



NEWS

Breakfast report

After taking a three month break, five volunteer cooks, servers, and dishwashers hosted about 35 for our March breakfast. It was so rainy and windy that no one could fly to our breakfast. Those who drove in, seemed to enjoy the camaraderie and lingered over their meal.

If you were not available to attend this month's breakfast, be sure to come to the next one on April 22, 2023.

The menu includes pancakes, sausage, eggs, biscuits, sausage gravy, toast, and fruit. For beverages, we serve coffee, milk, and orange juice.

Hope to see you there!

For upcoming events, visit:
www.vaa37.org

April 7, 7:00, Member Hangout

April 11, 6:00, Board Meeting

April 20, 7:00 Chapter gathering - Craig Brown will share his personal experience with emergency off field landing.

April 22, 7:00 am Breakfast



Chapter Update

Vintage Chapter 37 is going through some changes. After the March gathering, our Vice-president, Tim Fox, resigned effective March 16, 2023. After Steve gave it much thought and had discussions with Board members and other members our President, Steve Woodrum, resigned effective March 23, 2023.

On March 25, 2023, Secretary-Treasurer JoAnne Fox and Board Director David Resler met with Geoff Robison and Brad Hartz to discuss going forward and what actions need to be taken. At that informal meeting, ideas were shared for gathering topics, fund raising, and finding new hangar tenants. Also, JoAnne submitted her resignation letter effective March 31, 2023. This left only two Class II Board Directors: David Resler, 260-402-3480 and Andrew Hershman, 260-499-1552.



Young Eagles, first event is April 28, a PRIVATE event

We are looking forward to our 2023 Young Eagles Rally season. Your help is needed.

On Friday, April 28, we will be holding a private rally for a home school group. We will set up "stations" where we will teach how an airplane flies, chart reading, make cookie cutters out of aluminum strips, and talk about other aviation topics.

If you would like to help with any of these stations, take kids flying, help with registration and printing, or escort kids, please contact Laramie Resler at 260-402-3478. You can call or text.

Dates for our other rallies are May 6, June 17, and August 26. Let us know if you can help at any of these rallies. See contact info above.

With the runway construction this summer, our plans are subject to change. Stay tuned!



Tentative plans were made and assignments were given in order to keep our Chapter viable. If you have any ideas of how to make our chapter grow, please share them with one of the Board members.

David and Andrew met on April 1, 2023 and appointed Laramie Resler as Secretary/Newsletter Editor and Geoff Robison as Treasurer to fulfill the remainder of the terms vacated. We still need a president and vice-president. If you are a member and would like to serve on the Board, please make your wishes known to a Board member. A nominating committee will be formed later this year and elections will be held at our November gathering.

We are looking for hangar tenants. There is room in our hangar for another aircraft. If you are interested, please contact Geoff Robison at 260-437-5579.



Chapter members enjoying conversation after their breakfast.



2023 YOUNG EAGLE RALLY DATES

Dekalb County Airport:

May 6, 2023
June 17, 2023
August 28, 2023

Smith Field Airport

May 13, 2023
June 10, 2023
August 12, 2023
September 9, 2023

Kendallville Airport

September 16, 2023

Register kids for flights at: <https://youngeaglesday.org>
For more information visit: www.youngeagles.org
Young Eagles Coordinators David and Laramie Resler
youngeagles@eaa2.org
260-402-3478

Have you renewed your Chapter Dues for 2023?

Our dues structure is \$30 Individual and \$40 Family (spouse and children under age 18). Please use the printable membership form on our website (www.vaa37.org) and submit your 2023 dues by mail or bring your dues to our next breakfast, hangout, or chapter gathering.

Our address is:
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Auburn, IN 46706



In picture above, Danny Aavang talking with first time breakfast visitors.

Here is an article written by our member Brad Hartz:

LIVE AIR TRAFFIC feed from VAA 37 to flightradar24.com

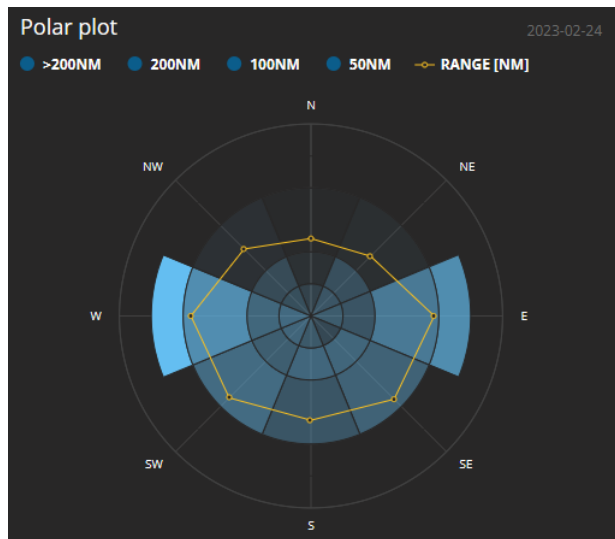
By Brad Hartz Thursday February 23, 2023

