

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



The Propwash
May, 2016

Next Chapter Meeting

Thursday, May 26
SimplyFly Training Room
(Note new location)
[Click here for Map](#)

Director's Meeting: 6:30 pm

Business Meeting: 7:30 pm

Please come with your thoughts on how the Young Eagles Rally went on May 22.

2016 Meeting Schedule

All meetings at the
SimplyFly Training Room
unless otherwise notified
[Click here for Map](#)

~~January 28, 2016~~
~~February 25, 2016~~
March 24, 2016
~~April 28, 2016~~
May 26, 2016
June 23, 2016
July 21, 2016 **
August 25, 2016
September 22, 2016
October 27, 2016
November 17, 2016 **
December 15, 2016 **

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

2016 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.
[Click here for Map](#)

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[Young Eagles® 5 Step Plan](#)

2016 Chapter Leadership

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Please join our Facebook page for additional chapter pictures, postings and updates.

Search EAA Chapter 579, Fox Valley Chapter 579 Sport Aviation Association or [click here](#)

Chapter Website: <http://www.eaa579.org>
(Thanks Mike Baer for your continued 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.

Baer→Mail



The calendar says May, but for me, this month marks the beginning of the Chapter's year. Shortly after we pack up from our October Young Eagles rally I begin to look forward to May. The longer days, warmer weather and all of the smiling faces that signal Young Eagles season has arrived.

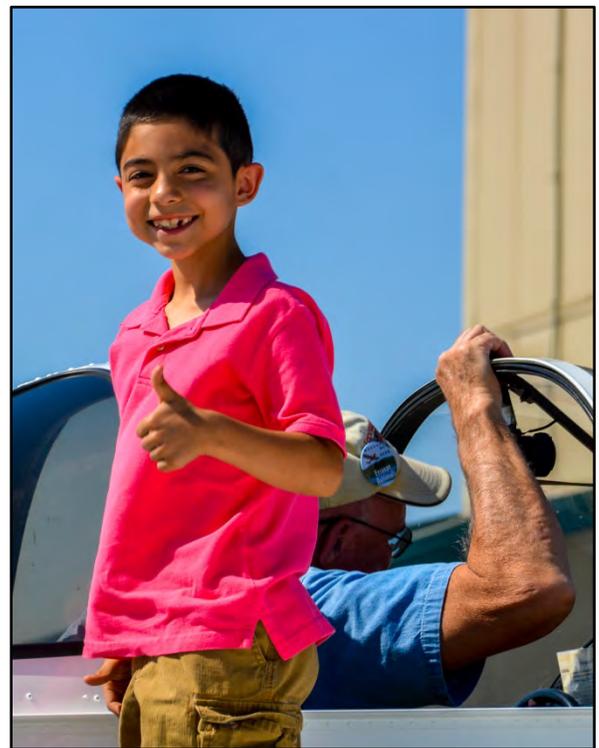
We kicked off the 2016 Young Eagles season last Sunday (May 22) with beautiful blue skies, great volunteers and over 80 very excited Young Eagles. From my perspective everything ran like clockwork. The wait time for flights seemed shorter, the parents I spoke with were all very grateful, the kids were well behaved and ATC was very responsive (especially when I had to get a nervous Young Eagle back on the ground in a hurry - probably more a statement of my flying than his phobia).

I can't say enough about our volunteers. In the past- I'll admit- I focused primarily on giving the kids a great flying experience. This month I stepped back and, for the first time observed the individual efforts of all of our volunteers from registration to dispatch, ground operations, photography, office operations, arrivals, the art table, set up and tear down, the picnic and of course flying. I am so thankful to be part of this terrific organization of truly giving people.

Now I know that every rally does not run as smoothly as this one. In the past we have had our challenges. We have experienced frustrated parents, impatient kids and less than ideal conditions, but I encourage you to take a look at the faces below and spend a few minutes looking through the happy Young Eagles on our web site and Facebook page.

This is why we do it. The smiling faces of the kids whose lives we touch captures the moment they had an experience that will last a lifetime. Will any of these kids be inspired by the flights we provide to become GA pilots, airline captains, politicians or business people with positive feelings toward General Aviation? Perhaps, but for me it does not matter. For me, looking at these happy faces and knowing that, for a brief moment, we have given the next generation an experience they will never forget, is priceless.

