

EAA Chapter 27 Newsletter September 2023

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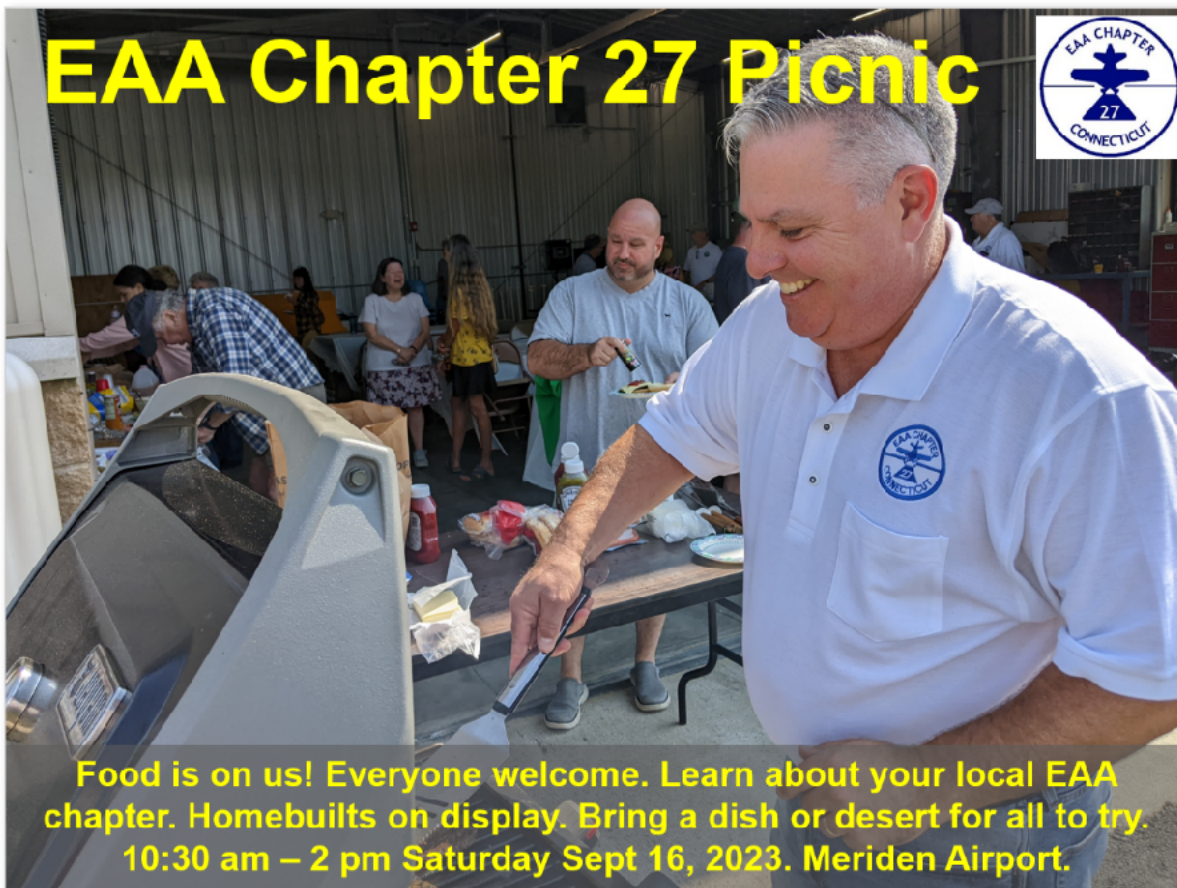
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Our Web Site: www.eaa27.org



The Next Meeting is our Chapter Picnic

EAA Chapter 27 Picnic



Food is on us! Everyone welcome. Learn about your local EAA chapter. Homebuilts on display. Bring a dish or desert for all to try. 10:30 am – 2 pm Saturday Sept 16, 2023. Meriden Airport.

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President's Message

Last month was eventful with the New England Air Museum meeting and the Vagabond Flying Club's Tail Wheel Fly In. Events like this are what keep the chapter and airport vibrant and fun. If you have an idea for an off site meeting location or chapter field trip let the chapter officers know.

Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2023

The August meeting was held at the New England Air Museum. Officers present: President Mark Scott, Treasurer Bill Jagoda, Secretary Rick Beebe. 37 members made the trek. Thanks to Bill Jagoda for arranging the meeting location and tour.

Mark bought EAA Chapter 27 business cards. They're generic so feel free to ask for some to hand out when talking to people about the EAA and the Chapter.

Treasurer's report: Bill reports our July balance is \$4,112.27. The rest of our funds are in a CD.

AirVenture Reports: James Carver showed off a wonderful metal polish that he picked up at AirVenture. Mike Zemsta found out that the FAA is doing a cognitive study and are looking for study participants.

Several of our members worked at Mt. Tobe yesterday and build a fully functional outhouse. It's becoming a great place to go camping.

Ava, our current Ray Scholar spent two weeks at UConn at an engineering summer camp. For the last two weeks she's been at Space Camp in Huntsville Alabama. Connie and Roger are taking her to the Bradley Tracon on Thursday. Lucy took her dad for a flight recently. Isabella went to Air Academy. She was nervous about flying there alone but she had a great time.

Airport update. The South Ramp paving will start September 11. It's a 60 day project so it will go into November. There were 160 kids who came through the airport for the Kids Day. Thanks to the chapter members who helped out. Next Sunday will be "Tail-wheel Day" for all the tailwheel planes on the airport. The 99s will be doing a poker run on September 30th and Meriden is one of the stops.

James Carver hung the arrow he made at the Blue Barn at AirVenture.

September 16 is our Chapter picnic. 10:30-2.

Simsbury fly-in is September 24.

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The members enjoyed wonderful tours of the museum storage facility and restoration hangar. These buildings are not open to the public and was nice to see what's in there.

—Rick Beebe, Secretary

Young Eagles

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YOUNG EAGLES RALLY

Free Flights for Participants Ages 8 to 17

Sunday, 10/8/2023

Rain Date: 10/21/2023



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



Parents/Guardians must PRE-REGISTER at [YEDAY.ORG](https://www.yeday.org)
starting September 15, 2023

A Parent/Guardian Must be Present

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

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Ray Aviation Scholar

In August, I focused on my landing technique, particularly the crucial skill of flaring. I also continued to work on flying maneuvers, dedicated time to pattern work, and learned radio communication skills in a towered environment. Using foggles, I began recording VOR time, enhancing my instrument flying abilities. Additionally, I gained experience with towered landings at Brainard Airport and initiated training in short field and soft field takeoffs. My flight training included a tour of Bradley International Airport tower, where I gained valuable insights into air traffic control operations.

I went to UCONN Engineering Camp, it was awesome. I got a taste of different engineering fields, heard from real engineers about their work, and teamed up with fellow campers to create an underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV). It was a fantastic experience that fueled my passion for STEM and broadened my horizons about all the cool things you can do in these fields.

Following UCONN I headed off to Space Camp. My time at Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama was packed with incredible experiences. I got to see the colossal Saturn 5 Rocket, dive deep into discussions about the thrilling Artemis program, and even geeked out over space law - all of which really left an impact. But it wasn't all about lectures; I had some real adventures, like scuba diving and building and launching rockets, which was a blast, to say the least. Meeting an actual astronaut and having heart-to-heart conversations with NASA engineers was definitely a highlight, giving me a deeper appreciation for space science and technology.

Ava Laudadio

Tech Tip of the Month

I found a nice airspeed indicator at a recent fly in for only \$40. It has larger numbers and a true airspeed setting knob. Just what I was looking for!. However, the airspeed ranges were not correct for my airplane. Wag Aero sells a packet of red, yellow, green, and white airspeed band adhesive backed decals for standard 3 1/8 instruments. ("Instrument Range Marking Kit", Part No A-005-199). I was able to cover up and extend ranges as required. I think it looks pretty good. United instruments and others sell airspeed indicators without speed ranges. You can customize them as needed with this kit from Wag Aero. (Mark)



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Chapter 27

New England Air Museum Meeting

Last month's meeting at the New England Air Museum was a great success. We had a great turn out and many people stayed a while after the meeting to see the entire museum. Thanks again to Bill Jagoda for setting it up.



