

EAA Chapter 145 MEETING: Saturday, May 21, 2011 – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Learn To Fly Day At Riverview Airport (08C)



GRAND RAPIDS
CHAPTER 145

Web Page (<http://www.EAA145.org>)

EDITOR'S NOTE: Let me know if you prefer to receive the newsletter by e-mail in place of postal mail and check the chapter webpage for information or send Ken Baas items to put on the web.

MAY PROGRAM

Our May meeting will be Saturday, May 21 from 9 AM – 1 PM (see attached).

Treasurer's report as of April 28, 2011:

Cash: \$183.56 Checking: \$190.29
Savings: \$3,460.95 Total: \$3834.80

APRIL MEETING REPORT

ElectroAir presentation by Mike Kobylik, detailing the benefits of their electronic ignition system for experimental and (coming soon) certified aircraft. Visit <http://www.electroair.net/> for more info.

LEARN TO FLY DAY

Saturday, May 21 is set for the LTFD at Riverview airport. See attached flyer for details. This is a cooperative effort by EAA145, West Michigan Flight Academy and Riverview airport. This is a chance for the whole aviation community to show people about aviation, by taking someone for a ride in a "real" A/C, not a metal tube. Pilots, ground crew and general help are needed.

Contact Herb Haney (401-3637) if you would like to help.

AIRVENTURE 2011

Headquarters has sent out information for volunteers who would like to work to get AirVenture ready. The dates are in May and June. See Dick Foster for details/forms.

EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE

Please note that Dick Foster has a new email address, listed in Officer Information on Page 2.

YOUNG EAGLES

EAA Chapter 145 has sponsored Philip Wetherbee with an \$800 scholarship to attend Basic Air Academy at Oshkosh in July. Philip is a 15 year old who is very interest in a career in aviation and deserves our support.

So far the following YE events are scheduled for 2011:

- May 21, Learn to Fly Day, 9:00-1:00, Riverview airport (08C)
- June 11, Young Eagles Rally, 9:30-1:30, Greenville airport (6D6)
- June 18, West Michigan Flight Academy, 9:00-1:00, Riverview airport (08C)
- TBD – Allegan, Kalamazoo, Holland, and Sparta

Volunteer pilots and ground crew are needed for these events. Contact Dick Foster if you can help.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Jack Dekkinga—RV-7 is flying again!

Carl—Engine will be shipping from Lycoming in late May

Ward—Engine start and inspection underway

Bruce Whitman—Starduster nose bowl fitted, Midget Mustang stick welded and in place

TECH COUNCIL REPORT

No Updates

AVIATION KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

April Question

True Or False:

By definition, the homebuilder has great flexibility over how and what to use in the construction of the homebuilt. It follows that the use of automotive brake fluids in a homebuilt is an advantage over the more costly Mil Spec 5606H fluid used in standard category aircraft.

A: False. An important distinction is that automotive systems are generally power assisted and use fluids that are not petroleum based. NEVER, NEVER use automotive brake fluid in any aircraft hydraulic system, including brakes, as automotive fluids are not interchangeable and will destroy elastic seals in hydraulic components (If you've ever seen gallons of fluid on a tarmac, you know its not pretty). Also note that the standard Mil Spec 5606G of many years has a newer version, Mil Spec 5606H, which is basically an oxidation inhibited version. Both versions can be mixed.

May Question:

(True or False)

When replacing bolts on aircraft repairs, always determine grip length required using the manufacture's specification or Part Number stated in the aircraft parts manual.

WANTED

Bill Willyard is looking for a donation of a 760 channel comm radio to make up a base radio station for Riverview Airport. Unit can be a nav/comm so long as the comm portion works.

It's our Chapter. Its only as good as each one of us wants to make it.

Future tentative programs for 2011

TBD: Video story of the P-47 thunderbolt

TBD: Aircraft carriers on Lake Michigan?

TBD: A history of Chapter 145

TBD: A summer "all Pilots" picnic/fly in at Riverview Airport

TBD: A Second Annual Movie Day

TBD: Aircraft Ownership & Operation: An Aviation Attorney's perspective

October: Annual Riverview Picnic & Bonfire

November: Officer Elections

December: Annual Riverview Christmas Brunch

(Do you have any more ideas? Bring them to the next meeting.)

Remaining 2011 Meeting Dates (subj. to change)

5/21 (Learn To Fly Day)

6/11	7/9	8/13	
9/10	10/8	11/12	12/10

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LIVE THE DREAM Discover Flying



www.learntofly.org

International Learn to Fly Day is an effort to increase interest in flying and to encourage the aviation community to get others involved in aviation.



Event: Learn to Fly Day & Young Eagles

Location: Jenison Riverview Airport - 805 Taylor

Date & Time: Saturday May 21 - 9 AM to 1 PM

Info: Riverview Airport - 457-5040 / Herb 401-3637
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