



Columbus EAA Chapter 729

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Chapter 729 Members & Aviation Friends:

Aviation Safety

At our May 18th Chapter Gathering we will have Chris House as our featured speaker. Chris is out of the Indianapolis FAA and a member of the FFAST team. He will introduce us to the FFAST program, provide an overview of the materials and program offerings, and take us through a training module on conducting a first flight after an annual inspection. FFAST materials focus in two areas; airworthiness and operations. We are working to have more regular FFAST training available to the Chapter. We've also invited the Bakaklar Flying Club and the Greenwood & North Vernon EAA Chapters to the kickoff with FFAST.

Another area we are looking to expand is in the area of EAA Flight Advisor. We have a Technical Advisor with Mike Foushee. Mike can help provide technical assistance during a build. A flight Advisor helps guide transition training to new aircraft and flight testing of your experimental aircraft. We have approximately 6-7 active aircraft being constructed by Chapter 729 members, this will be a great addition to the overall safety of our members. More to come on this opportunity as it develops.

Chapter Local News

Front and center of the EAA museum entry in Oshkosh WI is a display dedicated to the many volunteers it takes to make the EAA a reality, both at the National and Local chapters. As the Director of Chapters, Charlie Becker states "without volunteers, the EAA ceases to exist". For our chapter we have a couple of



EAA Museum Entrance in Oshkosh, WI

immediate volunteer opportunities; Young Eagles on Saturday May 13th, Chapter Adirondack Chair & Sign-post, and Aviation Day & Young Eagle Flight on Saturday June 3rd. Step up and join in the chapter fun and activities.

The EAA National Chapter started a Adirondack Chair program. Each Chapter is encouraged to build a Adirondack chair (easy to build design is supplied), decorated to reflect our chapter and community, and deliver it during AirVenture. These chairs will be permanently displayed and used in the Chapters Blue Barn for all to see and use. Volunteer Jim Olmstead has agreed to help coordinate this build and design over the next few weeks. This is a simple design to build and decorate. Jim is looking for others to help spread the work over the next few weeks on Wednesdays starting around 4pm in the Chapter Youth Center, all materials and tools are supplied. We will plan a special drawing for Chapter members that submit a

photo of themselves with our Chapter Chair at OSH23.



Blue Barn Adirondack Chapter Chairs

Another area we could use some chapter volunteers is in the area of planning informal Fly-outs for others in the chapter to participate in. Many of you have expressed an interest in having more regular Fly-outs or Poker runs, here is your chance to help make this a reality. In the interest of keeping it simple we envision people informally & briefly gathering or communicating one week, decide when and where to fly the following week, and then GO! Obviously there can be more to it than this, but the emphasis is meet, decide, and GO and we let it grow from there. If you would like to help or participate in this please contact James Yrineo (262 282-1775)

Brad Stienbring and James Yrineo attended a 2 1/2 day Chapter Leadership Academy in Oshkosh WI the weekend of the 21st of April. Attendees had come from across the US. Topics included: Managing Your Chapter, Resources from the EAA HQ, Financial Management, Chapter Gatherings, Insurance & Risk Management, Marketing & Recruitment, Programs & Activities. Other

chapters shared some of their learnings and challenges, and we picked up some great ideas and learned about the extensive resources the National chapter provides as we continue to develop a 5 Year Flight Plan for our chapter. We are excited to share some of these materials over the upcoming Chapter Gatherings. We personally walked away thoroughly impressed with the professionalism of the National organization and the work they put into helping us be successful at the local level.



April 2023 EAA Leadership Academy Attendees
Oshkosh, WI

One of the highlights presented at the Leadership Academy was a sneak preview of OSH23 themes. Anniversaries fill the lineup; 70th Anniversary of the EAA, 30th for Young Eagles Program, the 50th Anniversary of the End of the Vietnam Conflict (look for the B52 on the Plaza as well as an Honor Flight of Vietnam Veterans), the 100th Anniversary of Naval Aviation. Also NASA is expanding their participation with Focus on the Artemis vs Apollo Programs (look for the NASA Guppy with a Constellation Capsule from the Artemis Program).

And what behind the scenes tour of the EAA Museum would be complete without a tour of the replica basement home office I of Paul and Audrey in Hales Corner W. Also a good look of the "Baby Ace". Paul built and wrote a number of articles for Mechanic Illustrated in 1955 and brought the EAA national attention to the two year old organization.



Paul's "Baby Ace"



Paul & Audrey's Basement Office

Taylorcraft Update

The windscreen installation is now complete! The team now has the tooling for making the aileron and elevator control cables. The plan is to have the control cables installed the week of the 8th of May. Hopefully the propeller install can start the following week as hardware arrives.



Drew Puts Last Touches On The Windscreen

Build & Fly Update

The construction of the wings, fuselage, and tail feathers is complete. The process of covering the project has started. After covering the following needs to be completed; installation of the landing gear, install the electric motor and battery pack, installation of the controller and servos for three axis flight control. Everyone is getting excited to see this take to the air!!

Shop Talk

On April 30th, Bill Batten received his WaixB Quick Build kit. A number of Chapter members were on hand to help unload and get a first look at this recent Sonex arrival. This brings the total to 5 Sonex kits (1 flying and 4 building) to the Chapter, I guess we can claim Sonex Squadron Status!!



A Happy Healthy New Baby Sonex!

