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SPORT AVIATION CENTER UPDATE by Norm Isler



Planes ready to fly School 34 Young Eagles in the SAC's first official event!

May saw several more firsts at our new home. On May 18, we held our 2010 Owners Tour, with almost all our members getting to "try on our new place for size" and enjoy a great chicken bar-b-que with all the trimmings for dinner. Although our meeting ran late, I think everyone enjoyed the dinner, and after all, we are talking about good food as a form of entertainment!

Another "first" in May was the School 34 Young Eagle Flight, based from the grounds of our new SAC. About a dozen families traveled from Rochester with their students to watch them get their Young Eagle flights courtesy of Chapter 44. The smiles on the kids faces were great, but I am not so sure some of the parents didn't have bigger smiles than their kids. While essentially unable to use the interior of our new building, its proximity to the ramp and road, and ability to serve as a base of operations for this kind of a learning event was clearly evident. As we get closer to completion, it will be a great "learning center" for all things aviation.

Mike Clayton reports ongoing communication with National Grid regarding our electric. They are now in the design phase, figuring out how much wire they will need and how many widgets it will take to hook us up to the grid. (Electric today, water tomorrow!) Hopefully by the

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RV-12 VISIT POSTPONED

Unfortunately our planned visit with the factory demonstrator RV-12 on June 11 & 12 has had to be postponed for reasons out of our control. Hopefully we will be able to reschedule a visit this summer or fall.

In lieu of that event, we will revert to our traditional June grass-strip fly-in meeting at Spencerport Airport off Colby St. on Vroom Rd. EAA 44 will supply hots, hamburgers, and drinks. **Please bring a dish to pass and a chair to sit on.**

Bob Northrup will be showing and discussing his soon-to-fly RV-8A. Friends and family and visitors are welcomed.



SCHOOL 34 ADVENTURE CULMINATES WITH YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS by Norm Isler

What started two years ago as the result of a desire to "give something back" to the community has resulted in the development of a 5-class program about general aviation. For "graduation", EAA 44 members offered Young Eagle flights to 12 of the 20 students attending the classes.

The connection with School 34 was established when Assistant Principal Lee Dam brought 10 kids to WINGS 2008. President Norm Isler's better half Elise facilitated the connection through her volunteer work at WINGS and through her work as

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SAC Update (Con't from page 1)

time you read this we will have more specifics in hand, and a more detailed timetable.

More good news, just as the building stayed well moderated in temperature during the winter, the same is occurring now. Between the thermal mass of the concrete floor the insulation, the ground beneath keeps the building at a comfortable temperature, even on very warm days.

Although slightly skewed due to conflicting schedules this month, work crews continue at the site. We have ductwork to paint, drywall to mud, wire to string and network cable to pull over the coming weeks. Some of our emphasis will also switch to the outside as we try to tidy up the grounds and make it easier (and safer) to walk around. Anyone who has a green thumb, please let us know! Please be sure to keep in touch with Mike Clayton or Norm Isler about dates we can and will work.

See you at the SAC!



Larry "Sparky" MacDonald making sure we don't burn ourselves down when we light ourselves up. Thank you very much Larry.

SCHOOL 34 (Con't from page 1)

a teacher in Batavia. A co-worker of hers is a friend of Lee Dam's. A friend of a friend of a...

With help from School 34 teachers Tom Gaffney and Vincent Paris, we developed a five-part curriculum teaching students the History of Flight, What Makes an Airplane Fly, Navigation & Map Skills, Airspace Control, and Basic Aircraft Instrumentation. Courses were created and taught by Norm Isler, Mike Clayton, Dave Hurd and Marty Snow.

At the conclusion of the coursework, each student received a one-on-one Young Eagle ride. Pilots over the two years have included Steve North, Tom Bowdler, Whit Becket, Gail Isaac, Rob Williams, Carl Vernon and Norm Isler. Many members have joined us on flight days to help out. The kids were thrilled with their experiences, but in some ways, I think the parents who came to the airport enjoyed the flights even more than the kids! Our new Sport Aviation Center provided a perfect base of operations for this year's event.

