

EAA Chapter 27 Newsletter June 2019

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Our Web Site: www.eaa27.org



Our Next Meeting is a Picnic!

Meriden Airport, 11am, June 15th

Come Wish Wilma a Happy Retirement



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President's Message

A simple message this month, get out and have fun! The weather has turned nice, at least when it's not raining! We have our Young Eagle's rally this month as well as a picnic on the 15th. I hope you have some travel plans with your planes. I am taking mine to Syracuse, NY as part of a biking trip on the Erie Canal. Two hours of flying is way more fun than four hours of driving. Take a trip and tell the chapter about it at one of our meetings.

EAA Chapter 27 Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2019

President Mark Scott called the meeting to order at 10:05. Other officers present: Dave Rich, Vice President; Bill Jagoda, Treasurer and Rick Beebe, Secretary. There were 21 attendees. Carlo Asaro introduced himself as a new member. He just bought a Cessna 150 and is going to learn to fly in it. Visitor Nick Chapman is from Windsor and is interested in joining the RV-12 club.

Bill Jagoda reports a balance of \$8,283.25 in the treasury.

Mike Zemsta went to Brookhaven yesterday and discovered an RV-6 that someone has turned into a twin. It has two 120 hp Corvair engines. It's in the paint shop now and the owner hopes to get it to Oshkosh this year.

Mark Scott squeaked in under the wire for getting the ADS-B rebate. However, just because the rebates have all been spoken for doesn't mean they won't free up some during the rest of the year.

Congratulations to Jim Simmons for flying his 400th Young Eagle. Our next rally is coming up on June 9 from 9 to 3.

Jim talked about a 26 year old man he recently gave his first airplane ride to. This man has a dental career but decided he wanted a flying career. He applied to American Airlines and they have an ab-initio training program. He's going to 8 months of school and then will instruct and move right into American.

The RV-12 club is forming. Dave Rich is working through the legal paperwork. They need to form the corporation so it can be the owner before they can get insurance. They can't start test flying until they get insurance.

100th anniversary of MMK celebration on August 10. August 14 is the 100th anniversary of the first air shipment from anywhere in Connecticut. Tickets will be \$15. This is an adult function with wine, beer, food and music. There will be a helicopter ball drop with cash prizes.

Hangars will be built at the airport finally. They were unanimously approved by the legislative council. The project is in engineering right now, then will go out to bid.

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They hope to have them built before winter rolls in again. Our thanks to Wilma for pushing this through. She's supposed to retire on June 30 but may stay on as a consultant to see the hangar project through.

To help show our thanks we're going to have a picnic in her honor on June 15 at 11am. Thanks to Jim Simmons and Mike Zemsta for organizing this. This picnic will be in lieu of our June meeting.

Thanks to the crew who painted the bathroom: Joe Bogacki, Randy Seeger and Bob Young.

We had a successful airport cleanup day on May 11. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out.

Randy Seeber talked about volunteering at Oxford airport his week for the D-Day squadron. 9 C-47s gathered there for practice and demonstration. They are heading to Normandy France for the 75th anniversary of the Normandy invasion on June 6. Two of the planes—Placid Lassy and That's All Brother—were actual veterans of D-Day. That's All Brother was the lead plane of the lead echelon during the invasion. He got a ride on That's All Brother. There are 15 C-47s or derivatives in the D-Day squadron. There will be 30 planes dropping 300 paratroopers during the event.

Mark Scott gave an informative presentation on tips for flying nervous passengers whether Young Eagles or adults. He invited his friend Meg, who was a nervous flyer, to give us her perspective on what flying meant to her.

--Rick Beebe, Secretary

Tech Counselor Tip

When filling up your tanks in the summer leave them a little less than full, something like a half inch, if you will be not flying immediately. The fuel is often relatively cool coming out of the storage tank. It expands as it heats up in your tanks. If you fill them to the very top the fuel begins to drip out of the vents. If your vent is in the fuel cap it dribbles onto your wings. If this happens a few times you get blue fuel stains on the wing which can be difficult to remove.

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Fun Destinations

Mt. Tobe

If you want to get some grass landing practice in we have a great place right in our back yard, Mt. Tobe Airport (N41). The 2000 foot field is pretty smooth with good approaches but there are still trees to be careful of. There are two runways. Runway 17-35 is the best. Check the OXC ASOS for winds as well as the wind sock at the North end of the runway intersection before setting up your pattern. In the pattern check for anyone walking on the field or cutting the grass. It is a great place to have a picnic lunch. The last time I was there I saw a picnic table.



