



President's Corner

EAA's July Airventure 2023 is now in the history books, and as the statistics are gathered it may be yet another record-setting year. Several from Chapter 2 attended Airventure 2023 and I hope their experience was as memorable as my wife and I had.

Good news, the following is direct from the FAA.gov website and MOSIAC is moving forward. The 90-day public comment period for the proposed rule began on 7/24/2023, it is too lengthy to publish here however it can be viewed in its entirety at:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/07/24/2023-14425/modernization-of-special-airworthiness-certification>

Paul Camp, President

Coming Events:

Thursday August 10 — Our August gathering at Junior and Jerilyn Geiger's hangar at HHG will begin at 6:00 and will be a carry-in dinner. **The chapter will provide Sloppy Joe and creamed chicken for sandwiches, and cake. Geiger's will be providing buns, table service, and drinks. Please bring a dish to share.** Junior has a special project for us. Map and directions on page 2.

Sunday August 13—Husted Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 am. For those driving, the address is 02381 State Rte 18, Hicksville, OH. For those flying, Dean has a 3,000' grass runway. 41°18'32"N, 84°46'41"W.

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.

Thursday October 12 — Russ Moriarity will give a presentation on magnetos. Meet at the former FBO building, Smith Field, 7:00 pm.

Saturday October 14— EAA Chapter 2's annual Fly-in/Drive-in chili lunch, served with all the fixings. Free will donation. Join as for a great lunch at Historic Smith Field!

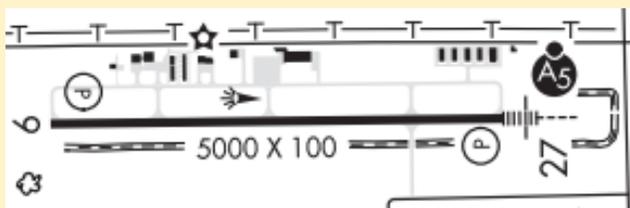
DEKALB COUNTY AIRPORT RUNWAY EXTENSION

INFORMATION FOR REFERENCE ONLY.

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

At the time of writing, **runway 9-27 is CLOSED** until 17:00 EDT on September 22.

Smith Field will host the August 26 Young Eagle Rally!





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The Geiger's welcomes EAA Chapter 2

DRIVING: Just use your maps program on your phone and put in "Huntington Municipal Airport" and it will bring you right to the airport. From there just follow the (Purple) arrows on this map.

Since you will be driving onto aircraft taxiways be sure to yield to any aircraft. A limited amount of parking will be in the grassy area across from our hangar #206E and overflow will be at the FBO parking lot.

FLYING: The runway is 5,000 ft. with new runway surfaces so it is a breeze to fly into. Standard left-hand traffic patterns are used, however they have changed the runway heading to 10-28 in the last year (however some still use 9 or 27 on their call-outs). CTAF is 122.8, same as SMD. Once on the ground just follow the red lines on this map to the taxiway "E" or the fourth east-west taxi north of the runway. If the weather is nice our SONEX and my HUMMELBIRD will be setting out in front of the hangar (206E).

There should be at least four places to park your plane at unused hangar ramps as indicated with the little white airplanes on the map. If you do not have your tow bar with you to back your plane into place you can park down at the FBO.

I hope to have a little bill cap "clip-on" sun visor project for anyone that would like to make one. I came up with this a few years ago and it is a real help on those bright sunny morning or evening fly-outs.





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Larry Zepp is cleaning out his DeKalb Co. Hangar in Auburn and is offering his portable paint booth or winter work shelter **FREE** to any EAA or Ch. 2 member.

This shelter provided Larry an insulated work area inside the hangar that provided the 80 °F temp for cutting the canopy in the winter. It also is a modular paint booth.

Dimensions as shown in the picture are:

- 10 ft wide at base;
- 8 ft. tall;
- Modular length from 16 ft. To 26 ft.

FREE to any EAA or Ch. 2 member, first come first served. \$150 to others.

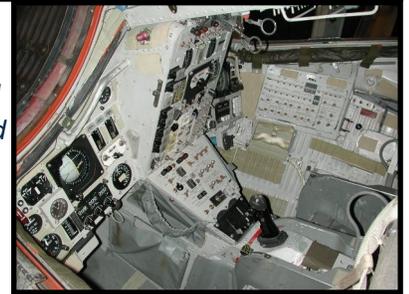
FREE delivery within 30 miles of Auburn, IN.

For more info, call or text Larry Zepp at 260-348-0336.

Can you identify the aircraft? Answer next month.



Last month: The Gemini crew module. Ten manned Gemini missions developed the procedures needed to land men on the moon.



July 8 Fly-in/Drive in at Smith Field. Check out the camper! The wet weather depressed attendance. Photo by Larry Zepp.



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FAA Proposes Rule to Enhance Safety and Performance of Light Sport Aircraft

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

WASHINGTON – The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is planning to enhance the safety and performance of Light Sport Aircraft operations. The proposed Modernization of Special Airworthiness Certification (MOSAIC) rule would put performance safety standards around larger aircraft that innovators are building by expanding the definition of Light Sport Aircraft.

“This rule will encourage manufactures to make Light Sport Aircraft operations safer, more versatile and accessible while maintaining rigorous safety standards,”, said Acting FAA Associate Administrator for Safety David Boulter.

Under the proposal, the aircraft’s weight limit is based on its stall speed. By permitting higher stall speeds, the proposal would bring within the Light Sport Aircraft regulatory framework aircraft weighing as much as 3,000 pounds. This more than doubles the weight of aircraft under the current definition of Light Sport of 1,320 pounds, allowing larger and stronger aircraft to qualify as Light Sport.

The proposal would also expand the type of aircraft sport pilots can operate and allows them to use their aircraft for a wider range of operations such as some aerial work. Although sport pilots could operate aircraft designed with up to four seats, they would remain limited to operating with only one passenger.

The public has 90 days to comment on the proposed rule once it is published in the Federal Register.

The FAA will publish a final rule and respond to comments after the comment period closes.

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](http://www.eaa.org). Dues can be paid online via credit card / PayPal.

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

Geoff Robison
6278 County Road 27
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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.

Are you a pilot? Are you building an aircraft? Are you an aircraft owner?
Are you just “plane nuts” about aviation?
If so, then join us! Visit our website at www.eaa2.org and click on “Join EAA2”

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 @ **Smith Field!**

September 9 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

**September 16 — EAA 2 @ Kendallville Airport,
C62**



Due to the temporary closure of DeKalb County Airport from July 29, 2023 through September 22, 2023 for runway construction, the August 26, 2023 VAA37 Young Eagles Rally will be held at Smith Field Airport.

We will be using mostly VAA37 members to volunteer for this rally however, if any EAA2 members would like to come out and help, we would appreciate it. Please let us know.

David and Laramie Resler

Young Eagles Coordinators

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