



Weather is often blamed as the cause of accidents when, in reality, it's poor decision making that's the culprit. The go/no-go decision-making process starts long before entering the cockpit. But the right choice at a crucial moment before or during a flight can be difficult to make. In this new seminar from the AOPA Air Safety Institute, you'll learn:

- Why getting the big weather picture is important
- How to improve your go/no-go decision-making process
- Tips to "weatherize" your mindset and avoid traps like flying VFR into IMC
- Why technology can be a great tool and your worst enemy in weather flying

Starting at the crash scene and working backwards, you'll step into the shoes of an accident investigator and examine accidents in which weather played a role. Our expert presenters will guide the discussion about what went wrong, why, and how to avoid making the same mistakes. (Image & text from AOPA.)

This Seminar is being presented at the Sport Aviation Center on Thursday October 11 from 7 PM-9 PM. Free.

MEMBERS REPORT ON THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE AIR RACE CLASSIC



The fount of all knowledge, Wikipedia, identifies the 1929 Women's Air Derby (aka the Powder Puff Derby) as the first official women-only air race in the country.

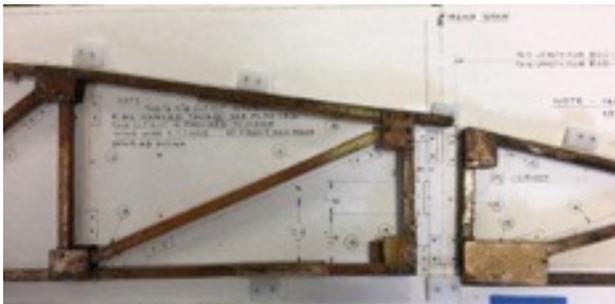
Among the racers were; "Pancho" Barnes, Amelia Earhart, Ruth Elder, Ruth Nichols, "Bobbi" Trout, and race winner Louise Thaden. Quite a distinguished group!

Now the names of two EAA Chapter 44 members, **Samantha Horne and Frances Englund (above,)** can be added to the list of pilots competing in the descendent race, the 2019 Air Race Classic. **Congratulations to you both for making your mark in women's aviation history and thank you for your presentation about the race.**

Mission: EAA Chapter 44 is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization of aircraft builders and aviation enthusiasts in Western New York dedicated to promoting aviation and encouraging participation in aviation-related activities. These include designing, building and restoring aircraft, education, advocacy and youth outreach programs. We promote flying with high standards of safety in an environment that supports freedom, family and personal fulfillment, and to have fun doing it.

BART HOLDS FIRST SESSION

The Baby Ace Restoration Team (BART) held its first meeting in September. Eight “Rookie Restorers” were there with our Chapter experts Earl Luce and Vet Thomas. BART Leader Bob Nelligan-Barrett presented a slide show on the history of the Baby Ace, and OUR Baby Ace, and the “flight plan” for the future.



After that, we started right in scrounging wood for wing rib jigs (templates), attaching our plans to the boards, and nailing in guide blocks for the construction of the ribs. Next week we will start building ribs. Above you see rib pieces removed from N75H laid over top of our plans. They don't quite line up. Close, but....Most likely the wood has shrunk. We don't know if any of it is original to 1956.

We will be working simultaneously on building ribs, removing the engine and cleaning it up for sale, and stripping the fabric from the fuselage to determine the condition within. BART will be meeting on Wednesday evenings from 6 PM - 9 PM. All are welcomed for any time and skill you can provide.

AOPA RUSTY PILOTS SEMINAR AT ROC ONCORE AVIATION

Life may have gotten in the way, but the dream of flight can be yours again. Returning to the skies is not as difficult as most rusty pilots think. We're inviting you back in the cockpit and will help you get there. Come and participate in this Rusty Pilots program with fellow lapsed pilots.

We will help you understand what's changed in aviation since you last took the controls and brush up on your aviation knowledge. The Rusty Pilots program is developed by AOPA in partnership with local flight training providers in order to create the best environment for getting you back in the air and a part of the general aviation community.

- 1 It is easier than most people think – no FAA check ride or test
- 2 Might not even need a medical
- 3 Plus, by attending, you'll be getting two to three hours of ground instruction towards your flight review!

