

I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



NEWSLETTER



April 2023

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

President's Column

IAC Chapter 88 was saddened to learn of the passing of Mary Kay MacDonald, wife of long time chapter member, Don MacDonald, on March 22, 2023. Mary Kay was a dedicated supporter of the chapter and an active contest volunteer during the early years of Chapter 88's existence. Our sympathy goes out to Don and his family.

We are just two weeks away from the weekend that Chapter 88 is hosting a two-day Judges School. If you haven't signed up yet, please fill out the J.S. Registration form and mail it to Hugo - see posting at the end of the newsletter. Attending the class will provide you plenty of opportunities to interact with the instructor and fellow students. I am looking forward to meeting you at Ray A/P on April 22.

Sandy

March Chapter Meeting Key-Notes

The March meeting took place at James Clements A/P in Bay City.

Members present: Laura and Wayne Buescher, Dave Germann, Anthony Allen, Todd Thoma, Hugo Ritzenthaler, Gunter Niederbacher, Sandy Langworthy and Dan Unger, both via phone.

Valley Aero Club present: Chuck Binder, Charlie Smith

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

- ◆ **Special Event Permit:** A draft received from the city stated in section "other Conditions/Requirements" that no overnight camping on airport property is permitted. This condition has been added by the City as a new item this year. Chuck Binder, President of VAC, took on the assignment to consult with City Officials about allowing a minimum number of campers (without the need to apply for a permit) on the airport property during the contest days. Due to Chuck's time and efforts, the airport camping issue with the City has been successfully resolved. On April 3, the City issued a revised permit allowing a maximum of 4 campers overnight at the airport property. Thank you, Chuck.

Meeting Key-Notes, cont.

- ◆ There are some 632 trash bins stored in the Dora hangar. Chuck Binder checked with City Officials and was told that they will be moved to the city maintenance building.
- ◆ Sponsorship Drive in progress, most of the traditional sponsors have so far signed up.
- ◆ Contest shirts have been received, everyone present at the meeting loved the color combination of the shirt and special anniversary logo.
- ◆ A group rate at the Holiday Inn has been secured, since the Hampton Inn was \$20 above the Holiday Inn rate, another hotel needs to be contacted. Gunter suggested the Quality Inn.
- ◆ Box location and judges line marking plates (12"x12") placement and corner panel refurbishment will be scheduled for a weekend. We need to inform Chuck of the date.

Main Events in 2023

Monthly Chapter Meeting - April 23

A brief chapter meeting will be held on Sunday at the conclusion of the JudgesSchool.

On-site (2-Day) Judges School - 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.

Hotel information - Group rates have been obtained at the Holiday Inn Express and Quality Inn & Suites - see postings on IAC Contest Calendar web page and IAC 88 Website.

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 - **August 25-26**
- ◆ Giles Henderson Memorial Challenge, Salem - **September 9-10**

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

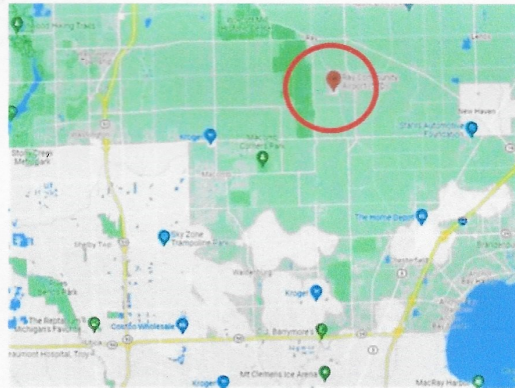


**Sponsored by IAC Chapter 88
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Location

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
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