



The Flyer



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LAST MONTH'S GUEST SPEAKERS

This month we were fortunate to have our first "jet" here. Well, at least the nose section of a 1972 Phantom F-4D jet on a trailer. Restorer Dave Gerbe has been working on this restoration since he bought this section in 2006 (He later bought a 2nd F-4C on eBay for parts. Imagine that!) He said it was like building a big model airplane without instructions.



His build partner in this project, and his metal magician, is Adam Prince. Many members were noticeably impressed with his knowledge of metal working. No matter the question to him, he had an answer based on experience and education. Adam spent several years learning a special Japanese metalworking technique.



Adam Prince (l) and Dave Gerbe (r)

HOMEBUILDING IS HAPPENING

Mike Clayton

Here we are, into August, with the end summer in sight. It seems to have gone fast this year, with a lot of rain which made much of it feel like fall, rather than summer. At any rate, we still have a lot of activity coming up...

Of course, homebuilding continues. Ron Logory has been the champion this past month, with his all weekend sessions building his Onex. Here are some pictures from the first weekend session:



Greg Hoaas is working on his riveting skills

Ron did a great job in setting up the session and in letting people get some hands-on experience with skills needed to build the aircraft. I think he also did a good job sharing the steps needed to construct the stabilizers and showing people some of the work he and Joe DiDonato had already accomplished. This was one of our better sessions on homebuilding. Another session was scheduled for August 9th and 10th. Will have a report on these in a later newsletter. Meantime, I encourage all to come and see what homebuilding is all about.

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CORRECTIONS

Last month we had some sharp-eyed readers who caught several mistakes by your Editor.

Ron Logory informed me that his Onex building partners name is correctly spelled Joe DiDonato. So noted.

In the article about Trafford Dougherty, I said that Glenn Curtiss invented a trapping system on aircraft carriers that is still used to day... to trap F-16's. An astute reader (I forget his name, can't find the message, sorry) pointed out that F-16's are not carrier-qualified. They don't have tailhooks. Well of course, EVERYONE knows that, except me it seems.

My apologies for the inaccuracies.

MEMBERS ATTEND OPENING OF "PLANES: FIRE & RESCUE"

Five members continued a chapter tradition of attending opening night of Hollywood aviation movies. Previous dinner-and-a movie date nights included "Redtails" and the original "Planes."



This month Norm & Elise Isler, Nancy Beck & Frances Englund, and Bob Nelligan-Barrett tried to "appropriate" the movie sign for the SAC. Failed again.

Happening Homebuilding con't



Joe DiDonato, Ron's friend and partner in the build, working on the horizontal stabilizer



This is the stabilizer, ready to install rivets

We are fast approaching the 24th of August, and the Fly-in breakfast, sponsored by the Spencerport Rotary. This is for the benefit of Mercy Flight and Camp Hackamo. Both are worthwhile of our support as members of the community. I encourage all members to come and attend. We want members to fly in with their homebuilt aircraft, and we will set up a display by the SAC. The SAC will be open, and we should have some displays, and demos of homebuilt aircraft activity for folks to see.

We will be getting things organized shortly for the annual Aerocamp. This is an activity we put on for the Scouts to come, spend a weekend camping at the SAC, and earn their Aviation Merit Badge. More to come soon! Fly-Outs also continue.

Don't forget the Rochester Air Show, coming up on the weekend of August 16, 17.

See you at the SAC!

OLD GOAT MOJO

by Art Thieme

What the h&*^ is a mojo? Ed. will know. Anyway, I got it.

Last year I went to the Geneseo Air Show to see the deHavilland Mosquito. It wasn't there. The Military Aviation Museum that owned the plane was facing a cash flow problem and the bank shut down all operations. The owner of the museum, Jerry Yagen, sold off twenty of his planes (he owns more than 60 all over the world) and is again in business. The Mosquito was at this years air show and was a beauty. It is one of two flying in the world. It is a beauty.

The Geneseo Air Show has to be one of the best, if not THE best, on the East coast. I was honored to have a place under a tent at the Honor flight table. My daughter Cindy is a volunteer for the group. It also served as the Veterans tent.

The air show grounds were laid out so that the food tents were away from the sales tents. The aircraft were parked on the far west end. There was plenty of space to move around. and once the air show began it was one performance after another, right on schedule. Not like the Rochester air show I attended once. Rob Holland in his Aero performed a routine that was as good as those at Oshkosh. If you missed it, plan on going next year. And join the organization

Errata. I seldom get to use that word. At any rate in the last newsletter I quoted Leonardo de Vinci extolling the virtue of flight. As he never flew how could he know? In the March issue of "AOPA Pilot," Barry Schiff retracted the quote and gave credit to Henry van Dyke, an American poet. I wonder if he ever flew.

