



## Short Wing Piper Club

“Buckeye Chapter”

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**The next meeting is: Sat. July 9 at Union Co. (KMRT), Marysville, OH.  
Details are on p.3.**

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### Report of June Fly-In

In May, both fly-ins were cancelled because of nasty weather. However, on June 11<sup>th</sup> the weather could not have been better yet ZERO planes flew in for our monthly gathering. Perfect weather – perfect venue - *where was everybody?* Only six members showed up at the Sky Galley Restaurant. **Leon and Carolyn Awalt**, who hosted the meeting, arranged for a table in the front row next to the windows overlooking the ramp where the Cincinnati Warbirds were giving rides. The six of us had a thoroughly enjoyable meal and a delightful time relishing the ambiance of historic Lunken Field. The pictures tell the story. *Ralph G.*



Standing beneath the classic 1930's Aeronca C-3 "Flying Bathtub" in the historic art deco lobby of the Lunken terminal building are hosts **Carol & Leon Awalt, Ralph & Rosemarie Gutowski, and Tom & Denise Anderson.**



Seated in the Sky Galley Restaurant inside the Lunken Terminal building with a front row view of the ramp just beyond the patio are (L-R) **Tom Anderson, Leon Awalt, Denise Anderson, Rosemarie Gutowski, and Carol Awalt.** (Ralph is taking the picture)

**Leon Awalt, Denise Anderson, Carol Awalt** (holding M-1 rifle), **Rosemarie Gutowski,** and **Tom Anderson** pose in front of a display of mannequins wearing vintage military attire. The art deco mural is original and is typical of art found in many public structures build during the hayday of air transportation. The formal dedication of Lunken Airport took place in 1930. The three-day celebration included notables such as Howard Hughes, Jimmy Doolittle, Freddie Lund, and Jean Harlow. It was the largest municipal airport in the world at that time. The terminal was completed in 1937 and served as an active airline terminal until January 1947. American Airlines was born at Lunken Airport in the 1940's. The history of Lunken Airport includes the founding of the the Embry-Riddle Company by T. Embry and J. Paul Riddle in 1928. The Embry-Riddle Company was awarded one of the earliest U.S. air mail contracts. They operated 10 aircraft at Lunken and became a subsidiary of AVCO, a parent of American Airlines.





The Cincinnati Warbirds had several classic military aircraft parked on the ramp in front of the Lunken terminal building. They were selling rides in a P-51 Mustang and a T-6 Texan, and had other vintage military aircraft and memorabilia on display. It was a glorious 90 deg day, except there weren't any Short Wing Pipers parked there.

### NEXT MEETING

## **JULY FLY-IN**

**Saturday, July 9, 2016**

**Union Co. Airport (KMRT), 1 mile SE of Marysville, OH**

We will **eat at noon** at [Benny's Pizza Pub & Patio \[menu\]](#). Arrive by 11:45 and cars will shuttle pilots & passengers to Benny's across the road from the Airport.

If driving, Benny's restaurant is located at: 968 Columbus Avenue, Marysville, Ohio, 43040. Ph: (937) 644-8383. Dean & Amy Dayton are hosting.



### ON OUR HORIZON



- July 9 – Union Co. Airport, Marysville (KMRT). Daytons hosting.
- August 13 – Troy Skypark (37I). DeJesus's hosting.
- September 10 (Sat) – Highland Co. (KHOC). Widmans hosting.
- October 1 (Sat) – Parade of Planes, Barnhart Memorial (3OH0). Leroy Lynn is marshal.
- October 8 (Sat) – Middletown Regional Airport (KMWO). Andersons hosting.
- November 6 (Sun) – Schulze Int'l (69OI), Annual chili carry-in.

Hosting a meeting requires: 1). Arranging for a place to eat and meet at an airport or restaurant; 2). Either making arrangements with the restaurant, if that is the venue; or 3). If it is a "carry-in" event, to provide the main dish, beverages, and table service.



*"Pilots track their time by the number of hours in the air, as if any other kind of time is not worth noting."*

### ***“Up, up, and away . . . “***

A quote attributed to Leonardo Da Vinci seems to explain why pilots always look up when an airplane passes overhead: *“For once you have tasted flight you will walk the earth with your eyes turned skywards, for there you have been and there you will long to return.”* That pretty much captures what is behind the Young Eagles flight experiences sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA).

Founded in 1992, the Young Eagles program has dedicated nearly 25 years to giving youth ages 8–17 their first free ride in an airplane. It’s the only program of its kind, with the sole mission to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation. As of this writing, the Young Eagles program has flown 1,983,055 kids with the help of EAA’s network of volunteer pilots and ground volunteers. The EAA goal is to celebrate the 2 millionth Young Eagle flown during AirVenture Oshkosh 2016.

Being a volunteer Y.E. pilot and Flight Leader, recently I took two youngsters (and their parents) in my Tri-Pacer for their very first airplane rides. The kids were brothers - the younger just finishing fourth grade and the older lad in middle school. When flying conditions permit, I like to let the youngsters manipulate the controls and actually “fly the airplane.” This was accomplished by flying two hops, the first with the younger lad in the front seat and his mother in the back seat. On the second hop the older brother was in the right seat while Dad rode in the back.

The reactions were priceless. “Wow! This is way cooler than riding the Banshee or The Beast (thrill rides) at King’s Island!” “Hey, look at those ball players down there – they look like ants with uniforms on!” “There’s our house!” “There’s my school!” Etc., etc., etc.



Andre and Aaron pose with me beside my Tri-Pacer before the flight. *(TopRight)* Andre “has the controls” all by himself and did a commendable job of flying – I always operate the rudder peddles. *(BottomRight)* Aaron followed through on the controls with me but he was not comfortable with the idea of flying the plane by himself so he declined to “take the controls.” From the very outset, Aaron was “jazzed” by the David Clark headsets and he could not resist trying to sound like Darth Vader every now and then, making phantom radio calls to some imaginary Jedi warriors.

After their flight experiences, the boys clutched with pride their official logbooks recording their flights and their special Flight Certificates signed by “Han Solo” (Harrison Ford). It was fun for me, too, to introduce this family to our wonderful world of aviation in a Short Wing Piper. More than 40,000 men and women worldwide have freely given of their time and talents to share the joy and excitement of aviation with young people. You can join the ranks in hopes of sparking an early interest in aviation by becoming a Young Eagles volunteer pilot. Get the details here: <https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/aviation-education-and-resources/ea-youth-education/ea-young-eagles-program>

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1957 PA-22-150 Tri-Pacer, S/N 22-4762 has 1800 hours on the airframe and original engine. The annual is current. Owner Marvin Stohler of Hagerstown, IN, is asking \$14,900, or best offer. It is located at Flightmaster Aviation, Richmond Muni Airport (KRID); speak to Hank Morrissey, 765-309-3238, or [flightmaster.aviation@gmail.com](mailto:flightmaster.aviation@gmail.com).



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