

A Beautiful Day and a Pretty New Friend

RACINE—Charlie Becker

Beautiful, but chilly, weather greeted our fly out crew. Two airplanes left directly from Orion, an Archer and a Skyhawk. Bob Warner piloted an Archer and was accompanied by his wife Noel and friends Will and Lori Woolman. The Skyhawk was piloted by Mark Ballwanz and I was along for the ride. (Unfortunately, my Super Cub was still in annual so I was forced into co-pilot status). Al Beyer launched separately in his Zenith Zodiac from the south end of the field where he keeps his plane at Wayne Daniels hangar, Cloud 9.

Our goal of wheels up at 8:15 sharp turned into an 8:45 launch. The trip down to Racine was quick as we had a nice tailwind pushing us along. We

chose to skip dealing with Milwaukee ATC and skirted the Class C airspace around Milwaukee. Traffic was brisk as we approached Racine with an RV, Super Cub and a Skyhawk in the pattern. Fortunately, traffic subsided by the time we entered the pattern and landed. After a short taxi following the volunteer flagmen we shut down the mighty Skyhawk. We were immediately greeted by the flagwoman and directed to our goal: Pancakes!

If you have never visited the Racine chapter 838's hanger it is definitely worth a visit. It has a small museum attached with several excellent exhibits. The focal point of the place is

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(Left to Right) Mark Ballwanz, Al Beyer, Miss Racine, Charlie Becker, and Bob Warner. Miss Racine—a rose among thorns to be sure.

Chapter Calendar Dates

Your comments and suggestions regarding chapter activities is much appreciated. Please submit your ideas to Steve Lark at 688-2941 or skylark7@aol.com.

June 14 **Chapter Meeting**
 7:00 PM
 Sonex Hangar

June 16 **Chapter Fly-Out**
 EAA 1331
 Klunckenfarten
 Fly-In
 Wuatoma, WI

NEW July 11 **Chapter Activity**
 Omro Sky Ranch Fly-In
 and Cook-Out

Aug **NO MEETING**

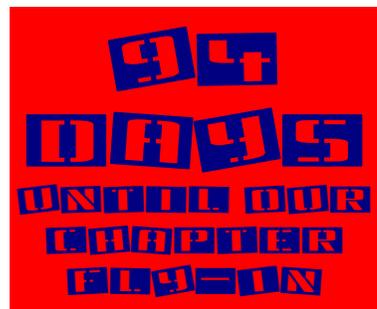
Sept 15 **EAA 252**
Pancake Fly-In
 Oshkosh, WI

Sept **Munsil's Annual Corn Roast**

Oct **Wayne Daniel's Annual Chili Bash**
 Wayne's Hangar

Nov **Chapter Meeting**
 7:00 PM
 Sonex Hangar

Dec **Chapter Meeting**
 7:00 PM
 Sonex Hangar



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the Johnson family's **Sikorsky S-38 Carnaúba**. What a beautiful aircraft. You may have seen it at AirVenture. Additionally, the EAA AirVenture Museum features a special Carnaúba exhibit that includes a cross-section of the airplane cabin and a looping video showing highlights of the film.



Bark Ballwanz with Orion Flight Service's N75860

Turnout at the fly in was very good. They also were hosting a group of Boy Scouts and providing Young Eagles rides during the fly-in so there was a lot of activity. The pancake cooking and breakfast was a model of efficiency; obviously it was not their first time doing this!

Aside from the great flying, the highlight of our trip was meeting Miss Racine, Britani Madala. She was mingling around the breakfast area, greeting pilots and guests. She will be up in Oshkosh for the Miss Wisconsin Pageant in June and was really looking forward to spending a week in Oshkosh. Her family will be joining her for the event. I

pointed out that she will be riding in one of the famous EAA VW's for the parade. She is a very personable and charming young woman who would be an excellent choice to represent Wisconsin at the Miss America Pageant. Best of luck, Britani.