Airport & Local Aviation News

Reminder, our 2023 Airport Aviation Day is scheduled for Saturday the 3rd of June. The Overall theme of Aviation Day is "Inspire to Go Higher" and starts at 9am. The programs will focus on aviation education, flight experiences, RC Airplane demos, and tours of the Museum, C-119, and MakerSpace. For our chapter it will include displays of Build & Fly, experimental aircraft build, Young Eagle Flights, and other Chapter and EAA information.

Upcoming Local Events

EAA Chapter 729 Gathering 18th of May, at 6pm in the Chapter Hangar

Airport Aviation Day & Young Eagle Flights 3rd of June 9am-2pm

EAA Chapter 729 Young Eagle Flights 8th of July

EAA 729 & EAA 1328 Jerry Brown Fly-in and Cookout 19th of August

Sonex Builders Fly-in / Drive-in 26th of August
James

Aviation/Member News

Officers For 2023

President	James Yrineo
Vice President	Brad Moore
Secretary	Larry Kelly
Treasurer	Bill Batten
Director	Kate Russell
Director	Matt Brown
Director	Brett Herrick
Director	Dan Villiger
Director	Brad Stinebring
Y.E. Coord.	Brad Moore
Tech Counselor	Mike Foushee

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:

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Interesting Websites

<https://youtu.be/D-q4Y9laA4c>

<https://youtu.be/MPPnpug8aF4>

https://youtu.be/_wwPuiu0g78

<https://youtu.be/mPV419dgin4>

EAA Chapter 729 Hangar Needs

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	Wheel Balancer
Aircraft Scales	PPE Storage Cabinet

Calendar of Events

6/3	Airport Day Columbus, IN (KBAK)
6/9-6/11	RPA Formation Clinic Columbus, IN (KBAK)
6/10	Museum Airplane Ride Day Seymour, IN (KSER)
6/18	Flying Circus Fly-In Hagarstown, IN (I61)
6/24	Airport Awareness Day North Vernon, IN (KOVO)
7/24 – 7/30	EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, WI (OSH)
9/8-9	Putnam County Airport Day Greencastle, IN (KGPC)
9/8-10	KY Sport Aviation Fly-In Rough River, KY (2I3)
9/18 - 9/24	Triple Tree Fly-In Woodruff, SC (SC00)
9/30	Madison Airshow Madison, IN (KIMS)
10/28-29	Crossroads Airshow (Blues) Indianapolis, IN (KMQJ)

2023 Young Eagle Events

The Young Eagle Flight events for 2023 will be held on the following Sat. mornings from **9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

	<u>Rain Date</u>
May 13	May 20
June 3	
July 8	August 5
September 16	September 30

These events are a great way to introduce kids to the wonders of aviation (not to mention a good reason to go flying). To make these events a success, we will need pilots, planes, and ground crew volunteers.

Reminder: everyone helping out with these events should have completed the EAA Youth Protection Background Checks (no cost).

Items For Sale or Needed

John Deere SST18 Mower



John Deere SST18 Mower
Twin Cylinder 18 HP motor
Hydrostatic Drive, Zero Turn
48 inch mower deck
1473 hours

\$600

Contact: Brad Stinebring
812-350-9771
blstinebring@comcast.net

VAL 2000 Comm Radio

VAL 2000 comm radio – never installed – still in its sealed anti-static wrapper – includes rack.



Purchased for \$1,100, asking \$500.

Contact: Bob Butterfield
317-401-1315
Bpq9696@hotmail.com

Garmin 496 GPS



Garmin 496 GPS complete with antenna, Gizmo mounting bracket. Removed during avionics upgrade. Make offer.

Contact: Scott Braden 270-706-3474
Scottbraden1@hotmail.com

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

Flight Simulator Components



Volair Flight Sim cockpit components – NEW
Basic frame, widescreen frame plus misc. parts
Less seat and instrument panel
Value \$870.00 Sell for \$625.00
Can be seen at Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum
Call 812-372-4356 and leave a message

Aviation Humor

More Corny Ones:

Why did the airplane get sent to his room?
Bad altitude.

Why do flight attendants make great
astronauts?
They know how to take up space.

A plane lands, and shortly after, the flight
attendant comes over the speaker.
“Hi, folks! Sorry about that rough landing. It
wasn’t the captain’s fault. It definitely wasn’t my
fault...
It was the asphalt.”

I asked a flight attendant to change my seat
because of a crying baby next to me.
It turns out you can’t do that if the baby is
yours.

I decided to leave work an hour early today.
The flight attendants started freaking out when
I grabbed my parachute, though.

What did the football player say to the flight
attendant?
“Put me in coach.”

What do you call it when a **giraffe** swallows a
toy jet?
A “plane in the neck.”

Where are the Great Plains located?
At the great airports.

Who invented the first airplane that wouldn’t
fly?
The Wrong Brothers.

A man walks up to the counter at the airport.
“Can I help you?” asks the agent.
“I want a roundtrip ticket,” says the man.
“Where to?” asks the agent.
“Right back to here,” he replies.

I threw my phone from the roof, and it broke.
I guess airplane mode wasn’t working.

How often do airplanes crash?
Just once.

A man telephoned an airline office in New York
and asked, “How long does it take to fly to
Boston?”

The clerk said, “Just a minute...”
“Thank you,” the man said and hung up.

I have a really good airplane joke I want to
share...
But I think it might go over your head.

It was mealtime on an airplane, and the flight
attendant asked a passenger if he would like
some dinner.
“What are my choices?” the passenger asked.
“Yes or no,” she replied.

What do airplane builders say about their job?
“It’s riveting.”