In addition to School 34 in Rochester, we have been invited to present a similar program next year at Spencerport's Ada Cosgrove Middle School. Our course materials are pretty well prepared, but we can use more teachers. Please contact Norm Isler or Mike Clayton if you are interested in helping. Watching the kids get excited about our favorite activity, flight, is an amazing reward! To see the story from YNN TV go to:

<http://rochester.ynn.com/content/505650/students-soar-to-new-heights/> and see photos on the next page and our web site <eaa44.org>.

ALUMINUM! I MUST HAVE PLASTIC & ALUMINUM!! by GAIL ISSAC

You folks have been so supportive of our efforts! We are up to \$252 of the \$432.00 for the event grill. That is just wonderful! My aluminum addiction grows stronger every day and you are all helping me out. For those of you that could not make the last meeting at the SAC, the grill worked great to cook 32 chicken quarters. Jerry and I supplied the propane tanks for the night and Jerell Bataglia has 2 tanks that we can trade in or fill depending on their age. So...continue to drink and bring those precious bottles and cans to the crate behind the SAC for me to pick up....it is almost like Christmas....for me anyway!

**PHOTO'S FROM SCHOOL 34 YOUNG EAGLE ADVENTURE
& THE LILAC FESTIVAL PARADE**



TOP: Parents & families watching the flights from the SAC.

MIDDLE: A YE is interviewed for YNN TV.

BOTTOM: PlaneTrain II preparing for takeoff.

TOP: A proud Mother & her new Young Eagle.

MIDDLE: President Norm gets a thumbs up for take-off.

BOTTOM: A beautiful day for planes & a parade.

OLD GOAT'S BLOB BY ART THIEME

I just finished reading seven pages about FACEBOOK in Time, May 31, 2010. Interesting. I wondered who needs it? My daughter told me most users are under 40 years old. I got it. While I don't use Facebook, I thought that Old Goat's Blob is my Facebook. If I used Facebook you would know that I love airplanes and cheap poker.

You know that you have reached geezerhood when the Harbor Freight ads have nothing you need, want, or don't already have. Incidentally, what is the female of "geezerhood?" Don't call me, Contact the editor (*Don't call me either. Call Dave Hurd. ed.*)

What's a dollar worth? If you want to add additional fuel tanks to your 737 it will cost you \$2-4 million and extend your range from 4190 miles to 6210. And on the average you can add \$20 to 40 million for the interior. Flying, June 2010

Aviation Week, May 24 2010 reports that Virgin Galactic has accepted about \$45 million in deposits reservations from more than 330 people.

Dayton Air Force Museum trip reflections. It was a great trip thanks to Norm Isler and members of Chapter 46 RUFF. This was my third visit to the museum. Just looking at the internal structure is awesome. There is an IMAX theater that had two films, one with the Red Flag Fighter program and the other showing the Hubble telescope flight. It was the space flight that impressed me. A highlight to the visits was the conducted tour of the restoration facilities. There are about 25 full-time employees who must have a life-time job there. Every part had to be replaced, regardless if the plane will ever fly. The original Memphis Belle is being restored as well as the B-17 that was the first to be in combat in the Philippines after Pearl Harbor. The plane is called the "Swoose" because the tail and engines were replaced from another aircraft. The name "Swoose" comes from half goose and half swan. This plane is one that has the shark fin of the early models.

Looking forward to a trip to the Udvar-Hazy Museum. Old Goat, Out!



VFR PRACTICE AREA DIMENSIONS

A document recently came across the Editors' desk that many of you might find helpful. The article outlines four VFR practice areas in our region. I will give you the full reference if you want to find the whole document. I have not been able to find it on the web. Pertinent excerpts below. Full doc from the FAA.

The Letter to Airmen No. 10-2 was issued on May 25, 2010 (effective date June 1, 2010 until May 31, 2012), under letterhead from the DOT, FAA, Rochester ATC Tower (Brian C. Riley Air Traffic Manager), SUBJECT: NORTHWEST, SOUTHEAST, AND PERRY WARSAW VFR PRACTICE AREAS GRAPHICAL DIMENSIONS.

