

The QCA Aviator

Quad City Aviator's Association



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The Quad City Aviators Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting general aviation in Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois.

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QCAA is open to anyone interested in aviation. That includes spouses, non-pilots, pilots of all levels (ATP, Commercial, Private, Instructors, fixed, rotary wing, balloon, ultralight, glider), air traffic controllers, mechanics, technicians, parachutists, and those who want to be any of the above. Remember: Hanger flying can be fun and informative too.

There is no regular June meeting scheduled as of this writing.

The 10th Annual Wannabe is scheduled for June 9th

Officers & Staff

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The World of Aviation

Larrie Dahl, Director of Aviation, Chief Pilot, and Sr. International Pilot for Deere & Company, presented "The World of Aviation," an overview of aviation at Deere.

The Quad City Aviator Association thanks Mr. Dahl very much for taking the time to talk to area aviators about his experiences with Deere Aviation.

He discussed the early days of aviation at Deere, where he's flown, about the airplanes, and the people who support the Deere fleet.

Of 15 Master Mechanics worldwide, Deere Aviation has 5 mechanics that meet that certification, which is remarkable.

Deere Aviation owns two, Cessna Citation 10's, which are the world's fastest non-military jets. They are capable of mach .90. Deere also owns a "Gulfstream IV," which recently flew 35,000 miles in two weeks. They also own a new Cessna Sovereign, which is a Citation 680 used for

smaller airports. The Sovereign is capable of operating off of short runways with considerable load due to a special wing. Deere also owns and operates a Beech King Air in Brazil.

Deere employs nine pilots at this time.

Notables

- Our condolences to **Bernie Nitz** for the recent loss of his Mother Arlene. Bernie is a long time Quad City Aviator and EAA Chapter 75 member.
- The **Blue Angels** flew again in May, but I do not know if there was an entire crew.
- **Pat Basler** has passed away. Pat and her husband Warren, developed Basler Flight Service and Basler Turbo Conversions on Whittman Regional Airport (OSH). They had a close working relationship with EAA over the years.
- **Robert N Buck**, well known aviation author of many weather and safety books passed away.

The Arch Tour

Bob Thomas sent this to me recently. He was departing Scott Air Force Base in Belleville, IL recently, which is about 15 miles east of St. Louis, MO. Scott AFB is a dual use airfield if you didn't know. During his clearance procedure he mentioned he'd like to fly west and get a good view of the famous "Arch." They asked him if he wanted the "Arch Tour?" Bob said that sounded good, so he told them affirmative. After takeoff they give you the frequency of the St. Louis Downtown Airport (which is actually in Illinois), and you simply request an Arch tour. They take you right in close. Bob reported you have to stay under the class B airspace, which gets as low as 3,000 feet near the Arch, but he said, "It was a fun excursion." He believes the same service is available from any St. Louis area airport.

Thanks Bob for sharing that with us.

Pilot Safety Study

According to an article in the Spring 2007 issue of the University of Iowa's "Spectator" a new University of Iowa engineering study will lead to safer air travel. NASA is funding the

\$887,628 study, which will investigate aircraft avionics that try to read a pilot's mind.

Using physiological measures and other data such as "aircraft performance and flight mission" they're hoping to develop avionics interfaces that will indicate pilot drowsiness and that sort of thing. The equipment would give an audible warning to the pilot.

"Such technology could simplify pilot interaction with avionics," says principal investigator, Tom Schnell, associate professor of Industrial and mechanical engineering, and director of the Center for Computer Aided Design's Operator Performance Laboratory in the UI College of Engineering.

"The project will use the performance laboratory's flight simulators to study pilot performance and situation awareness, as well as a 1978 Beechcraft Bonanza aircraft equipped as a flying neural-imaging and physiological performance assessment laboratory."

(Editor: OK, I'm not sure you really want something that will read a pilot's mind, would you?)

[Aviator, Or Wannabe, QCAA Is For You!](#)

- You don't have to be a pilot.
- You **MUST** be interested in aviation.

You, the Quad City Aviator, have a great organization here, but your support is vital. We'd like to increase the number of members. Support for QCAA means numbers. That's the strength of the organization. Numbers also means more consistent quality programs and activities.

We'd like to encourage you at this time to support the QCAA by paying dues. Dues are only \$25 per year, and are not wasted. A membership form is attached.

Thank You!

Robert Buck

Aviation weather and safety consultant/author, and retired TWA captain **Robert N. Buck**, 93, recently passed away in Berlin, Vt.

He started flying at age 15 and set a New York to Los Angeles speed record before reaching his 16th birthday. By his 20th birthday, he broke an altitude record for light airplanes and became the first person to take aerial photographs of ancient ruins of the Yucatán.

