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President's Corner

I would like to send a shout out to Sweet Aviation's General Manager Joel Pierce, Michael Neese Operations Manager, and Carter Steward Certified Helicopter Flight instructor for their presentation on airport operations and why they perform maneuvers that appear odd to the fixed wing pilot.



Hold on to your gas caps, the Washington State House of Representatives has introduced a bill, WA HB1554, which would begin a phased in restriction on the selling, distribution or otherwise making available to customers leaded avgas within Washington State. The bill introduced on January 24, 2023 is in committee and on February 24, 2023 was referred to Rules 2 Review. This is certainly worth watching as other states could use WA HB1554 as a model for introduction into their legislature.

Stay tuned, warm weather and the \$100 hamburger is just around the corner.

Paul Camp - President

Coming Events:

Thursday March 9 — Chapter 2 Gathering, Former FBO building at Smith Field, 7:00 PM. Bruce Loos will discuss *Aviation & Aerospace Career Opportunities and Training*. This will be a good presentation for Young Eagles and other youth interested in an aviation career. Remember, **VMC Club starts at 6:30**.

Saturday April 29 — EAA Chapter 2 Banquet, VAA 37 hangar at Dekalb County Airport, 6:00 pm.

Thursday, May 11 — Chapter 2 Gathering, 7:00 PM. Mark Beck will discuss annual inspections on homebuilt aircraft. Meet at Mark's hangar at Dekalb County Airport, east of the airport office on CR 60.

Thursday June 8 — Chapter 2 Cookout, Hangar 2, **6:00 PM**. The Chapter is providing burgers, hot dogs, and drinks. Bring a desert or a side dish to share.

July — No chapter Gathering. ☹️

July 24-30 — AirVenture 2023.



Can you identify the plane? Answer next month.

Are you a pilot? Are you building an aircraft? Are you an aircraft owner?
Are you just "plane nuts" about aviation?
If so, then join us! Visit our website at www.eaa2.org and click on "Join EAA2"

Return of the VMC Club

You are all invited to the VMC discussion group first meeting of 2023! This will be held at 6:30 pm on Thurs. March 9 in the former FBO at Smith Field – Before the Chapter 2 Get Together.

Can you answer the two questions below? Bring your answers for a lively discussion.

-Larry Zepp

<https://www.eaa.org/eaapilots/eaapilot-proficiency/proficiency-and-education-programs/vmc-club>

Discussion Question 1 (from EAA VMC Coordinator): What is a Special VFR (SVFR) clearance, and under what conditions can a pilot get one?



Discussion Question 2 (courtesy of Pilot Workshops): What is the first thing you should try if you get a large RPM drop during your runup?



Seaplane Splash-In, Pokagon State Park.

2023 Membership Renewal

Now is the Best Time to Renew Your Membership with EAA Chapter 2 for 2023.

Your support of and participation in EAA Chapter 2 can enrich your aviation interest and understanding, as well as that of aviation enthusiasts of all ages.

Your support and participation also helps promote aviation throughout the broader community.

Membership renewal is easy, using the interactive form on the EAA 2 [website](#). Dues can be paid online via credit card or PayPal.

Alternately, you can mail your printed form and check to:

Geoff Robison
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Individual memberships are \$20.

Family memberships are \$30. This covers two adults and all children in a family.

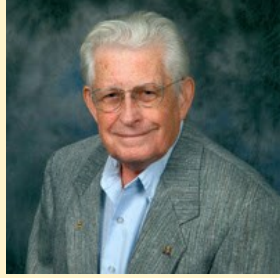
Student memberships are FREE to those under 19 who are EAA members (this is also free for students). See www.eaa.org/membership for details on how to join the EAA as a student.

Newsletter options. Emailed newsletters are **FREE**. If you want a printed newsletter, please add **\$12** to your membership dues to cover the costs of printing and postage.

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IN MEMORY

William “Bill” Earl Jones, 97, formerly of Columbia City, and honorary member of EAA Chapter 2, died peacefully in his sleep at Heritage Pointe of Huntington on February 21.



Bill was a lifelong Hoosier and contributor to the aviation culture of our area. In high school, Bill was a founding member of the Civil Air Patrol in Auburn. He was later drafted into the Army Air Corp during World War II. After the war, Bill worked as a machinist and started an award-winning photography business.

In retirement, Bill became the curator of the Hoosier Air Museum, and gave tours at the Aviation Museum at Fort Wayne International airport. He spoke to several local organizations, including EAA 2, on his experience as a war photographer. Bill also volunteered with the American Cancer Society.

In the early 2000's, Bill was part of the network of volunteers (including EAA 2) that preserved Smith

YOUNG EAGLE NEWS—

The 2023 Young Eagles schedule has been released! All events are Saturdays, starting at 9:00 am.

May 6 — VAA 37 @ Dekalb County Airport

May 13 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

June 10 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

June 17 — VAA 37 @ Dekalb Airport

August 12 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

September 9 — EAA 2 @ Smith Field

September 16 — VAA 37 @ Kendallville Airport, C62

Field as a general aviation airport.

Chapter 2 made a donation in memory of Bill to Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana.

Bill's obituary is online at

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kpcnews/name/william-jones-obituary?id=48169334>

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