

**FOX VALLEY SPORT AVIATION ASSOCIATION  
EAA CHAPTER 579  
Aurora, IL**



***The Propwash***

May, 2014

**Next Chapter Meeting**

Thursday, May 22  
Sugar Grove Firehouse  
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Program Meeting: 7:30 pm

Director's Meeting: 6:30 pm

**Special Events 2014**

June 7: Aurora Library STEM program at the Aurora Transportation Center

June 21: EAA Day at Kane County Cougars (also Jimmy Buffett Day, including Tropical Themed Fireworks). [Buy tickets on-line.](#)

August 7: Boy Scout's Airfest at Lewis Airport (need volunteers)

**2014 Meeting Schedule**

All meetings at the Sugar Grove Firehouse unless otherwise notified  
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~~January 23~~

~~February 27~~

~~March 27~~

~~April 24~~

May 22

June 26

July 17 \*\*

August 28

September 25

October 23

November 20 \*\*

December 18 \*\*

\*\*Meetings the Third Thursday in July (Airventure), November (Thanksgiving) and December (Christmas).

**2014 Young Eagles® Schedule**

Flights will takeoff from and return to the Aurora Municipal Airport. Pilot briefing will be at about 8:30 am. Begin flying at 9:00 am. Last registration at 2:00 pm.

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**May 18**

June 22 (16K Celebration)

August 24

September 28

October 26



Young Eagles® 5 Step Plan

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If you have anything of interest to the chapter, please email me at [joeemcbride@gmail.com](mailto:joeemcbride@gmail.com): fun places you have flown to, progress on your special project, an interesting plane you have flown, your favorite flight, good places for the ~~\$100~~ \$200 hamburger. Let us all know about it. Pictures are always welcome. You don't have to have a completed article. If you send me the details, I'll write the article.

## Dave's Dialogue...



First, a thank you to all the support volunteers that helped with the STEM-O-Rama at the Kane County Fair Grounds on May 17. It was a great day to interact with the families throughout the day.

Next, our first Young Eagles® event on Sunday May 18th was another success and the weather was just perfect. 79 Young Eagles® were flown, a great turn out for our first event of the year. Again, thank you to all the volunteer pilots and ground support folks for all that you do to make this event special for the kids and families.

The chapter spring picnic following the Young Eagles® rally was also well attended. Thanks again to everyone that came out for the event.

The May chapter meeting will be used to catch up on some last minute planning for the June 16K Young Eagles® event, set for Sunday, June 22nd. We will also discuss other chapter business and events upcoming throughout the summer, and get caught up on some of the EAA Chapter videos presented by EAA, to be shown only at chapter meetings.

We will also have a summary of the Exploring Post activities conducted during the 2013 - 2014 school year, and show the Fox News video that was filmed by the network at IMSA where we hold our activities.

I look forward to seeing you at the May chapter meeting.

See you at the meeting.

Dave

## Minutes of April 24 Meeting

(Thanks to Dave Smith for taking notes due to my absence – Joe McBride)

- We welcomed our new members and guests at the beginning of the meeting.
- Presented Dalton Thompson with a certificate of accomplishment for completing his Private Pilot Certificate at 17 years of age.
- Discussed the upcoming STEM-O-Rama event on May 17 at the Kane County Fair Grounds. The chapter Young Eagles® trailer will be set up to promote Young Eagles® and Explorer Post 579. SimplyFly will also be there with their Remos on display.
- Talked about the first Young Eagles® rally on May 18, the first one of the year, and the spring chapter picnic following the event to be held at Suburban Properties hangar.
- Work is continuing toward the Young Eagles® 16K Rally, set for June 22nd.

Short break for refreshments

- Don Horacek, Young Eagles® Ground Safety Coordinator, and Pam Brophy, Aurora Airport Tower Chief, reviewed Young Eagles® procedures.

Submitted by: Dave Smith

## Aviation Exploring Post 579

As we pointed out in last month's newsletter and in Dave's Dialogue, Fox News was at IMSA for a Post 579 meeting. They got a lot of good footage of the Explorers assembling and flying the Quad Copters. The resulting news feature was very well done. Below is a link to the news feature. (Be aware that you might have to sit through an advertisement before the video starts- just be patient.):

<http://video.foxnews.com/v/3549403328001/boy-scouts-explore-technology-of-the-future/#sp=show-clips>

(I understand that Mark Hislop will be signing autographs after the meeting ☺. Seriously – great work Mark!)

## A beautiful Day for Flying

May 18 turned out to be a beautiful day for flying. As Dave pointed out in Dave's Dialogue, we flew a total of 79 Young Eagles® – moving us closer to 16,000 that we expect to break-through the second rally of the year on June 22.

We had quite a diversity of planes flying. Believe it or not, there were no Cessna 172's at the rally. This may have been a first. But we did have:

- A beautiful 1947 Cessna 195
- 2 1940's Ercoupes
- A homebuilt KIS Cruiser
- An RV-7
- A Cessna 182 – with air conditioning!
- A Cessna Skymaster
- A Beechcraft Musketeer
- An American Champion Scout on floats
- A Grumman Tiger
- There was even a Maule for a short time

## Young Eagles® Pilot Appreciation Sweepstakes

The EAA has introduced a sweepstakes for those of us who fly Young Eagles®. There is nothing more we have to do than fly Young Eagles®. Follow the link below:

<https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/aviation-education-and-resources/ea-youth-education/ea-young-eagles-program/pilot-appreciation-sweepstakes>

## Support the General Aviation Pilot Protection Act

There are now bills in both the House and Senate. This legislation would build upon the remarkable safety record proven by a decade of light-sport aircraft (LSA) operations. This success shows that it's time to widen the pool of recreational pilots who can enjoy flying their small aircraft without the expense and regulatory burden of third-class medical certification.

