

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



The Propwash

October, 2015

Next Chapter Meeting

Thursday, October 15
Sugar Grove Firehouse
[Click here for Map](#)

Director's Meeting: 6:30 pm

Business Meeting: 7:30 pm

Program after the Business Meeting

2015 Meeting Schedule

All meetings at the Sugar Grove
Firehouse unless otherwise notified
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~~January 22~~

~~February 26~~

~~March 26~~

~~April 23~~

~~May 28~~

~~June 25~~

~~July 16**~~

~~August 27~~

~~September 24~~

October 15**

November 19**

December 17**

**Meetings the Third Thursday in July
(AirVenture), October (Conflict at
Firehouse), November (Thanksgiving)
and December (Christmas).

2015 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 or before 2:00 pm.

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May 17

June 28

August 23

September 27

October 25



[Young Eagles® 5 Step Plan](#)

2015 Chapter Leadership

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Chapter Website: <http://www.eaa579.org>
(Thanks Mike Baer for your great work on the
web site)

If you have anything of interest to the chapter, please email me at 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.



Looking Up...by Don Horacek

Hello my fellow 579ers,

Save the date! Friday, December 4 will be the Chapter Family Christmas Party. Planning for the party is ongoing by a select committee of Kaye Cosentino, Sandi McBride, Mary Ann Hislop and Director Kathy Spano. Let me or a committee member know if you would like to contribute to the planning and execution of this fun event. Details of the party will be forthcoming.

A red-line copy of the proposed By-Laws changes went out by e-mail. We will have an open discussion of the changes based on questions and comments at the October meeting. The final draft of the By-Laws and proxies will be sent to the members in time for an up down vote at the November meeting of the membership.

Our next Young Eagles rally is Sunday, October 25. We are planning a Chapter picnic following the event. Details for the picnic will come by e-mail prior to the rally. Volunteer turn out has been great for all events this year. Let's keep up the spirit! One area where we could use additional help is on the ramp. If there is not enough staff to support the number of planes, we may need to borrow from the pilots and/or administration groups to fill open positions, maybe on a two hour rotation. Thank you's are in order for everyone's efforts last month!

Remember that Larry Shaw has announced that he will step down as Treasurer at the end of this year. The Board of Directors will elect his successor at their November meeting. Anyone interested in becoming more involved in the chapter can submit their name at the October meeting of the membership. Email submissions and nominations of others who you see as a good potential candidate are welcome. Anyone not self-nominated will be contacted for their feedback on the nomination. The name of Larry's successor will be announced at the November meeting of the membership.

Preparations for offering the Aviation Merit Badge to scouts are in process. Anyone interested in helping out with the program is welcome and can do so without any special clearances. Some positions, however, require credentials from BSA headquarters by completing a Scouting Adult application and taking the mandatory on-line Youth Protection Training. And, those who want to become a Merit Badge Counselor will need to complete a Merit Badge Counselor form. The committee is in the process of completing these applications

and forms. Please contact me if you would like to join the effort in some way.

Has the thought of building an airplane ever crossed your mind? It has mine and just as quickly I dismissed it. Last year at Oshkosh, the One Week Wonder event took place. During the week of the convention, anyone who wanted to participate in building a Zenith CH 750 Cruiser got their chance. In some cases, it was only the act of pulling one rivet. But even that small involvement was recorded and those folks became builders. This year in a project called Give Flight, five sets of wings were constructed in a similar way. Anyone who wanted to help got their shot. And they became builders.

The Illinois Aviation Museum caught the bug and launched the One Year Wonder "Build a Plane" Project at Bolingbrook's Clow airport. They too are building a Zenith CH 750 Cruiser. And the public is invited to participate. EAA Chapter 461 is an active supporter of the project and was the recipient of one set of wings from the Give Flight project in Oshkosh. Chapter 461 donated the wings to the museum which gave the project a boost on their build. October 17 is the next scheduled build date.

The reason for bringing up the Oshkosh and Museum projects is that a similar build project is being planned at the Aurora Airport. The flight school, SimplyFly, is organizing the build of a Vans RV-12 kit airplane. They're calling it the Blue Sky Project. SimplyFly is bringing together the needed space, tools, expertise and kit. This of course will require some capital, so they are launching a fund raiser web site on the 19th of this month. The plan is to begin the build in January after funding is acquired. This unique project is open to the community. Anyone who is interested will be able to get hands on experience, thereby learning the skills needed to build a flying airplane. Who wants in on this?! Where do I sign up? Information on the project can be found at www.simplyflybuild.com. Let's go build a plane!

