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2017 SPORT AVIATION CAMP

by Jeff Peters, Coordinator

For 5 days in August, EAA 44's Sport Aviation Center was transformed into Monroe County's third and only youth aviation day camp. The objective of the camp was to facilitate our mission of aviation education and youth outreach, and to provide a broad hands-on exposure to airplanes and aviation. We also wanted the Sport Aviation Camp to be widely supported within the Chapter. By the end of the Camp on Friday, August 11th, and based on the smiles, comments and enthusiasm of the 16 campers and their parents/guardians, the 4 Junior Counselors (campers from previous years) and the 22 Chapter 44 members who participated in the camp, we think we met our objectives.

The major camp focus was the four workshops devoted to giving the campers a hands-on exposure to the materials and building techniques involved in aircraft construction as well as how an airplane flies via a computer flight simulator. Each of the campers – 3 11 year olds, 4 12's, 5 13's, 3 14's and 1 15 year old – 13 boys & 3 girls, built and took home an aluminum section of a leading wing edge (think Sonex), a wood wing rib and a very practical composite clip board complete with airplane images and the camper's name. Our pro workshop leaders –

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YOUNG EAGLE WRAP-UP

by Elise Isler, Coordinator



WOW! What a season. This is the 25th anniversary year for the Young Eagles program and 2,056,947 Young Eagles have been flown as of September 18th (plus the 21 students we flew on September 16th) ! We had FOUR successful rallies this summer – quite different from last year. Although we experienced delays for the first three, we could not have asked for better weather for the last rally. 7 pilots volunteered their time, skills, airplanes and fuel and things went almost as smoothly as I have ever dreamed!!!

The total tally for the Chapter 44 season is 86 students (through the rallies). I would especially like to extend kudos to all ground crew volunteers including some junior members of our chapter (Nick and Carter) and several NEW members who jumped right in!! We also had veteran members (Lauren Rosenthal and Bill Shaw) and a special “visiting” volunteer – Lauren’s niece, Lynn to mention just a few. I don’t intend to list ALL the volunteers at this time but the program could not be managed without them.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING: The Annual Meeting of EAA Chapter 44 will be held on Tuesday November 21 at 7:30 PM at the Sport Aviation Center of Western New York, 44 Eisenhower Dr., Brockport NY 14420. Nominations for open positions will be taken from the floor at the October and November meetings. Please consider running for a position. At least two will be open and you can run against an incumbent. Thanks for your support of your Chapter.

Young Eagle Wrap-Up continued

Pilots this year included: Whit Beckett, Frances Englund, Frank Grossmann, Dave Hurd, Norm Isler, Derrin Kenney, Mike Kuyt, Willy Mattocks, Randy Spurr and Rick Tandy. The program would not exist for us without them! Thank you.

I would also like to thank Tim Horton's, Brockport, for donating coffee to give us a jump start! As for the donuts ... well ... that's another story – although they help to bring volunteers!

Dates have not been set for next year but please think about joining in this very successful chapter activity. More and more community members are realizing there IS an airport in Brockport and are very excited about our programs – not just FREE AIRPLANE RIDES! We will continue to grow as a community, promote educational programs and instill the excitement we have for general aviation. Don't forget to follow our newest Stan Lee super hero, Aviore, on the EAA.org website (under the Young Eagles heading). Happy Flying!



HANGAR FUND CHALLENGE ALTIMETER

For every dollar donated to our Hangar Fund, an additional dollar will be matched by an Anonymous Donor now through December 31, 2017. Total gifts received as of October 8 toward the \$10,000 challenge is \$6,475.



Now that our Altimeter has broken the \$6,000 threshold, our Anonymous Donor has added their sixth \$1,000 match to the Hangar Fund. At every \$1,000 milestone our Donor will add their matching \$1,000.

We have only 3 months left to meet OUR challenge and we are closing in on our goal. Let's not lose the opportunity to earn the Donor's matching support.

