



President's Corner

Thank you to all of the Chapter 2 members and guests in attendance at our annual June cookout held again at Fort Wayne's Smith Field Historic Hanger 2. What a great place to enjoy a meal and just unwind with our fellow aviation enthusiasts.

The reconfiguration of the ALPHA taxiway and connector to runway 13/31 was completed on schedule and is once again open.

July is an important month for the Chapter, firstly we have our first Fly-in/Cruise-in fundraiser luncheon Saturday, July 8, 2023, and Oshkosh 2023 officially begins on July 24, 2023, thru July 30, 2023. Volunteers are always needed for our fundraising events, if you would like to donate an hour or two please contact David Resler, or me ahead of time or look for us at the event.

All of the EAA Chapter 2 Board members and myself look forward to seeing you at our July Chapter Fly-in/Cruise-in event at the Historical Hanger 2 located on the East end of Smith Field Airport.

One more quick note, if there is enough interest in having a chapter meet-up for dinner at Oshkosh on the 26th or 27th please get back to me.

The winds are down, it's not raining and the smoke has moved from our skies temporarily, let's go flying.

Paul Camp, President

Coming Events:

Saturday July 8 — EAA Chapter 2 Fly-in/Drive-in lunch at Smith Field, Hangar 2, 11:00 am-2:00 pm. Lunch features a sloppy joe or creamed chicken sandwich, chips, and dessert. A free will donation benefits the EAA 2 Youth Scholarship fund.

July 24-30 — AirVenture 2023!

Thursday August 10 — Chapter 2 members Junior and Jerilyn Geiger will host a tour of their hangar at Huntington Municipal Airport, 7:00 pm.

Thursday September 14 — Chapter 2 member Pat Garvey will present "The Day Hell Froze Over", on his adventurous trip to Alaska. Meet at the former FBO building, Smith Field, 7:00 pm. VMC club meets at 6:30.

Can you identify the aircraft? Answer next month.



Last month: The cockpit of a TM-2 Wildcat undergoing



renovation at the Kalamazoo Air Zoo Museum. This example crashed in Lake Michigan in 1944, and was recovered in 2012. Photo: Air Zoo Museum.

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FAA NOTICE OF AIRVENTURE FLIGHT PROCEDURES 2023

The AirVenture NOTAM is now available. You can download the PDF or request a paper copy [here](#).

The link also has videos showing the VFR approach to OSH from the Endeavor Bridge, Puckaway Lake, Green Lake, and Ripon reporting points.



DEKALB COUNTY AIRPORT RUNWAY EXTENSION

INFORMATION FOR REFERENCE ONLY.

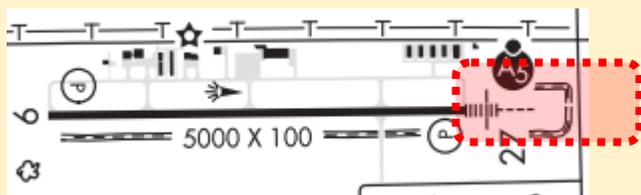
Dates are subject to change. **READ THE NOTAMS** for up-to-date and complete flight planning information.

Currently, the contractor has proposed that, **through 8/31/23**, final grade work and paving will be taking place from the existing pavement out to 7,100'.

During this timeframe, **RWY 27 is closed, RWY 9 is shortened to 3,850 feet** for landings and departures.

Beginning on or around **7/28 through 8/31 RWY 9-27 will be closed**. This will be the period in which new markings will be put down for the 7,100' runway, and new LED runway lighting will be installed.

From **8/31 until 9/26 RWY 9-27 will be closed during night-time hours** and open during the day at the full-length of 7,100' as we complete all the required lighting tasks.



2023 Membership Renewal

Now is the Best Time to Renew Your Membership with EAA Chapter 2 for 2023.

Your support of and participation in EAA Chapter 2 can enrich your aviation interest and understanding, as well as that of aviation enthusiasts of all ages.

Your support and participation also helps promote aviation throughout the broader community.

Membership renewal is easy, using the interactive form on the EAA 2 [website](#). Dues can be paid online via credit card / PayPal.

Alternately, you can mail your printed form and check to:

Geoff Robison
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Individual memberships are \$20.

Family memberships are \$30. This covers two adults and all children in a family.

Student memberships are FREE to those under 19 who are EAA members (this is also free for students). See www.eaa.org/membership for details on how to join the EAA as a student.

Newsletter options. Emailed newsletters are **FREE**. If you want a printed newsletter, please add **\$12** to your membership dues to cover the costs of printing and postage.



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YOUNG EAGLES AT SMITH FIELD AND DEKALB COUNTY

*Photos from the June 10
and June 17 Rallies*



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YOUNG EAGLE NEWS—

The 2023 Young Eagles schedule is here!

All events are Saturdays, starting at 9:00 am.

August 12 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

August 26 — VAA 37 @ Dekalb Airport

September 9 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

September 16 — EAA 2 @ Kendallville Airport,
C62

For the June 10 Rally, we had 32 total volunteers: 26 ground crew, six pilots, four first time volunteers and three youth volunteers. It’s great to have new faces. We flew 48 kids. Lunch was donated by Lassus Brothers in memory of EAA2 member Jon Lassus who passed away last year.

Some statistics from the June 17 Rally at DeKalb:

- 49 kids flown
- 61% were first time flyers
- 14% have taken 5 or more flights
- 16 girls and 33 boys

- 26 flights
- 3 pilots
- 22 ground crew, one first time volunteer
- most came from Auburn and Fort Wayne
- others came from Angola, Churubusco, Corunna, Craigville, Elida, Garrett, Hicksville, Huntertown, Leo-Cedarville, Saint Joe, and Spencerville

On June 22, three pilots (Mark Beck, Tim Ormsby, and David Resler) took 28 kids flying at SMD. Ground crew included Paul and Gladys Camp, Geoff Robison, Viktor Nothnagle and Laramie Resler). These were kids attending the Starbase Summer Camp at Sweet Aviation. There were 12 girls and 16 boys. 23 of these took their first YE flight.

Hope to see many of you at future rallies. Thanks for helping with Young Eagles. We appreciate your dedication to this program. We’ll see you at another rally in August!

David and Laramie Resler
Young Eagles Coordinators

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