

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



The Propwash

August, 2016

Next Chapter Meeting

Thursday, August 25
SimplyFly Training Room
(Note new location)

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Director's Meeting: 6:30 pm

Business Meeting: 7:30 pm

2016 Meeting Schedule

All meetings at the
SimplyFly Training Room
unless otherwise notified

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~~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.

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[Young Eagles® 5 Step Plan](#)

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Chapter 579 Sport Aviation Association or
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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 **Finding Your Happy Place**



Where is your happy place? For that matter... what is a happy place? The term has only been around since the early 1990s which is why it is frequently not a part of many people's normal vocabulary. A happy place quite simply is a place which a person associates with happiness, visualized as a means of reducing stress - it is the source of a happy state of mind. Your happy place may be fishing along the shore of a quiet river, relaxing at home with friends or vacationing with family. It is not unusual to have many happy places and in fact, the more you have the happier you are likely to be.

One of my happy places is the magical environment of flight. Whether I am piloting Pokey, riding in the back of an airliner, enjoying an airshow, or simply watching the graceful flight of a bird on my way into the office. Flight transforms my thoughts and emotions in such a positive and powerful manner that it feels therapeutic and at times spiritual. I am well aware of the physics of flight and the principles of aerodynamics but when I witness an object in flight today I am instantly transported back to a time where observing these acts was nothing short of magic. This childlike fascination has been a part of me for as long as I can remember and will likely remain when most other memories have faded away. Flight is, and has always been, my happy place.

Here's to discovering and spending as much time as possible in your happy place.

Mike Baer

Minutes of July 21, 2016 Chapter Meeting

- Meeting called to order at 7:39 PM by Mike Baer
- 14 members and 2 guests in attendance
- The minutes were approved as published in the newsletter
- The Treasurer's report was presented by Mike Baer. Approved as presented.
- Tim Green will have a gathering at Oshkosh at his RV 5:30 PM on 7/29
- Bob and Jean Porter were recognized for celebrating their 53rd wedding anniversary
- AirVenture 2016 is 7/25-31/2016. A discussion took place on Oshkosh "hacks" and memories
- Kathy Spano has a compiled a large number for us based on camping at AirVenture:
 - Plan for rain
 - Bring at least 3 tarps to protect your campground
 - Put solar lights on tent stakes and lines to avoid trip hazards
 - Bring RubberMaid tubs and zip lock bags
 - Bring a wash cloth in a zip lock bag with ice to the flight line for the air shows
 - Bring a floor mat

- Bring an extra blanket
- Bring a blanket cooler
- Bring a small flashlight for the port-a-potties
- Bring glow sticks
- Bring ear plugs
- Bring a stocking cap and gloves
- Showers:
 - Don't bring clothes to the shower.
 - Bring body wash – not soap
 - Shower before bed
 - Be sure to check the shower hours
 - Bring flip flops
 - Bring a WalMart dish pan to soak feet in camp
- Red Barn and Yellow Barn stores are expensive
- Get to know your neighbors
- Drink water, water and more water
- WalMart has lots of Oshkosh sweat shirts cheap
- Take your lunch to Theater in the Woods
- Bring an umbrella/poncho
- The Ford tent is air conditioned
- Bring a back pack or rolling cart
- Bring lip balm
- Plan for popular speakers by going to the venue 3 or 4 speakers early
- Pam Toleikis:
 - There is a laundromat next to the big red barn
 - The church group next to the bus turn-around has the best brats
- Bob Porter – there is a public beach at Lake Winnabago
- Frank Cosentino on flying in:
 - Bring Claw tie-downs
 - Bring ¾" plywood for under your wheels
 - Check your fuel tanks – especially after rain
 - Bring a charger
 - Check your insurance
 - Have the NOTAM with you
 - Don't use your radio at FISK
 - Stay ahead of the plane
 - Print out signs for parking
 - Incoming is 1800 ft, Departure is 1300 ft
 - Patterns are TIGHT
 - DO NOT start your plane without help
- Mark Hislop: practice slow flight and tight turns
- Phil Toleikis: a newly installed weather alert system will be broadcast
- Joan: use a collapsible water cooler for weight and space reduction
- Mike Bowers: check local colleges for housing
- ??: the local jail rents out for housing
- Ken Y: the FAA building has hypoxia training and a spin chamber
- Mike Baer: two favorite traditions are the ultr-light field in the early morning (great donuts, too!) and watching take-offs

Short break taken and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM due to an approaching storm.

Submitted by: Joe McBride, Secretary (thanks to notes from Mike Bowers)

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.

I found this great article about our own SimplyFLY in *General Aviation News*.

New REMOS dealer uses new approach to recruit students

SUGAR GROVE, Ill. — When David Spano and Tony Sabos set up SimplyFLY six years ago, their goal was to provide flight training under the banner of Power Sports.