Make your tax-deductible donation payable to "EAA Chapter 44" and put "Hangar Challenge" in the memo line. Mail or give your donation to Treasurer Gail Isaac, 6 Clearview Dr., Spencerport, NY 14559.

Thank you to our Anonymous Donor and thank you to YOU for your support of the Sport Aviation Center Hangar Fund.

SAC Camp continued

Mike Clayton & Tom Bowdler, Dave Hurd & Jim Weinkauff, Dave Amsler, Ray Smeal & Larry MacDonald, and Bob Nelligan-Barrett did a superb job in designing and planning the 31/2 hour workshops that they conducted four times. Their patience, knowledge and helpfulness was very evident. Thanks also goes to our 4 Junior Counselors (Chapter 44 student members) – Jesse Burdick-Pless, Carter Neumann, Nick Humphreys & Brooke Block who assisted the workshop leaders.

In addition to the workshops, the camp included a variety of presentations & demonstrations including aviation history, Ledgesdale Airpark tour, aerodynamics - how an airplane flies (including the building and flying of a model airplane – the FPD/9), aircraft pre-flight inspection, aircraft instruments, airspace, air traffic control & airport traffic patterns, UAVs, a field trip to the Rochester Airport including the ATC Tower, Fire Rescue, the Army (Air) National Guard, and the Rochester Air Center's Redbird Full Motion Flight Simulator, aircraft engines, aviation careers, flight training & education, and a “Show & Tell” session with the parents/guardians.

Many thanks to our presenters; Mike Clayton, Dave Hurd, Norm Isler, Tom Bowdler, Dave Amsler, Jim Weinkauff, Frances Englund, Samantha Horne, Bob Nelligan-Barrett, Rick Tandy, Jeff Peters, Tim Hansen - Chief Inspector, Penn Yan Aero Company, Rochester Air Center CFI Joe Songin, Bill Abbott – FAAS Team Program Manager/ASI, Rochester FSDO, and Paul Haffen - Airline Captain, Delta Airlines.

The campers and adult camp staff were also treated to a formation fly-by and the landing and display of two Diamond DA-40 aircraft courtesy of OnCore Aviation, a new flight school located at the Rochester Airport. Todd Cameron, Chief Flight Instructor and his crew participated in the

aircraft pre-flight inspection session and also was one of our presenters.

A big thank you goes to Mary Smeal, Ginny Byers and Jane Bowdler for acting as chaperones for the female campers and assisting in distributing the beverages and snacks. Those assisting in administering the camp included Jim Weinkauff and Bob Nelligan-Barrett who was also our official photographer.

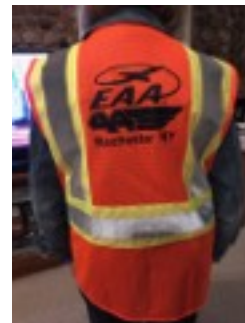
A number of members provided guidance and support to the Sport Aviation Camp including Larry Greeno, Carol Swanger, Elise Isler, Rob Williams and Gail Isaac.

Thanks also goes to those companies who supported the Camp through their donations including Wegmans, Byrne Dairy and the Rochester Air Center.

FASHION WEEK AT THE SAC

by Norm Isler

The safety vests ordered at the end of the summer are in, and they are a terrific fashion statement. Be one of the best dressed "Ramp Rats" in western New York. All of our members can look snappy and sharp in these bright vests complete with the EAA 44 logo on the back.



Over twenty members placed orders for their own personal vests. If you are one of the Fashion Forward group, please come to the October meeting ready to pick yours up. Cost is just \$15.00 per vest. And for those of you that did not order in advance, we did buy extras in various sizes, so if you would like to get a vest, we can probably accommodate.

Be one of the "In" crowd! Get your vest this month!

