

EAA Chapter 27 Newsletter December 2018

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Our Web Site: www.eaa27.org



Next Get Together, December 16th

MERIDEN-MARKHAM AIRPORT & EAA CHAPTER 27

Cordially invite you to a

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 2018
1:00 TO 3:00 PM
MERIDEN-MARKHAM FBO BUILDING
213 EVANSVILLE AVE., MERIDEN, CT 06451
203-630-2878

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH OR A DESSERT TO SHARE.
MAIN DISHES AND BEVERAGES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE AIRPORT.

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President's Message(s)

As you will read below we are in the home stretch on the RV-12 build. To make ownership transfer from the chapter to a legal entity as easy as possible and not incur undue taxation and registration changes we are setting up either an LLC or partnership. This way members can come and go without causing a paperwork hassle. We have selected a name for the entity "The Spirit of Meriden". The decision was unanimous among the RV-12 gang. We could not have gotten to this point without a lot of help. The airport and the city have been very supportive, chapter members have given their time and donated to the program, and the kids, mostly from Meriden have been enthusiastic throughout. It only seemed natural for the partnership name to reflect the community involvement.

In the Spirit of Meriden and our chapter, come join the festivities at the Meriden Airport Holiday Open House on the 16th. This is our "Meeting" in December. Our Chapter Holiday Dinner is January 12th. Please get your dinner reservations in to Bill Jagoda or myself soon so we can get an accurate dinner tally.

EAA Chapter 27 Meeting Minutes 11/18/18

President Mark Scott called the meeting to order 10:00. Officers present, Vice President Steve Fraas, Treasurer Bill Jagoda, Secretary Rick Beebe. There were 24 attendees.

Visitors: Dan Royer, a student from Steve Socoloski's school who's the captain of their RV-12 build project. Rick Montero, a brand-new private pilot, is the secretary of Chapter 166 in Hartford.

Treasurer report: \$7196.45 in the bank.

ADS-B is just over 1 year away. It's really time to get going if you don't have it yet.

EAA has released a new Flight Test Manual released. There's a guide on how to do flight testing and a set of flight test cards. While targeted at newly built homebuilts they could also be useful for someone who buys an already flying plane to get familiar with the aircraft and to verify that the previous owner actually did proper flight testing. EAA is working with FAA to get the standard 25 or 40 hour initial fly-off requirement changed to a task based one. The goal might be to fly the test cards to complete phase I.

EAA has proposed a new AirVenture arrival NOTAM to the FAA. It adds a new initial approach fix and an exit strategy that allows a lot more airspace for airplanes that are trying to land. The ball is now in FAAs court for any modifications and the approval.

We had a Young Eagles rally yesterday and flew 30 kids. Kudos to our pilots who flew 10 or more kids. The EAA credits will be used to send Mitch to the Air Academy. Tom

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12, Donna 10, Mark 15, Fran 14, Jim 15, and Bill 11. Thanks to Rich for the ground support, Lauren for the pictures, Terese for the food, Barbara for the coffee and support and Traci for keeping things flowing!

Teens to Flight. The RV-12 had its first engine start on November 4. The project is nearly done. They're going to be setting the plane up as an LLC and forming a flying club.

Wilma, the town/airport liaison had back surgery. Wishing her a quick recovery.

Dave Rich talked about the EAA Leadership Bootcamp that Chapter 166 sponsored in Hartford. One interesting point was that there are over 500 EAA members within 10 miles of KMMK. We should do more to advertise to those people. The James Ray Foundation is giving away \$1 million per year in Flight Training Scholarships administered via EAA. EAA is looking for Chapters to host Sport Air Workshops.

Tom talked about how the Connecticut Flight Club is working. They have a waiting list which is a good indication that our RV-12 flying club will be successful.

We were sad to hear of the passing of long-time Chapter member Carl Eaton.

Chapter elections. Officers for the next year are Mark Scott, President; Dave Rich, Vice President; Bill Jagoda, Treasurer and Rick Beebe, Secretary.

Scott Oloff gave a nice presentation on the progress of this RV-10 build. It's a family project and he makes certain to get his two kids involved. Nicely done, Scott!

There's no December meeting. Instead come to the airport holiday open house on December 16. Our Chapter holiday party will be January 12 at the Manor Inn in Plantsville.