Brookhaven Airport

Twin RV6 with two 120 horse power
Corvair air-cooled engines



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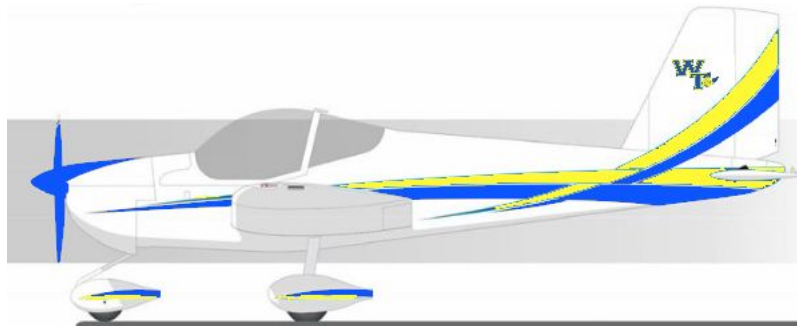
Spirit of Meriden Flight Club

Things are moving along, albeit a bit slower than planned, but forward nonetheless.

We are registered with the State of CT as a non-profit, non-stock corporation - *Spirit of Meriden Flight Club, Inc.* Our "Articles of Incorporation" and "Bylaws" are drafted and attached along with other interesting reading. With this, we can proceed with registration, etc. and submit the Federal application (form 1024) for us to be granted 501 c(7) status.

A number of folks have expressed interest and we will be gathering Sunday, 6/16 at the airport. All are welcome, even if just curious. We fully expect to be flying late summer as all the paperwork comes together.

One possible paint scheme... highlighting the involvement of Wilcox Tech...



Memberships Available

**Fly cheap with the latest in aviation tech.
5 gal/hr fuel burn and no more "steam gauges"**

The club will own a newly built RV-12 which is a light sport category airplane suitable for both light sport and private pilot training.

The RV-12 is equipped with a modern 4 stroke Rotax 912 ULS and Dynon Skyview HDX with synthetic vision, EFIS and EMS.



We will be structured as a CT 501c(7) not for profit, non-stock corporation. Membership will assume officer roles and manage the club, including, oversight, scheduling, maintenance and finances.

If interested, please contact either Mark Scott (203.988.3197) or Dave Rich (860.638.9087) for details.

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Young Eagles

The weather was perfect for our Chapters June Young Eagles Rally, calm winds and clear blue sky. A total of 33 Young Eagles and 2 Eagle Flights were flown. It was a great success from all the support of Chapter members and family from registering the Young Eagles, providing food, ground support and the participation of eight pilots who were busy all day. Next rally is scheduled for September.



Donna Shea and Young Eagle

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Jim Simmons conducting preflight with Young Eagle

Chapter and MMK Airport Activities

MMK Hangars

Not only were the hangars approved but Wilma was approached by the city council about building more! The last we heard room for about another 14 planes was in work. We will learn more from Wilma at the picnic.

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SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY JUNE 15, 2019
11AM through 3PM

EAA CHAPTER 27 will be hosting a special picnic at Meriden Airport honoring
WILMA PETRO



Wilma will shortly be retiring from her position as Purchasing Officer for the City of Meriden.

As acting Airport Director, Wilma has been a strong advocate for all aspects of support for Meriden Markham Airport. During her tenure she has been extremely instrumental in many airport improvements and bringing a high level of awareness for our airport to the city and the Meriden community as a whole. Beneficiaries include all tenants, the EAA, CAP, Meriden Aviation Center and Mustang Aviation.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND EXPRESS YOUR APPRECIATION FOR WILMA'S EFFORTS AND HER NUMEROUS ACHIEVEMENTS

We look forward to seeing you all there!

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MMK 100th Anniversary

Save the date August 10, 2019

Blue Skies, Silver Linings

Join us for a **FUN** night out!

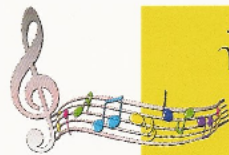
Saturday, August 10, 2019

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

(Rain Date: August 17)

Meriden Markham Airport

213 Evansville Ave., So. Meriden



*Hot Hors d'oeuvres
Wine & Beer Tasting
Dessert
Beverages
Entertainment*



Tickets: \$20 (adults only)

or:

\$15 in advance at the following locations:

Meriden Markham Airport, 213 Evansville Ave., Meriden

City Hall - City Manager's Office 142 E. Main St., Meriden

Casa di Roma, 103 Main St., So. Meriden

Helicopter BULLSEYE BALL DROP RAFFLE!

\$20/ticket

1st Prize \$1,000 2nd Prize \$500 3rd Prize \$250

Winner need not be present

FREE Hot air balloon tethered rides!

Enjoy a **DISCOVERY FLIGHT** in a T-6 Warbird or Piper Warrior!

Call 203-630-2878 for rates and to pre-book your flight.

To Benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and Meriden Markham Airport

JDRF

This event is also celebration of the 1st shipment by air from *anywhere* in CT. The Curtis "Jenny" aircraft departed Meriden airfield on Aug. 14, 1919 with 125 lbs. of silverware from the International Silver Co., Meriden CT and delivered it to Bamberger's Department Store, Newark NJ.

Historical documents will be on display!



