



## NEWSLETTER

September 2021

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

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### President's Column

Chapter 88 had a busy four weeks, many of its members travelling by air or car to a number IAC competitions within the Midwest. In light of these activities, the board decided to forego the September Chapter meeting/practice day. We will meet again October 16 at Romeo State Airport for the Chapter meeting and the final Practice Day this season.

Sandy

### Recent Competition Activities

#### Giles Henderson Memorial Challenge

End of August Mary and Dan Unger and Hugo Ritzenthaler represented Chapter 88 at the Giles Henderson Memorial Challenge at Salem-Leckrone Airport. Dan and Hugo were judging, Hugo also competed in the Unlimited category. Weather did not cooperate on Saturday as low ceilings delayed the starting time to late afternoon. The Knowns of the Advanced and Unlimited were flown before it was time to head to the banquet at the Elks. Sunday morning wasn't any better, the Knowns for Sportsman and Intermediate could not be flown until early afternoon. At least everyone got to fly one flight.



This is what the sky looked like most of the weekend



Water everywhere

Being greeted by Brian Haden

Pictures, courtesy of Aero Experience (for more pictures go to <http://aeroexperience.blogspot.com/>)

### Yooper Looper

Labor Day Weekend, Chapter 88 was well represented at the Yooper Looper's (IAC Chapter 134) very first competition at Sawyer International Airport. The following Chapter 88 members attended and volunteered in different functions: Sandy Langworthy, Laura and Wayne Buescher, Kim and Jeff Fanelli, Roch Morin, Ed Decker and Hugo Ritzenthaler. Hugo also competed in the Unlimited category and flew for a Patch in the Primary category to enable Julia Harrington, Chapter 1, receive credit for her flight in that category. Weather again did not cooperate as Saturday low ceilings prevailed until early evening. Sunday morning started out with a clear sky and a stiff westerly wind. The Unlimited and Advanced Knowns categories were flown before all contest flying was halted due to low clouds moving in and cross wind component of up to 25 kts. Later in the morning the cloud base improved and the Intermediate category was flown. Early afternoon, finally the Primary and Sportsman categories completed all Known flights. By that time a rain shower past through the area and the Contest was called. An outstanding hospitality from the FBO and locals awaited the competitors and volunteers. Roger and Mary Bentlage and Chapter 134 members did an outstanding job organizing and managing this first Chapter 134 contest. Tower personnel were very helpful all through the contest and made sure that one did not get lost on this extensive spread of airport facility. I realized soon, landing on the "Numbers" was not a good idea, as it meant that one had to taxi some 6,000 to the contest HQ.



Roger Bentlage conducting the pilot briefing

Lorrie Penner, IAC S.A. Editor, presenting Chapter 134 with a Charter Plaque from IAC Corporate



Group pictures (4) taken by Brianna, SAW FBO Boreal Staff



All of us attending the Yooper Looper contest had a great time and look forward to another competition at Sawyer in 2022.

## Ohio Aerobatic Open

Four days after returning from the Upper Peninsula, many of the Chapter 88 members headed for Bellefontaine to support Chapter 34's competition, the first since a temporary pause of four years. The following Chapter 88 members attended and volunteered in different functions: Sandy Langworthy, Laura and Wayne Buescher, Mary and Dan Unger, Jason Ledbetter, Roger Bentlage and Hugo. Four of us, Dan & Jason (Sportsman), Wayne (Intermediate) and Hugo (Unlimited) competed at this contest. Jason placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Sportsman and Hugo placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Unlimited. Chief Judge duties were shared between Sandy and Wayne. Weather cooperated all three days (although competitors faced a good cross wind in the box and on landing) in order for everyone to fly three flights. Contest Director Bennett Petersen and Assistant CD Seth Bertram did an outstanding job organizing and managing this contest.



**For more pictures, go to:**

Chapter 34 Face Book: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=iac34%20ohio>

Hangar 145 Face Book: <https://www.facebook.com/hangar145/posts/4401999613225079>

## Other News

**Pitts Heaven at the Chapter 11, Warrenton, VA contest on August 28, 2021**



A total of 11 Pitts Special (out of 20 aircraft) competed at this contest. Biplanes are still well alive

**Hella Comat, member of IAC Chapter 3 Upper Canada being celebrated with a commemorative stamp**



Hella has been a frequent competitor at our Michigan Aerobatic Open.

[http://canadian99s.com/hella-comat/?mkt\\_tok=OTEwLVNFVS0wNzMAAAF-9HWfPrIQhwht0afyGlsQMhCVIzUAYiMYIfh6KqSlpO5J82jzeCkdPVzPb2VH\\_EWc8c8PthC\\_G6\\_36J\\_kCXauZQWUgBRoX\\_O42YXx54foiQ](http://canadian99s.com/hella-comat/?mkt_tok=OTEwLVNFVS0wNzMAAAF-9HWfPrIQhwht0afyGlsQMhCVIzUAYiMYIfh6KqSlpO5J82jzeCkdPVzPb2VH_EWc8c8PthC_G6_36J_kCXauZQWUgBRoX_O42YXx54foiQ)

Congratulations Hella!

## **Chapter 88 Member Status**

### **New Chapter 88 Members:**

Mario Accardo (Yak 52)

## **Main Events in 2021**

**September 18 – Chapter 88 meeting/Practice Day CANCELED**

**October 16 - Chapter 88 Practice Day** – Romeo State Airport D98, Chapter meeting 10 AM followed by practice flights. This will be the final practice day at Romeo for 2021.

November 20 – Chapter 88 monthly meeting - PTK Oakland Air conference room

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

## **Main Events in 2022**

### **Mar/April – Judges School**

- Details to follow

### **July 8 - 10 – Michigan Aerobatic Open Championship**

- Nominations for contest officials being accepted

## **50<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **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

## Miscellaneous

### FOR SALE:

Doug Dodge's Machaira is for sale.



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

For specifics, please reply to: [ddodge@netscape.com](mailto:ddodge@netscape.com) (still a valid address)

### 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. O 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](mailto: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](mailto: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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**FOR SALE:**

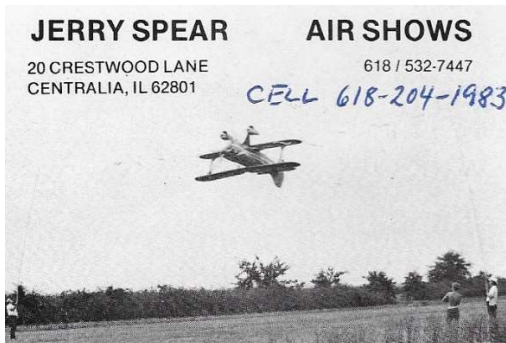
Almost new, very low time Christen Eagle spring aluminum landing gear.  
Asking 800.00.



Contact: Matt Haigh ([haighaviation@yahoo.com](mailto:haighaviation@yahoo.com))

**FOR SALE:**

Pitts S-1, complete and in good condition but needs to be re-assembled. Contact Jerry Spear,  
IAC Chapter 61, Centralia, IL, Cell 618-204-1983



Hugo Ritzenthaler - Acting Newsletter Editor





# 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  
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 Dave Germann  
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