—Rick Beebe, secretary

Tech Counselor Tip

Check your tire pressure. As the temperature drops pressure decreases in your car tires. The same thing happens in your plane. Make sure you check tires next time you fly. Low tire pressure can make a big difference in ground handling especially if you start loading them up sideways in a not so good landing.

Teens to Flight RV-12 Build Program

Weight and balance was completed in late November. As expected we came out on average. All we really have left is canopy cosmetics and paperwork. Dave and Mark are still trying to get the RV-12 training. The weather has been rather uncooperative. Once established we can complete registration paperwork and the inspection.

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As mentioned above we are forming either a partnership or legal entity as the registered RV-12 owner. We are seriously looking into forming a flying club with a focus on training with the plane. There are some issues to work out such as can we get enough instructors to teach in it, can people take their check rides in it, who will maintain it, and some other things. Another option is a more traditional partnership arrangement with current pilots. We will keep the chapter apprised of our progress as we work through these options.

Chapter 27 and MMK Airport Activities

Young Eagles

Our November rally was a great success. We flew about 30 kids. Even better a bunch of pilots made their 10 flight quota. Hence we have been able to get a bunch more credits for Mitch, our 2019 EAA Air Academy attendee. Pictured below is Brendan. He REALLY enjoyed his flight. He is seriously looking into an aviation related career.



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Meriden Airport

The runway, taxiway, and parking lot were repainted last month. It looks great. It is nice to see the airport receiving regular maintenance and general spruce up. To that end the chapter purchased a new computer which replaces the old not working so well one in the FBO.

MMK runway 36 with the new markings brightly illuminated.

Photo from Constance Castillo
Meriden Markham Airport-KMMK
Airport Manager



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HOLIDAY BANQUET

Saturday, January 12, 2019

MANOR INN RESTAURANT

1636 Meriden-Waterbury Turnpike

Plantsville, CT 06479

860-628-9877

Directions at: www.manorinnrestaurant.com and click on "about"

5-6 PM Cash Bar and Hors D'oeuvres
6 PM Dinner

ALL MEAL SELECTIONS INCLUDE FRUIT CUP, ZITI AND DESSERT

Prime Rib au jus.....\$40
Chicken Parmigiana.....\$35
Salmon with Apricot Glaze.....\$35
Eggplant Parmigiana.....\$35

Please be sure to bring a grab bag gift for each guest

2018 Holiday Banquet

Name: _____

Number attending: _____

Entrée Selection(s): indicate quantity

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| <input type="checkbox"/> - Prime Rib au jus.....\$40 | <input type="checkbox"/> - Chicken Parmigiana.....\$35 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> - Broiled Salmon.....\$35 | <input type="checkbox"/> - Eggplant Parmigiana.....\$35 |

Please enclose check for your total amount, make check payable to:
'EAA Chapter 27' and forward along with this form to:

Bill Jagoda
43 Derby Road
Rockfall, CT 06481

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ADS-B news

skyBeacon receives STC for installation on 272 aircraft models

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<<https://generalaviationnews.com/2018/12/03/skybeacon-receives-stc-for-installation-on-272-aircraft-models/>>

uAvionix receives patent for its ADS-B solutions

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<<https://generalaviationnews.com/2018/12/06/uavionix-receives-patent-for-its-ads-b-solutions/>>

New England Air Museum

School Vacation Week Activities

December 26-30, 2018



Let your imagination soar at the New England Air Museum this holiday season! The museum is offering an exciting array of family fun activities during December School Vacation Week, Tuesday, December 26th through Sunday, December 30th. Explore three giant exhibit hangars filled with over sixty historic aircraft and experience the wonders of flight through daily hands-on activities including:

- Build & Fly Challenges
- Interactive Flight Science Demonstrations
- Open Cockpit Experiences in historic aircraft
- Computerized Flight Simulators
- Scavenger Hunts

In addition to these daily activities, the following special events are scheduled:

- **Wednesday, December 26: Straw Rocket Challenge**
- 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Are you a rocket scientist? Find out by building and launching a straw rocket using our specialized NEAM rocket launchers.