Buck had flown the Atlantic more than 2,000 times during his airline career with TWA. He was also a consultant to four FAA Administrators and airlines on many aspects of aviation safety.

He was the author of "The Art of Flying," "Flying Know-How" and "Weather Flying." Buck continued to fly a Schleicher ASW-20 sailplane well into his 80s. Pilots revere his books because they are easy to read and engaging, even though they cover complex subjects.

In "Weather Flying," Buck succinctly starts, "Weather bothers our flying in a few basic ways. It prevents us from seeing; it bounces us around to the extent that it may be difficult to keep the airplane under control and in one piece; and ice, wind, or large temperature variations may reduce the airplane's performance to a serious degree. That's what weather does...we fight weather in order to see, to keep our aircraft under control, and to get the best and safest performance from an aircraft."

Some "Buckisms:"

- "When bad weather prevails fear shouldn't be the attitude -- rather it should be respect."
- "When everything inside us is scared we have to work harder to do a good precise job of flying, thinking scientifically all the time."
- "There are two ways to deal with fuel. One is to have lots of it...the second is to fly within the airplane's fuel capacity by limiting the length of flights."
- "When ice is encountered, immediately start working to get out of it."
- "A real hazard is a pilot trying to beat a thunderstorm to the airport. Always remember thunderstorms on or near airports is the classic recipe for shear accidents."

(Ed: Thanks to Cy Galley who provided this story)

Only in America...

- ❖ Only in America.....do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.
- ❖ Only in Americado they have drive-up ATM's with Braille lettering.
- ❖ Only in Americado people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke
- ❖ Only in Americaare there handicap parking places in front of a skating rink.
- ❖ Only in Americado we use answering machines to screen calls and then have call waiting so we won't miss a call from someone we didn't want to talk to in the first place.

Still Looking...

We have the position of *High Flight Pilot Program* to fill. If you are interested in helping out with any of this activity please contact Pat Rynott - pryno@sbcglobal.net.

Parachute Club

Upon reaching 65, old Tom decided to retire. After having him under foot for a few months, his wife became very agitated with him. She suggested he go and do something to occupy his time, like join a club or get a hobby.

Old Tom obliged and went out for a couple of hours. When he got home his wife asked about his day and he replied, "Oh, I just went down to the park and hung out with the guys. And oh yeah, I joined a parachute club."

"What? Are you nuts? You're 65 years old and you're going to start jumping out of airplanes?"

"Yeah, look I even got a membership card."

"Old man, you need glasses! This is a membership in a Prostitute Club, not a Parachute Club!"

"Oh, great. Now what am I going to do? I signed up for 5 jumps a week!"

Quad City Air Show

For the second year in a row the QCAA had a presence at the QCAS. An airplane provided by the Quad City Flying Eagles was available to provide ambiance and attract people. A table set up to talk about the QCAA mission and experience.

President Pat Rynott and Vice President Gary Rasso manned the table on Saturday and talked to as many as 35 people about the "Aviators." Pat described it as a very good day in spite of intermittent rain showers.

Banquet Chair and Secretary Leigh Egger took care of the show space on Sunday and also had an excellent day.

The air show was great as usual. How can you not enjoy a day outside with aircraft flying and parked all around?

The United States Air Force "Thunderbirds" performed again at the show as well as many extremely talented aerobatic teams, such as the Lucas Oil Pitts Special.

Area Flight Instructors

Diane Beauchamp	309-764-4210	Gene Fildes	309-269-0517	Brandon Frazier	563-391-5650
Ranier Frazier	563-391-5650	Jim Goetsch	309-799-3251	Brian Johnson	563-391-5650
Scott Kashmarek	563-391-5650	Sam Kupresin	563-391-5650	Tim Leinbach	309-787-4233
Gyan Ray	563-508-1141	Jim Robinson		Otto Stender	563-386-1775
		Kevin Strong	563-391-5650		