BACKGROUND: Practice areas are identified to provide an area for pilots to practice maneuvers away from heavily traveled arrival/departure routes. Pilots and air traffic controllers (ATC) should have a clear understanding of where these practice areas are located. Practice areas are not be interpreted as protected.

PRACTICE AREA DIMENSIONS: The definition of the Northwest Practice Area is as follows: The western boundary begins at Brockport, NY, northbound along Route 19 to Route 18 at Kendal, NY. Thence on a line northeast to a point one and one-half miles south of restricted area R-5203. The northern boundary proceeds eastbound from that point to a point due north of Braddocks Bay still one and one half miles south of R-5203. From this point the eastern boundary proceeds southbound to Braddocks Bay, then on a line southwestbound to Hilton, NY. From this point the southern boundary proceeds westbound back to Brockport, NY The ceiling of the Northwest Practice Area is 3,000 feet MSL.

GENERAL: Because most of the practice areas are located in the Rochester Class C Airspace Outer Area, ATC will terminate radar services once the aircraft has entered the practice area. If a pilot request radar services while operating in the Northwest or Southwest practice areas, he/she should expect altitude restrictions and/or instructions to remain in a designated portion of the practice area. A listening watch on the approach control frequency will be required.

Dimensions of the Southeast and Perry-Warsaw practice areas, and a graphical attachment of the practice areas is available in the complete document.

**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meeting
11 May 2010**

Board Members Present: Zigelstein, Isler, Williams, Hurd, Nelligan-Barrett, Hazen, Clayton, Stoddard.

Reports:

- President (Norm Isler): Norm reported that he's met with the local building inspector to discuss the permit requirements for permanent Sport Aviation Center signage.
- Vice President (Steve Zigelstein): The Plane Train is ready for Lilac Festival parade.
- Treasurer (Dave Hurd):
 - Report read and approved
 - Taxes for 2009 ready for filing, refilling 2008 taxes.
 - Still waiting on dues payments from several members.
- Secretary (Stephen North): Minutes read and approved.

Business:

- Sport Aviation Center (SAC)
 - The Chapter has applied for the required permanent signage permits. The goal is a total of three signs, two on the building exterior and a third near the SAC driveway entrance.
 - Mike Clayton is meeting with National Grid to plan the electric installation so we can define trenching details and arrange for equipment.
- Capital Campaign (Mike Stoddard):
 - Members continue to fulfill their pledges on schedule
 - Mike will meet with Larry Greeno to work up a plan for accepting planned estate donations.
 - Vet Thomas has volunteered to donate the proceeds from the sale of his used car to the Chapter. A member work crew will prepare the car for sale (wash, wax, etc).
 - Mike will work on crafting a new fundraising letter
- Rochester Wings 2010
 - The Chapter is still working closely with the Wings 2010 organizers to insure worthwhile chapter participation.
 - Norm Isler provided a list of the previous three years YE participants for a cross check with the current roster to help control the number of repeat customers.
- Oshkosh Airlift 2010 (Steve North):
 - The Airlift has received a total of eight deposits so far, still looking for more.
- General
 - The classroom portion of the aviation education program at School 34 concludes this week.

FLASHBACK TO LAST SUMMER!

The following pictures were taken last July and August, not even a full year ago. It is amazing how far we have come in this short time. Special thanks to President Norm Isler and SAC Construction Manager Mike Clayton for moving this project forward, to all the members who have donated time and energy to the work crews, and especially to our Donors and Benefactors who have made this building possible.



**EAA Chapter 44
General Membership Meeting
Sport Aviation Center – 44 Eisenhower Drive, Brockport, NY
18 May 2010**

Reports:

- President (Norm Isler):
 - Thanks to Gail Isaac for a delicious chicken dinner
 - EAA National website features a number of interesting and informative “webinars”. All are presented live and are then archived.
 - Received information on National’s “Brown Arch” fundraising campaign.
 - Distributed business cards
- Vice President (Steve Zigelstein):
 - The Plane Train was a hit at the Lilac parade; thanks to all who helped.
 - Steve is donating Plane Train to Chapter
- Treasurer (Dave Hurd):
 - Financial summary read and approved.
 - Taxes for 2009 filed
- Secretary (Stephen North): Minutes read and approved.