See you at the meeting Thursday,

Don

Minutes of September 24 Chapter Meeting

- Meeting opened at 7:37 by President Don Horacek
- Secretary Joe McBride was absent. Minutes were taken by Mike Bowers
- Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as published in the newsletter
- The Treasurer report was given by Larry Shaw. The report was accepted.
- It was noted that several people are unable to make the September 27 Young Eagles Rally. An appeal was made for additional volunteers.
- Mike Bowers gave a report on Explorer Post 579. It has begun again with the new school year. It appears as though the number of students may be higher this year than last.
- Dave Spano reported that there will probably NOT be a Ground School this winter, but an RV-12 build project will be started in January. More details to follow.
- Joe McBride upgraded the old computer and set it up to print to our best printer. Tim Green's company has donated laptop computers which will be used for Young Eagles and for maintaining the Chapter books.
- A new printer was approved, but has not been purchased yet.
- A new canopy has been purchased from Sam's Club to replace the old one. This will mainly be used at Young Eagles Rallies.
- Larry Shaw has indicated his intention to resign his position of Treasurer effective at the end of the year. Nominations for a replacement will be taken through the October meeting with a special election at the November meeting.
- By-Laws changes are being worked on to clean up some conflicts with the way we are operating and some grammar errors. A marked up draft will be sent out to all members prior to the October meeting, with discussion at the October meeting. A final copy with proxies will be sent out prior to the November meeting for a vote at that time.
- It was noted that Pam Brophy, Aurora Control Tower Manager, will be retiring.
- Planning has begun for the Annual Christmas recognition party. A committee of Sandi McBride, Kathy Spano, Mary Ann Hislop and Kaye Cosentino is working on details. Save December 4, 2015 for that party.
- Next month's speaker will be Bill Cameron sharing his experiences in Vietnam. He will have a slide show.
- It was noted that next month's meeting is October 15 – one week earlier than normal due to a conflict at the Sugar Grove Fire House.

After a break for refreshments EAA videos from AirVenture 2015 and several maintenance topics were shown.

Submitted by: Joe McBride, Secretary (Thanks to Mike Bowers for taking notes at the meeting)

October 15th Meeting

Our speaker this month is our very own Director Bill Cameron:

Former Specialist 5th Class
281st Assault HelicopterCo.
Detachment B52
5th Special Forces, ABN

2015 is the "officially recognized by the US government" 50th anniversary of the start of the Vietnam war.

October 2015 is the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the 2 year, 9 month, 13 day visit that Bill made to Southeast Asia.

Let's join Bill for a trip in the Way-back Machine to that Asian wonderland that has universally become known to a whole generation of Veterans as simply "NAM".

For those who squeeze dinner into the trip out to the airport, the Sugar Grove Fire Station is hosting a "Drive Through BBQ" between the hours of 4 PM and 7 PM the night of our meeting.

Results of September 27 Young Eagle's Rally

The unofficial count of Young Eagles from the September 27 rally is 77.

We had a great turnout of volunteers! Thank you for your hard work to make the event run like clockwork.

We were challenged by the weather at the start and on into the morning. Mother Nature is really testing us this year! We actually had some spurts of sunshine by noon. But the inflow of kids slowed to a trickle. We started to fold the tent around 1.

One more rally next month. Let's keep the spirit going!

Don

Latest on 3rd Class Medical

There has been some movement this last month on the Pilot's Bill of Rights 2 which includes 3rd Class Medical reform. Some folks are not happy with the changes, but they should help get it passed. [Follow this link](#) to get more details on this at the EAA website.

Aircraft Project Available

Some in the chapter got this email directly, but I wanted to include it in the newsletter so everyone was aware of it:

Good day, I am an EAA member, and currently have a Fisher Flying Products Horizon 1 (WOOD, high wing, 2 seat tandem, folding wing) Project that at one point was complete and certified. The Aircraft was damaged with a gear failure, some damage, some I have repaired, (I am A&P).