VAA Chapter 37 supports aviation in a few more ways than you may have known. Since January 4th 2015, Hangar A has been the home of an internet feed for mode S collecting ADB-S aircraft traffic and sending it to FlightRadar24.com. Flightradar24.com is a global flight tracking service, similar to FlightAware.com, that provides real-time flight tracking information for thousands of aircraft. Their service relies on Internet feeds from around the world that collect ADB-S traffic and shares it with them over the Internet.

Early in the development of ADS-B and MLAT aircraft coverage, on behalf of Chapter 37, I applied for a ADS-B receiver from Flightradar24.com. They accepted my application and sent the necessary equipment to us at no charge. Sebastian Baumgardner and Geoff Robison were very helpful installing the white omni-directional antenna you may notice on top of the hangar above the entry door. A high quality ADS-B receiver, GPS antenna, and Mode-S antenna are used to report our location and collect aircraft ADS-B flight data that is sent across the Internet.

Our data sharing easily extends over 150nm and collects information on thousands of aircraft each day. We have a very good track record with 99.999% uptime. If power goes out or the Internet goes down in the Hangar, FlightRadar24.com immediately notifies me about the outage and I am able to respond quickly to restore services in the Vintage 37 Hangar... not only for flightradar24.com ADS-B data, but also for the members who use computers in the hangar to access the Internet. We appreciate the DeKalb County Airport Authority for providing us with free high-speed Internet access across the airport and in our Hangar. Thank you for your support!

Unfortunately, the hangar is obstructed to the North by a line of tall trees that restricts our ADS-B reception, but as you can see from the Polar Plot, we collect a good amount of aircraft data from the East and from the West over 200NM.



Our reporting location at this airport is known as F-KSMD1, simply by accident. I requested a receiver for KSMD Smith Field airport, while also requesting a receiver for KGWB DeKalb County Airport... they got the

locations mixed up and now we're known as F-kSMD1 at kGWB airport. Oh well... It is a pleasure to support aviation in ways that we may not have thought of, even if kGWB is known as F-kSMD1. lol (smiling)

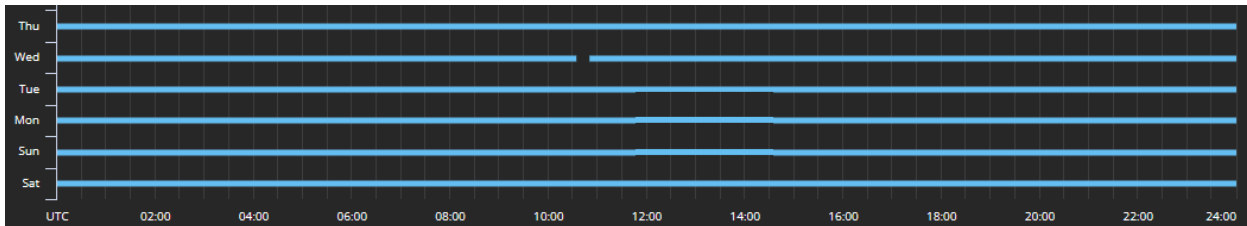
Thank you for your ongoing support of VAA Chapter 37. Without you, we would not be able to support aviation in so many different ways, from collecting & feeding ADS-B data to the Internet, Young Eagle Flight Rally's, Friday night hang-outs, Chapter gatherings, and of course the massive amount of volunteer hours that you perform each year at AirVenture. So many of you from NE Indiana and NW Ohio have a big impact each year. Thank you, you are so much appreciated.

In my next article, I would like to tell you about EAA Aeromart and how VAA 37 plays a very big and important roll in making Aeromart a successful operation each year for EAA during AirVenture.

ADS-B Receiver



Data collection uptime



Do you have an aviation article or would like to write an aviation article that you would like to share? Please send it to the newsletter contact.

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