The flight home was a little longer as we were fighting a headwind on the way back. Plus, I made a minor detour to point out Bob Baier's grass strip and his son Warren's grass strip. Both are located about 6 miles south of Fond du Lac. And, of course, we had to do a low pass over Mark's house on the way back into Oshkosh.

The next Chapter Fly-Out is June 16 to Wautoma and I would encourage you all to participate, as either a pilot or a passenger. I can't promise that you'll get your picture taken with a beauty queen, but I can promise a good time! [EAA252](#)



The Racine Chapter pancake making machine in action.



1927 Swallow making a low level pass at EAA's Pioneer Airport.

Meeting Reminder:

What: Chapter Meeting

When: July 14

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: Sonex Hangar

Speaker: Fred Stadler

Topic: 1927 Swallow Bi-Plane at the EAA AirVenture Museum. A presentation of the history of this fine aircraft.

Chapter Fly-Out Scheduled for June 16th

Drive, fly, walk, bike, crawl, run or do whatever you have to do participate in the next chapter fly-out/drive-out. As part of our continuing effort to make the chapter more active, another chapter fly-out has been scheduled for the morning of June 16th.

This is EAA Chapter 1331's

Klunkenfarten Fly-In at the Wautoma Municipal Airport.

If you plan on flying to the event or hitching a ride with fellow chapter members flying there, the following information will be important to you:

Meeting Place: Orion

Meeting Time: 10:30 AM

Depart Time: 10:45 AM Sharp!

Return Time: Around 2:00 PM

Note: Bring your own headset if possible.

You can also drive to the event, but we recommend an earlier departure if you want to arrive at the same time as the those members flying. **EAA252**

Wayne Daniels Get's-R-Done and WOW!

On May 20, 2007 N444SX in her current form was introduced to the world when Wayne Daniels sent an email announcing the full completion of terrific little aircraft project.

Wayne, a longtime EAA252 member had this to say, "OK, it's all painted and put back together, got the vinyl graphics put on today. Tomorrow we get a new weight and balance calculation and it's back in the air again! "

Wayne started the project on March 12, 2002 and actually flew the plane for the first time on March 10, 2006. Since that time he has logged 57 flight hours. He has flown it only twice since he finished assembly following painting.

Wayne says he owes a lot to the



fact that he lives in Oshkosh, on Wittman field and very close to the company that sells the kit.

For those who don't recognize the color, it is "plum crazy purple" which was a popular color for the Mopar muscle cars of the early seventies such as the Dodge Charger. The metal flake in the paint really changes the color depending on the lighting conditions. Wayne adds, "I don't think I want to take up aircraft painting as my next career. Too much like work!"

Wayne offer the following words to his fellow chapter member, "Get a project

Chapter Meeting Photo Roundup

At Right: Doctor Green, EAA252 Member and FAA Medical Examiner, speaks to the membership about proper medical certification procedures. **EAA252**



Poker-Run Events Calendar

- June 16 *EAA 1331 Klunkenfarten Fly-In , Wautoma Municipal Aiprot (Y50), Wautoma, WI EAA CHAPTER 252 FLY-OUT*
- June 17 *Palmyra Flying Club Father's Day Annual Fly-In Breakfast Palmyra Airport (88C)*
- June 23/24 *EAA 1323 Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast Bigfoot Airport (7V3) Walworth, WI*

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About Us

Our chapter is named after famed aircraft designer, airplane racer and Oshkosh resident Steve Wittman.

EAA Chapter 252 offers the opportunity to share the spirit of aviation with a group of local EAA members.

Our members are mostly people who enjoy the company of others who love aircraft, are fascinated by flight, and appreciate the history of aviation in America. They include r/c enthusiasts, pilots, aircraft builders, and aircraft owners.

Join Us!

Regularly meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. Dates are subject to change, call to confirm, visit us at www.eaa252.org. Annual dues are \$20 for all current members of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA).



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