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Young Eagles Reaches 1,000,000 Goal!

Through the efforts of thousands of chapters - including Chapter 9 - EAA achieved its goal of flying 1,000,000 Young Eagles before the 100th Anniversary of Powered Flight! EAA's announcement came Nov. 13 with the flight of Andrew Grand, 15, from German Vally, IL. The YE program started 1992 and assisted by an initial endowment from SC Johnson Wax. Overall sponsor is Jaguar Cars with significant help from Phillips 66 and numerous others. Chapter 9 YE Coordinator Keith Edwards reports turnout for Oct. 11 was excellent. We had 11 members who handled the flights. Eight members handled ground support for the effort. Keith reports our contribution is significant: Rick Tressler now has flown 103, Rick Hunt 103, Phil Yoder 108. Others who had previously exceeded 100: Ted Kellogg 113, Keith Edwards 134, Craig Schneider 136, Tom Siler, 115 and, of course, far in the lead is Dick Wetherald with 224! The 50 mark was also broken: Don Bauer 50, and Adnan Shiblaq 52.



Dick Wetherald goes through a preflight with his YEers.



Brian Rodia and members of Cub Scout Pack 802 from Groveport get ready for their Young Eagle flights on Oct. 11 at Don Scott.



Special thanks goes to Scott McCrory who provided aviation "instruction" to Young Eaglers who waited for their flights. Scott is a student pilot. He showed Sectionals, headsets, and other aviation paraphernalia.



George Bell and Bob Banasik were early "tenders" for the hog roast cooking.

Elections To Take Place This Month

Top priority for this month's meeting Nov. 20 will be the election of officers and three directors. Check this newsletter's masthead to see who is up for election. The "class" of 2003 director seats will become the "class" of 2005. EAA9's Election Committee consists of Hal Thorley (chairperson), Keith Edwards, and Dr. Alan Sacolick. We also seek help with coordination for Explorer Post 2009. When called upon, please consider this important service to your chapter. During the meeting, Mike Hayhurst will talk about the life of a new A&P and Bob Mullins will give insights about being a part of the EAA's B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" tour.

Next Meeting – Thursday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m. – Barnstormer Restaurant. Elections. Program on basics of an A&P and a look at "Aluminum Overcast's" Tour.

EAA9 Helps Fly 1,000,000!



Dear Friends,

The beautiful weather brought the kids to the OSU airport on Saturday for several hours of fun and enjoyment. I'm sure that many good memories were created there! And I'll bet the kids had fun, too! The contributions made by each pilot and volunteer brought success to the day. Thanks to all who came and took part, for a job well done! Each of you was and will always be vital to success. The YE website this morning shows 981,281 flown. With 18,719 Young Eagles to go before reaching the goal, we flew another 122 on Saturday:

Phil Yoder (21), Rick Hunt (16), Rick Tressler (13), Tom Maish (13), Adnan Shibliq (12), Dick Wetherald (12), Steve Horne (11), Tom Siler (9), Joe Shannon (8), Don Bauer (5), Robert Simon (2).

As always, essential support was provided by the people who smoothly and efficiently processed all of the papers, talked with kids and parents, and kept the flight line safe: Micki Hogan, Ann Samuelson, Brittany Edwards, Ed Biehl, Mike Kuss, Jeff Bozarth, Craig Schneider, Scott McCrory.

Thanks also, to the many people who labored to support the operation, who were behind the scenes, who contributed with publicity, communications, safety, and many other ways, including but not necessarily limited to: Alan Harding for support from the Barnstormer, Gary, Deral and the tower staff, Doug Hammon, Dottie Gordon, Sue Riggs and all of the OSU airport line crew and staff, Cindy Krebs at the City of Columbus Zoning office. And, all others who have not been named but who did their part in making it happen.

Thank you all, and
God bless you!
Keith Edwards



EAA Museum Worth a Visit



Absent several hundred thousand Airventure visitors, the EAA Museum in Oshkosh can be a unique experience. Bob Mullins visited the headquarters Oct. 28. As crowded as this War Birds section of the museum appears, "Aluminum Overcast" will fit, according to B-17 coordinator Scott Mahar. Scott says initial plans are being made for the 2004 tour even as the plane finishes this year's tour in Florida.



EAA's restoration show - which is open to the public - is an aircraft builder's dream. EAA's Adam Smith is in charge of the museum's operation. During the winter months, the "Pioneer" hangers at Whitman Field are closed.



Check Our Website

Be sure to check our Website at www.eaa9.org. We would like to hear your comments which you can send to President Harding at al@thentshop.com. Thanks to Craig Schneider for his work on this site.

We'll Have a Hangared Holiday

Be sure to mark Saturday, Dec. 6 in your calendar! This year's EAA9 Holiday Pot Luck Dinner/ Party will be in Don Scott's Hangar 1! We'll start at 4 p.m. with dinner at around 6 p.m. The Chapter will provide the meat and drinks. Members are asked to bring dishes of their choice. To add to the festivities and unique decorations, we plan to ask OSU to put EAA9 members' planes in Hangar 1 for the evening! The planning committee says we may even have some entertainment after the meal!



*Dec. 6! Hangar 1!
Be There!*

Member Notes...

Hi All: I am negotiating with a builder to accommodate my needs for a large door in a condominium under construction at Sciota Pointe. If it falls apart, and it is looking that way now: I may be renting space at Port Columbus in the Million Air facility to build an RV-8. I have steel wing jigs on hand (fits any RV), and also an RV-8 steel fuselage jig (presently in Wisconsin). Have a lot of work tables, drill press, grinder, etc. Is anyone interested in sharing space. The last time I talked with Million Air, the price was 200.00 a month. Would be great to help each other buck rivets, etc. Or you know of some other space that you are willing to share.



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Ramp Check

Young Eagle Flight Rally schedule. We fly the second Saturday every other month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at OSU Airport (weather permitting, of course). The next date for 2003 is December 13 – **National Young Eagles Day!** As of November 12, 999,695 Young Eagles have been flown nationwide!

November 20 – Membership Meeting, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Barnstromer. Election of officers and directors. Program by Mike Hayhurst (life of an A&P) and Bob Mullins ("Aluminum Overcast" On Tour).

December 6 – Holiday Party! – Hangar 1, Don Scott. – 4 p.m., 6 p.m. pot luck dinner - and on into the evening!

December 13 – Young Eagle Flights - Gate E, Don Scott Airport - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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**EAA9 Elections and Program
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