

# I.A.C. Chapter 88 Southeastern Michigan



## NEWSLETTER

January 2023

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### President's Column

Happy New Year. Hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday season.

Chapter 88 will celebrate its 50th Anniversary this year. Special events will commence with a fly-in/practice day on June 24 at Romeo Airport to celebrate International Aerobatics Day. In July, Chapter 88 is hosting the IAC Open Championship East, another special event to commemorate the chapter's anniversary. Preparations for the competition, our chapter's 46th annual contest, are progressing well. Competition dates are July 8 & 9, On-site registration and practice is scheduled for July 6 & 7. IAC online registration is open, competitors and volunteers please sign up. Hotel information will be communicated shortly.

We will continue holding regularly scheduled (monthly) Practice/Patch days at Romeo State Airport - D98. The FAA waiver for the Aerobatic Practice area can also be activated any other time so long there is a ground observer monitoring traffic and communicating with the aircraft in the box, for details please contact Hugo.

January is the time when the membership dues are being collected. 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.

Let's have a safe 2023 flying season,

Sandy

### Next Chapter 88 monthly meeting **January 21**

**Starting:** 10 am.

**Location:** Pontiac A/P at Premier Jet Services (formerly Oakland Air) conference room (same address 6740 South Service Dr. Waterford, MI 48327)

**Main agenda items:** Judges School, Intern. Aerobatics Day, IAC Open Championship, review of 2023 Knowns



# Main Events in 2023

## Chapter 88 is celebrating its 50th Anniversary

We are looking for volunteers to join a festivity committee. Furthermore, we are looking for 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.



## On-site (2-Day) Judges School in the planning

Members and regional chapters have been contacted recently to find out whether there is sufficient interest in attending an **ON-SITE** judges school. To date, there has been quite a number responses in favor. We should be able to make a final decision before the end of January.

## 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](mailto:hritzenthaler@att.net))



Pic of 2022 International Aerobatic Day at Romeo A/P

## IAC Open Championship East

**July 8-9, 2023**

Our efforts to bid for the hosting of the IAC Open Championship East has been successful. IAC Board awarded this prestigious event to Chapter 88. It will be 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](mailto:unger1949@gmail.com)), CD or Hugo Ritzenthaler Assistant CD ([hritzenthaler@att.net](mailto: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 will be posted soon.



## **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
- ◆ On-Site Judges School - **tentative dates April 22-23 or April 29-30**
  - > Awaiting response from members interested to attend
- ◆ 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**

### **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.

Thank you.

#### **Chapter 88 Contacts**

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 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                           |

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Hugo Ritzenthaler - Acting Newsletter Editor



# IAC CHAPTER 88 S.E. MICHIGAN



## Membership Application

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|-----------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| 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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