

April 2017



EAA CHAPTER 145

SINCE 1962



Chapter Meeting: Saturday, April 8, 2017 – 10:00 am
Riverview Airport (08C) in the meeting room

CHAPTER MEETING

Greg Forbes (GAAA) and Brad Frederick, of the Recreational Aviation Foundation (RAF), will provide an overview of the development of the North Fox Island airstrip and the plans for the development of the Two Hearted airstrip this spring. Brad will also share pictures of these beautiful areas as well as provide tips to help you plan for your adventure to visit these spectacular flying destinations.

www.theraf.org

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As the weather warms up, I'm getting my Cessna ready for flying Young Eagles again this summer. There is always a certain amount of paper work that has to be gotten ready also, so I want to remind Chapter members about the Youth Protection policy that was started last year.

Most Young Eagle volunteers in our Chapter have taken the simple online training and are certified to fly or work with Young Eagles on the ground. Thanks to all of you.

If you haven't been certified, here is the information you need to know.

- Young Eagle pilots need to have the training and background check. (See EAA website)
- Ground coordinators need to have the training and background check. (See EAA website)
- Ground volunteers are not required to do the training, it's optional.

EAA has set up on-line training to be easy, it takes about 10 minutes and it's free. Please go to the EAA web site and complete the training/check so you can help with Young Eagle activities this summer.

www.EAA.org/YouthProtection

I believe that the Young Eagle program has done a lot for general aviation and I'm looking forward to working with you this summer. Cheers, Dick

YOUNG EAGLES

Plans for 2017 are developing. So far we are working on West Michigan Aviation Academy on May 6th, Boy Scout Merit Badge on May 20th, 'I Can Fly' (GAAA) on June 10th, and the Wings of Mercy in August. We will be sending out information to Young Eagle pilots and ground crews asking for volunteers to help with the Young Eagle activities.

RIVERVIEW OPEN HOUSE

An Open House Event is being planned for May 29th at Riverview. There will be food and aircraft displayed. More details to come as the event date approaches.

WEEKS HANGAR TRIP

There are 14 people have signed up for the EAA145 annual weekend work party at the Kermit Weeks Hangar in Oshkosh. The dates this year are Friday April 21 to Sunday April 23. Contact Dick Foster for more information.

EAA145 HANGAR

- Herb Harney, with the help of Bob Kwaka, is working on fitting the cowling on his RV-8.
- The Chapter now has a form for members to fill out if they want to put a project in the hangar.
- Hangar space is available for anyone working on a project. Contact Dick Foster for details.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- 1 The R.A.F.
- 1 Prez Corner
- 2 North Fox Island
- 3 Upcoming Events

NOVA SCOTIA

The Riverview pilot's big trip has been set for Nova Scotia, Canada. The date will be August 20 thru 24. See Riverview Airport site for more info....http://riverviewairport.com/Riverviewairport1.com/Nova_Scotia_Flying_Adventure.html

UPPER PENINSULA

The Riverview pilot's short trip this year will be to Munising, Mich, near Pictured Rocks. The tentative date is in June. More details will follow on the Riverview Facebook site.

NORTH FOX ISLAND

6Y3 (FAA pending) The RAF completed a formal agreement with the State of Michigan to open North Fox Island, located on an 820-acre island in Lake Michigan.

Beginning in 2014, the RAF organized work parties to restore it for safe use, and has committed to its ongoing support.

6Y3 is approximately 27 miles northwest of Charlevoix. The 3,000-ft turf runway has displaced thresholds with 60-ft trees on both ends and along the sides. "This is a spectacular recreational aviation destination that fits right in with the mission of the RAF," said RAF Michigan Liaison Brad Frederick, who managed volunteers and substantial logistical challenges.

North Fox Island is another successful result of the RAF model, coordinating with volunteers to preserve backcountry airstrips at minimal expense to public entities. For more information please review the North Fox Island Safety Briefing. RAF Michigan State Liaison, Brad Frederick will be the North Fox Island Airport Manager. Contact Brad at bfrederick@theraf.org with any questions.



