



2022

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Founded in 1953 by Paul Poberezny in Hales Corner, Wisconsin.

Annual convention moved to Oshkosh, Wisconsin in 1970.

Last year AirVenture Oshkosh 2023 attendance was 677,000.

A couple of years ago NPR reported that 1 of every 5 aircraft registered in the U.S. was at Oshkosh during Airventure.



There are about 1,000 EAA chapter worldwide, with about 200,000 members.

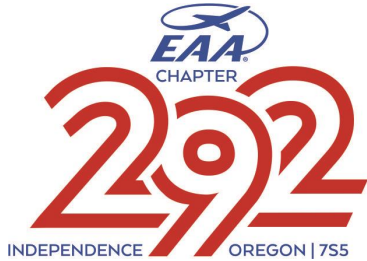
In addition to EAA Chapters, there are also...

International Aerobatics

Ultralight Chapters

Vintage Aircraft Chapters

Warbird Squadrons



1964 Independence Airport established

1965 First meeting of interested members

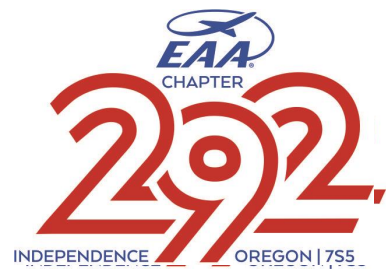
1967 Officially founding of Chapter 292 – 26 paid members

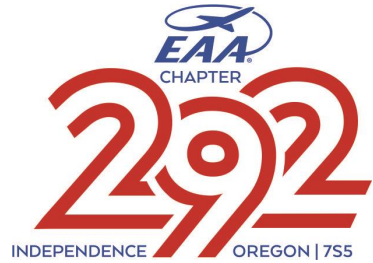
1966-1988 Chapter meeting were held in various locations around the Mid-Willamette Valley

1988 Chapter builds a hangar on Cherokee Taxiway at 7S5

1998 Chapter builds clubhouse

2000 Chapter applies for 501 (c) (3) status





2000 Noon Patrol Began...

2003 Completed 12 Nieuports

2006 1st Van's Homecoming & Fly-In hosted by 292

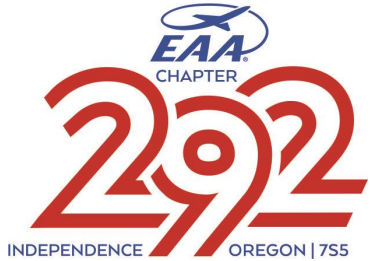
2008 1st Chapter in USA with a Flight Simulator - Organized by Chuck West

2017 South Hangar Expansion Project

2018 1st STOL Expo in conjunction with annual summer fly-in

2019 1st EAA Gold Chapter Award

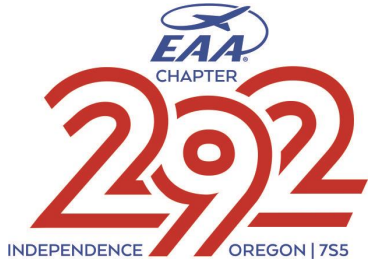
2020 Chapter membership tops 200



EAA Gold Chapter Award

1. Attends a chapter leadership training session
2. Growing or steady membership
3. Offers IMC or VMC Club programs
4. Participates in Young Eagle or Flying Start programs
5. Has EAA-approved Flight Advisor or Technical Counselor
6. Participates in EAA's Annual Chapter Member survey





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7. Participates in Young Eagles Build and Fly, Young Eagles Workshops, send a youth to the EAA's Air Academy, or fully completes a Ray Scholarship program

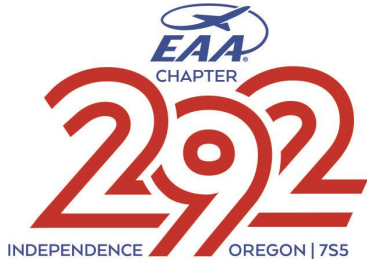
8. Requests an EAA ChapterBlast email

9. Hosts at least two public events each year

10. Owns/leases a facility

+ Extra credit activity, such as a chapter build project, youth build project, chapter scholarship a chapter tool crib, etc.





What Do We Offer Members?

Informative Meetings

Build Spaces

Tool Room

Tech Counselors

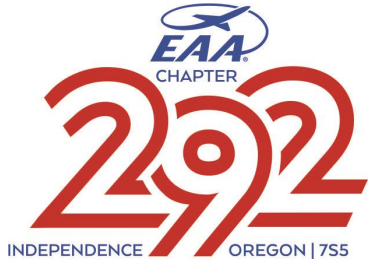
Electronics

Composite Construction

Aluminum i.e. Van's RVs

Tube & Fabric

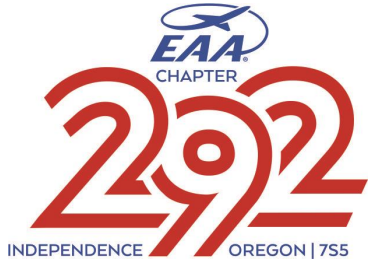
Rotax Engines



Flight Simulators

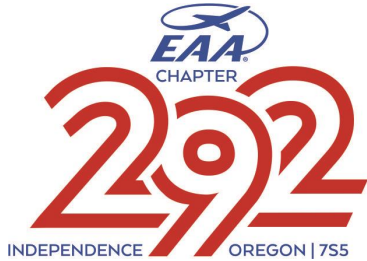
Three FAA approved flight simulators – from a PC based system to a Redbird full-motion simulator.





IMC/VMC Meetings





Youth Aviation

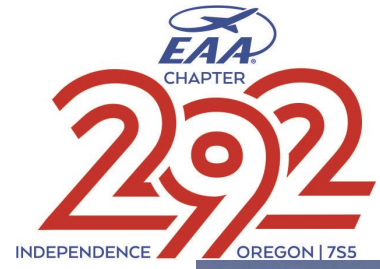
Young Eagles - 150 flights average/yr (8-17 yr old)

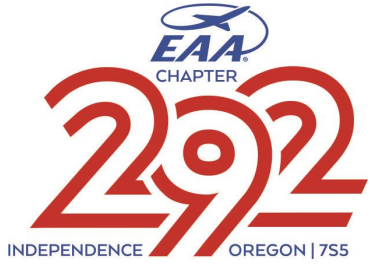
Teen Aviation Weekend - 55 participants (14-19 yr old)

Saturday Builds (10 participants 14-19 yr old)

2 Ray Scholarships (\$11,000) for pilot training

One teen to Oshkosh for one week Air Academy







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