Anyone out there use Gorilla Glue? I heard good things about it so I tried some. Glued some pieced together. It is moisture

activated. it oozed glue out all sides. I tried less glue. Same results. And the stuff hardened in the bottle in a day or two. If you have had better results let the editor know, don't call me. He needs material for the newsletter. *(I don't need an article on watching glue harden THAT badly, thank you very much. Ed.)*

I seem to go through a pound of bacon more quickly. No wonder - it is only 12 oz. New math?

WOW! The cost of the F-35 is now \$100 million. With foreign sales and increased production the cost may go down to \$98 million. The current objective is a flay-away cost below \$80 million by 2019. "Aviation Week" July 21, 2014.

Can you believe the Boeing 747 is 44 years old? The 1,500 747 was delivered last last month (June 2014). It was the 75th model for the carrier. remember that the upper deck was supposed to have a piano bar. I saw the first one at the Montreal Airport. When is it coming to the Geneseo Air Show?

Remember this song lyric?: "Istanbul Was Once Constantinople." If you do, raise your hand. I see one hand. They don't write songs like that anymore. *(What is this world coming to when the Old Goat is quoting They Might Be Giants? YouTube that title and you'll raise your hand too. OH yeah, THAT song! Hands up. Ed.)*

Old Goat, Mojo Out.



Our recently expanded parking area and driveway. The lawn is getting its annual facelift.

**LAST CHAPTER FLY-OUT
TO THE
NIAGARA AEROSPACE MUSEUM
& NIAGARA FALLS FLY-OVER**

by Mike Kuyt

Niagara Aerospace Museum,
www.wnyaerospace.org, 716-297-1323
Niagara Falls Intl, IAG
The runways are 9829 x 150, 5188 x 150 and
3973 x 75.
7G0 to IAG is 46 nm

This is a short trip, but very scenic following the Lake Ontario shoreline. If you review the rules for over flying the falls, perhaps that could be done before landing at IAG. There is a museum at the airport that has an emphasis on aircraft produced in Western NY as well as some space related items. It is open 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM Wed – Sun.

Niagara Falls on the American side is a 10 minute cab ride if you haven't visited the falls in a while. There is an Italian restaurant across the street from the airport. The C130's from the Air Force Reserve are stationed on the far end of the airport.

I have found that both the air traffic controllers as well as the folks at the FBO are very welcoming and helpful, so don't let the 10 thousand foot runway throw you. It's a great airport to visit.

Please contact me if you are interested in participating in any of these fly outs. I can be reached by email at mkuyt@rochester.rr.com or by phone at 585-802-2189.

**HOLIDAY PARTY UPDATE
&
BOTTLE QUEEN REPORT**
by Gail Isaac

Hi all, as your self appointed Party Girl, Bob and I are looking for ideas of what you might like for entertainment (or not) for this years Christmas Party. Send me any ideas and/or contacts that you think the group might enjoy. We have done musical groups twice now and it was mentioned that maybe we should try something else. Also, if you would like to try other caterers or go back to restaurants like we used to, send that also. So drop me a suggestion: gisaac@rochester.rr.com.

Bottles and cans are still my main job so keep them coming. I found a place in Spencerport that is giving 6 cents for the month of August so bring them in.

Ron Logory teaches a young lad how to use a metal shear...and keep all his fingers.



Both were successful!

GENESEO 2014

“THE GREATEST SHOW ON TURF”

There were several special aircraft at this years fly-in at the National Warplane Museum in Geneseo. Local hero C-47 “Whiskey 7” (right) was just back from a triumphant return flight to Normandy France for the 70th anniversary of D-Day. Welcome home.



The DeHavilland Mosquito that missed last year made it this year.



A P-38 Lightning provided an interesting two-engine compare-and-contrast study with the Mosquito. American vs. British. One tail vs. two. Tail-dragger vs. nose-dragger. Wood vs. metal. Some things never change.



“Whiskey 7” was an original C-47 flying paratroopers over the beaches of Normandy on D-Day. This airshow was its first public viewing since returning from France earlier this summer.



Twin radial engines always make a nice background for a family portrait.



Most people bring folding chairs in a bag. Others fly their chairs in.

**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meeting
8 July 2014**

Board Members Present: Clayton, Isler, Byers, Peters, Nelligan-Barrett, North, and Hazen.

Other Members Present: Arganbright, Isler (Elise), Greeno, Logory.

