



# July 2018

**JULY** THURSDAY the 12th

WHFN:

MEETING ~6:00 PM

WHERE: PROGRAM:

**KMIW CORN FEED** EAST HANGARS ICE CREAM

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# WHAT'S FLYIN' THIS WAY !!!

The EAA 675 annual ICE CREAM SOCIAL is upon us for our next event! But WAIT! That's not all! Our president, Paul Adams, with some help, built a corn roaster out of what appear to be garbage cans. We will be adding sweet corn to our Ice Cream Social, and probably some hot dogs to go with. Put it all together and you have a perfect summer picnic at the airport! Come one, come all, and if you have an ice cream maker, bring your favorite recipe and ice to make it one of the best Ice Cream Socials ever! Corn and dogs will be provided (along with a donation can.)

Oh Yeah! Airplanes and hangar flying too! Everyone is invited. Join us for great fun and fellowship.

## WHAT FLEW BY !!!

Our last meeting featured our Potluck and by all accounts, it was a good one. Lots of food, fun and even some flying!

Paul Adams was host at his hangar. Here is a photo of folks setting up for the big feed, Gary Nablo razzle-dazzling the group with his Taylor Monoplane, and Garry Brandenburg had his big electric RC Pilatus Porter on floats (of course) for show and tell.



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## CALENDAR

**July 8 - July 10** 

Ames Municipal Airport (AMW) American Barnstormers Tour Vintage aircraft rides/displays

9 a.m. - 8 p.m. daily

<u>July 14</u>

Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN)

Free Young Eagle flights

Ages 8-17 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. EAA Chapter 75

563-343-1825 (Bob Thomas)

Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids (CID)

Pulling for Honor Plane Pulling Contest

FedEx Boeing 757 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Proceeds to Eastern Iowa Honor Flight Website: www.flycid.com/pullingforhonor

<u>July 15</u>

Forest City Municipal Airport (FXY)

Flight Breakfast 7 a.m. – 11 a.m. PIC eats free

641-581-2880 (Richard or Theresa Trimble)

Northeast Iowa Regional Airport (Charles City- CCY)

Flight Breakfast 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

641-228-3553 (North Iowa Air Service)

**July 17** 

Boone Municipal Airport (BNW)

Potluck and movie night

6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

515-432-1018 (Dale Farnham)

Email: farnhamaviation@outlook.com Website: www.farnhamaviation.com

**July 19 - July 22** 

Dubuque Regional Airport (DBQ)

North American Trainers Association Formation Clinic

Public welcome for viewing Website: www.flydbq.com

Sunday, July 22

Drake Airport (2Y1) (Radcliffe)

Flight breakfast 7 a.m. – 10 a.m. All fly-ins eat free

515-231-0831 (Bryan Drake) Email: bdrake@ssbonline.biz

Monday, July 23 - Sunday, July 29

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, WI

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July 27 - August 4

National Balloon Classic

Indianola National Balloon Classic Field Website: www.nationalballoonclassic.com

August 5

Cresco Municipal- Ellen Church Field (CJJ)

Fly-in Breakfast 7:30 a.m. – noon

Website: www.crescochamber.com/fly-in-breakfast

Humboldt Municipal Airport (0K7)

Fly-in Breakfast 7 a.m. - noon PIC eats free

Email: dave@growthland.com

August 9

EAA Chapter 675

After Oshkosh BBQ

**KMIW** 

August 12

Monticello Municipal Airport (KMXO)

Fly-in breakfast

7 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Free to PIC

Email: monticelloaviation@qwestoffice.net

August 14

Perry Municipal Airport (PRO)

Tuesday Night Grill-Out

5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

PIC's and under age 5 eat free Website: www.walteraviation.com

August 18

FLY IOWA 2018

Grinnell Regional Airport (GGI) Rain date: August 19, 2018 Website: www.flyiowa.org

Abel Island Fly in float in pathyol & RE

Abel Island Fly-in, float-in, potluck & BBQ

Noon – 3 p.m.

