



Columbus EAA Chapter 729

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Chapter 729 Members & Aviation Friends:

Finally... a bit of positive news about COVID 19 as the various numbers are starting to trend down. Fingers crossed it brings us all to a great spring for re-engaging in aviation and much more in our daily lives! As we watch this downward trend.... there **will not** be a February membership meeting.

To prepare for re-engaging, we are planning our first 2022 membership meeting on **Thursday, March 17 (St. Patrick's Day)** with a presentation on building a Zenith 750 aircraft. Dean Rainbolt of Greenwood Chapter 1354 will be providing his experience of building a Z-750 and interaction with his EAA Tech Advisor. With resurgence of interest in homebuilding, this is a timely opportunity to learn and interact with fellow EAA members, who are involved or contemplating homebuilding. Mark your calendar for this event and expect more information soon!

In April, we plan on visiting the IU Health Life-Line Helicopter operations that was cancelled in November. More on this in March.

As we build the membership meeting calendar for 2022... our focus is to bring more projects, skill sets and active operations that provide aviation enthusiast encouragement to participate. As previously asked, if you have information, a presentation or idea providing "food for thought", please let us know at eaachapter729@gmail.com.

In support of above effort in building a calendar, we are looking for members to get involved with a committee to lead, brainstorm

and coordinate membership interest and events. A good way for you to be more involved with "behind-the-scenes" efforts of building Chapter 729. Please think about becoming involved!

Related to home building - KBAK airport is growing with the addition of a private hangar on taxiway Golf. Kevin Bowling is finalizing commitments for building a hangar and has plans for building two homebuilt aircraft. One is already under construction and the order on the second aircraft has been committed. Congratulations and welcome to Columbus Municipal Airport Kevin Bowling!

EAA 729 is starting an effort to update and strengthen our membership information. One expectation by EAA headquarters is all members should be members of both the national organization and local chapters. If not already, please think of fulfilling this expectation as you renew your Chapter membership this year at <https://eaa729.org>. We will begin contacting all members of EAA 729 soon regarding the information updates. Thank you!

EAA 729 Ray Scholar Payton Gross continues to progress with her continued flight training. Now a Purdue University Aerospace student, Payton is flying with Purdue Aviation to complete her PPL, which is expected by June. Go Payton!

A shout out to KBAK operations crew for recent ice and snow removal.... well done!! February often is the most challenging month.... The airport operations crew worked long days and many inconvenient hours.

THANK YOU to all involved for your commitment and effort to keep Columbus Municipal Airport safe and operational!!

In closing, the Columbus aviation community is with heavy heart in the loss of Steve Ogle. Steve was a long-time participant in Columbus aviation with the building of hangars and operating helicopters. His enthusiasm, commitment and loving smile will be missed. EAA 729 condolences to Steve's family and friends.

Be safe,
Brad

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Aviation/Member News

Officers For 2022

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| President | Brad Stinebring |
| Vice President | Brad Moore |
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| Director II | Bob Butterfield |
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| Tech Counselor | Mike Foushee |

2022 Member Dues

EAA Chapter 729 dues for 2022 can be paid by going to:

www.EAA729.org

and click on the “**Pay Your Dues Now**” link. Dues for 2022 are still only \$20.00 per year.

Newsletter Input

The newsletter editor is always looking for input. If you have input please contact Mike by the second Friday of each month at:

michael.foushee@yahoo.com

Interesting Websites

<https://youtu.be/xTJYNq4GQAE>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-JjC3aY_wow

Request For Input From Members

The Board is seeking input from the chapter members and others regarding the following questions:

- ? What type of aircraft do you fly?
- ? What type of aircraft are you building?
- ? What type of chapter programs interest you?
- ? Would you be able to make a chapter presentation on an aviation topic?

We will be sending out a separate questionnaire regarding these topics to each of you; so think about what you would like us to do for programs and what you might be able to contribute.

EAA Chapter 729 Hangar Needs

As we expand the use of the chapter hangar, we have developed a list of items that would be useful in pursuing some of the chapter's projects. So, if you have any of the following items cluttering up your life, your garage, or your hangar please consider donating them to Chapter 729 (a 501c3 organization).

Swaging Tool Prop Balancer
Wheel Balancer Aircraft Scales
Flammable Material Storage Cabinet

Calendar of Events

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| Apr 5 - 10 | Sun & Fun Fly-IN Lakeland, FL (LAL) |
| June 18 | Flap Jack Fly-In Breakfast North Vernon, IN (OVO) |
| July 19 | Hagerstown Flying Circus Fly-In Hagerstown, IN (I61) |
| July 25 - 31 | EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, WI (OSH) |
| Aug 20 | Jerry Brown Fly-In & Cookout Kephart Field – Franklin, IN |
| Sept 3 | Fly-In / Cruise-In Marion, IN (MZZ) |
| Sept 19 - 25 | Triple Tree Fly-In Woodruff, SC |

Items For Sale or Needed

As long as space is available, I'll list items either wanted or for sale that are AVIATION related. If you will provide me with a brief description and contact information, I will include your items.