Chapter Library

The chapter recently received a large donation of historical books. To make room Jim Simons and the Friday morning coffee and donuts gang removed a lot of duplicate and outdated material. It will be out at the chapter picnic for the taking. There is a lot of stuff. Feel free to take what you want.



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Meriden Airport

The South ramp paving has begun. Be mindful of the various traffic cones and barriers at entrances and around the ramp as work continues.



Tail Wheel Fly In and Picnic

The Tailwheel Fly In Picnic organized by the Vagabond flying club and the airport went very well. We hope it becomes an annual event. We had great weather and 25 or so planes attended. There were a number of kids and no tail wheel pilots enjoying the event. We even got to do some N Number graffiti on the south ramp!



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OCTOBER 6TH-9TH
MT. TOBERFEST
AVIATION EVENTS
AND CAMPING!!!



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EVENT SCHEDULE

Raffle Tickets

\$1.00 EACH

25 FOR \$20

FRIDAY OCT. 6TH

Arrival Day! Event attendees are free to arrive anytime!

4-6pm - Group fly out to Candelight Farms (11N), and Triumph (CT24)

6pm - Spot / STOL competition practice landings upon return to N41

7pm - Dinner and Campfire

8pm - Aviation-themed movie, and campfire

SATURDAY OCT. 7TH

7am - Breakfast is served! Pancakes, Sausage, bacon and breakfast dishes.
(\$15.00 donation requested)

8-10am - Group fly out to Salmon River (9B8), Goodspeed (42B)

10-11am - Spot / STOL competition practice landings upon return to N41

11-12pm - Lunch is served! Provided by Barnstormers Burgers Food Truck

12:30-2pm - 50/50 Pumpkin drop. \$10 per pumpkin 50/50 cash prize awarded

2:30-4pm - Friendly Spot / STOL landing "competition" Sponsor donated swag awarded to top three

4pm - Raffle drawing and prizes awarded (present to win)

6pm - Dinner is served! Provided by Barnstormers Burgers Food Truck

8pm - Aviation-themed movie, campfire, hanger flying stories and outright lies

**Pumpkin drop
pumpkins
\$10**



**Meal Donation
Requested per Meal
\$15**

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EVENT SCHEDULE

*Thank you for attending
and Thanks to our many
event supporters !!!*

SUNDAY OCT. 8TH

6-7am - Dawn Patrol Flight

7-8am - Breakfast is served! Pancakes, Sausage, bacon and breakfast dishes. (\$15.00 donation requested)

8-10am - Group fly outs to additional local strips TBD

10-11:30am - Spot / STOL landing practice, picture and video passes

12pm- Lunch is served! Provided by Barnstormers Burgers Food Truck

1-5pm additional events announced and scheduled TBD by remaining attendees

5pm- Dinner is served. Fajitas and taco night with all the fixins by event hosts (\$15.00 donation requested)

8pm- Aviation themed movie and campfire

Monday Oct. 9th - Free Day for anyone remaining

MAIN EVENT RAIN DATE SCHEDULE SUNDAY OCT. 8TH

13:00-15:00 - 50/50 Pumpkin drop. Raffle prizes and 50/50 awarded after pumpkin drop (present to win)

15:00-18:00 Friendly Spot / STOL landing "competition" Sponsor donated swag awarded to top three

18:00 Dinner is served! Grill burgers, brats, dogs, and all the fixins by event hosts (\$10.00 donation requested)

**ALL EVENT PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS
HELPING OFFSET THE MAINTENANCE COST OF
THE AIRPORT OR FOR FUTURE FLY IN EVENTS**

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The Simsbury Fly In, Car Show & Food Truck Festival is back!!!

