

EAA Chapter 166

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NEXT MEETING

June 25, 2022, 10:00am

in Steve's Hangar

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Steve Socolosky

Hello to all our EAA 166 Members!

Do you feel like having a cookout at my hangar at Brainard on Saturday, June 25, starting at 10:00 AM? Great! Please bring a little something, especially a chair, and of course a small side dish, dessert or condiment, to our Annual EAA 166 June Cookout! We'll provide ribs, but if you'd like to bring your own delicacy for the grill, please feel free! Maybe we'll even have some flying happening!

If you haven't heard yet, our International Young Eagles Day, last Saturday, June 11th, was a huge success with approximately 40 Young Eagles flown by our Member pilots and supported by several of our Member ground crew and previous Young Eagles! We cannot thank Hartford Jet Center enough for all their support, along with Mickey Perez, Connecticut Chapter President (and EAA 166 Member) of Women in Aviation International, and the New England Air Museum as well, for promoting aviation through their resources! This is a very special event we've been doing for years, which is especially relevant now to show the entire community what a special place Brainard Airport is! Getting the word out about EAA 166 Young Eagles at Brainard Airport is very important! Fulfilling that mission, EAA 166 Member Larry Anglisano, captured all of it, with the passion of the aviator that he is, and had it ready for our YouTube channel the very next morning. Check it out here!

Our RV-12 continues to look more like an airplane and within the next few weeks, we hope to join the fuselage with the tail cone! Whoohoo! Thanks to Rick Montero leading the build team!

I hope to see you all soon! **BLUE SKIES!** Steve

NEXT MEETING: SAT., AUG 21, 10:00 AM at Steve's hangar. NO MEETING IN JULY!







EAA 166 RV-12 BUILD UPDATE

The RV-12 build team meets regularly twice a week.

During the past month, the team has installed the Mid-Fuselage Side Skins, assembled the Roll Bar, trial fit the Roll Bar, installed vent doors and started assembly of the Baggage Bulkhead panels.

Over the next few weeks, we plan to install the Roll Bar Assembly and Baggage Bulkhead. After those items are installed, we will work to mate the Mid-Fuselage to the Tailcone. If you wish to help,

please contact Rick Montero (rick.montero@sbcglobal.net) or Steve Socolosky (soco7a@aol. com).



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Photo showing Ron Jones (L) working on the Fuselage and Austin Fuoco match drilling the Roll Bar. Photo credit: R. Montero



Photo showing Logan Vidal (L), Steve Socolosky (Seated), Ludwig Johanning (M), and Glenn Fuoco (R) discussing drawing instructions. Photo credit: R. Montero



Last Month's Chapter Meeting

Miss the last meeting? You can read the full minutes <u>here</u>. The meeting ended with a celebration for Cheyenne, who passed her Private Pilot check ride!

Photo showing Ed Semeneshen (L) and Steve Oakley (M) working on the Baggage Bulkhead and Seth Varrato (R) installing the Fuselage Vent Doors. Photo Credit: R. Montero



EAA 166 Celebrates Int'l Young Eagles Day

by Steve Socolosky

There were many happy Young Eagles (approx. 40) who experienced the thrill of flight on June 11 and who may be forever impacted, because of what we helped them achieve!

Manu, our Young Eagles Coordinator, and our Treasurer, Brenda Rossignol, helped tremendously, beginning with our sign-ups from the New England Air Museum's Women Take Flight event, where we promoted Young Eagles back in March, and took names from those interested, along with promoting Young Eagles in the



Middletown Public Schools and we also had some walk-ins! Oh, and NEAM's Director of Education, Amanda Goodheart Parks, was here, promoting their valuable resource! Also, our own Mickey Perez, President of Women in Aviation Int'l Connecticut Chapter, engaged many Young Eagles and their parents!

Lindsey, of Hartford Jet Center, continues his unending support of us as we operated out of Hangar 2, with his crew helping us set up the hangar. Thank you and your Team, once again, Lindsey!

Darryl Beauford, Tower Manager, as usual, was part of our pilot briefing and his colleagues always provide us with the best service and attention to our special mission! Thanks Darryl!

Cheyenne's dad and brother, Austin, dove in and provided our crew with FOOD! We'll continue that much needed part of our Rally for the future! Thanks!



Finally, our Young Eagles Pilots, Dave, Paul, Bob John, Rick, Mike and Ben, you made it all happen for our Young Eagles! Thank you for your support!

When people ask me about our Chapter, I always start by saying we have a great bunch of Folks who are passionate about aviation! Today was a perfect example of us coming together to provide Young Eagles with an experience of a lifetime, that we hope will grow!

THANK YOU!!!













Member Dave Armando flew to Katama for lunch!



Submit photos or a 100-word or less story to <u>aranglisano@gmail.com</u> for your activity or flight to be featured in our monthly newsletter column, Member Activity!

Steve's son was married in Luray, VA last month. The owner of the bed and breakfast, Mike, who is also a United Dreamliner Captain and owner of a newly-painted Cardinal, took Steve up to scope out the wedding venue, flying out of KLUA!



Mike's checking weather



Getting the Cardinal ready!



Flying in the Shenandoah Valley!



We found our target - the wedding venue!



Who let these guys out?



On final for Runway 4 at KLUA!



Getting ready to put the Cardnial back in its nest.