

I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



NEWSLETTER

March 2021

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

President's Column

With the days warming up, I am sure many of you pilots are getting ready for the first practice flights this year. As every year, a word of caution, start slowly and get used to the “g” forces as most of you acro pilots have taken time out from practicing during the winter months.

I hope many of you had an opportunity to attend the Judges School webinar this past weekend. Considering the restrictions in place due to the pandemic, it certainly was a very good alternative to an on-site school. DJ, Steve and Charlie did an excellent job teaching the class.

Just another reminder, it's time to renew your chapter membership. Please support Chapter 88 by making this nominal financial contribution of \$20, submit your check made out to IAC Chapter 88 (see attachment, Membership Application Form) and mail it to: David Germann, Treasurer, 32793 Greenwood Drive, Chesterfield, MI 48047.

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Main Events in 2021

Michigan Aerobatic Open

Chapter 88 decided to stay with the weekend after the Fourth of July holiday, which is July 9 – 11. To facilitate the registration process, we are asking competitors to pre-register before the deadline of July 4 by emailing the registration and tech inspection forms as well a copy of their Free sequence.

Thursday, July 8, is box set-up day, starting at 10 am. Anyone free to lend a hand putting out the Box markers is welcome to join us.

Any questions regarding the contest, please contact Contest Director Dan Unger (586-675-6030) or assistant Hugo (586-588-0145). We would like to fill all volunteer positions as soon as possible, please let Dan know of your preferred assignment.

Contest hotel booking information: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Bay City, 3959 Traxler Ct, Bay City, Mi 48706, Phone 989-667-3800. Room & Rate Information: King Standard \$104.99+ tax, Double Queen Standard \$109.99 + tax. To make a reservation, please use link:

<https://www.hiexpress.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=EX&localeCode=en&re...> (link is external)

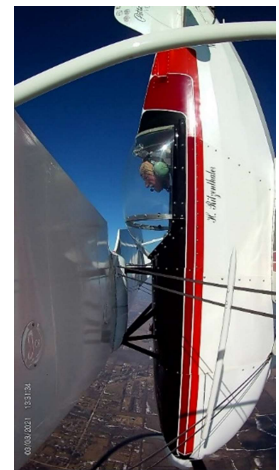
or call the front desk (989)-667-3800 and mention the **Michigan Aerobatic Competition Room block**.

Chapter Practice Days

Chapter 88 will continue in 2021 with a monthly practice day Romeo State A/P (D98). A schedule will be issued with the April NL.

Practice Days also provide an opportunity for anyone to fly for a SMOOTH Patch. Reviewing the IAC list of current active Chapter 88 members who have obtained an Achievement Award, there are many of you who could still add a few Smooth Patches to your collection (see chapter website <https://chapters.eaa.org/iac88> "Members Flying Awards").

It's time to be practicing. March 3 was my first warm-up session and checking out the new camera mount. -5/+6 g was enough for the first flight. The 2021 Unlimited Known was flyable in my Pitts, now it's up to the pilot to score well! Did anyone else have fun practicing yet?



Other Issues

Contest Insurance

The chapter is preparing for a meeting with Bay City officials to review its special event hazard category classification.

In parallel, the chapter is working with IAC corporate to review the current contest insurance options.

Chapter 88 Documents

Date for chapter trailer inventory taking yet to be determined. Looking at late March.

Chapter Bank Account Transfer

The Chapter is still working on getting the signature authority for the bank account transferred.

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 Southeast Michigan IAC Chapter 88.

2021 Calendar

March 20 – Monthly chapter meeting at Hangar #3 – PTK (please bring your mask)

April 17 – Chapter Practice/Patch Day (pending weather conditions)

May 15 – Chapter Practice/Patch Day

July 9-11– Michigan Aerobatic Open Championship, Bay City (3CM)

August 20-22 –Giles Henderson Memorial Challenge, Salem (SLO)

September 4-5 – Yooper Looper Contest, Marquette (SAW)

September 9-12 – Ohio Aerobatic Open, Bellefontaine (EDJ)

September 19-24 – US National Aerobatic Championship, Salina, KS

New EAA/IAC Chapter 88 Website

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

All Newsletters are archived on the Chapter website.

We are looking for photos for the “Chapter Member”, the “**What Members are Flying**” and input for the “**Flying Awards**” page. We are also asking for general input like tech reports, personal profiles, etc that may interest the membership or promote IAC and Chapter 88. I am making progress filling in voids regarding our members’ flying achievements. Still need your help to complete this section of the Chapter website. Please forward your input to 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
Contest Director - 2021	Dan Unger
Volunteer Coordinator	Mary Unger
Registrar	Laura Buescher & Kim Fanelli

Hugo Ritzenthaler - Acting Newsletter Editor

Miscellaneous

AEROBATIC INSTRUCTIONS



Great Lakes that is used for the training

Contact Jason Ledbetter, phone 734-276-6581, email bubbleburger@gmail.com. Location Ann Arbor Airport (AAR)

FOR SALE:

Doug Dodge's Machaira is for sale. For specifics, please contact Doug Dodge: (989) 893-0801, ddodge@netscape.com



<https://www.dacyairshows.com/doug-dodge--machaira-.html>

FOR SALE:

Dave McKenzie's Swick T-Clip (1941 Taylorcraft BC12) This Swick was originally built by Jim Swick. It was used to attain the STC for the 180hp Lycoming IO360. Aluminum spars and ribs. Spring aluminum landing gear. 0 SMOH IO360, Bendix PS5 carb. Doug Dodge Super Pitts Cowling. Logs on both airframe and engine. Project is in climate controlled hangar at McKenzie's Landing in Howell, Michigan \$25,000 OBO. For inquiries, text Mike McKenzie (205) 612-3480 or email: mikemckenzieradio@yahoo.com



FOR SALE:

Dave McKenzie's Sorrell Hiperbipe project. Fuselage welded and sitting on heat-treated spring steel gear. O SMOH 212 hp IO360 and Hartsell constant speed prop. Project is in climate controlled hangar at McKenzie's Landing in Howell, Michigan
\$14,000 OBO. For inquiries, text Mike McKenzie (205) 612-3480 or email: mikemckenzieradio@yahoo.com



FOR SALE:

Two safety parachutes
1 Security 250 approx 35 yrs old
1 Security 150 approx 30 yrs old Make offer.



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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
 Chapter 88 Treasurer:
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