OPEN FLIGHT SOLUTIONS

Open Flight Solutions is dedicated to the idea that aviation technology does not have to be expensive.

FlightBox is a portable ADS-B receiver and multi-function sensor system based on the Stratux open source project. - **AHRS** - feature is now available. www.openflightsolutions.com



A recent website post sums it up... "The FlightBox AHRS isn't quite as smooth as the G1000, but given the \$80,000 difference in price I'm not going to complain."

EAA Chapter 145 website: www.145.eaachapter.org

EAA National website: www.eaa.org

Riverview Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Riverview-Airport/115468211816419



UPCOMING EVENTS

| | | |
|----------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Apr 4-9 | Lakeland FL (LAL) | Sun-N-Fun Fly-In |
| Apr 8 | Riverview Airport (08C) | mtg-Rec. Aviation Foundation, Brad Fredrick |
| May 6 | Gerald Ford Intl (GRR) | W.M.A.A. Young Eagles |
| May 13 | Riverview Airport (08C) | meeting - Jeffrey Kyff - Medical Updates |
| May 14 | Napoleon (3NP) | Dawn Patrol, Napoleon Airport |
| May 20 | Riverview Airport (08C) | Boy Scouts Aviation Merit Badge |
| May 20 | Linden Mi (9G2) | Wings & Wheels Fly-In |
| May 21 | Eastport Mi (59M) | Dawn Patrol, Tourchport Airpark |
| May 27 | Fremont Mi (FFX) | Fremont EAA 578 Fly-In |
| May 29 | Riverview Airport (08C) | Open House Riverview Airport |
| June 10 | Riverview Airport (08C) | meeting - Homebuilding Paperwork/Records |
| June | Upper Peninsula Mich. | Riverview Pilots U.P. Trip |
| June 16-18 | North Fox Island (6Y3) | R.A.F. - Work Party - Two Hearted Strip |
| June 24 | Sturgis Mi (KIRS) | Dawn Patrol Fly-In |
| June 24 | Niles Mi | Team MiniMax Open House/Fly-In |
| July 1 | Williams Co (0G6) | Hummel Aviation Open House |
| July 4 | Williams Co (0G6) | Williams Co Airport Fly-In |
| July 24-30 | OSHKOSH (KOSH) | OSHKOSH!!!! |
| Aug 1-5 | Mentone IN | Autogyro Convention Fly-In PRA.org |
| Aug | W.Mich Regional (KBIV) | Wings of Mercy Young Eagles |
| Aug 20-24 | Nova Scotia Canada | Riverview Pilots Nova Scotia Trip |

If you know of events that should be on the event calendar, please e-mail them to me

If you would like to be on the e-mail list for meeting and event reminders, or if you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, which is full color and delivered days before the print version... please send your e-mail address to: randall.houtman@dematic.com

The 2017 Officers for EAA145:

President, Dick Foster
(538-8849 c172foster@gmail.com)

Vice President, Bruce Whitman
(897-9846 bwhitmanpe@gmail.com)

Secretary/Treasurer, Bob Swietek
6962 Bridgewater Dr. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546
(676-2951 airdale69@aol.com)

Newsletter Editor, Randy Houtman
(randall.houtman@dematic.com)

Treasurer's Report: (As of Apr 1st)

Liabilities: \$3500.00
Cash: \$106.75 Checking: \$35.19
Savings: \$4640.02 Total: \$4781.96

Website Editor, Bill Willyard
(wgwillyard@att.net)

EAA CHAPTER 145 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM
DUES ARE \$35.00 PER YEAR – JANUARY 1st to DECEMBER 31st

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Name _____ | Aircraft Owned _____ |
| Co-Pilot / Spouse _____ | _____ |
| Address _____ | Projects / % Complete _____ |
| City _____ | _____ |
| State / Zip _____ | Bring this form to the next meeting or mail to: |
| e-mail address _____ | EAA Chapter 145 Treasurer |
| Home Phone _____ | 6962 Bridgewater Dr. SE |
| Work Phone _____ | Grand Rapids, MI, 49546 |
| National Membership # _____ | |