EAA has set up a very easy way for you to weigh in on this legislation. The link below will take you there:

<http://govt.eaa.org/14781/suppo/>

## EAA.org Has New Look, Easier Navigation

This new site is much easier to use and provides ready access to everything at EAA. Below is a reprint of an article from EAA about the new site:

April 28, 2014 – EAA today launched its newly restructured flagship website, [www.EAA.org](http://www.EAA.org), bringing together its family of websites under a single banner, with faster, state-of-the-art navigation, integration with mobile devices, and a bold new look.

“EAA's main website has served us very well for nearly a decade, but EAA members and other aviation enthusiasts require digital and web services that meet today's technology,” said Rick Larsen, EAA's vice president of marketing. “This new EAA.org brings together nearly all of our diverse websites and gives members what they're looking for from their organization. The site also reflects the passion of EAA members and others who enjoy the freedom of flight.”

The new website, developed by EAA's digital media and information technology teams in a partnership with Hanson Dodge Creative of Milwaukee, provides easy access to all content formerly on the EAA, AirVenture, EAA AirVenture Museum, and Shop EAA websites. Almost all previous web address and bookmarks will connect you with your favorite web pages, but content is easier to find through the menus at the top of each page.

In addition, EAA members will be able to manage their own member information more efficiently through a single login account (all members are asked to create a new username and password to replace their former Oshkosh365 and Shop EAA login information). Only the EAA Forums and EAA Video areas will remain as separate websites at this time.

“This updated website reflects in the input we've had from EAA members and others over the past several years,” Larsen said. “Our team's goal was to eliminate the many ‘add-on’ websites that had emerged over the past decade and create easy-to-access information that was available on the variety of devices our members now use.”

While most of the work for the new EAA.org site is complete, it remains a work in progress. New features will be added in coming months. Users are also invited to add their ideas and suggestions through the Contact Us feature.

## EAA Calendar of Events

Click the following link: <https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/events>

**Fox Valley Sport Aviation Association**  
**EAA Chapter 579**  
**Membership Application or Renewal - 2014**

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**Annual Membership = \$20.00**  
**Checks made payable to EAA Chapter 579**

**Please mail this application and your check to our treasurer:**

**Lawrence O. Shaw  
147 N. Buckingham Drive  
Sugar Grove, IL 60554**

To join or renew your membership, please fill in the form above and mail it to the address at the bottom with a check for \$20. If you have not already, now is the time to renew your Chapter membership for 2014.

The last page of this newsletter is a poster prepared by Beth Rehm from Galt Airport. This poster represents a summary of the Chicago area EAA chapters and their scheduled summer activities for 2014. Thanks to Beth for getting all the local chapters together back in February and for creating this great poster.

# 2014 Summer Calendar EAA Chapter Events in the Chicago Area

## May

- 3rd - Chapter 932 Young Eagles Rally at Galt Airport (10C)
- 4th - Chapter 22 Pancake Breakfast at Cottonwood Airport (1C8)
- 11th - Chapter 1414 Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles at Poplar Grove (C77)
- 17th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 18th - Chapter 15 43rd Annual Pancake Breakfast at Lewis University Airport (LOT)

## June

- 1st - Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast at DeKalb Airport (DKB)
- 7th - Chapter 241 Young Eagles Rally at DeKalb Airport (DKB)
- 8th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles Rally at Morris Airport (C09)
- 8th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles at Poplar Grove Airport (C77)
- 14th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 15th - Chapter 153 Father's Day Pancake Breakfast at Schaumburg Airport (06C)
- 22nd - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Special Event at Aurora Airport (ARR)
- 28th/29th - Chapter 932 Barnstormer Days Vintage Fly-in at Galt Airport (10C)
- 29th - Chapter 790 Pancake Breakfast at Lake in the Hills Airport(3CK)

## July

- 12th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 13th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles at Poplar Grove Airport (C77)

## August

- 8th/9th/10th - Chapter 15 Boy Scouts Airfest at Lewis University Airport (LOT)
- 9th - Chapter 932 Young Eagles Rally at Galt Airport (10C)
- 10th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles at Poplar Grove Airport (C77)
- 16th - Chapter 241 Young Eagles Rally at DeKalb Airport (DKB)
- 17th - Lyons Club Pancake Breakfast at DeKalb Airport (DKB)
- 30th - Chapter 932 Young Eagles Rally at Galt Airport (10C)
- 30th - Chapter 95 Fly-in/Open House at Morris Airport (C09)

## September

- 13th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles Rally at Morris Airport (C09)
- 13th - Chapter 932 Planes and Puppies/Young Eagles Event at Galt Airport (10C)
- 13th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 14th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles at Poplar Grove Airport (C77)
- 21st - Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast at Hinckley Airport (0C2)

## October

- 4th - Chapter 22 Fly-in Lunch at Cottonwood Airport (1C8)
- 11th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles at Joliet Airport (JOT)
- 11th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 12th - Chapter 1414 Thank a Vet Pancake Breakfast at Poplar Grove Airport (C77)
- 18th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles at Aurora Airport (ARR)



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[www.eaa22.org](http://www.eaa22.org)

Visit the chapter websites for more information about each event.