
EAA AIRVENTURE 2015 WAS A SMASHING SUCCESS

EAA AirVenture 2015 was a smashing success according to EAA Chairman Jack Pelton. Among the highlights for the more than 553,000 visitors venturing to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Pelton said the Airbus A350XWB “offered some tremendous hospitality” during its Boeing Plaza stop and “the F-35, the B-52, and the F-100 Super Saber brought me back to my childhood.” Pelton thanked the FAA air traffic controllers and the way they handled more than 16,000 aircraft movements for the week. At our EAA 172 meeting on August 8th at least one club member who was there will present some personal insights about the Oshkosh fly-in.



EAA reported these facts and figures from the July 20 – 26 AirVenture extravaganza:

- Attendance: Approximately 553,000
- Total aircraft: More than 10,000 aircraft
- Total showplanes: 2,668
- Commercial exhibitors: More than 800
- Forums and Workshops: A total of 1,048 sessions attended by more than 75,000 people.
- Guests registered at International Visitors Tent: 2,299 visitors registered from a record 80 nations.

AOPA opinion leader blogger Amy Laboda made this comment about the 2015 show:

Overall AirVenture 2015 will go down in the record books for its fine weather, full exhibit halls and packed flightlines. It will be remembered as the summer of relatively low avgas and jet A pricing, which seems to be moving people to fly a little more, or a little farther. That is certainly the case for me, personally. It was a treat to see so many of my aviation friends in one place. Here's hoping we can all return safely same time next year.

(Information adapted from AOPA News and Video 07/27/15→[EAA AirVenture 2015](#), EAA eHotline 07/28/15 → [AirVenture 2015 facts and figures](#), AOPA Talk of the Town 07/27/15→[EAA AirVenture](#))

FAA plans to discontinue printed WACs

Paper World Aeronautical Charts will be no more.

The FAA has published a [notice of policy](#) to discontinue World Aeronautical Charts (WACs) without a public comment period. In addition to sectional charts, terminal area charts, and other navigational aids, many pilots routinely use WACs for long-range and overview planning before embarking on flights. In the West and in other parts of the country, WACs are a regular part of the flight planning process, and according to chart suppliers, about 12,000 WACs are sold yearly. According to AOPA eliminating these maps could pose a serious safety hazard to flight. The FAA reasons that digital advances in technology and navigational capabilities are making these printed charts obsolete as pilots shift their attention more toward digital products. The FAA has said



publishing the WACs requires six full-time positions and has become cost-prohibitive as sales have plummeted in recent years. So far in 2015, the FAA has sold fewer than 16,000 WACs. AOPA had raised objections to the FAA's announcement that it would no longer produce the charts as of September, in part because the agency did not consult with users before making the decision. After the FAA announced that it would stop producing world aeronautical charts in September, AOPA met with FAA officials to convince them to continue to publish charts set to expire this year and to revisit the decision to discontinue the product after reviewing input from pilots. "Pilots flying to and from the Caribbean, Alaska, and Mexico would see gaps in chart coverage that the sectionals would not make up, creating an adverse impact on safety," said Rune Duke, AOPA director of government affairs, airspace and air traffic. AOPA is gathering data on the use of the charts and is seeking member feedback through a survey.

(Information adapted from AOPA ePilot 06/26/15→[WACs Going Away](#), AOPA ePilot 07/10/15→ [Some WACs May Stay](#), FAA→[Discontinuing WACs](#))

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Members' Items for Sale

FOR SALE: iFly 720 GPS for Aviation

EAA 172 member Don Bush has obtained a more advanced GPS unit and wishes to sell this one. The 720 when last available was \$699. Some few "re-certified" (refurbs) are \$599.

Includes all accessories (DC plug, AC power supply, remote control, suction mount) plus 1" Ram ball-mount and screen protector, all in great shape.

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- Simple Wi-Fi Updating
- iFly Streets is Optional
- Faster Processor
- and much more...



Club Member Aaron Ramsey still has this aircraft for sale.

Quicksilver MX Sprint
Single place – high wing – Single Engine
Wing Span 18'- 1"
Empty Weight 250 lbs. (true ultralight!)
Gross Weight 525 lbs.
Useful load: 275 lbs.
Engine: Rotax 447
Fuel capacity: 5 U.S. gallons
Takeoff distance 50' obstacle: 200 feet
Rate of climb: 900 ft/min
Landing distance: 200 feet
Maximum level speed: 54 mph



Also included with sale is a Rotax 503 engine that needs servicing/rebuilding.
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