Website: www.abelisland.com

Sunday, August 19

August 26

Iowa City Municipal Airport (IOW)
Optimist Fly-In Breakfast

Pilot in command eats free

7 a.m. - noon

Email: jamesm@meardonlaw.com

Visit your Chapter 675 website! <a href="https://www.eaa675.org">www.eaa675.org</a>

## **Cool Old Parts For Sale**

A pair of unused Wheel Pants probably for a cub type airplane. Similar to the MF10 type in the ACS catalog.





Also, a pair of Cub Tires. Size is 8.00-4. Might work on an Experimental.



Best Reasonable offer !

Contact Garry Brandenburg

at 641-750-4914



## Getting Even Closer!!!

The late June B-25 work party was unique in many ways, but all of them have been unique. First, the Chapter 237 leader sent us an email earlier in June asking us to go up for three days, an extra work day, and we did. The big thing this month was the painting of the airplane. And I have to say it is a huge process. Cleaning, prepping, taping and final painting. Here is what we saw when we got there.



As you can see, they had a start on the painting. Next was the front of the fuselage. Here is the crew doing the prepping along with Bruce (center) doing some final touches. They had moved the airplane outside to dry before moving it back into the hangar to shoot the paint.



The issue my partner George, who was new to the group from Chapter 237, and I were working on in the cockpit, was putting lord mounts in so they could install the instrument panel. Here is a pic of George in the cockpit.



I think he was wondering if I was going to fit. You see, I had to crawl through the tunnel to the nose section to work from the back side of the panel. Here's a pic of the crawl space.



Originally this B25 was an "H" model and the cannon barrel went through this area below the pilots legs. I wonder if the pilot ever got squeamish before firing that monster with the barrel a few inches below where he sat. Get the picture!! Anyway as we worked inside they rolled the airplane outside into the high 90's temperature.

Needless to say it quickly got really hot in there. Too hot in fact, so we exited. As it turned out they pushed it back into the hangar for painting and we couldn't work much longer inside anyway. Now for the tan paint.



So for the rest of the day, myself and four others went to the museum to air up airplane tires. This is a task they must

do about every two months. It was fun and the museum is air conditioned!! We aired up about 35 planes of all types, as I said, it was fun! Here are a couple of pics.







The second day was filled with small projects and staying out of the way as they painted. Above is a photo of the fuselage painted in all three colors which took a lot of time.

As they painted, a crew of us had another museum job; remember the air conditioning!! We were asked to move one of the gyrocopters that were on display. To do this we had to release and swing back one of the blades and jack the gyrocopter up and put it on special dollies. Here's a pic of it after we moved it: no bumps or bruises!!



The next day started by helping find parts for a separate crew to mount the two elevators. We use a set of repair manuals to guide this work and it has a parts list. My job was to find the appropriate reference pages and then locate new hardware.

The manuals are something to work with. I'm not sure we spoke the same English in the 1940's. Here's a pic. It actually looks a lot like the RANS manual.



Here is an elevator that Bruce's group had to balance in preparation for mounting.



While they worked, a new partner and I did some riveting in the forward fuselage area and on the front spar carry through area. Here's pics of our two work areas. I must say, very warm again.





At the end end of the day my work partner and I cleaned the front gear door to ready it for painting on Monday. Good job, close to the fan.

Two other areas of interest during the time spent was interesting and fun. Some of you may know Bruce and I sold our Breezy project to the President and CEO of EAA, Jack Pelton. Well, he came by to meet us. We had a short, rather humorous talk with him. Nice guy, easy to talk with and I might add a real champion for EAA and projects like the B25 restoration by chapter members. Here's a pic. Notice we are in front of the fan!!



Something that is always fun and interesting is what aircraft they have in the maintenance hangar. It changes every time. Here are some pics of what was in there. While I was at the air conditioned museum airing up tires, Bruce changed plugs on a Ryan, in the heat I might add, ha!!

For those of you going to Oshkosh, the B25 will be on display at the museum outside. The plan is to have it in final colors and maybe even a decal or two. Go take a look.









As you can see it was a fun filled work party. The part I haven't spoke of is the evenings. We stayed in the bunk house this time out in camp Scholler. The evenings were filled with flying stories, getting to know the guys and believe me, a shower. EAA provided us a grill, so for something new we grilled steaks one night. Gotta say a cold brewski and a tender steak went down pretty good. Here is a pic of this work party group. If you've kept up, you might notice the players continually change, which makes it fun.