Pre-registration is encouraged since seats fill up fast! To pre-register for this event click [here](#)! Seminar will be instructed by AOPA Ambassador Norm Isler.

This seminar will be held on Saturday September 15, 9 AM-Noon at OnCore Aviation, 1205 Scottsville Rd. Rochester, NY 14624. Go to: <<https://ww2.eventrebels.com/er/Registration/StepRegInfo.jsp?ActivityID=26295&StepNumber=1>> for the event website and registration link, contact email <rustypilots@aopa.org>, and contact phone 301-695-2000. Cost Free for AOPA members, \$69 for non-members. (Text by AOPA.)

**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meeting
10 July 2018**

Members present: Norm Isler, Kevin Arganbright, Frank Grossman, Mike Clayton, Frances Englund, Phil Hazen, and Samantha Horne (Secretary for this meeting.)

Non-members of the Board Present: Bob Nelligan-Barrett

Called to order at 7:17pm.

Baby Ace:

- Committee to be created to determine the next steps in restoration, determine a work night, and more.
- That committee will initially include Frank, Mike and Bob.
- Earl, Vet and Bob began tearing off the wing fabric. All the wings will need to be rebuilt.
- Suggested to clean the engine and sell on Barnstormers.
- Ideas to involve BOCES engine programs to possibly assist in cleaning the engine.
- The goal of the project was discussed – whether it be a flying or static display.
- Idea was raised to have an airworthy and award winning aircraft to sell to someone in the hopes that they'll take it Oshkosh again.

Memphis Belle August 18th:

- Idea raised to hold the Memphis Belle on the SAC apron because of better facilities.
- Frank will be reaching out to Gretchen to see what her standpoint is.
- If rejected, the grill and coolers could be mobilized to the large hangar.
- Norm will ask the food safe servers if they are available on that date.
- The National Warplane Museum will be selling rides both Saturday and Sunday. The Rotary will be doing their fly-in breakfast on that Sunday.
- Motion made by Norm to mobilize efforts for the Rotary breakfast Sunday moving aircraft, seconded by Frances and passed unanimously.
- Also discussed allowing the Rotary to use the tables and chairs. It was discussed to have the EAA 44 name on them, Norm will be purchasing a stencil.
- Frank will be working on getting insurance for the August 18th event.

Explorers:

- John Schible reached out to Frank and Randy regarding what we do. They will be in contact to see about the unit joining Young Eagles on Saturday.

Presentations with Politicians:

- The idea was raised to see if there was interest in getting local politicians out to the airport. This was a discussion as to whether we want to be politically affiliated.
- A meet and greet event will be held next month as well.
- **Fly out:**

- The Hudson River Corridor will be one sightseeing event on the Rhinebeck fly out taking place this Sunday.

June Meeting Minutes:

- It has been determined that all financial numbers will be redacted from minutes published in the newsletter. **It was reiterated that financial numbers will be noted in the Secretary's official Minutes, but that those numbers will be removed by the Newsletter Editor from the newsletter Minutes.**
- The June meeting minutes will reflect, "Gail brought samples of carpeting to the meeting, produced numbers, Carl and Gail offered a significant monetary donation, discussion ensued, and ultimately the motion was voted down."
- As stipulated, Norm made a motion to accept the revised minutes, Frances seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- A motion can be presented in a different manner to solve the same issue.

Sign:

- The sign out front is moving forward. (*WHO DIDN'T TIE IT DOWN AND CHOCK IT?! ;-)*)
- The image has been submitted and now is a question of who will be doing the sign.

Treasurer's Report:

- Monthly and YTD for fiscal year, need a budget compiled.
- Sample emailed out as to what is being looked for.
- Mike and Gail will work together when she get home on making a standard report.

Building:

- Gravel looks great, Jim did an excellent job.
- No work session this Saturday due to Young Eagles.

60th Party:

- Report to be given next month, when Gail is home to provide numbers.

