



Our next Meeting will be on September 11th at 10AM

Membership to EAA292 is \$35 per year, due January 1st

Or online registration is available through EAA292@gmail.com

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President's Message

Just when we thought there was no way to exceed the excitement and activity level of last month, EAA 292 exceeded expectations and had another overwhelmingly busy month! It's been great to see the Clubhouse bustling with activity from both the Youth and the "old-timers!" Fortunately, there have been a lot of photos captured this past month including Airventure and the EAA 292 Fly-In and STOL Expo. Unfortunately, there's just not enough room in the monthly newsletter to even begin sharing much of this content. So, our goal will be to put together a video or slide program where we can share with everyone. Stay tuned for something to come out this Fall/Winter.

Zel Giles New Hangar Donation!

Sometimes a Chapter member comes along who's contributions to the benefit of the Chapter go "above-and-beyond" and Zel Giles is such a member! Several years ago when he was shutting down his personal machine shop, Zel made the decision to give all of his tools to the Chapter. Many of the tools that you use today came from Zel. He's also been very involved with both the Youth program and Young Eagles. Zel built the instructional wind-tunnel demonstrator that we use with every group of Young Eagles. For Youth Aviation Weekend, Zel also led the Delta Dart part of the program.

Recently when the Chapter made the decision to enlarge our Clubhouse, Zel was the first member to approach the Board and ask to help financially. Last month, Zel made a \$30K donation to the new building fund.



As a side note, our cost estimate for the hangar expansion project will exceed the projected revenue from the Lancair 4P project. If there are other Chapter members in a position to help financially, either in cash, assets or estate, we'd be especially grateful. Please contact Chapter President, Mike Kelley (971) 570-1522.

Airventure / Oshkosh

2021 was a stellar year for Chapter 292 at Airventure! In addition to ~35 Chapter attendees, there were 9 Chapter member aircraft that made the trip; 1) Keith & Linda Hamilton **RV-7**, 2) Denny, Jason, Hunter and Noah Furman's **RV-10**, 3) Jerry & Chris Price **KR-2S**, 4) Gary Brown **RV-7**, 5) Henry Bartle & Steve Wheat & Staci Feero & Jodi Baedoi & Cameron Souza & Pete Killcommons **C-421**, 6) Kelly & Mark Matthews **Grumman**, 7) Bruce Patton & Mike Short **RV-10**, 8) Vincent Dunn **Mooney**, and 9) Mike Kelley & Larry Claussen **Lancair**. Being one of those pilots, I can assure you that there were plenty of challenges like wildfire smoke, heat and weather in addition to the sheer distance of the trip. Congratulations to all those who (safely) attended the event this year! Here are several en route photos from those aircraft.



Jerry & Chris Pryce in Chris' new KR-2S



Joy Sode, Cindy Woodworth and Scott Naucler flew the Anderson's C172



Hunter and Noah Fuhrman in the back seat of Denny's RV-10



Henry Bartle was constantly looking for a C-421 "autopilot" from his motley crew



Larry Claussen & Mike Kelley flew "high" in Mike's Lancair

Part of the fun of the Airventure experience is getting there. Even though our member traveled to the event in a variety of cars, truck and planes, everyone has a story to share! Three of the aircraft went through Rapid City, South Dakota (KRAP) and had a couple of photos to share.



Not too far from KRAP is the city of Sturgis, Home of the world-famous motorcycle rally. In the photo are (left to right) Henry Bartle, Mike Kelley, Jodi Baedoli, Pete Killcommons, Noah Fuhrman, Cameron Souza, Steve Wheat, Jason Fuhrman, Larry Claussen and Hunter Fuhrman.



Also nearby are the Mt. Rushmore and Crazy Horse Monuments which were both visited. In the photos are Henry Bartle, Staci Feero, Mike Kelley, Jodi Baedoli, Noah Fuhrman, Cameron Souza, Steve Wheat, Jason Fuhrman, Larry Claussen and Hunter Fuhrman.

For this year, EAA National had asked that visiting Chapters create a “Distance to” sign that could be mounted outside the Chapters “Blue Barn.” Rising to the task, Chapter members Vince Homer and Robert Haines combined their skills and created a representative sign for our Chapter. Upon first entering the grounds on Sunday, I (Mike Kelley) had the honor and pleasure of adding our sign to the designated post!



