

# I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



## NEWSLETTER

July 2020

>>> **NEW CHAPTER 88 WEBSITE** <<<

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

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### President's Column

After Covid-19 restrictions have been slowly eased, we are seeing the first competitions being flown. As such I would like to remind the competition pilots of getting prepared for the competition season. Many of you acro pilots may not had the opportunity to start practicing during the past months and have not been exposed to any appreciable “g” forces as of this date. A word of caution, know your g-tolerance when starting the practice flights.

Sandy

### Chapter Business

#### 2020 Michigan Open Aerobatic Championship – **NEW DATES**

- Sept 10 Box set up
- Sept 11 Registration and Practice
- Sept 12 Competition Day and Banquet
- Sept 13 Competition Day and Clean-up

IAC Contest Calendar, Chapter 88 Website and Chapter 88 Face Book have been updated to reflect these new contest dates. Dan Unger also communicated the new dates on the IAC Exploder.

B.C. Event Permit, FAA waiver, Hotel group reservation (additional discount received) and EAA insurance have been updated.

### Chapter 88 Practice / Patch Days

The chapter has obtained a 3 year, long term aerobatic practice area (LT-APA) Certificate of Waiver for Romeo State Airport – D98. Plans are to hold a monthly Practice Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month from 10:00 to 16:00:

**First chapter practice day** took place on June 20 at D98. It was a small turn-out with 3 competitors attending: Jason Ledbetter flying the Bücker Jungmann, Wayne Buescher flying the Staudacher S600F and Hugo flying the Staudacher Pitts S-1-E.

Activating and deactivating the NOTAM was simple. Selfridge Approach, Midwest Parachute Center and D98 Flight School were given a heads-up. A pilot briefing including a document check proceeded the flying.



Jason came dressed sporting his airplane matching outfit – even made himself a checkered COVID mask

Jason flew for the Intermediate SMOOTH Patch and passed the judging requirements. Congratulations, Jason, on your achievement!

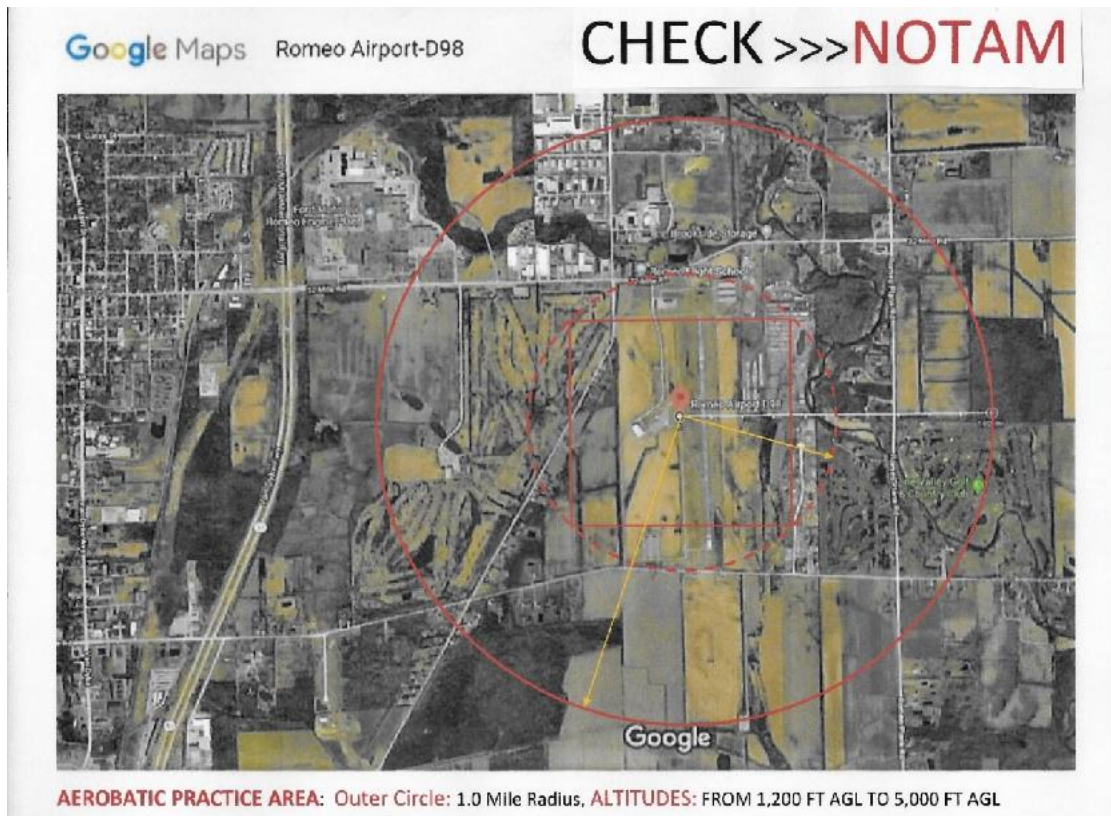
Jason, Wayne and Hugo flew the 2020 Knowns (Sportsman, Intermediate and Advanced Knowns, respectively).

### **Future practice days:**

July 18 (EAA insurance has been applied for and received)

August 15

Other dates to be announced



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>

EAA insurance will be applied for each of the practice days. Insurance covers also rain dates, typically the following weekend.

Every pilot participant must obtain a pilot briefing and undergo a **tech inspection and document check**, identical to that when attending an IAC sanctioned contest, 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.

Looking forward to see lots of acro pilots taking advantage of an opportunity to sharpen their skills after a few months of downtime due to Coronavirus.

### **Yooper Looper Contest – Marquette, MI, July 25-26**

The first Yooper Looper contest at Sawyer is just three weeks away. Per a message received from Roger Bentlage on June 28, this contest is still scheduled as planned, see IAC website at <https://www.iac.org/contests> “Yooper Looper” for details. There is a picture link for box lay-out, etc. Designated contest hotel is the Ramada Inn in Marquette. According to Roger, there should be enough locals for transportation to/from the hotel, there may also be a rental van if needed. 13 competitors have so far registered. Roger needs lots of help (still looking for a Chief Judge, Starter and Scorekeeper) and appreciates anyone making the trip to Marquette.

## 2020 Calendar

### July 18: Practice Day and monthly Chapter meeting

July 25-26: Michigan Yooper Looper Contest, Marquette

August 20-23: Upper Canada, (still to be confirmed)

Sept 12-13: Michigan Aerobatic Open, Bay City

September 20 – 25: US Nationals, Salina, KS

October 16-17: Ohio Aerobatic Open, Bellefontaine

## New EAA/IAC Chapter 88 Website

Please navigate through our new website at <https://chapters.eaa.org/IAC88>

We are looking for photos for the “Chapter Member” and for the “What Members are Flying” page. Please forward your best shot to Hugo.

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