

I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



NEWSLETTER



September 2022

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

President's Column

It is unfortunate that the 2022 Yooper Looper had to be canceled. Roger Bentlage, IAC Chapter 134 President & CD, informed mid August that due to low competitor sign-up, the Yooper Looper contest at Sawyer International A/P, scheduled for August 26-28, had to be canceled. Many of our chapter members looked forward to return to Sawyer in support of Chapter 134. All of us who attended the 2021 Yooper Looper contest enjoyed the hospitality of Chapter 134, of the FBO and the community. The contest was well organized and the support of the tower staff was exceptional. Chapter 88 will be continuing supporting the Yooper Looper contest in 2023.

Sandy

Chapter Meeting/Practice Day - August 20 at Romeo State Airport

Laura Buescher, Secretary Chapter 88, summarized the discussion in her meeting minutes:

IAC Chapter 88 Meeting

Saturday, August 20, 2022

10:00 AM

Romeo State Airport – D98

Attendees: Laura Buescher, Wayne Buescher, Dave Germann, Sandy Langworthy, Hugo Ritzenthaler, Tim Stackhouse (guest from Chapter 3 Ontario).

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

Announcement by Hugo Ritzenthaler to condense meeting time and focus on fulfillment of Practice Flying/Judging requirements with Tim Stackhouse.

Agenda approved.

Bank account records transferred from Hugo to Dave Germann

Laura supplied Dave with Contest Fund Deposit Receipts

(Meeting Minutes cont.)

Review of Contest Finances, Hugo, Assistant Contest Director, presented a detailed spread sheet. The 2022 Michigan Aerobatic Open broke-even financially. There are few outstanding items both income and receipts.

Review of Contest Activities, Thanks to all IAC 88 Contest Committee Members. Thanks to Valley Aero Club Members. Thanks to all IAC Members who traveled cross country to assist. Thanks to all Participating Pilots. Review comments are positive. Safety procedures were effective. Food was excellent, KUDOS once again to Mary Unger. Noted need for more Judges in the future.

Discuss 2023 contest. Explore Status as Eastern Open Championship site to coordinate with Chapter 88, 50th Anniversary.

Review Midwest Contest Calendar

Update qualifications for Lifetime Achievement Awards

Reviewed Chapter Calendar, September Meeting, 3rd Saturday at Romeo

October Meeting, 3rd Saturday at Romeo.

Tabled remaining agenda, Chapter website and Other issues, to begin practice flying/ critiquing while weather permitted.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:20

Moved to Ramp to assist Tim Stackhouse meet Judging Requirements.

Tim Stackhouse, Judge Candidate, joint the August chapter meeting/practice day to fulfill one of the requirements to become certified as a regional judge.

Hugo flew 3 sequences of the 2022 Sportsman Known for Tim to judge the flights under the supervision of National Judges Sandy Langworthy and Wayne Buescher. Tim successfully completed the practice grading of the 3 flights. Congratulation Tim!

As we are having a serious shortage of judges, it is good to know that soon we will have a new certified judge in the MidAmerica Region.

Other Issues

2023 Michigan Aerobatic Open

In 2023 Chapter 88 will celebrate its 50th anniversary of incorporation as an IAC Chapter. During the August chapter meeting, members present brainstormed on how to increase participation of competitors, judges and volunteers at next year's contest. Laura Buescher reminded the group that hosting the IAC Open Championship East may be a great opportunity to accomplish just that. In order to be considered for hosting the Championship East, the chapter needs to submit a proposal no later than two weeks before the IAC Fall Board Meeting to IAC.

If we are serious about bidding on the Championship East, a bid package needs to be prepared without further delay. Time at next chapter meeting on Sep 17 needs to be dedicated to this task. Anyone having any suggestions, please advise. Bay City Aero Club has already been requested to inquire about the availability of extra hangar space in addition to that in the Dora Hangar.

Aerobatic Practice Area Waiver

Hugo has initiated the renewal of the Certificate of Waiver for the practice box at Romeo State Airport. FSDO acknowledged receipt of request for renewal. Currently awaiting assignment of an inspector who will process the new CoW. Current 3 year CoW expires 2-28-2023.

Main Events in 2022

Next Chapter 88 monthly meeting **September 17** – 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.

Other Mid-America Region Competitions

September 15-18 – Eastern National Aerobatics Contest

- Midland Airport, Ontario (CYEE)
- Hotel information: Call (705) 526-2090 and tell them that you are with Aerobatic Canada to get the special rate of \$90 to \$120, pending on type of room

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.

50th 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

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, 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.

FOR SALE:

Almost new, very low time Christen Eagle spring aluminum landing gear. Asking 800.00.



Contact: Matt Haigh (haighaviation@yahoo.com)



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Membership Application

Name		Spouse	
Address		Home Phone	
City		Mobile Phone	
State		Email	
EAA #		Exp. Date	
IAC #		Exp. Date	
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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