Mike Kelley adds the EAA 292 sign to the post



Larry Claussen and Mike Kelley add the obligatory pin to the Chapters Location map

One of the highlights of the 2021 Airventure event was having the Chapter selected to host the opening day pancake breakfast. To make sure our Chapter was well presented, we made-up custom embroidered aprons. Thanks to Shirley Horn and Deb Kelley for their help with this project! We also took out several of our Chapter banners, including our 2019 “Gold” status banner which we are on our way earning again for 2020-2021.

We served over 500 breakfasts Monday morning, which we think was a high for the entire week. With over 30 members and friends helping out, the morning went by fast and I think everyone had a good time. Because it’s a fundraiser, the Chapter will receive the proceeds (sales – materials) from the breakfast which have not been finalized yet.

The next photo was taken after the breakfast and has most, but not all of the participants proudly displaying their 292 aprons!



Front row: Gretchen DeWitte, Kristin Taylor, Joy Sode, Staci Feero, Kelly Matthews, Lilly Isaac, Cindy Woodworth, Larry Claussen.

Middle Row: Dave Ullman, Mike Kelley Michelle Singh, Steve Wheat, Mack Zirges, Paul Franklin, Vince Homer, Ernie Moreno.

Back Row: Henry Bartle, Hunter Fuhrman, Kyle Taylor, Vincent Dunn, Mark Matthews, Russ VanLandingham, Mike Short, Tim Isaac, Vern Johnson.

(not shown: Ron Singh, Pete Killcommons, Tom Lake, Noah Fuhrman, Aaron Keefer, Jerry Pryce, Chris Pryce, Scott Naucler, Keith Hamilton, Linda Hamilton)



Here's the "cooking" crew hard at work!



The kitchen and serving crews.



Vincent Dunn clearly won the "award" for the dirtiest apron. Everyone else's remain fairly clean.

Maybe he worked the hardest?

Here are other various photos from the event. We'll make more available later.



Jerry & Chris Pryce at the Entrance



Tim Isaac watching the airshow and promoting the 2021 Fly-In T-Shirts



Chris Pryce's KR-2S was featured at the Corvair power forum. Also featured was a twin-Corvair RV which caught a lot of attention at the event.



Three generations of Fuhrman's attended the event and flew out in Denny's recently completed RV-10. Left to right: Jason, Hunter, Noah and Denny.

2021 Fly-In

The Fly-In was a lot different this year. Early on, the Board decided that we'd need to be prepared for anything...including a complete cancellation at the last minute...due to the Covid pandemic. This decision led to the cancellation of all activities that "forced" people to be in a closed structure.

With the Oregon Governor's reinstitution of the mask-mandate on the Friday preceding the event and the numerous wildfires in the Northwest limiting aircraft, we quickly considered cancelling the event. Instead we went forward to serve the Willamette Valley aviators. We think that was a good decision. There were a lot of aircraft who flew in and Van's was also present with for aircraft.



Parking was an issue, but Vince Homer and Russ VanLandingham made it work.



Despite all the social & weather the obstacles, we had a good turnout!



Everyone old and young enjoying airplanes.



The Pancake breakfast was a big success!



Kip Hansen had a lot of interest (including from Van's) about his Rans S-21



The B-17 Alliance brought over their turret display which was a big hit for visitors!



Bill McLagan also likes to discuss his Mermaid amphib (which is for sale!)



Fly-Bys

Because of Covid, the normal content of forums and activities were eliminated. Instead the Chapter introduced the idea a “fly-bys” where Chapter members could volunteer to show-off their aircraft. One-by-one, there were a dozen members aircraft that took off, flew 2 circuits of the pattern and landed. This gave us an opportunity to also capture some photos and video of the aircraft. These fly-bys seem to be a hit with both attendees and the pilots alike!



Bill McLagan and the Youth-Built Z-701



Lloyd Barsed and his Ercoupe



Judy & Richard Yerian flew their Glastar



Mike Kelley showed-off his Lancair ES



Chris Pryce flew his new KR-2S



Bill McCoy flew his Comanche



Bill McCoy also flew his Ercoupe



Bill McLagan demonstrated the Mermaid



Denny Fuhrman flew his new RV-10



Mike Kelley flew his red Sonex



Staci Feero flew John & Marilyn Husser's Taylorcraft



Al Cleveland demonstrated the RV-7

Ernie Moreno earns Outstanding Achievement Chapter Award

Many EAA members go above and beyond the call of their chapter member duty. To recognize these select individuals, EAA awards members with a Chapter Major Achievement Award. Winners are selected for their EAA and chapter dedication, service to the aviation community, and their personal achievement. Ernie Moreno was selected and presented with this prestigious award at the Airventure Chapter Leaders Breakfast on Saturday morning July 31st. Congratulations Ernie!