Mike Baer



Minutes of April 28, 2016 Chapter Meeting

- Called to order at 7:40 PM by President Mike Baer.
- It was announced that Mike Baer was confirmed by the Directors as President to fill Don Horacek's term.
- It was announced that Chuck Newell was confirmed by the Directors as VP to fill Mike Baer's term.
- It was announced that Joe McBride will continue as the Secretary/Treasurer for the remainder of the term.
- All four officer positions will be up for election at the end of calendar 2016.
- Other Events of note:
 - Fly In at Cottonwood this weekend
 - Galt Young Eagles is May 14 – they are looking for pilots
 - DeKalb Young Eagles is June 12 - they are looking for pilots
 - Weekend Work Parties at Oshkosh

YE Overview

- A Tower Presentation was given by Katrina Smith, Matthew Shea and Jennifer Britton from the FAA. Slides from their presentation will be made available to the Chapter.
 - They emphasized that the KARR Tower has a lot of trainees.
 - They Reviewed Young Eagle routes and procedures.
- Registration procedures reviewed by Bev:
 - Volunteers are needed – we will need more photographers to take more pictures since we are no longer printing a copy for each Young Eagle. There is no need to limit pictures to one per child.
 - All volunteers should sign in. If you are flying, note your tail number and number of Young Eagles you can take.
 - Please print neatly
 - Help with setup at 8:00 AM
 - Mark Hislop will setup the PA system
 - We will use the same ticket system that we used last year
 - On tear down, put things at end of trailer so it can be put away properly in the trailer
 - We have access to JA for bathrooms. Parents must go with child. We need to check the bathroom a couple of times during the day to be sure that it is clean.
- Ground overview by Mike Bowers
 - Mike reviewed safety procedures and hand signals
 - Any parents or children going out to a plane must be escorted by a pilot or ramp crew member.
 - Parents can go to the plane at pilot's discretion- try to limit the number.
- Air Overview by Mike Baer
 - Quick review of routes

- Fly at 2300 ft. with lights on
- If you can't report at a reporting position due to radio traffic, when you do report, report your actual position.
- Weather cancellations will be made the night before if necessary and posted on Facebook if a no go
- Encourage the kids to take pictures and upload to our FaceBook page.
- There will be a picnic at Suburban properties after Young Eagles or at 3:00 PM if we are weathered out. Frank Cosentino and Alan Shackelton are coordinating. Please bring a dish to pass.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Submitted by: Joe McBride, Secretary

New Location for Chapter Meetings

We are now meeting in the Training Room at SimplyFly. Attached to this newsletter is a map and directions to SimplyFly on the Aurora Airport.

2016 Dates

The front page of this newsletter shows the 2016 dates for Chapter Meetings and Young Eagles Rallies. Please mark your calendar.

Summer Activities

Attached is a separate page showing summer activities for other EAA Chapters.

Young Eagles Flyers

Attached to this newsletter are copies of a 1-up and 2-up flyer for 2016 Young Eagles. (the 2-up will have to be cut.) Please print these as you need them and get them posted wherever you can.

3rd Class Medical Reform



I have been trying to provide an update on this important legislation with each newsletter. I confess that the report this month has many of my editorial comments in it. It is very important to me

Thanks to all of the hard work by the House in the last month (??) there is

nothing new to report from that chamber.

In the meantime, the Senate has attached the Pilot's Bill of Rights 2 with its 3rd Class Medical Reform language to the National Defense Authorization Act which is expected to go before the full Senate before the end of May. The language attached to this Bill is the same as the stand-alone Pilot's Bill of Rights 2 and the FAA Reauthorization Bill, both of which have overwhelmingly been passed by the full Senate. So it is likely that by the end of May, the Senate will have passed the Pilot's Bill of Rights 2 along with 3rd Class Medical Reform three different times, all with the same language, while the House twiddles its thumbs trying to hold 3rd Class Medical Reform and FAA Reauthorization hostage to privatization of ATC. This is in spite of the fact that there are now 65 co-signers of 3rd Class Medical Reform in the House AND the idea of privatizing ATC seems to be supported by only a few members of the House, notably House Transportation Committee Chairman Representative Bill Shuster (R-Pa) who has the power to create gridlock via his role as Committee Chairman.

Our Democracy at work, folks.

Late last month, when Mike Baer and I were in Oshkosh for the Leadership Academy, Jack Pelton (EAA CEO) personally gave us an update on the work being done by both EAA and AOPA on this subject. I have no doubt that this is a high priority for both organizations. Jack told us that Bill Shuster contacted him and told Jack that he would give us 3rd Class Medical Reform if EAA would support ATC privatization. Jack told him "that is a non-starter".

