



# NEWS

## Upcoming events

For more upcoming events, visit: [www.vaa37.org](http://www.vaa37.org)

Saturday, May 9, 9:00 AM, Equipment clean up day at the GWB maintenance building. See article.

Thursday, May 14, 6:00, our shared gathering with EAA2 will be at the VAA37 hangar. See related article.

May 16, YE rallies, see article below.

Tuesday, May 19, 5:30, VAA37 Board Meeting.

Saturday, May 23, 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Breakfast at the Airport

Thursday, June 11, 7:00 PM, shared gathering with EAA2, Danny Aavang will sharing his flying history and about the Huey Museum.

Saturday, June 27, 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Breakfast at the Airport

## President's Corner, Dan Aavang

Hello everyone!

It's great that the temperatures are warming up and getting some moisture in the soil. Hopefully annual inspections are finished and ready to fly the next great adventure, fly-in breakfast or burger run or just for the heck of it.

It was great to see all of you who came to our fourth Saturday of the month Breakfast at the Airport on 4-25-2026!

We started off the month of May with our first Young Eagle event on Saturday 5-2-2026. We flew 53 kids.

Saturday 5-9-2026 is our spring KGWB airport equipment cleaning day, which helps reduce our hangar rent, those of you that can help, please call or text me at 260-403-5106.

On Thursday 5-14-2026 we have a combined cook-out with EAA Chapter 2 at our VAA Chapter 37 hangar.

Our second Young Eagles event is Saturday 5-16-2026. Your help is always needed and greatly appreciated!

WE are always looking for members who would like to share their aviation history, stories, tour your hangar and aircraft for our gatherings, please let us know!

Hope you all remembered to vote on Tuesday 5-5-2026.

*Dan Aavang*, President VAA37



Our first YE rally was May 2. Five pilots and 18 ground volunteers flew 53 kids. We are grateful that the winds were calm enough to fly.

If you would like to help at our next rally on May 16, please let me know. As of this writing, we have 49 kids registered.

Here is our Young Eagles rally schedule:

Rallies at GWB  
- May 16  
- June 20  
- August 15

Rallies at SMD  
- August 8  
- September 12

Rally at ANQ  
- June 13

Rally at C62  
- September 19

David and Laramie Resler  
Young Eagles Coordinators

## Equipment Clean Up Day

Saturday, May 9, is our Spring Equipment Clean-Up Day. We need as many of you as are available to help clean-up the airport equipment. The Airport has purchased more equipment so there will be more to clean.

This is part of our lease agreement with the airport. We receive an abatement on our rent by cleaning their equipment. We will start at 9:00, meet at the Airport Maintenance. The Chapter will provide some cleaning supplies. If you have your favorite cleaner, wax, or wash rags, bring them with you. The Chapter will provide a light lunch after clean-up is finished.

If you can help, please let Dan Aavang know at 260-403-5106 or [president@vaa37.org](mailto:president@vaa37.org).

Our Fall Equipment Clean Up Day is scheduled for October 17.

## Home School Young Eagles Rally

Again this year, we will hold a private rally on May 14. This is for a couple home school groups. We are looking for ground volunteers to share their knowledge of weather (we have volunteers for all topics except weather) and to escort the kids to the planes.

We will have classes on

- How an airplane flies & preflight
- Bernoulli's principle
- Chart reading/navigation
- Weather

Let either David or me know if you can volunteer to either teach weather or escort kids. Our phone numbers are David, 260-402-3480 and Laramie, 260-402-3478.

## Chapter Gathering

Our May 14 (the **SECOND** Thursday) gathering of VAA37 and EAA2 members will be held at the Vintage Hangar at the Auburn DeKalb Executive Airport. It will be a cookout starting at 6:00, an hour earlier than normal. The Chapters are providing the meat, table service, and water. Please bring a dish to share.

## Breakfast at the Airport

Breakfast was in the clubhouse again in April due to the chill in the air, but we should be able to use the hangar in May at our breakfast on May 23.

Please note the time change: we will serve from 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Come for breakfast and enjoy the fellowship with others.

Our main menu is pancakes, waffle sticks, sausage, eggs, biscuits, sausage gravy, breakfast casserole, 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](#)

## Have you renewed your Chapter Dues for 2026?

**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](http://www.eaa.org/membership) for details on how to join the EAA as a student.

Dues can be paid in person, by mail, or by using Cash App\*.

For mailing, our address is: EAA Vintage Chapter 37, 2616 County Road 60, Box 9, Auburn, IN 46706

\*For Cash App! If you have a Cash App account, you can use the app to enter the amount due and send your payment to VAA Chapter 37 using the cashtag *\$geoffrobison*. For more information about Cash App, visit [the Cash App website](#).

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