Reports:

- President (Mike Clayton):
 - Elise Isler has resigned as our Treasurer effective immediately. The Board thanks her for her service. Mike Clayton will begin searching for a replacement first from within the BOD and then among the general membership. Mike noted that he is considering splitting the position into a cash handling role and a report / documentation / tax filing role.
- Vice President (Norm Isler):
 - No report
- Treasurer (Elise Isler):
 - Report read and approved.
- Secretary (Steve North):
 - Minutes read and approved per motion of Phil Hazen, seconded by Jeff Peters, passed unanimously.

Business:

- Building Committee (Kevin Arganbright, et. al.):
 - The crushed stone for the enlarged parking lot was spread and leveled on Tuesday, 8 July. A final rolling is still required.

- Phil Hazen moved to spend up to funds for the final section of concrete walkway to the shed, Darryl Byers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Kevin will begin implementing a 5S program to sort through the clutter within the SAC and discard the useless material and properly store the useful stuff.
- Homebuilder's Council (Darryl Byers, et.al.):
 - Ron Logory will be hosting the first Onex demonstration / educational build session on Saturday and Sunday (12-13 July).
- Capital Campaign (Larry Greeno):
 - Plans continue to evolve working toward a feasibility study to determine the level of membership support for a sustained giving program.
- Old Business:
 - The Chapter will be supporting the fly-in breakfast hosted by the Spencerport Rotary on Sunday, 24 August. The Board reviewed ideas to help promote awareness of the Chapter's activities and goals.
- New Business:
 - Elise Isler proposed that the Chapter host the next Young Eagles rally on Saturday, 13 Sept.
 - Bob Nelligan-Barrett is working to organize the library. He's testing an application to help manage our collected material in order to make it more useful and available for our members.
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Norm and Dave imagine sorties they WISHED they'd had in a Phantom.

REGIONAL CALENDAR

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

Aug. 19 **National Aviation Day** in honor of Orville Wright's birthday. Thanks Orville.

ROCHESTER AIRSHOW

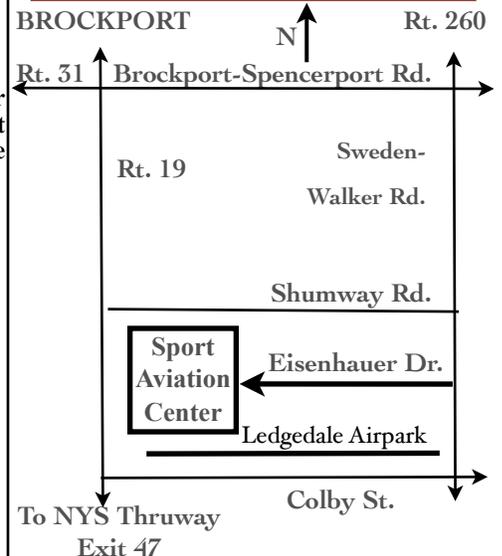
Aug 16/17 featuring the USAF Thunderbirds. <RochesterAirshow.com>

GLENN CURTISS MUSEUM FALL FLYING FESTIVAL (aka SEAPLANE HOMECOMING)

Sept. 13, Hammondsport NY Watch airplanes and seaplanes fly over Keuka Lake & circle the Curtiss gravesite. <<http://glennhcurtissmuseum.org>>

Summer is winding down, but it's not over yet!

There are still many fly-in breakfasts and lunches, and other activities advertised on <UpstateList.org>. Check them out, stretch your flying season, and go someplace new and different. Fly to eat, eat to fly.



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Tues. August 19, 6:30/7:30

Norm & Elise Isler will provide Beef on Weck with mayo and horseradish. Please bring a dish or dessert to pass.

Oshkosh Review by members who were there, and **Dr. David Broadwell, our local Aviation Medical Examiner.** Please bring written questions on a 3x5 card so Dr. B can respond confidentially, if necessary, or to groups of common questions. Thank you.

Aug 23 SAC Work Day

Aug 24 Fly-in Breakfast @ 7G0
w/ Spencerport Rotary

Sept. 6 Fly-Out to the
Niagara Air Museum &
Niagara Falls overflight.

Sept. 9 Board Meeting

Sept. 13 Young Eagles Rally
(no SAC Work Day)

Sept. 16 General Meeting

Sept. 27 SAC Work Day

Oct. 11 SAC Work Day

Oct. 14 Board Meeting

Oct. 21 General Meeting

Oct 25 SAC Work Day

All activities take place at the Sport Aviation Center unless otherwise noted.

Sport Aviation Center

44 Eisenhower Dr. 14420

Brockport Airport/

Ledgesdale 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 & 4th Saturdays, 10 AM

Bob Nelligan-Barrett

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