Capital Campaign:

- (*Mike provided a rough estimate*) for a 65x65, windows and doors and concrete floors kind of hangar.
- Estimate from Finger Lakes Construction soon, need to meet with Rich, estimator.
- Consider calling for other budgetary estimates.
- Moving forward with budgetary estimates, take the average of 3, and +/- 20%.

Camp:

- Camp begins August 6th. Jeff is out of town, consider having a meeting prior to make sure everything is ready for the week.

Young Eagles:

- Will be held Saturday, July 14th.
- There are 5 confirmed flyers.

Miscellaneous:

- Phil will be out of town for both meetings held in August.
- Randy and his wife will be bringing the meal for the July general meeting.
- Norm and Elise will be bringing the August meal.
- Andy Moore, interim director of the Rochester Airport, will be the July speaker.
- Samantha and Frances will be the August speakers.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meeting
14 August 2018**

Board Members/Officers Present: Spurr, Grossmann, Isler, Arganbright, Horne, Englund, Isaac and Peters

Board Members/Officers Absent: Clayton, Hazen **Other Members Present:** Nelligan-Barrett

Reports:

President (Randy Spurr)

Randy introduced the meeting agenda and provided an update re; the upcoming chapter and local aviation events. Norm & Elise Isler will provide the main course of Beef on 'Weck for the August General Meeting. Samantha Horne and Frances Englund will be the meeting speakers and will talk about their adventure as first-time participants in the annual Air Race Classic for women pilots.

Randy announced that the Chapter will sponsor a Fly-In Camping Event on Friday, August 24th. He also updated the board re: the formation of a Chapter VFR Club that will be sponsored and be supported by EAA National with flight scenarios and other information. The Club will meet monthly.

Randy updated the Board re: the potential interest among several Chapter members in forming a chapter-associated but totally independent "Flying Club." The group had an interest/information meeting on July 16th following the general meeting. Norm Isler, in his role as the AOPA Northeast Ambassador, has worked with other interested chapters and offered to provide administrative guidance to the group as they work through the issues associated with forming a flying club. A few of the group has been exploring a couple of local airplanes that could be suitable for such a club.

Vice President (Frank Grossmann)

Frank updated the Board re: his investigation about the purchase of a Chapter 44 sign to be placed at the entrance of Eisenhower Drive. The quest has been complicated by the different zoning regulations of the government entities he has contacted. Frank indicated that he is moving forward with the project.

Treasurer (Gail Isaac)

The July financial report was read and approved as per the motion of Norm Isler, seconded by Frances Englund and passed with one abstention. For future chapter community/public related events, a procedure is required to track the food costs for the member volunteers.

Secretary (Jeff Peters)

The July BOD minutes were approved as per the motion of Frances Englund, seconded by Norm Isler and passed unanimously.

Building Committee (Kevin Arganbright)

Kevin discussed the status of the propane contract and bill paying options.

Old BusinessCapital Campaign

Randy and Norm led a discussion about the status of the Hangar Project. Mike Clayton, Randy and Norm met with a representative of the Finger Lakes Construction Company, the firm that built the SAC, to discuss cost estimates and options for the hangar construction. The original plan was for a 65' x 65' building attached directly to the SAC which is 65' x 65' including the porch. The current proposal involves a similar size detached building located 15-20' from the SAC with a 10' set-back from the original site footprint to permit use of the existing SAC "garage door". A separate "breeze-way" would be built between the two structures. The overall size of the hangar could be changed in accordance with hangar use and/or financial considerations. The hangar could be constructed similar to the SAC or via a pre-fab type of structure depending on a variety of factors. Based on current information, (*construction cost estimates were discussed*) based on various options that would include the structure, walls, a cement floor, and a large aircraft door. The committee is in the process of obtaining additional construction estimates and will report back to the Board.

Sport Aviation Camp

Jeff Peters, the Sport Aviation Camp Coordinator, reported that while the 2018 Camp was very successful, we only had 11 participants compared to the 16 campers last year. This was the fourth year the camp has been held and the lowest attendance.

