

I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



NEWSLETTER



February 2023

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

President's Column

Based on the feedback received from members, Chapter 88 has decided to host a 2-day Judges School April 22 - 23, 2023. Please take advantage of this on-site training and preregister today. For more details, please check below.

Preparations for the 2023 IAC Open Championship East contest are progressing well. Chapter officers decided to cancel the February meeting and hold a meeting with the Bay City Valley Aero Club at James Clements A/P - 3CM on March 18 for a joint review of the preparations for the July contest.

Looking forward to meeting you at James Clements airport for the March meeting.

Sandy

January Chapter Meeting Notes

Members present: Sandy Langworthy (via phone), Wayne Büscher, Dave Germann, Don Maidens, Tim Stackhouse, Anthony Allen, Hugo Ritzenthaler, Todd Thoma (guest), excused Laura Buescher.

We are welcoming new member Anthony Allen. Anthony is looking for a Pitts and appreciates any assistance with his acquisition. Anyone who knows one for sale, please contact Antony (ajallen360@gmail.com).

Main discussions focused on the preparation for the annual aerobatic championship:

- ◆ Special Event Permit Application has been filed with the City of Bay City
- ◆ Sponsorship Drive in progress, first sponsorship has been booked
- ◆ 3 new judges tents have been ordered and received
- ◆ Trophies have been ordered
- ◆ Special contest shirts: decided on logo design, need to decide on quantity by shirt size
- ◆ Box location and judges line marking plates (12"x12") will be placed as soon as weather permits

Main Events in 2023

On-site (2-Day) Judges School is a Go - April 22 -23

Members and regional chapters have been contacted recently to find out whether there is sufficient interest for the chapter to host the **ON-SITE** judges school - see bulletin at then end of the newsletter.. Please use the registration form attached to the mailing and return it to Hugo, J.S. coordinator.

International Aerobatic Day Celebration June 24, 2023

Chapter 88 will celebrate International Aerobatics Day by hosting a practice/critiquing day at Romeo State A/P (D98). We are looking for many different aerobatic and non-aerobatic aircraft as well as anyone interested in aerobatic flying to join the celebration, please reserve the day.

We are looking for volunteers to assist with the preparations to make this event an enjoyable experience for anyone attending (please contact Hugo: hritzenthaler@att.net)

IAC Open Championship East

July 8-9, 2023

A 5 category contest taking place at James Clements A/P in Bay City.

As with any event, volunteers are crucial for success. We encourage volunteers to sign up for a role at the contest. Please contact Dan Unger (unger1949@gmail.com), CD or Hugo Ritzenthaler Assistant CD (hritzenthaler@att.net) to sign up as a volunteer for one of the many tasks.

On-line registration on the IAC website is open.

Chapter 88 Happenings

New IAC Award

Last year IAC introduced the **Aerobatic Lifetime Dedication Achievement Award** to recognize pilots who attended and competed at defined levels of IAC sanctioned contests in their aerobatic career. Those lifetime achievement levels are:

Bronze	50 Contests
Silver	70 Contests
Gold	90 Contests
Platinum	110 Contests
Platinum - Elite	130 Contests
Platinum-Double Elite	150 Contests



Chapter member Hugo Ritzenthaler received his Gold Level award for attending and competing in 100 sanctioned contests.

We encourage members to submit an application to receive credit for their level achieved (see IAC P&P Section 201 for details).

Event Calendar

Save the Day

- ◆ Monthly Chapter meetings - **3rd Saturday** each month
 - > Nov - Apr at Premier Jet Services - PTK
 - > May - Oct at Romeo State Airport D98
- ◆ Chapter 88 On-Site Judges School - **April 22-23**
- ◆ International Aerobatics Day Celebration, Romeo A/P D98 - **June 24**
- ◆ IAC Open Championship East, Bay City - **July 7- 9**
- ◆ Yooper Looper Contest, Marquette - **August 11-13**
- ◆ Ohio Fall Frolic, Bellefontaine - **Sep 8-9**

2023 Chapter Membership Dues

A brief reminder, it is time to renew your membership, please submit the form at the last page of the NL with dues payment or bring form and payment to the next chapter meeting. The chapter will have some extra expenses associated with the anniversary celebration, so your \$20 membership fee will help to off-set those costs (see attachment, Membership Application Form) and mail it to: David Germann, Treasurer, 32793 Greenwood Drive, Chesterfield, MI 48047.

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	Dan Unger

Hugo Ritzenthaler - Acting Newsletter Editor

Introduction to Aerobatic Judging

April 22 & 23, 2023

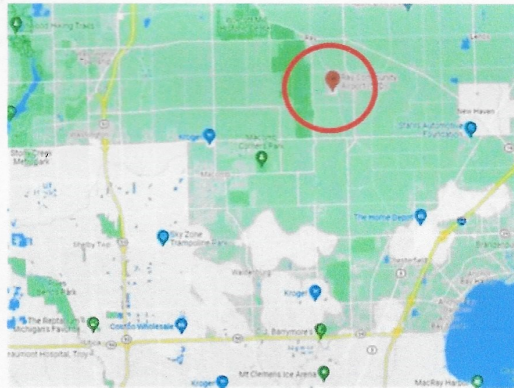


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Location

Ray Community Airport (57D)
EAA Hangar Conference Room
59819 Indian Trail, Ray, MI 48096



Instructor

Wayne Buescher
Certified IAC J.S. Instructor

Class Time Schedule

Registration Saturday & Sunday 7:30 – 8:30 am
Session: Saturday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, Sunday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm



For more details & RSVP contact
Hugo Ritzenthaler, IAC Chapter 88
Cell 586-588-0145, hritzenthaler@att.net

Judges School Particulars

Who should attend this Course:

- Anyone who is interested in becoming a judge
- Anyone who would like to learn to critique
- Competition pilots who want to know what the judges are looking for
- Current IAC judges who need to satisfy a recurrency requirement

There are some online videos, which you may want to view before coming to class: <https://www.iac.org/legacy/judges-schools-course-descriptions>

Fees:

Day 1&2 – Introduction to Aerobatic Judging \$80.00
Day 2 – Recurrency refresher for IAC Judges \$60.00

Lunch provided by Chapter 88

2023 IAC Rule Book (available in Feb/Mar - free to IAC members on-line at <https://www.iac.org/download-contest-rules> in the Members Section)

Aresti Catalog are available for purchase on-line (<http://www.arestisystem.com>)

Since the Rule Book on the IAC Website is free for IAC Members, you should download it and bring it with you to class. If you don't want to print the Rule Book yourself, you may purchase one copy for \$25 by contacting IAC Chapter 88 Hugo Ritzenthaler at least one week prior to the judges school.

Coffee / water / pop will be provided throughout the day.

Lunch will be ordered in

A Group Dinner on Saturday night will take place at a local restaurant, everyone pays for own food/drinks

IAC Chapter 88 will provide local transportation to / from hotels if needed

Register

Please pre-register by filling out the Pre-registration Form. Please email it to:

Hugo Ritzenthaler, Judges School Coordinator

hritzenthaler@att.net

Hotel Information

For anyone arriving out of town and in need of a hotel room, there are a number of them about 20 minutes from the Ray airport. I recommend that you call the hotels directly to obtain the best rate.

There are three hotels located very close to the intersection of M-59 and Van Dyke Fwy (M-53).

Note: Judges School Registration Form attached to email



IAC CHAPTER 88 S.E. MICHIGAN



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:
 Dave Germann
 32793 Greenwood Drive
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