Things To Do...Places To Go... What's Happening in 2007

Jun 1-3	Quad City Air Show, 8 am - 5 pm; Davenport, IA (DVN)	563-285-7469
Jun 1-2	EAA SW Regional - The Texas Fly-in; Hondo, TX (HDO)	www.swrfi.org
Jun 3	Fly-in Breakfast, Washington, IA (AWG) 7 - 11 a.m. Pilots eat free John Grimm	515-707-3977
Jun 3	43rd Annual EAA Chapt. 241 Fly-in, DeKalb, IL (DKB), all you can eat breakfast	815-758-6948
Jun 2-3	14th Ann. Charlie Wells Fly-in, Springfield, IL (SPI)	Jerry Coleman 217-483-3201
Jun 8-10	Army Wings & Wheels, Poplar Grove, IL (C77)	Tom Murray 815-964-8610
Jun 8-10	Airfest, Janesville, WI (JVL) 9 a.m.	Julie Dacy 608-754-5405
Jun 9	10th Annual "Wannabe A Pilot" - Moline, IL (MLI)	Diane Beauchamp 309-764-4210
Jun 16	Fly-in Breakfast, Keosauqua, IA (6K9), RC Models, Antique A/C R Michalek	319-293-7162
Jun 17	Ann. Fathers Day Fly-in/Drive-in, Geneseo, IL (368) Kent Johnson	309-944-8126
Jun 17	Father's Day Fly-in/Drive-in breakfast, Mineral Pt, WI (MRJ) Kevin King	608-987-9931
Jun 17	Father's Day Fly-in Breakfast, Palmyra, WI (88C)	Rick Jelinek 414-732-8456
Jun 22-24	Balloons in June, Clinton, IA (CWI)	Michael Nass 563-242-3292
Jun 23	Clinton Antique Airplane Fly-in, Clinton, IA (CWI)	Michael Nass 563-242-3292
Jun 22-24	Rocky Mt. EAA Regional Fly-in; Watkins, CO (FTG)	www.rmrfi.org
Jun 29-Jul 1	Old Time Antique Homebuilt Gathering, Ottumwa, IA, Robert Taylor	641-938-2773
Jul 1	Friends of 8C4 Fly-in, Tipton, IA (8C4) Max Coppess	563-212-3308
Jul 4	Fly-in Breakfast, Atlantic, IA (AIO), 7 - noon, fly-ins eat free Pat Petis	712-243-3056
Jul 8	Kiwanis Annual Flight Breakfast & Air Show, Emmetsburg, IA (EGQ) D Albright	712-852-3810
Jul 6-8	EAA 1159 Fly-in/Pig Roast, Kankakee, IL (IKK)	Jim Leon 815-529-3000
Jul 14	Fly-in / Drive-in Breakfast, Creston, IA (CSQ), 7 - 11 a.m. PIC eat free, L West	641-344-0007
Jul 15	Fly-in/Drive-in Breakfast, Monticello, IA (MXO), 7:30 - 12:30 p.m. PIC Eats free	319-465-5488
Jul 15	Fly-in Breakfast, Waverly, IA (C25), PIC eats free,	Chris Renner 1-888-835-9282
Jul 19-22	Int'l Cessna C150/C152 Fly-in, Clinton, IA (CWI)	no phone listed
Jul 19-21	ILPA-IBDA L-Birds Fly-In, Keokuk, IA (EOK), Warbirds welcome, Irv Lindner	319-524-6378
Jul 20	River City Air Expo 2007 - Prairie Air Show, Inc.; Peoria, IL; (PIA)	309-697-6757
Jul 20-21	Sauk Valley Fly-In & Hangar Dance, Dixon, IL (C73)	Joey Frey 815-440-3006
Jul 23-29	AirVenture, EAA Convention & Fly-in, Oshkosh, WI (OSH)	www.eaa.org
Aug 5	Hiawatha Valley Pilot's Assoc Breakfast, Bay City, WI (RGK) Red Wing, MN	715-594-3999
Aug 11-12	Chanute Air Festival, Rantoul, IL (TIP), airfestival@aeromuseum.org	217-893-1613
Aug 18	7th Ann. Fly-in Pot Luck; Danville, IA Meat/drinks provided Rex Ott	319-750-7683
Aug 19	EAA Chapter 368 Fly-in, Monona, IA (7C3)	Sharon Desotal 563-539-2561
Aug 24-26	Luscombe Fly-in; Mattoon/Charleston, IL; Coles County (MTO) Jerry Cox	217-234-8720
Aug 25	7th Ann Abel Island Fly-in/Float-in (GAA) 12 - 3 p.m., Gary Fisher	319-480-0913
Aug 25-26	EAA Mid-Eastern Regional Fly-in; Mansfield, OH (MFD)	http://merfi.info
Sep 3-9	National Stearman Fly-in, Galesburg, IL (GBG)	309-343-6409
Sep 8	QC Challenger 25th Anniversary, Erie, IL Jim Robinson	309-659-2721
Sep 10	EAA Chapter 327 Fly-In brkfst, Dubuque, IA (DBQ) D Schares	563-582-4150
Sep 16	Iowa Chop Fly- In, Oelwein, IA (OLZ)	Chuck 563 920-2692
Sep 16-17	North Central EAA Fly-in; Whiteside Cty (SQI) Dolores Nunteufel	630-543-6743
Sep 24	Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast, Freeport, IL (FEP) Angie Janssen	815/232-1078