AMELIA EARHART FILM FOUND

Recently you received an email from Frances Englund about a film thought to be of Amelia Earhart opening the LeRoy airport. Turns out it wasn't that airport. Below is the story from TV 8's web site <<http://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/local-news/amelia-earhart-mystery-solved/824296568>>

ROCHESTER, NY (WROC-TV) - Thanks to News 8 viewers, we've solved the mystery of Amelia Earhart's visit to upstate NY nearly 90 ears ago.

Last week we showed you this newly discovered home movie, filmed by Livonia resident Harold Trott, of Amelia Earhart speaking at a rally in this region in 1928. Based on Trott's own notes, historians thought the film might show the opening of the Leroy airport in October 1928. But Earhart didn't visit Leroy until the following January.

Now, we've got an answer: it turns out he filmed Earhart's visit to film to Canastota - east of Syracuse - on August 28, 1928. In a photo that accompanied the newspaper article about Earhart's visit, published in the Madison County Times in 1928, Earhart is wearing the same clothes, and sitting by the same people as shown in Trott's film. Earhart was in Canastota to dedicate the new airport there. That airport does not exist today.

Doc Trott's home movies are believed to be the only moving images of Earhart on the celebrity circuit in upstate NY, right after she became the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean in 1928. 10 years later, Earhart disappeared over the Pacific Ocean, in an attempt to fly around the world.

For the original report about the discovery of Doc Trott's film, [click here](#).

Trott's film contains many images of early aviation in and around Rochester. It's being preserved by Glenn Galbraith, owner of [Roc Archive](#).

Galbraith will show the film on October 21st at Home Movie Day, presented by the Visual Studies

Workshop in Rochester. For more information, [click here](#)

You can also watch the film on the Roc Archive YouTube Channel, by [clicking here](#).

You can read the newspaper article about Earhart's visit to Canastota below.

[Amelia Earhart- Madison County Times](#) by [maureen mcguire](#) on Scribd

OLD GOAT'S SOMNILOQUY

by Art Thieme

With the Rochester airport renovation coming, the airplanes hanging there will have to come down and go into storage. This will happen sometime in December, It will require us to remove the wings. We will need at least four persons to help with this. More details as they come available.

Many of our members do not know much about the building of the Chummy. It all started when Phil Hazen brought up the subject of the Chummy back in 1993. Phil reported on some research he was doing on Rochester's aviation history in general and Blanch Scott in particular. During that time he discovered that the Taylor Brothers had designed and build a parasol light plane in the shop at Fitzhugh and Allen Streets in rochester in 1929. He also noted that Sam Cooper, Airport Manager for the Rochester Airport, had hoped Chapter 44 might consider building a display aircraft for the facility. Phil and Bob Dykes, Chapter President, met several times with Sam during the rest of the year.

By spring of 1994 the Chummy infrection had spread within the chapter. Superdraftsman Stan Teachman had started a set of planes based on the skimpily informtio then available. Stan worked from old photos (the factory plans were destroyed in a fire.)

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Old Goat continued

Conversations with Gordon Taylor's son Bob Taylor provided more pictures and details about the Chummy. Stan and I met with Bob several times in Toledo at a model airplane several. During this time Sam Cooper met with Cy Noon, President of the Geriatric Pilots Association, and asked them if they were interested in financing this project. They supported the project generously all the way.

The call went out for workers in 1995 and show how I was selected to head the project. About 30 Chapter Members built and signed a wing rib. It was the start of a five-year project. More next month.

Changes are happening in how people learn. That was the beginning of Tom Knauff's article in SOARING, September 2017. Textbooks are becoming a thing of the past as the learning method of choice is now a cell phone, a laptop, or a tablet. There is a reluctance among some people to "learn" anything. Why bother when whatever you need to know is in your handy-dandy electronic device which you carry with you at all times. When learning to fly, many resist reading and understanding a proper, professional, textbook that explains how an aircraft works, how a person flies an aircraft, and the important decision-making process.

