

EAA Chapter 27 Newsletter October 2022

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Next Chapter Meeting MMK October 16th, 10 am

Join us for a combined event between the CT99's and EAA to hear from local pilot Kathy Wadsworth, a Farmington native who had an incredible career in the ballooning industry



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President's Message

It is fall foliage season. I hope you can get up and see the colors mid-month when they are peak. We have our meeting on the 16th with an interesting presentation on ballooning by 99s member Kathy Wadsworth. Our Young Eagles Rally is Oct 29th. I am looking forward to seeing how our new registration process works. We will be finally having our airport Christmas open house this year sometime in December! Lots going on. Hope to see you at the events.

Chapter Picnic

We had a very successful picnic. Apparently people brought their appetites as we ran out of burgers and most of the hot dogs! It was nice to see both old and new faces there. Thanks to everyone who brought food and helped out.



Tech Tip of the Month

Last month the Tech Tip was about tire pressure. This month is about tire replacement considerations. My Bearhawk tires are getting pretty low on tread. I contacted Goodyear about tire durability as tread wears away. They said all the strength is in the plies. As long as there are none showing you are OK. You just need to be cognizant about increased hydroplaning potential as tread wears down. I checked into new tire prices and they have increased considerably. A good alternative, both from a cost and environmental perspective is retread. Dresser Aerospace, a leading tire distributor performs this work. A tire can be retread up to four times. Of course, you will have to find something else to fly on while yours are being reworked. Maybe we should have a chapter tire crib for such cases? (Mark)

www.shop.desser.com/collections/retreads

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Young Eagles

Our next Young Eagles Rally is scheduled for Saturday 10/29 with a rain date of Sunday 10/30. So far we have a good number of volunteer pilots and registration desk folks. We could use some ground volunteers to help escort participants to and from planes. This is a great opportunity for members to get involved in the most fulfilling event we do as a chapter! Spending the day with families who are grinning from ear to ear due to their thrill and discovery of aviation is truly rewarding! If you can help as a ground volunteer, please email Donna Shea at: shea.donna@gmail.com

Also, Mark Scott is always looking for volunteers to work the grill flipping burgers and dogs. If you are able to help with food, please let Mark know! Hope to see many of you at our next rally! Donna Shea

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YOUNG EAGLES RALLY

Free Flights for Participants Ages 8 to 17

Saturday, 10/29/2022
Rain Date: 10/30/2022



Meriden Airport (KMMK)
213 Evansville Ave.
Meriden CT 06451



Participants must PRE-REGISTER at [Young Eagles Day](https://youngeaglesday.org)
(<https://youngeaglesday.org>)
A Parent/Guardian Must be Present

Questions? Contact Donna Shea at shea.donna@gmail.com

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Ray Aviation Scholar 2022

Lucy shares

So far flight training has been going very smooth and steady. I am getting more confident in the traffic pattern and am branching out to other airports. On October 8th Rebecca (my flight instructor) and I, went to Ellington Airport (7B9) which is the second shortest runway in Connecticut, at 1,800 feet long and 50 feet wide. It was a bit of a challenge between the helicopters, sky divers, and being so close to Bradley's airspace. However, I feel very accomplished having 7B9 in my log book. We have some fun things planned for the near future such as going to Great Barrington Airport in MA and attempting some pattern work at Toutant, which is the shortest runway in Connecticut! I am very excited for all of these events and am so grateful for EAA for all of the opportunities I am receiving. (Lucy)

Tom Spitler

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Vans RV-10 Project Open House

Scott Oloff hosted a well attended open house at his hangar at Oxford Airport Oct 2nd. The plane looks great with high quality workmanship and lots of great equipment. Mike Zemsta provided Scott with a lot of tips based on his RV-10 build.



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MT Tobe N41 Waterbury 3rd Annual Fly-in and camp

Join us for a weekend flying and camping amongst the scenic Connecticut countryside during peak fall foliage October 21 - 23

This is quickly becoming a popular event. On site camping encouraged with addition of new RAF installed tent platforms. Events will include the ever-popular STOL, spot landing contest, and pumpkin drop.

Food to include lunch, dinner, and breakfast will be provided for a small donation. Friday and Saturday night campers will be entertained with an onsite movie, and campfire.

Come roll on the grass and join a fellowship of like-minded aviators for what is sure to be a great weekend



<https://www.facebook.com/events/621636742716838/>

2000' grass strip airport and camping
Waterbury, CT N41 - Waterbury

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MMK Airport Repaving

The North ramp and parts near the FBO building will be repaved soon if not by the time you receive this newsletter. Look for signs at the various gates when you arrive for entrance instructions. The airport and taxiways will remain open.

Regional Meetings

Check chapter websites for meeting status

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://eaa166.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/> <https://chapters.eaa.org/EAA324>

Chapter 1620 Meetings 1st Wednesday of month, 7:30 PM Barnes Airport Hangar 3, 111 Airport Rd. Westfield, MA. 01085 <https://www.facebook.com/eaa.org/>

2022 Aviation Events

Chapter 1310 Events

Saturday October 15 - Tail Dragger & Vintage Fly-In & Safety Seminar

Saturday November 5 - Pancake Breakfast

06/18/2022 - 10/16/2022 Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome Weekend Airshows, Rhinebeck, NY

The Saturday "History of Flight" program highlights the Pioneer era before WWI, a WWI Show teaser, and the Golden Age of Aviation in the '20s and '30s.

The Sunday Show is our WWI dog fight spectacular with a hero, a heroine (Cheer!), the villainous Black Baron of Rhinebeck (Boo!), scenery, pyrotechnics and a WWI tank.

The supporting cast includes many antique automobiles. <https://oldrhinebeck.org>

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High Sierra Fly-In: The High Sierra Fly-In is the only STOL event on our list on a dry lakebed in the middle of the Nevada desert. The event will be in October 13th-16th and will include days of action-packed STOL Drag events and competitions. The growing event encourages all pilots to fly in to compete for their first time or to relax and hang out with other aviation enthusiasts.

2023 Aviation Events

March 28 - April 2 Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo, Lakeland, FL

US Navy Blue Angels

June 24 - 25 Rhode Island National Guard Open House Airshow

US Navy Blue Angels

July 24 - 30 EAA Airventure, Oshkosh, WI

September 9 - 10 Thunder Over New Hampshire Air Show

Pease ANGB, Portsmouth, NH

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Classifieds

We have 12 stackable storage containers left over from the RV-12 build. They measure 15 x 8.5 x 7 inches. Make a chapter donation and take as many as you want. Talk to Mark.



MANY structural pull rivets left over from the RV-12 build. They are 1/8 dia, Gesipa LP4-3 with .093-.197 grip. \$5 for a 1/2 lb bag or about 200 rivets. That is about 80% less than similar Q rivets from Aircraft Spruce. Contact Mark Scott

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

The Spirit of Meriden Flight Club needed to replace the nose gear fork and strut to comply with a service bulletin. If anyone would like the old nose fork and nose gear strut for some creative project contact

Mark Scott (mwscott2@comcast.net)



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EAA CHAPTER 27 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please fill in the following information and mail with your dues to:
EAA Chapter 27, c/o Bill Jagoda, 43 Derby Road, Rockfall, CT 06481
Annual dues are \$20.00 per year. Make checks payable to *EAA Chapter 27*

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