They wanted to focus on growing sport aviation by targeting the general public. They do this by taking a REMOS mockup aircraft to local fairs, festivals and other events. There, they sell Discovery Flights: A half hour instructional flight for \$75. Around 15 percent of those who make the flight go on to become sport pilots or private pilots.

All of the training is done in REMOS aircraft. SimplyFLY has four of them, plus a new dealer demo aircraft for sales.



According to company officials, the key to their success is their approach to engaging the public. SimplyFLY works to correct false perceptions and present flying as an attainable sport. They don't "sell" aviation as a mode of transportation, they sell fun.

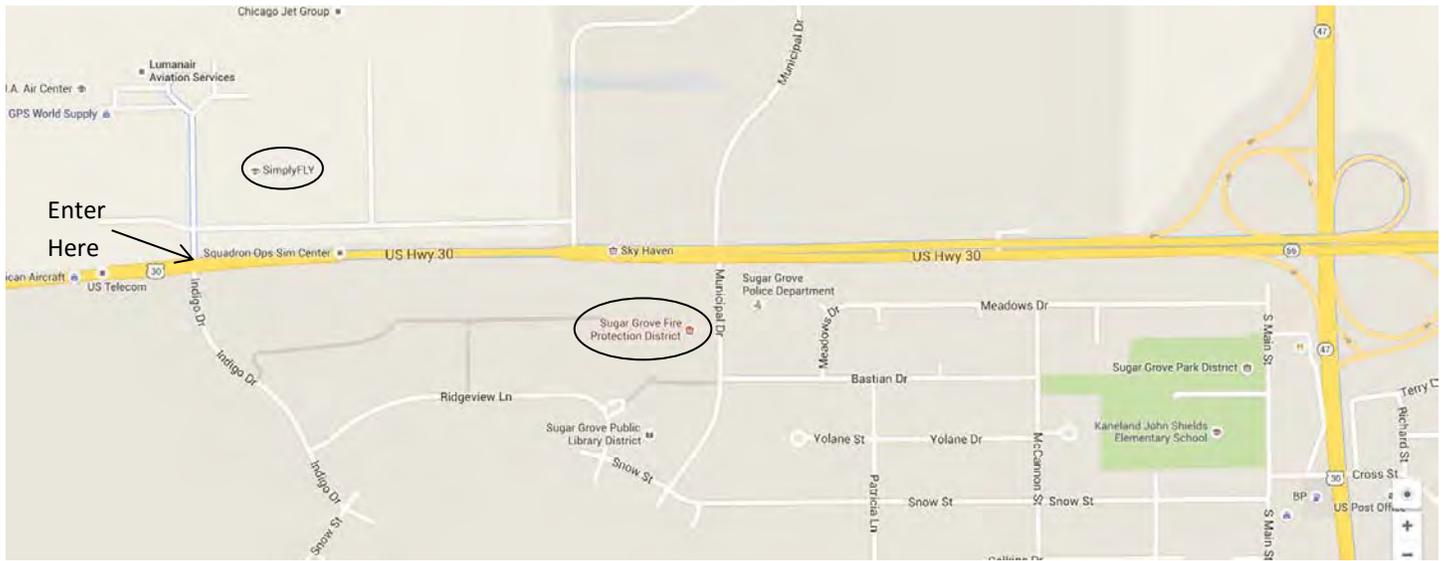
SimplyFLY, based at Aurora Municipal Airport (KARR), just west of Chicago, offers the Sport Pilot certificate for \$6,400 and the Private Pilot for \$9,600. That includes 40 hours of flying for Sport Pilot training and 60 hours for the Private, along with ground school. Almost all students pass their check ride in less than the allotted time, according to company officials.

"Once they start on a certificate, we encourage them to fly at least twice a week," said Spano. "We push them to complete their written before they take their cross country flights. We



like to give credit to the forgiving flight characteristics of the REMOS. It's an ideal trainer that people become comfortable with very quickly. It has worked out so well for our flight training operations that we moved up to become dealers so we can begin to offer sales and service."

The second REMOS dealer in North America, SimplyFLY represents an expansion consistent with the manufacturer's desire to develop a global presence for the LSA. SimplyFLY has its own plans to expand to other major metropolitan areas, company officials add.



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)



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www.eaa579.org



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Visit the chapter websites for more information about each event.

FREE AIRPLANE



FREE flights in general aviation aircraft for children ages 8 thru 17, will be offered at Young Eagles events at the Aurora Municipal Airport in Sugar Grove, Illinois. The flights will be between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., weather permitting.

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Sunday, September 25th • Sunday, October 23rd

All children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian in order to sign in. There are no reservations. First come, first served.

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For more details about our *local* Young Eagles flights, go to www.eaa579.org, or call: 1-815-264-8693. E-mail: AL554@aol.com.

Each Young Eagles flight will last about 15 to 20 minutes. At the conclusion of their flight, each Young Eagle will receive: A *FREE* personal photo with the plane and pilot and a *FREE* logbook, so they can record their flying experiences.

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