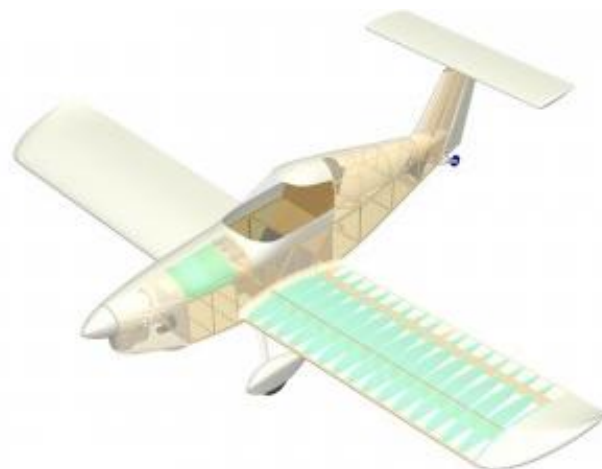


New Kit Donation

It's rare when you get a new Chapter member and a kit donation on the same day. EAA 292 welcomes new member Mihaly Kun to the Chapter. Mihaly was faced with a difficult decision as a wildfire was racing in on a storage structure where his Spacek Minisport SD-1 was store. He decided to donate the kit to our Chapter if we could take it right away. So, he delivered the crated kit on Sunday, 8/15 immediately after the STOL Expo. The SD-1 single-seat Minisport is the product of 7 years of design in the Czech Republic. The airframe uses simple, time-tested design principles that maximize strength while minimizing weight. The primary materials used in the construction of the airframe are wood, foam and carbon fiber. Together these create an efficient, lightweight aircraft capable of 60 mpg at an impressive cruise speed of 120 mph.



When it's completed, the Minisport will look something like this!





Mihaly Kun points to his donated kit



Unloading the kit Sunday afternoon



The kit has a lot of included components!

STOL Competition

On Sunday the Chapter hosted the Fourth Annual STOL competition and all had a great time. We had 24 aircraft participate, including a couple of C-180's, a C-170, 172, something that started life as a C-175, several Cubs and Cub variants, a Pacer, a couple of Rans, an Ercoupe, and for the first time 4 Cessna 150's in a new 150 class. We had a great crowd turn-out with little advertising.

Among the great performances of the day, two that stood out were done in a stock straight tail 150, and a stock J3 Cub. Scott (Smoking Tires) Nuuclear did a spectacular job demonstrating what one can do with the older manual flap 150's, and Robin Reid wowed the crowd getting the best overall score of the day in his stock J3.

Tim Isaac and team did a great job of pulling this year's event off and has already started planning for next year. Talk to Tim if you would like to participate.



Robin Reid touches down in his J3.



Todd Farmer touches down in his Maule



Line Boss Dave Smith releases a Cessna 180



The 2021 STOL Team and Participants

Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting 8/13/21

- In attendance were Mike Kelley, Vince Homer, Dave Ullman, John Roberts, Kristin Taylor, Denny Furman, Jerry Pryce, Rich Harrison
- Mike opened. The meeting at 10:40
- Mike asked for any items for the September General Meeting.
- Mike covered future meeting topics
- John covered the treasure notes and membership
- Youth
 - John will be handing out flyers about Youth activities during the fly-in.
 - Youth will be working on RV-12 the project on Saturday.
 - Youth that worked on the 701 are planned to get rides in it next weekend.
 - Kirstin passed her glider Private Pilot check ride, Zack has soloed.
- Facilities
 - Name tag board -still working on ideas.
- Simulator still looking at idea
- Mike discussed OSH and the breakfast that some 35 Chapter members turned out to help put on.
- Fly-in discussions.

- Discussion on set up still needing to be done and where we need help.
- Mike will be back in Florida in October; we need to work on meeting formats.
- Discussion about the Holliday Dinner, do we look for an outside venue as our meeting room is now too small?
- Mike ended the meeting at 11:30.

EAA Chapter 292 Board Members

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| • President – | Mike Kelley |
| • Vice President- | Jerry Pryce |
| • Secretary - | Rich Harrison |
| • Treasurer - | John Roberts |

Members of the board can be contacted through the Chapter email at eea292@gmail.com

Youth

The Ray Scholar Updates

Congratulations on soloing in the glider, Zach!

August 4, 2021 proved to be a day to celebrate! EAA Chapter 292 celebrates with you and encourages you to continue perfecting your flying skills.

Deb Origer



Zack Lopez First Solo



Schweizer TG-2