I asked Jack if he speaks with Mark Baker of AOPA much. He assured me that he does. I asked Jack to tell Mark that we thank him for AOPA's efforts, but that those of us in both EAA and AOPA are tired of Mark using 3rd Class Medical Reform as a fund raising vehicle for the AOPA PAC. I got applause from the room. It seems I'm not the only one who feels this way.

Joe McBride

AirVenture News

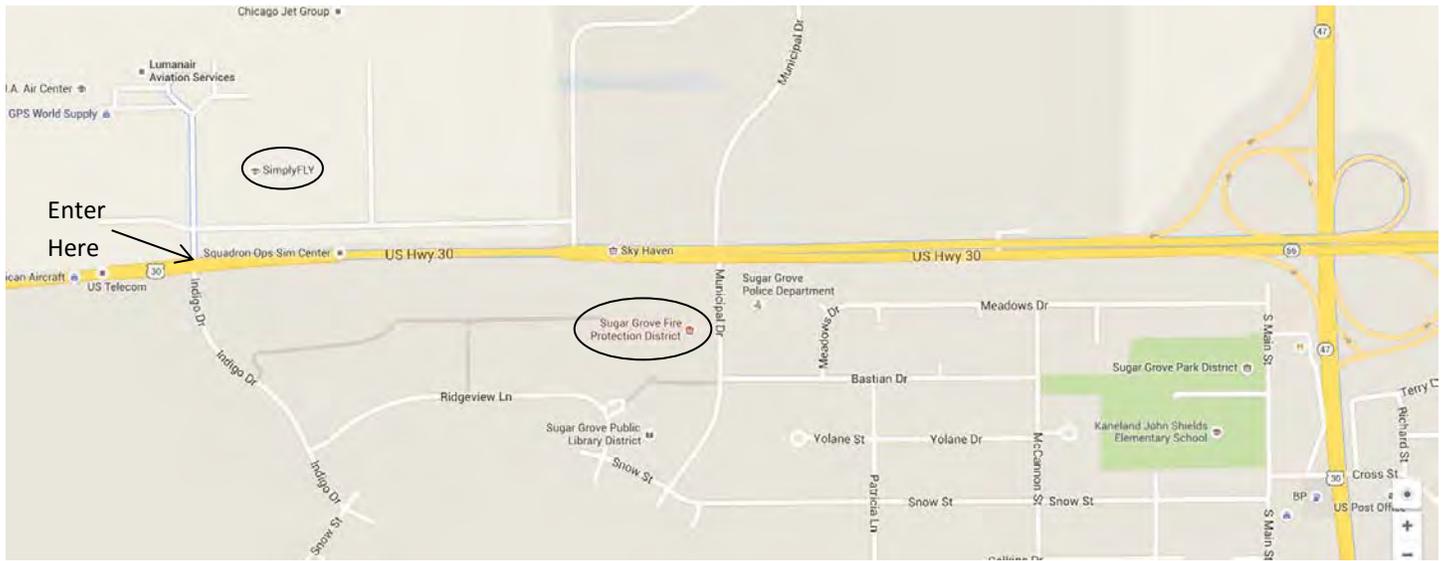
Airventure is in less than 2 months! Tickets are now on sale at a slight discount.

Below are some recent headlines about AirVenture 2016:

- FiFi (the CAF's [B29 Superfortress](#)) will return to Oshkosh. Note that FiFi and the CAF are also scheduled to be at the Aurora Airport 7/14-17.
- [An Honor Flight especially for Vietnam Era vets](#) will take off from AirVenture early on Friday, July 29 and return early evening.
- [An original 1909 Curtiss Pusher](#) will be flying.
- ["Third Eye Blind"](#) will be the concert on opening night. (I confess that I am not familiar with this band, but it will probably be a draw for younger folks.)
- [Star Wars: Episode VII – The Force Awakens](#) will be shown in the Fly-In Theater on Friday night.
- [The only flying A-20 Havoc](#) will be there.
- There will a celebration of the [2,000,000 Young Eagle](#) flown.
- There will be a celebration of the [Centennial of WWI](#) aviation featuring bi-planes and tri-planes.
- [The world's largest flying Water Bomber](#), the Martin Mars, will be there.
- Note that some changes to a taxi-way at the North end of the airport will create some issues in the North 40. Please [follow this link](#) for more details.