Long story short, I got the aircraft last year, then found out I have MS, and a couple other medical issues and shall not be able to complete and or fly. I am not looking to get anything out of it (money and/or otherwise). I would just like to give it to someone that's wants it, can finish it, use it for training, etc.

I have all the paper work, plan set, the spars, (may be useable), material to build a new set of ribs - it's almost complete. Please let me know if you know of anyone interested, or of options. I would really hate to have to just trash it.

I can be contacted at the email below:

rtaylor5490@gmail.com

thanks RT



Picture of a completed Horizon 1 aircraft – Note: this is NOT the project aircraft

N920HZ is Assigned

Aircraft Description

Serial Number	H01176	Status	Valid
Manufacturer Name	PACKARD RICHARD R	Certificate Issue Date	05/10/2012
Model	FISHER HORIZON 1	Expiration Date	05/31/2015
Type Aircraft	Fixed Wing Single-Engine	Type Engine	2 Cycle
Pending Number Change	None	Dealer	No
Date Change Authorized	None	Mode S Code (base 8 / oct)	53137361
MFR Year	2008	Mode S Code (base 16 / hex)	ACBEF1
Type Registration	Individual	Fractional Owner	NO

Registered Owner

Name	WELLS JAMES E		
Street	372 SILVERCREST TER		
City	BEAVERCREEK	State	OK
County	MONTGOMERY	Zip Code	73160
Country	UNITED STATES		

Airworthiness

Engine Manufacturer	HIRTH	Classification	Experimental
Engine Model	2706	Category	Amateur Built
		A/W Date	08/28/2008

Fox Valley Sport Aviation Association
EAA Chapter 579
Membership Application or Renewal - 2015

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____ EAA# _____

_____ New _____ Renewal Spouse's Name _____

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**

Chapter Membership Renewals for 2015 are now due.

2015 Summer Calendar EAA Chapter Events in the Chicago Area



www.eaa932.org



www.eaa95.org



www.eaa153.com



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May

- 9th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 9th - Chapter 461 Young Eagles Rally, see web site for location
- 10th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally at Poplar Grove (C77)
- 16th - Chapter 932 Salute to Veterans Pancake Breakfast at Galt Airport (10C)
- 17th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally at Aurora Airport (ARR)

June

- 6th - Chapter 241 Young Eagles Rally at DeKalb Airport (DKB) 09:00 - 11:00
- 6th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 7th - Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast at DeKalb Airport (DKB) 08:00 - 11:30
- 13th - Chapter 932 Barnstormer Days Vintage Fly-in at Galt Airport (10C)
- 13th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles Rally at Morris Airport (C09)
- 13th - Chapter 461 Young Eagles Rally, see web site for location
- 14th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally at Poplar Grove (C77)
- 21st - Chapter 153 Father's Day Pancake Breakfast at Schaumburg (06C)
- 27th - Chapter 95 Fly-in at Aero Acres Airport (IL51)
- 28th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally at Aurora Airport (ARR)
- 28th - Chapter 790 Pancake Breakfast at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)

July

- 11th - Chapter 461 Young Eagles Rally, see web site for location
- 12th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally at Poplar Grove (C77)

August

- 8th - Chapter 241 Young Eagles Rally at DeKalb Airport (DKB) 09:00 - 11:00
- 8th - Chapter 461 Young Eagles Rally, see web site for location
- 9th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally at Poplar Grove (C77)
- 22nd - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 23rd - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally at Aurora Airport (ARR)

September

- 5th - Morris Airport Open House (C09)
- 12th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally at Lake in the Hills Airport (3CK)
- 12th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles Rally at Morris Airport (C09)
- 12th - Chapter 461 Young Eagles Rally, visit web site for location
- 13th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally at Poplar Grove (C77)
- 19th - Chapter 932 Planes & Puppies (Young Eagles/Animal Shelter fundraiser) at Galt Airport (10C)
- 20th - Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast at Hinckley Airport (0C2) 08:00 - 11:30
- 27th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally at Aurora Airport (ARR)

October

- 10th - Chapter 241 USO Hangar Dance at DeKalb Airport (DKB) 19:30 - 23:30
- 10th - Chapter 461 Young Eagles Rally, visit web site for location
- 11th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally at Poplar Grove (C77)
- 25th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally at Aurora Airport (ARR)



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Visit the chapter websites for more information about each event.