If your interest is to enjoy great things to eat, our food trucks will arrive the day prior to the regular show, **Saturday, Sept. 23rd. from 11 AM to 6 PM.** That day will be food trucks and helicopter rides ONLY.

The full event, including a second day of food trucks, will be held on **Sunday, Sept. 24th 8 AM - 5 PM.** Come either day, or both. Rain Date Oct. 1st

Special Attractions This Year:

- The future is here! Come see an all electric airplane demo, charged by an electric F-150 Lightning Truck, powered by renewable energy. Sustainable and accessible flight.
- Looking for adventure? How about nothing but a parachute and a motor on your back. Come see the amazing Powered Paraglider demonstration as they show you how close you can truly get to flying with the birds.

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- Want to get up in the air yourself? Rides will be available for purchase in either a helicopter and WWII Trainer aircraft.
- LifeStar Helicopter (call-out permitting) and the heavy lift Kaman K-MAX helicopters will be on hand. You can see up close how these amazing vehicles and crews serve the community and beyond.
- The car show which attracts over 450 cars each year will have trophies awarded in over 30 categories to best in class.

Other attractions throughout the day include; engine demonstrations, car and aviation related seminars, live music, gyrocopter demonstration, drone demonstration, and a formation flying demonstration by the Yankee Clippers.

Pilots: Please note that the runway is closed from noon until 1pm for aircraft demonstrations.

Volunteers needed

Our approximately 130 volunteers help to make this a fantastic experience for our attendees and vendors, so come join us and see this fun and exciting event from the inside! If you are a returning volunteer, thank you for your commitment to our local airport!

Click on this link to volunteer: [2023 Simsbury Fly-In Volunteer Sign Up Form](#)

Proceeds from the Fly In are critical to the support of general aviation in central Connecticut each year and particularly to the Simsbury Airport.

Thank you in advance for volunteering to make this event a success.

~ Simsbury Airport Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization ~

Feel free to contact me if you have further questions.

Jill Nulsen

Volunteer Coordinator

jill.simsburyflyin@gmail.com

EAA Chapter 27 Year 2023 Events

September 16 Annual Picnic 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM rain date next day September 17
October 8th Sunday Fall Young Eagles Rally rain date October 21st

EAA Chapter 1310 Year 2023 Events

Saturday September 16

Saturday November 4

Saturday December 9

Safety Seminar

Pancake Breakfast

Christmas Pot Luck Buffet

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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 HFD Hangar 1 EAA Classroom, 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/>

2023 Aviation Events

September 23 Saturday 11 AM to 6 PM Simsbury Fly-in, Food Trucks only then the
full event on Sunday 24 from 8 AM - 5 PM

Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome Upcoming Events



We have a variety of special events coming up in addition to our wonderful weekend airshows! Take a look at what is happening:

Sept 16-17 American Society of Aviation Artists

October 1 Vert Fest - Convertible Saab Club

Oct 7-8 Fall Festival and Pumpkin Bombing

Oct 14-15 Final Show Weekend

Visit <https://www.olderhinebeck.org> for more information and directions.

October 6th-9th MT Toberfest N41 come celebrate 100 years of operation - camping, fly-outs, pumpkin drop, STOL landing competition and more.

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2024 Aviation Events

April 9 - 14 Sun n' Fun Aerospace Expo 50th Anniversary Lakeland, FL
USAF Thunderbirds

July 22 - 28 EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh

August 3 - 4 Great State of Maine Air Show Brunswick, ME USAF Thunderbirds

Classifieds

RV6A for sale needs to be finished - text Rick Rinaldi 203-910-2313

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 (203-988-3197)



1970 PA 28-140

NARCO MK12D TSO 97

NARCO COM 810 TSO 06

KING KT 76A TRANSPONDER

LYCOMING O-320-E2A

TACH 4141.8 1869 SMOH ON LAST ANNUAL 11/24/22

COMP.1-76, 2-78, 3-71, 4-76/80

\$39,500

FRAN ULIANO 860-347-0412 (OWNER PILOT 42 YRS)

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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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