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Sunday Morning Flight

Bayport Aerodrome Society's ***Pancake Breakfast*** ***Fundraiser***



***Biplane Ride
Raffle!***

Sunday July 14th
8AM-1PM

Pancakes \$6.00 Adults
\$3.00 Children (under 12)

Bayport Aerodrome Society

60 Vitamin Drive, Bayport NY

www.bayportaerodromesociety.org

Contact: Jimmy Pancake @ 516-381-4408



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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/>

Chapter 1620 Meetings 1st Wednesday of month, 7:30 PM Barnes Airport Hangar 3, 111 Airport Rd.
Westfield, MA. 01085 aircrafttech7583@gmail.com

Chapter 1310 Events

Saturday June 15th, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Hamburg & Hot Dog Cookout **New******
All you can eat hot dogs and hamburgers for a \$7.00 donation.

Saturday August 17, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Annual Corn Roast and Cookout
We get the freshest corn available. Picked the morning of the event. Also hamburgers and hot dogs off the grill.

Saturday September 28, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Young Eagles Flights
We will be providing complementary introductory flights to kids 8 - 17 years old.

Saturday October 19, 10:00 AM - Noon
Taildragger and Experimental Safety Seminar
Topic to be announced.

Saturday November 2, 8:30 - 11:00 AM
Pancake Breakfast
Enjoy our hot pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs. Plus fruit cup, coffee, tea, juice.

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New England Air Museum

Helicopter Day and Father's Day Open Cockpit

On Sunday, June 16, 2019 the New England Air Museum will hold the Second Annual Helicopter Day.

This year it is combined with our traditional Father's Day Open Cockpit.

We will feature many helicopters from our collection with over 20 helicopters and equipment on display. Including some that have been in storage for several years and are not normally open to the public. These will comprise helicopters from the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, as well as, from the civilian world. Several of the helicopters will be open to the public for tours and there will be experts available to explain the aircraft and their operation. Included on display will be the 22,000 pound Sikorsky CH-54

“Tarhe,” - sometimes called the “Skycrane,” the Bell UH-1B “Iriquois,” - also referred to as the “Huey,” the Bell AH-1S “Cobra,” the Gyrodyne QH-50C “DASH” Navy drone, an award winning man-powered helicopter, and many others.



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In addition, at 12:30 Daniel Libertino, President of Sikorsky Historical Archives, will give a presentation of the history of Sikorsky Aircraft.

Helicopter Day will run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with the Museum and the *Wings 'n Things* Gift Shop staying open until 5:00 p.m. Sneakers or rubber-soled shoes are recommended. Food will be available for purchase from Kane's Market, on a cash only basis.

<<https://www.neam.org/index.php>>



2019 Aviation Events

Weekends June 15 - October 20 Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, Rhinebeck, NY

Saturdays - **History of Flight Air Shows** feature aircraft of the Pioneer, WWI and Golden Ages of Aviation. Sundays - **WWI Air Shows** highlight the first warbirds, but also include Pioneer and Golden Age machines.

<https://oldrhinebeck.org>

July 22-28 EAA AirVenture Whittman Regional Airport, Oshkosh, WI USAF F-16 Viper Demo, F-22 Heritage Flight <http://www.airventure.org/>

August 24 - 25 New York Air Show Stewart International Airport, Newburgh, NY
US Navy Blue Angels, US Air Force F-25A Lightning II Demo Team

<http://airshowny.com/>

September 7 - 8 Beverly Regional Airshow Beverly Regional Airport, Beverly, MA
Aerial Performers, Aircraft on Display, Military, Kid's Activities, Food, Airplane Rides,

<https://flight4cf.com/events/beverly-regional-air-show/>

Sat. Sept 14 (Rain date Sept 15) 8:00 AM - Noon Pancake Breakfast - Kline Kill, NY
Presented by EAA Chapter 146 We put on a great pancake & egg breakfast, and a fun time is guaranteed. <http://www.eaa146.org>

September 22 Simsbury Fly-In & Car Show Simsbury, CT
www.simsburyflyin.com

October 3-6 B17 tour stop at Westfield Barnes (KBAF) There is a planning meeting prior to EAA Chapter 166's meeting on April 27th at 9a.m.

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Classifieds

RV-7A 1/3 Share at MMK Airport

RV-7A 1/3 SHARE AT MMK AIRPORT • \$32,000 • **FRACTIONAL OWNERSHIP OFFERED** • 2008 Van's RV-7A hangered at Meriden Markham Airport, CT (MMK). 500 Hrs TT, Sliding Canopy, Superior XP-IO-360-E1AD2, Sensenich 727M8S9-1-85 fixed pitch prop, Dynon D-180 EFIS/EMS, OAT, Garmin 296 GPS, Garmin Xpander GTX327 with GDL-82 ADSB out, ACK 406 ELT, Garmin SL40 Comm, PM 3000-4 intercom, electric flaps, TruTrak AP, Anti-Splat strut, dual brakes, Stratus 2S with iPad mount, full interior. Currently 2 partners with ownership as an LLC. Contact Dave Rich or Mark Scott (203-988-3197) • Contact David Rich, Owner - located Glastonbury, CT USA • Telephone: 8606389087

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)

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