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- **Thursday, December 27: LEGO Flying Machine Contest**
- 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Back by popular demand! Children ages 3-13 are invited to construct a flying machine using the Museum's collection of LEGOs. Winners will be awarded prizes in three age categories, and participants need not be present to win.
- **Friday, December 28: Model Airplane Workshop**
- 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Build and fly balsa wood airplanes with help from our team of expert builders. This workshop is designed for visitors ages 3 and older, and there is a \$5.00 cost per model kit.
- **Saturday, December 29: Paper Plane Contest**
- 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Use your imagination to construct a far flying paper plane from a variety of materials. Will your creation go the distance?
- **Sunday, December 30: Parachute Drop Challenge**
- 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Learn the science of parachutes while building and launching a weight bearing parachute.

Regional Activities

Chapter 1310 Meetings - 2nd Wednesday 7 PM April-October
2nd Saturday 10 AM November, January, February, March at Skylark Airport

Chapter 166 Meetings - Last Saturday of month 10:00 AM (Except July, Nov & Dec) at Hartford Jet Center, 20 Lindberg Drive, Hartford. <http://166.eaachapter.org/>

Chapter 27 Meetings - 3rd Sunday of month, 10 AM at Meriden Airport <http://eaa27.org/>

Chapter 324 Meetings 1st Wednesday of month, 7 PM Simsbury Airport
<https://www.facebook.com/eaa324/>

Classifieds

Pair of Airhawk 7.00 x 6 tires and inner tubes, 85% tread remaining, in excellent condition, \$150.

B&C 60 amp alternator. Less than 250 hours, works great. \$175.

Mark Scott (mwscott2@comcast.net)

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Whelen Strobe System & Wing Tip Navigation Lights***(\$350 obo)

*Power Supply Whelen Model *= HDACF (Priced on ACS for \$420)

<http://www.aircraftspruce.com/catalog/elpages/whelenpowersupplies.php?clickkey=13887>

Wing Tip Position Light (Red Model = A600-PR-14V) (Priced on ACS for \$484)

Wing Tip Position Light (Green Model = A600-PG-14V) (Priced on ACS for \$484)

Complete kit is \$1362 on ACS

Details on ACS here for the full kit: <http://www.aircraftspruce.com/catalog/elpages/whelena600strobe.php>

I'll include the wiring instructions / manuals booklet and connectors. You'll just need to buy wire and pins to make the system work.

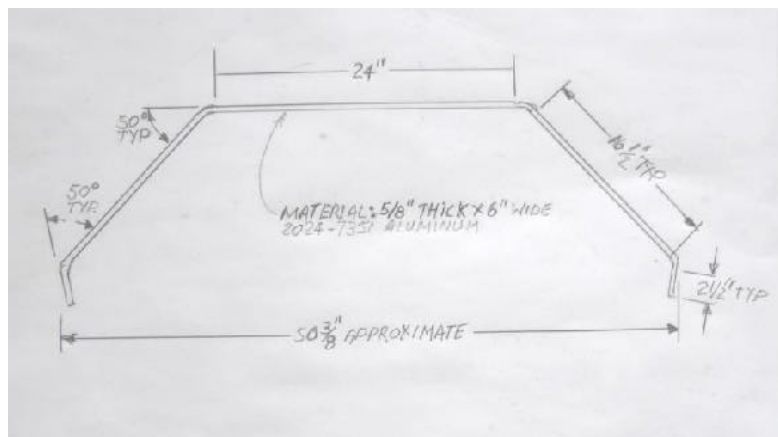
Contact Rick Beebe, rick@beebe.org <<mailto:rick@beebe.org>> or 203-623-3744

Pat Kelly, one of our members, is selling his project. Please go to the link on next page if you or someone you may know, might be interested.

Would anyone like a **FREE** Great Plains Aircraft Supply Co. Inc. Sonerai-2SS landing gear and set of front and rear fuel tanks? They are new, never used and currently worth more than \$800.00. I also have some left over tubing and sheet metal, etc.

Contact Jan Kowza, Coventry, Ct

jkowza@charter.net



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<https://hartford.craigslist.org/avo/d/zenith-ch-750-project-price/6616665330.html>

Pat Kelly wrote, "Illness forces me to sell my Zenith CH-750 project. It consists of the partially assembled fuselage, tail feathers, and control kit. Also I have 2 Corvair core engines all of the clecos and assembly tools and a full set of the Homebuilt help dvds. This is perfect for the first time builder because it includes most of the tools needed for assembly. Just the kits alone would be well over \$9000. so this is a steal for someone who was thinking about building one of these planes. PRICE REDUCED. \$4000. Bring a truck, trailer, or U-Haul. cash and carry"