More information about AiVenture 2016 can be found by [following this link](#).



The top map shows the area of the Airport with the Sugar Grove Fire Station (where we used to meet) and SimplyFly both circled.

Note that when the Google Earth picture was taken Highway 30 was under construction in front of the airport. That construction is now completed.

Enter at the main airport entrance. Turn right at the first street and then left into the first parking lot. Walk through the gate nearest the building, turn left and the entrance to SimplyFly is at the corner of the building as shown on the map.

Fox Valley Sport Aviation Association
EAA Chapter 579
Membership Application or Renewal - 2016

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:

**Joe McBride
422 Arboretum Way
Oswego, IL 60543**

Chapter Membership Renewals for 2016 are now being taken.



2016 Summer Calendar

EAA Chapter Events in the Chicago Area



www.warbirdsquadron4.org



www.eaa932.org



www.eaa95.org



www.eaa153.com



790.eeachapter.org



www.eaa22.org



May

- 1st - Chapter 22 Pancake Breakfast, Cottonwood (1C8)
- 7th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally, Lake in the Hills (3CK)
- 8th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally, Poplar Grove (C77)
- 14th - Chapter 838 Young Eagles Rally, Racine (KRAC)
- 14th - Chapter 932 Young Eagles Rally, Galt (10C)
- 15th - Chapter 15 Pancake Breakfast, Lewis University (KLOT)
- 22nd - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally, Aurora (KARR)

June

- 4th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally, Lake in the Hills (3CK)
- 4th - Chapter 932 Barnstormer Days Vintage Fly-In, Galt (10C)
- 5th - Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast, DeKalb (KDKB)
- 11th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles Rally, Morris (C09)
- 11th - Chapter 838 Young Eagles Rally and Pancake Breakfast, Racine (KRAC)
- 12th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally, Poplar Grove (C77)
- 12th - Chapter 838 Pancake Breakfast, Racine (KRAC)
- 12th - Chapter 241 Young Eagles Rally, DeKalb (KDKB)
- 19th - Chapter 153 Father's Day Gourmet Pancake Breakfast, Schaumburg (06C)
- 26th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally, Aurora (KARR)
- 26th - Chapter 790 Pancake Breakfast, Lake in the Hills (3CK)

July

- 2nd - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally, Lake in the Hills (3CK)
- 9th - Chapter 838 Young Eagles Rally, Racine (KRAC)
- 10th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally, Poplar Grove (C77)
- 25th - 31st EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh (KOSH)

August

- 6th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally, Lake in the Hills (3CK)
- 13th - Chapter 838 Young Eagles Rally, Racine (KRAC)
- 13th - Chapter 241 Young Eagles Rally, DeKalb (KDKB)
- 14th - Warbird Squadron 4 Open Hangar, Joliet Regional (KJOT)
- 14th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally, Poplar Grove (C77)
- 28th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally, Aurora (KARR)

September

- 3rd - Airport Open House, Morris (C09)
- 3rd - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally, Lake in the Hills (3CK)
- 10th - Chapter 95 Young Eagles Rally, Morris (C09)
- 10th - Chapter 838 Young Eagles Rally, Racine (KRAC)
- 11th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally, Poplar Grove (C77)
- 17th - Chapter 932 Young Eagles Rally, Galt (10C)
- 18th - Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast, Hinckley (0C2)
- 25th - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally, Aurora (KARR)
- 25th Warbird Squadron 4 on display at Joliet Regional Airport Festival (KJOT)

October

- 1st - Chapter 22 Fall Fly-In, Cottonwood (1C8)
- 1st - Fly-In Hayride and Pumpkin Festival, Galt (10C)
- 8th - Chapter 838 Young Eagles Rally, Racine (KRAC)
- 8th - Chapter 241 USO Dance, DeKalb (KDKB)
- 9th - Warbird Squadron 4 on display at Illinois Aviation Museum, Clow (1C5)
- 9th - Chapter 1414 Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagles Rally, Poplar Grove (C77)
- 15th - Chapter 838 Monopoly Fundraiser, Racine (KRAC)
- 15th - Chapter 790 Young Eagles Rally/Pumpkin Festival, Lake in the Hills (3CK)
- 23rd - Chapter 579 Young Eagles Rally, Aurora (KARR)



1414.eeachapter.org



www.eaa579.org



www.eaa241.org



www.eaa838.org



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Visit the chapter websites for more information about each event.

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