Due to a variety of circumstances, three of the four workshop founders/leaders –Dave Amsler, Mike Clayton, Dave Hurd, and Jeff, have opted not to continue with their SAC roles next year. Consequently, the camp will need replacement leaders, be discontinued, or morph into a different youth camp, project or mission. The group briefly discussed some possible alternatives such as a boy scout explorer troop, boy scout aviation merit badge mini camps or events, or some form of a youth "build-a-plane" project. Jeff is planning to hold a SAC debrief meeting in the near future and alternatives to the camp will be explored.

Baby Ace Restoration Team (BART)

Bob Nelligan-Barrett, leader of the Baby Ace Restoration Team (BART) reported on the status of the project. To date, six people have signed up to participate in the restoration. As the first part of the process will involve the wings, the group discussed temporary storage options for the fuselage. Given that there will be costs for materials to restore the wings, Norm Isler proposed an initial expenditure (*amount redacted*) for materials, seconded by Frank Grossmann and passed unanimously.

Link Trainer

Randy led a discussion about the history, operational status and appropriate location in the SAC for the Chapter's Link Trainer. Larry MacDonald, who has led and worked on restoring the Link Trainer to operational status for several years, will be invited to report on the progress of the project at the next BOD meeting.

Chapter & SAC Public Relations

To facilitate and enhance the public relations and positive image of the Chapter and the Sport Aviation Center, Norm proposed the idea of developing a power point presentation about Chapter 44 and the SAC, and showing it as a repeating loop in one of the SAC windows and the Great Room via a computer system and monitors. The group supported the idea and Norm agreed to pursue the obtaining of the required hardware.



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REGIONAL CALENDAR

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

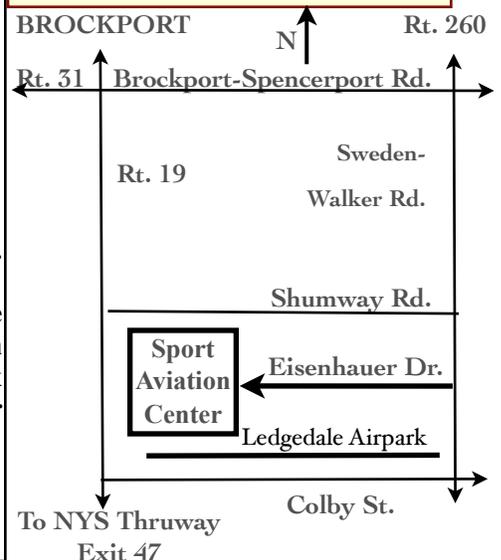
Sept. 15 AOPA RUSTY PILOT SEMINAR, 9 AM-Noon, @ OnCore Aviation @ ROC, 1205 Scottsville Rd., Rochester, NY 14624

Sept. 15/16 WINGS & WHEELS SEAPLANE HOMECOMING & CAR SHOW Glenn Curtiss Museum, Hammondsport, NY 10 AM-4 PM

Sept. 15/16 NEW YORK AIR SHOW, Stewart International Airport [SWF], New Windsor, NY. Features USAF Thunderbirds, C-17 Globemaster III, & more. For details visit: [New York Airshow](#).

Sept. 29 1ST FLIGHT OF A RESTORED TOMMY SCOUT originally built in Ithaca; Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport (ITH), Ithaca NY

Oct. 11 AOPA ASI Investigates Weather Accidents @ the SAC, 7 PM- 9 PM



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT GENERAL MEETING

September 18 6:30 PM

Speakers are unknown at press time. Dinner will be hot dogs cooked on the grill. Please bring a side dish and dessert to compliment...
HOT DOGS!

Sept. 15 Young Eagle Rally
Sept. 18 General Meeting

Oct. 9 Board Meeting
Oct. 11 AOPA ASI Investigates Weather Accidents
Oct 16 General Meeting

Nov. 13 Board Meeting
Nov. 20 Steak Night/ Elections/ Speaker: American Airlines F. O. Jay Englert, "Engine Out, and the Nearest Airport is Two Hours Away."

Dec. 11 Board Meeting
No General Meeting in Dec.

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

History Committee

1st Saturday 10 AM

Board Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 PM

SAC Saturday Work Days

2nd Saturday, 10 AM

General Meetings-

3rd Tuesday of the month

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

Baby Ace Restoration Team

Every Wednesday 6 PM-9 PM

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