Business:

- Sport Aviation Center (SAC)
 - Working on signage permits, have two so far, hoping for a third.
 - Building is progressing very well. Interior construction near a hold point pending final electric inspections.
 - The next milestone is connection of main electric service, planning is underway with local utility.
 - Work crew focus will shift to landscaping to take advantage of the good weather.
- Capital Campaign (Mike Stoddard):
 - Members continue to honor their pledges
 - Funding directed to cover cost of electric service installation.
 - Larry Greeno has volunteered to coordinate estate donations.
 - Vet Thomas has generously agreed to donate the proceeds from the sale of his used car to the Capital Campaign; the Chapter will help in prepping the car for sale.
- Rochester Wings 2010
 - The Chapter has been working closely with the Wings 2010 organizers to insure a smoothly run event.
 - Signup sheet passed around for information booth staff and Young Eagles help.
- Fly-In Breakfast 2010 (Gail Isaac):
 - Planning is in good shape
- Oshkosh Airlift 2010 (Steve North):
 - The Airlift has received a total of eight deposits so far, still looking for more.
- General
 - The classroom portion of the aviation education program at School 34 concludes this week. Young Eagle flights are scheduled for 22 May (Sat), rain date: 23 May.
 - A visit from Van’s Aircraft to demo their new RV12 is tentatively scheduled for 11/12 June.
 - Members are encouraged to donate any photos they may have that are related to Chapter history
 - Norm Isler polled the membership to gauge interest in Chapter identity items (e.g. T-shirts, golf shirts, jackets, patches, hats. etc.).

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**Sport Aviation Center
of Western New York**

REGIONAL CALENDAR

June 16-19 25th Annual Sentimental Journey to Cub Haven Fly-in, Lock Haven PA (LHV)
<sentimentaljourneyfly-in.com>

June 19-20
Red Bull Air Race
Hudson River, NYC
redbullairrace.com

June 20-Father's Day
EAA 113 Pancake Breakfast
Mettetal Airport (1D2)
Canton, MI
eaa113.org

July ____
EAA 44/46 YE Rally @ Batavia

Aug. ____
EAA 44/46 YE Rally @ Akron

Sept. 11
EAA 486 RV Builders Forum
Fulton-Oswego County Airport
(FZY), eaa486.org



Above: Kevin Arganbright & Steve North painting our HVAC ductwork.

EAA 44 Calendar

Next General Meeting

Tuesday June 15

Spencerport Airport Vroom Rd.

Dinner 6:30

EAA 44 will supply hots, hamburgers, and drinks. **Please bring a dish to pass and a chair to sit on.**

Meeting 7:30

Bob Northrup will be showing and discussing his RV-8A.

Visitors and friends are always welcomed.

June

June 12- **NEW EVENT!**

RUFF EAA 95UL Annual Picnic
Spencerport Airport (D91). Please bring a dish to pass and a chair to sit on.

June 18 - WINGS Set-up Day

June 19 - **ROC WINGS YE Flights**

July

July 25 - **Hendershot Fly-in B'fast**

July 26-31 - **Oshkosh Airlift**

August

August 15 **Pancake Breakfast 7G0**

Recurring Future Meetings

Board Meetings-

2nd Tuesday of the month-July 13

Norm and Elises' Home 7 PM

3631 Orleans-Monroe County

Line Rd., 14420

General Meetings-

3rd Tuesday of the month-July 20

Location TBA at <eaa44.org>

SAC Saturday Work Crews-

1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month

10 AM-3PM- SCHEDULE

CHANGE FOR JUNE- No work day

on June 19 because of ROC WINGS.

Rescheduled to 4th Saturday, June 26.

July work days on July 3 & 17.

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