For more events go to www.eaa.org/events, www.flyins.com, www.FunPlacesToFly.com,
www.iawings.com

“Wing Tips”
Apparel with the QCAA logo from Land’s End



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Carver Aero, Inc.	Sandra Barrett	www.carveraero.com	563-391-5650
Civil Air Patrol (Moline)	Tom Neilson		309-797-1588
Civil Air Patrol (Dav.)	Mike McCoy		563-386-6506
Clinton Municipal Airport	Michael Nass	flycwi@clinton.net	563-242-3292
David’s Flying Service	Don David		563-582-1293
EAA Chapter 75	Richard Lowe, President	http://members.tripod.com/~EAA_Chapter_75	309-949-2771
Erie Airpark	Jim Robinson		
Elliott Aviation www.elliottaviation.com	Jace Stone – General Mgr Rick Kent – Line Manager		309-799-3183
Flying Country Club, Inc. www.netexpress.net/~flyingcc	Gene Fildes, President Dennis English, Secretary		309-269-0517 309-799-7522
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Gen Air, Inc.	Kent Johnson	www.airport1@geneseo.net	309-944-8126
47 Jay’s	Dan Murphy		309-496-2561
Jet Air Galesburg	Harold Timmons	www.jetairinc.com	309-342-3134
Monticello Aviation		www.monticelloaviation.com	319-465-5488
Plane Clean	Cheryle Johnson	cherylejohnson@msn.com	563-242-3375
Quad City Air Show	Ken Hopper	www.quadcityairshow.com	563-285-7469
Quad City Seaplane Base	Jim Goetsch	www.flyfloats.com	309-799-3251
Quad City Skydiving	Dennis Jenson	www.qcskydiving.com	309-944-0363
Radio Ranch	Ron Hammer	www.radioranchinc.com	815-622-9000
Quad City Aviators Association	Pat Rynott	www.qcaa.org	309-737-3435
Quad City Ultralight Aircraft Corp		www.quadcitychallenger.com	309-764-3515

Did you ever wish you knew the weather locally *before you flew*?

Clinton, IA	563-243-8934	Davenport, IA	563-388-2154
Moline, IL	309-799-7096	Muscatine, IA	563-263-0902

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For items of interest for members of the QCAA, omissions, or corrections, please email Dennis English at englishdj@mchsi.com (Editorial Deadline for "The QC Aviator" is the 30th of the month.)



QUAD CITY AVIATORS ASSOCIATION

2007 Association Dues Statement

Dear fellow Aviators and Aviation enthusiasts,

If you have not done so already, please remit Membership Dues for 2007. Remember that dues are for the current calendar year and help continue the support of General Aviation, Education, Young Eagles, Wannabe, Special Programs/Speakers, Mailings, Activities, Etc.

Send to: QCAA; PO Box 9202; Moline, IL 61265.

MEMBERSHIP DUES \$25.00
(Family membership dues option is \$30.00)

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Date of your Private Pilot Cert _____ Other Interests _____
Hanger or Club Location _____ Military Service _____

QCAA 2007 MEMBERSHIP DUES ENCLOSED

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A Large Pair of Panty Hose Can Make an Interesting Kite!



The Quad City Aviators Association Presents:
The 10th Annual 'Wannabe a Pilot' Weekend

Have You Ever Wanted to Learn to Fly?

Join us on June 9th for an Open House and a Flight with the Pilots and Flight Instructors of the Quad City Area.

An Open House and 'Ground School' will be held on Saturday June 9th, 2007 in the center cargo building (Cargo #2), located just east of the QC Airport main entrance drive. Go straight south at the stoplight at the intersection of I-74 & Route 6 and take the first left turn back to the east. We welcome all from ages 8 to 108. A Parent or Guardian must accompany those ages 8 -17.

The Open House will be held from 9 am till 1 pm with planes on display. Join us, see the Quad City Int'l Airport from the "working" side.....and bring all your questions. Beverages and snacks will be available.

EAA "Young Eagle" flights will be available for those ages 8-17 and are free of charge. Flight registration will take place on Saturday. You will receive a certificate commemorating your first flight and your name will be entered in the world's largest logbook!

Introductory flight lessons can be scheduled on Saturday. There will be Flight Instructors present to schedule and discuss your first flight, as well as offer tours of the aircraft on display. If you have ever thought about flying, there is no time like the present to give it a try!

This event is held in conjunction with the EAA (www.EAA.org) "Young Eagles" program, our local EAA Chapter 75, the Moline Civil Air Patrol and, of course, your Quad City International Airport!

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