Dakota Hawk Aircraft



Fisher Dakota Hawk N60VK (Experimental)
Sport Pilot Eligible, 2-place, side by side
Folding wings, conventional gear, dual sticks
Hydraulic toe brakes – both sides
Lap and shoulder belts
Built in 2011, TTAFF - 203 HRS
Annual good through November, 2022
Fuel Cap.–27 gal (15 in wings, 10 in header)
Continental O-200 engine, 70 hrs. SMOH
4 New Millennium Cylinders, 1 new magneto
GRT EIS engine monitor, Tempest oil filter
Warp Drive 3 blade ground adjustable prop
Yaesu FTA 250L Radio & I Fly 740B GPS
Not ADS-B equipped
Hangared in North Vernon (OVO)
\$30,000

John Smith
812-372-4306 or 812-603-0206

Brantly Helicopter



1959 Brantly B2A N5950X TT: 897.5 hrs.
35 hours since chrome top overhaul
\$37,500

Contact: Karl Schilling 317-796-4997
kschilling@embarqmail.com

LS-1 Engine

Engine donated to Chapter 729
Asking \$1,000 obo
Contact: eaachapter729@gmail.com

Aircraft Winch



Hangar floor mount, GE 120v ac motor,
90ft steel winch cable, 75 ft control cable,
\$125
Dick Belush 812 343-4910

Aviation Humor

As a former engineer, I often receive collections of "Engineer Humor". As a former Kentuckian, I have similar collections on that topic but that is for another time. At the appropriate point in the following, add "Aeronautical" to the word "Engineer" – that will make it "Aviation Humor".

Understanding Engineers #1:

Two engineering students were biking across a university campus when one said, "Where did you get such a great bike?"

The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, "Take what you want."

The first engineer nodded approvingly and said, "Good choice: The clothes probably wouldn't have fit you anyway."

Understanding Engineers #2:

To the optimist, the glass is half-full.

To the pessimist, the glass is half-empty.

To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

Understanding Engineers #3:

A priest, a doctor, and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow

group of golfers.

The engineer fumed, "What's with those guys? We must have been waiting for fifteen minutes!"

The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such inept golf!"

The priest said, "Here comes the greens-keeper. Let's have a word with him." He said, "Hello George, What's wrong with that group ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

The greens-keeper replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind firemen. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime!"

The group fell silent for a moment. The priest said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleague and see if there's anything she can do for them."

The engineer said, "Why can't they play at night?"

Understanding Engineers #4:

What is the difference between mechanical engineers and civil engineers?

Mechanical engineers build weapons.

Civil engineers build targets.

Understanding Engineers #5:

The graduate with a science degree asks, "Why does it work?"

The graduate with an engineering degree asks, "How does it work?"

The graduate with an accounting degree asks, "How much will it cost?"

The graduate with an arts degree asks, "Do you want fries with that?"

Understanding Engineers #6:

Normal people believe that if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Engineers believe that if it ain't broke, it doesn't have enough features yet.

Understanding Engineers #7:

An engineer was crossing a road one day, when a frog called out to him and said, "If you kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess."

He bent over, picked up the frog, and put it in his pocket.

The frog spoke up again and said, "If you kiss me, I'll turn back into a beautiful princess and

stay with you for one week."

The engineer took the frog out of his pocket, smiled at it and returned it to the pocket.

The frog then cried out, "If you kiss me and turn me back into a princess, I'll stay with you for one week and do anything you want."

Again, the engineer took the frog out, smiled at it and put it back into his pocket.

Finally, the frog asked, "What is the matter? I've told you I'm a beautiful princess and that I'll stay with you for one week and do anything you want.

Why won't you kiss me?"

The engineer said, "Look, I'm an engineer. I don't have time for a girlfriend, but a talking frog - now that's cool."

Understanding Engineers # 8

A chemical, mechanical and a computer engineer go out together to eat lunch. They get back to the car and it will not start. They grind away on that starter and it will not start. The chemical engineer says that he thinks the gas is contaminated with water. The mechanical engineer say she thinks that the starter just does not have enough torque to turn the starter fast enough. The computer engineer says why don't we just turn everything off for two minutes and try restarting.

And finally,

Understanding Engineers #9:

Two engineers were standing at the base of a flagpole, looking at its top. A woman walked by and asked what they were doing.

"We're supposed to find the height of this flagpole," said Sven, "but we don't have a ladder."

The woman took a wrench from her purse, loosened a couple of bolts, and laid the pole down on the ground. Then she took a tape measure from her pocketbook, took a measurement, announced, "Twenty one feet, six inches," and walked away.

One engineer shook his head and laughed, "A lot of good that does us. We ask for the height and she gives us the length!"

Both engineers have since quit their engineering jobs and are currently serving as elected members of Congress.