As an old goat I am in Tom's corner. Our chapter used to have two libraries- one for checkout and one to take on honor. We also had magazine racks that contained airplane magazines and Trade-a-Plane. Tom goes on to say people get sound bites and no deep knowledge or understanding. Well, Tom and I will just have to get with the times.

It still is what it is.

Old Goat, out.

(And AGAIN Art sends me to a dictionary for "somniloquy. Do YOU know what it means? Ed.)

GUEST SPEAKERS CUSTOMS & BORDER PATROL

Fourty-two Chapter 44 members were on their best behavior as representatives from U. S. Customs & Border Patrol presented to us about their work in these exceedingly difficult times.



Agents Dean Mandell and Mickey Ahl (left and right respectively above) explained the history of the CBP since it started in 1904 as a Mounted Patrol. Over the years, it has had different duties: WWII diplomat protection; involved with the Cuban Missile Crises; "interior enforcement"; tracking, etc. They are involved domestically and internationally.

CBP has a K-9 unit of Malinois German Shepard used for search & rescue, tracking, and locating concealed humans. You don't wanna mess with THOSE dogs!

They also have a Marine Unit which patrols the St. Lawrence Seaway and the Rio Grande River. CBP also has other specialty units such as Special Ops (if they told us they'd have to kill us) and Technology (camera systems, thermal imaging, night vision goggles).

Our Northern border with Canada is 4,000 miles long. They have fewer agents than we do in the Buffalo Sector (300.) **Thank you Agents Mandell & Ahl for your presentation.**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

September 12

(The Minutes are not in their usual format this month. Jeff asked Bob NB to take notes and he agreed. He/I just FORGOT that I had agreed to that until Norm reminded me 10 minutes in. My apologies for the inconvenience.)

OLD BUSINESS-Dean Mandel and Dave Long will be our Guest Speakers from Custom & Border Patrol this month. Todd Cameron from Oncore Aviation will be our October 17 Speaker.

AOPA ASI is having a safety seminar at the SAC, "Fly by Night."

We need to have someone take **Food Server Training** to complement Frances Englund. Will announce at the General Meeting.

The **DC Museum Trip** is postponed till the spring. Chris Koch is working on getting us non-profit status in VA so we can save money.

The November meeting is the annual Elections and Steak Roast meeting. Nominations will be taken in October for the November elections. Bob N-B and Craig Ritson are not running again, opening their positions for new blood.

To prevent our members from being digitally spoofed, **the Chapter will remove all email addresses** posted in the newsletter and replace them with generic ones for the President, VP, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, and Young Eagles Coordinator. See the Contact EAA 44 page for the changes. Some passwords on Chapter accounts will also be changed to protect our financial and other information. Phone numbers will continue to be listed for all Officers, Board Members, and Committee Chairs.

Previous Minutes were approved.

Treasurers Report- There were some lingering questions about the Sport Aviation Camp income. Until they are resolved, **the report was not approved.**

New Business- Norm has offered his VHS to DVD Converter but doesn't have the time to review all our tapes, organize them, and convert them to DVD. **Any takers?**

Our **By-Laws** need to be sent again to HQ. There have been changes that need to be submitted to the Members for a vote along with the current Articles of Incorporation. This will happen at the November meeting.

Bob N-B will have information about the **computers** and their ability to run newer versions of **X-Plane** for the next BOD meeting. Bob also updated us on the Library which is now "opened." He will get a 3x5 index card box for members to sign out books.

Craig R had an update on **Jeff Paris**. He is in good spirits and #2 on the list for a liver transplant. **Craig also announced he bought an RV-7A! Congratulations Craig.**

Fundraising- Rob Williams has moved out of the area and will no longer be able to participate in this activity. **We thank Rob for her service to the Chapter and this Committee over the years. God luck in your new endeavors.** Larry Greeno, Bill Shaw, and Jeff Peters will continue serving here.

