



NEWS

Upcoming events

For upcoming events, visit:
www.vaa37.org

Thursday, Jan 16, 7:00 PM,
Chapter gathering -
Speaker will be Geoff
Robison

Saturday, Jan 25, 8:00 AM
to 10:00 AM, Breakfast at
the Airport

Thursday, Feb 20, 7:00 PM,
Chapter gathering -
Speaker is yet to be
determined.

Saturday, Feb 22, 8:00 AM
to 10:00 AM, Breakfast at
the Airport

We are still planning our
Chapter activities for 2025.
You'll see more to come in
future newsletters. If you
have a topic you would like
to learn about or you would
like to be the speaker,
please let Sebastian
Baumgardner or David
Resler know.

Vintage Chapter 37 Leadership Change

As of December 20, 2024, the Board voted Sebastian Baumgardner as President and voted David Resler as Vice-president. They will complete the current term of office. We will have our regular elections in November of this year. If anyone is interested in any of the leadership positions, let one of the Board members know.

President's Corner, Sebastian Baumgardner

I would like to start by introducing myself, I'm Sebastian Baumgardner and now the current Chapter President. During our December board meeting, Dan Lenard resigned from President. I would like to thank Dan for his leadership and helping our Chapter continue moving forward. For those who don't know me, I have a lengthy history with Chapter 37. I have served as President, Vice-president, and Young Eagles Coordinator in the past and I look forward to serving the Chapter. We are currently working on building our events and programs for our monthly gatherings. Our goal is to have programs and events that will bring the Chapter together and promote fellowship through aviation. Whether you're a pilot, student pilot, aircraft owner, enthusiast, or just think airplanes are cool, we encourage everyone to take part in the chapter.

Sebastian Baumgardner, President VAA37

Young Eagles



Here is the schedule of our Young Eagle Rallies that will be held at GWB:

- May 3
- May 17
- June 21
- August 16

Rallies hosted by EAA Chapter 2 will be held on:

- June 14 at Tri-State Steuben County Airport
- August 9 at Smith Field Airport
- September 13 at Smith Field Airport
- September 20 at Kendallville Municipal Airport

We invite all members to volunteer at our Rallies. We can use ground crew and pilots. If you are a pilot and would like to fly kids this year, please contact us. Email is youngeagles@vaa37.org.

Pilots are required be an EAA National member, to take the Youth Protection Policy training and do a background check.

David and Laramie Resler
Young Eagles Coordinators

Monthly gathering

Our January 16, 2025 gathering starts at 7:00 PM will be back at the Clubhouse. The VMC/IMC meeting has been canceled. The speaker for our gathering will be Geoff Robison. He will speak about his 26 years of supporting the EAA Air Tours. He has many stories to tell.

Breakfast at the Airport

Our Breakfast at the Airport this month will be on January 25 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

In November, we had 45 guests and at the end of the year, we had a profit of \$2,333.74.

We will be trying new food items this year. You'll have to come to find out what will be on the menu. We welcome your feedback on the new items. We will continue with our current menu which is pancakes, sausage, eggs, biscuits, sausage gravy, breakfast casserole, toast, and fruit. For beverages, we serve coffee, milk, and orange juice. Freewill donation accepted.

EAA Webinars

EAA produces very good webinars for free. Here is a link to upcoming webinars: [EAA webinars](#)

Enjoy!

Homebuilders Week – Online Event Starts January 27th

30 online sessions to expand your knowledge of building your own aircraft

By Charlie Becker, EAA Homebuilt Community Manager

Homebuilders Week is an online opportunity to carry on the founding mission of EAA by sharing as much knowledge and information about building your own aircraft as possible in five days. We start on Monday, January 27th, 2025, and end on Friday, January 31st, 2025. Each day, we offer six live webinars running back-to-back, starting at 11:30 am central time and running every hour and a half until the last session at 7pm central. The sessions are live and allow time for questions. To sign up for the sessions, visit www.EAA.org/HomebuildersWeek

The topics cover something for everyone, whether you are just considering the idea of building an aircraft, are knee deep in a project or getting ready for test flying. We even have EAA president Jack Pelton lined up on, January 30th, to talk about EAA's Advocacy efforts on behalf of the homebuilt members.

EAA Homebuilders Week follows immediately after the anniversary of the founding of the Experimental Aircraft Association on January 26th, 1953. I can't think of a better way to recognize our organization's founding than to spend 5 straight days learning about homebuilding.

EAA Homebuilders Week is made possible through the generous sponsorships of Aircraft Spruce & Specialty Co., Dynon, Scheme Designers, and Van's Aircraft.

Visit www.EAA.org/HomebuildersWeek to sign up.



Homebuilders Week Schedule

January 27 - 31, 2025

To sign up: EAA.org/HomebuildersWeek

Time CST	Monday 1/27/25	Tuesday 1/28/25	Wednesday 1/29/25	Thursday 1/30/25	Friday 1/31/25
11:30-12:45	Building an Aircraft: What You Need to Know - Charlie Becker	Wiring Basics - Dick Koehler	Flight Testing 101 - Paul Dye	EAA Advocacy Update: Top Homebuilding Issues and the Impact of MOSAIC - Sean Elliott, Rob Hackman, & Jack J. Pelton	Staying Alive: Analysis of Homebuilt Fatal Accidents - Dave Nelson
1:00-2:15	Sheet Metal Basics - Mike Dooley	TIG Welding - Charlie Becker & Shaun Walker	Composite Construction - Mark Forss	Amateur-Built Aircraft Certification Process - Joe Norris	Liability of Selling Your Homebuilt - Kathy Yodice
2:30-3:45	Fabric-Covering Basics - Nate Hammond	Getting Your Project Finished and Flying - Vic Syracuse	Buying a Used Homebuilt - Vic Syracuse	Sonex Highwing Update - Mark Schaible	Zenith Aircraft Kits & Plans - Sebastien Heintz & Roger Dubbert
4:00-5:15	The Need for Speed: Kitbuilt Options - Dave Forster	Hardware for Homebuilts - John Cox	Advanced Flight Systems - Rob Hickman	Garmin Experimental Avionics Solutions - Brad Breising	Weight and Balance - Joe Norris
5:30-6:45	Panel Planning and Wiring - Marc Ausman	Dynon Avionics - Michael Schofield	Engine Selection Basics - Dick Koehler	Gas Welding - Budd Davisson	Working With Wood 101 - John Egan
7:00-8:15	Rotax 9 Series Installation & Operation - Phil Lockwood	Designing the Perfect Paint Scheme and Its Impact on Budget - Craig Barnett	Data-Driven Diagnosis of Engine Issues - Mike Busch	Van's RV Aircraft Kits - Greg Hughes	Common Builder & Maintenance Errors - Vic Syracuse

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Have you renewed your Chapter Dues for 2025?

Individual memberships are \$30.

Family memberships are \$40. This covers two adults and all children in a family.

Student memberships are **FREE** to those under 19 who are EAA members, which is free to them. See www.eaa.org/membership for details on how to join the EAA as a student.

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