/or providing input (stories, pictures, etc.) please reach out to Hugo. A draft of the booklet has been started.

We also look for suggestions for an anniversary logo that can be used for contest shirts and printed matter. A first cut of the logo was presented by Hugo.



## Chapter 88 Contacts

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| President                | Sandy Langworthy                    |
| Vice President           | Hugo Ritzenthaler                   |
| Secretary                | Laura Buescher                      |
| Treasurer                | Dave Germann                        |
| Web Master               | Hugo Ritzenthaler & Brian Roodvoets |
| Newsletter Editor        | Hugo Ritzenthaler (Acting)          |
| Judges School Instructor | Wayne Buescher                      |

Hugo Ritzenthaler - Acting Newsletter Editor

## Miscellaneous

### AEROBATIC INSTRUCTIONS

The Great Lake is available again. Location Ann Arbor Airport (AAR)



Contact Jason Ledbetter, email [bubbleburger@gmail.com](mailto:bubbleburger@gmail.com), for info regarding a basic aerobatic training program consisting of 4 hrs of instructions. Need 5-6 students to sign up to make the program viable.



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## Membership Application

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| Name            |            | Spouse       |              |
| Address         |            | Home Phone   |              |
| City            |            | Mobile Phone |              |
| State           |            | Email        |              |
| EAA #           |            | Exp. Date    |              |
| IAC #           |            | Exp. Date    |              |
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| Aircraft Status | Make/Model | Tail Number  | Own/Building |
| A/C #1          |            |              |              |
| A/C #2          |            |              |              |
| A/C #3          |            |              |              |

Annual Membership Dues are \$20.00 per voting member  
 Membership year starts January 1st  
 Make Check Payable to: **IAC Chapter 88**

Please fill out this form and mail with membership dues to  
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