Norm had a meeting with Todd Cameron from Oncore Aviation and he suggested we look at our fundraising differently. Don't try to sell a hangar. Sell our **PROGRAMS** and identify how a hangar will complement and expand our programs. Grants are wonderful but they come with strings attached. Bequests are good if you can get them. Corporate sponsorship works if it is aligned with their interests and their program of annual giving. Todd will come to a future BOD meeting.

Talking about programs, Bob brought up an idea from Jeff Peters, who couldn't be at the BOD meeting. He proposed a NYS Aviation Hall of Fame be established (by us, who else?), to be housed at either the SAC, the Rochester airport, or some other location. There was general agreement that that was a good idea worthy of future discussion.

Todd told Norm that we have a unique opportunity with our Hangar Matching Grant Fund. We should take maximum advantage of it by striving to meet OUR \$10,000 goal.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Nelligan-Barrett

NOTES FROM THE GENERAL MEETING

Young Eagle Coordinator Elise Isler thanked all who help fly 86 kids this year. Bill Shaw will be taking an order for EAA labeled clothing. See him if you want anything. Norm Isler is looking to gauge interest in a flying club. If you are interested, see him.



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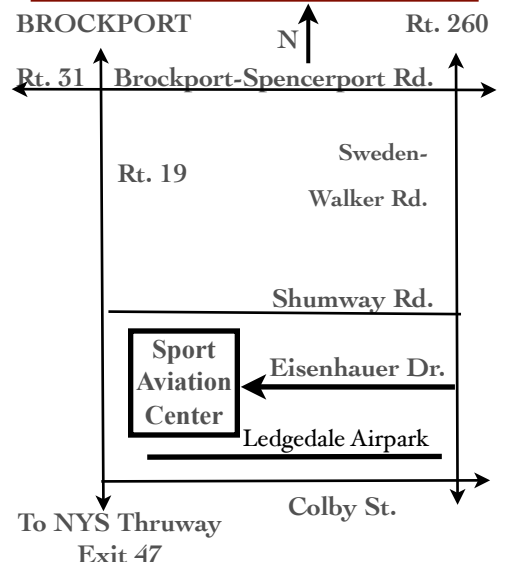
REGIONAL CALENDAR

Look to Upstate NY's Aviation List at <upstatelist.org> for regional fly-in breakfasts and other events.

Not much is happening now around the aviation community. This is your opportunity to take a breath and get ready for the holiday season.

But still do aviatin' stuff. Continue working on your airplane-building project if you have one, or start one if you don't. Build a model airplane. Borrow a book from the Library ...and write a book review for the newsletter. Play an aviation board game or build a model airplane.

Do any of you have, and would you be interested in, an "Aviation Board Game Day?" I personally have 3 games and 3 models to-be-built, and there is a puzzle on the Library shelf. Do you have any games or kits to be built? Lemme know.



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday October 17, 6:30 PM

Todd Cameron from

Oncore Aviation will be speaking on "Modern Trends in Flight Training."

Jeff Peters will be providing a ham dinner. Please bring sides and desserts to compliment his meal. Thank you.

Oct. 14 SAC Work Day
Oct. 17 General Meeting
**Oct. 19 AOPA ASI Seminar
"Fly by Night" 7-9 PM**

Nov. 11 SAC Work Day
Nov. 14 Board Meeting
**Nov. 21 General Meeting
Elections & Steak Night**

Dec. 9 SAC Work Day
Dec. 12 Board Meeting
**Dec. 19 No General Meeting
Enjoy the Holidays with your
Family.**

All activities take place at the Sport Aviation Center, & are free & open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Sport Aviation Center
44 Eisenhower Dr. 14420
Brockport Airport/
Ledgedale Airpark (7G0)
43° 10' 56" N 77° 55' 1" W

Board Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 PM

General Meetings-

3rd Tuesday of the month

\$5 Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7:30

SAC Saturday Work Days

2nd Saturday, 10 AM

History Committee

Every Saturday 10 AM

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