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## OSU Don Scott Open House a Success!

While we were not able to have any Young Eagle Flights (except one) because of marginal VFR, the OSU Don Scott Airport Open House was a great success! Thousands showed up for the event which included everything from giant kites to

stunning passes by Ohio Air Guard F-16's. We were also pleased to see Aviation Explorer Post 2009 out in force! Our thanks to Bob Leffler who is coordinating efforts with Post 2009. Thanks also to Columbus Flight Watch members who staffed EAA9's table in Hangar 1. We had many inquires about EAA9, how it operates and its role in Central Ohio aviation.



*Members of Explorer Post 2009 provided able assistance during the OSU Don Scott Open House. (Left to right) Matt Watson of Hilliard Davidson HS, Victor Martin of Dublin Scioto HS - and originally from Columbia, South America, Emma Bedsley from Columbus Bishop Ready HS, and Michael Kellum from Hilliard Davidson HS.*

## Flying to the Four Corners for YE's



Steve Wood, and his GlaStar, N600F affectionately known as GOOFY, visited Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) chapters in 11 states while flying Young Eagles and promoting flying for the disabled in July. On Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, he visited EAA Chapter 9 at the Ohio State University Airport. Steve presented Brad Leffler a certificate after conducting a Young Eagle flight, in which Brad had an opportunity to



fly GOOFY. Brad is an Aviation Explorer in Post 2009, which is sponsored by EAA Chapter 9 ([www.eaa9.org](http://www.eaa9.org)) and the OSU Airport ([www.osuairport.org](http://www.osuairport.org)). Aviation Explorers are youth ages 13 through 20 that are interested in aviation as either a career or hobby. One of the service projects for Aviation Explorer Post 2009 is to assist with the ground operations of the EAA Chapter 9's Young Eagle events. EAA Chapter 9 conducts Young Eagle ([www.young eagle.org](http://www.young eagle.org)) flights multiple times throughout the year. EAA member pilots will give free rides to any youth between the ages of 8 and 17. The next event is scheduled for August 20<sup>th</sup> at OSU Airport. Starting and finishing in Florida, Wood traveled to Texas, California, Nevada, Washington, Montana, Wisconsin, New York, Maine, Ohio and Maryland, reaching the four corners of the continental United States. He finished his journey on

### Our Next Meeting...

Next Meeting – August 20 - Young Eagles/Chicken BBQ; Don Scott Airport, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (with the BBQ to begin around 3 p.m.) Directors meet 2 p.m. Members are asked to *please* bring a dish or dessert!

July 29, having flown almost 9,000 nautical miles, or 10,359 statute miles - that's 45.3 percent of the official distance to qualify as an around the world flight. He chronicled his flights on his Web site:

[www.fourcornersflight.co](http://www.fourcornersflight.co)) During his cross-country trip, Goofy and Steve took part in the [EAA AirVenture Cup](#) air race, flying as fast as possible over the 500-mile course between Dayton, Ohio and Fond du Lac, Wis. **Note: We'll need plenty of pilots for our Aug. 20 Young Eagles!**

## MedFlight Looks for Blood

We received this message from Columbus Flight Watch: MedFlight is hosting its annual end of summer blood drive on August 31 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. This

event will be held at the MedFlight Office/Hangar, 2827 W. Dublin Granville Rd. (adjacent ODOT and the Beightler Armory). The Red Cross' blood supply is at a critically low level and they would like to get as much of the local aviation community as possible to donate. Anyone that is eligible to donate blood that day will be entered to win a \$500 gas card. MedFlight also sends out a pair of movie tickets to all those who participate.

## OSU Open House Sights



*MedFlight Takes off for the OSU Open House crowds.*



*Clare Lutton shows off his "new" Taylorcraft!*





Once again, Don Peters brought his J3 Cub to the OSU Open House.



Our own Joe Vogel was emcee for the Open House!



Open House Coordinator Ed Mikula meets with EAA9 Young Eagles organizers and pilots.



## Check Our Website

Be sure to check our Website at [www.eaa9.org](http://www.eaa9.org). We would like to hear your comments which you can send to President Harding at [al@osubarnstormer.com](mailto:al@osubarnstormer.com). Thanks to Craig Schneider for his work on this site.

## Oshkosh and Beyond



What's left of Meigs Field. From Al Harding's Tri-Pacer on the way back from Oshkosh.



Burt Rutan with his "White Knight" mother ship at Oshkosh. Photo by Bob Baker.

## MERFI to Return August 26-28 at KMNN

The Mid-Eastern Regional Fly-In (MERFI) returns to Central Ohio at Marion Muncial Airport Aug. 26-28. The fly-in expects to have experimentals, ultralites, classics, antiques and war birds! Workshop, seminars, forums, vendors and a flea market are also expected during the three day event. EAA chapters will provide a pancake breakfast and primitive camping will be available.



## Ramp Check

Young Eagle Flight Rally schedule is on the EAA9 Website and runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at OSU Airport (weather permitting, of course). As of August 11, 2005, 1,159,904 YE's have been flown.

**Aug. 20 – EAA9 Young Eagles and Chicken BBQ. Please bring dish or dessert!**

**Aug. 26-28 – MERFI, Marion, OH**

**Sept. 3 – Marion (KMZZ – Indiana) Fly-In/Cruise-In. Pancake breakfast 7 a.m. to noon. Check [www.FlyInCuriseln.com](http://www.FlyInCuriseln.com).**

**Sept. 17 - EAA9 visit to the Ohio Air Guard C130 unit in Mansfield.**

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**Membership Meeting...  
Young Eagles/Chicken BBQ**



**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
August 20, 2005  
Don Scott Airport**



***BBQ to Start After Young Eagles***



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