

# EAA 908 HYLITES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR EAA CHAPTER 908  
SAINT LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA

## President's Corner



**Membership:** As of July we have 97 members paid.

If you have a friend or know of anyone interested in EAA or flying in general, invite them out to see our facility.

We have 5 new members (3 w/flying club), Jeremy Merki ,Anthony Gonzalez, Michelle Rudolf, & Dianne Kistler.

Jhoan Arango comes to us in his Cherokee 140.

Mark Your calendar;

**No BOD meeting**

**Aug 17, 2024 908 Safety meeting 9:30**

**Aug 17, 2024 908 GM meeting 10:00**

**Guest Speaker**

**Dr. John Kosiarski flying to OSK**



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**President's Corner** - (continued)**For gate malfunctions**

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Mon—Fri 8 am—5 pm.

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APP self serve fuel out of service during construction in that area. This may take several months. APP is giving us discounts with the fuel service truck. They will service fuel at EAA ramp. Check your fuel receipts to make sure your getting the proper fuel price.

**Retail \$ 6.40 / our price \$5.90 as of 6-12-24**



Our guest speaker for Saturdays meeting is Dr John Koziarski. John flew an Aircam to Oshkosh so his adventure will be told to us Saturday.

**President's Corner** - (continued)

## Chapter fly out to Sebring

We had 6 aircraft and 11 908ers for our fly out to Sebring.

Our original plan was to have breakfast at the 1240 EAA Chapter in Sebring. Upon landing we found out that the chapter stops the breakfast during the summer months.

So we (11 - 908ers) headed to the Runway restaurant where they accepted us with open arms.

Jerry G & Jim Pool

Tina G & Tiki Karnes

Mike & Matt Rolfes

John & John Jr Licardi

Mike K & Shalaamah

Mike W solo

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Many thanks to those that contributed. Anyone with stories, news, trips, aircraft projects, bios of members, etc. can share it with the world through *HYLITES*, as we archive the recent issues on the web. We have not copyrighted anything in the past, but may work up something in the future. Generally,

# Chapter fly out to Sebring Great WX , good food & fellowship





# Chapter 908 Young Eagles

EAA National has recognized our chapter by surpassing 2500 YE's as of April 2023. This is a milestone that national recognizes and has sent us a banner for this occasion. Below are some of our current members that have flown YE's.

Paul Berg 23

Robin Blanton 58

Richard Chapman 125

Paul Dekker 203

Ed Fry 25

Tina Gouin 50

Jerry Groendyke 318

John Licardi 27

Congratulations to all our YE pilots and also a great staff of volunteers that make our rallies successful.

## Jack Hartery Oshkosh 2024

I have been attending Oshkosh since 1983. Only missed five conventions during that time. This year was the best show yet. Over 686,000 attendees and over 11,00 aircraft movements ! Both records for the fly in. My favorite is the Vintage aircraft display. There are a couple of photos showing why. The radial engine airplanes are the best looking and sounding. The afternoon airshows are phenomenal and the two night shows are even better. Fireworks, aerobatic airplanes with pyrotechnics and 100 drones all flying at the same time ! Just amazing. The aircraft displays on the main ramp always feature superb planes. Military types dominate the display. This year most of Rutans designs were displayed there. Forums for anything you need. Welding, electrical, aircraft covering, engines, avionics, and more. Most every manufacturer has a display of their current aircraft. Diamond even has a DA-42 on a pole high above the crowd. All experimental and light sport are represented there. Because of their bankruptcy, Vans RV12-IS Special Light Sport had gone up in price from 169K last year to 213K this year. I have flown one and it is a good airplane. The Rotax 912IS is a strong running engine. I went through the Rotax repairman course and have the Rotax repair certificate. Need to go back and take it again. Lots of talk this year about the MOSAIC. Jack Pelton says his sources at FAA say the final rule will not be published until May 2025. Because this is changing from Part 23 to ASTM standards and is all new. ASTM will have to test and approve the new rules and that will take another 9 months. So the first quarter of 2026 may see the new rules enacted. Everyone was extremely enthusiastic about the new rules. Everything hinges on the clean stall speed ! At the current proposed 54 knots, most Cessna aircraft will be able to be flown by sport pilot rules.

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Oshkosh 2024

Jack Hartery

Needing an instructor sign off for the complex or high horsepower aircraft. My understanding is most Piper aircraft will not meet the new standards. EAA has countered this with a request for 58-61 knots 58 knots clean stall means up to 60 percent of the current fleet of aircraft would be able to be flown under sport pilot rules. If the 61 knot clean stall is published, up to 75% of the current fleet would be able to be flown under sport pilot. Apparently, Vans aircraft is making a push for 60 knots clean stall as that would cover most of their aircraft. I spoke with Atillo Cobabao, CEO Bede aircraft. His enthusiasm was contagious. He said we are so lucky to be living through the most extensive overhaul of FAA regulations. Manufacturers can't wait for next year. I can't





## Around the Patch (Mike Ketchpaw)

**Board of Directors Meetings:** The Chapter's BOD meets have been changed to the 3rd Saturday @8:00am at the clubhouse, unless otherwise noted. **Next BOD to be announced.**

**The use of the Chapter Hangar:** The procedure for scheduling use of the Chapter's hangar will be to call Mike Ketchpaw at (772) 770-9928 or 772-766-6957 in order to maintain coordinated use of the hangar. No other method is authorized.



**Rolls-Royce has completed a taxi test for what it hopes will be the world's fastest all-electric plane ahead of full flight tests in the spring.** The Spirit of Innovation aircraft will fly at around 300mph under an electrical powertrain and advanced battery system when it launches. Earlier this week, the aircraft powered along a runway propelled by its powerful 500hp powerplant.

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