

Michigan Air Tour 2017

September 8-10, 2017

hosted by the Michigan Aviation Education Foundation
a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that promotes aviation education

This is the first Michigan Air Tour (MAT) hosted by the Michigan Aviation Education Foundation (MAEF) and we're excited about this year's itinerary. We have developed a tour itinerary that offers a variety of fun activities for everyone to enjoy.

MAT Registration

Early Registration (*deadline March 30, 2017*): \$135 USD/person
Regular Registration (*March 15 - July 31, 2017*): \$150 USD/person
Late Registration (*after August 1, 2017*): \$160 USD/person

Your registration includes the following:

- Hangar Party (dinner) Thursday evening
- MAEF 1 year membership
- Lunch on Friday
- Dow Gardens admission
- Breakfast on Saturday
- Lunch on Saturday
- Dinner Saturday evening
- Laser tag and bowling Saturday evening
- Lunch on Sunday
- Transportation between hotels, airports and distant activities
- Special MAT surprise gift



Thursday, September 7, 2017 - Pre-Start *Oakland Pontiac International Airport (KPTK).*

4:00pm - Hangar Party will be held at the Walters Hangar in Row T.
For those coming from Canada, there is a US Customs Office at KPTK. Fuel will be available upon your arrival.

Quality Inn & Suites (\$99 USD/room), 7076 Highland Rd, Waterford, MI, phone 248-666-8555. A block of rooms are held in the group name "Michigan Air Tour." Breakfast Friday morning is included in the hotel stay. Call the hotel directly to book your room. Room block will be released on *August 24, 2017*.

Friday, September 8, 2017 - Official Start *Midland Barstow Airport (KIKW).*

10:00am - MAT planes arrive at Midland Barstow airport and pilots check-in
11:00am - Presentation of MAT plaque
11:30am - Lunch at EAA Hangar
01:00pm - Transportation to H-Hotel in downtown Midland
02:00pm - Visit Dow Gardens
06:30pm - Dinner on your own

H-Hotel (\$135 US/room). Block of rooms is held under the group name "Michigan Air Tour." You may call the hotel directly at 800-282-7778 to book your room or you may book your room online at: <https://aws.passkey.com/e/49006271>. Room block will be released on **August 18, 2017**.

Note: If you're an outdoors type or on a budget, tent camping at the airport is available; however, there are no showers in the airport restrooms.

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* Enjoy the 110 acres of beautiful gardens, glass walled conservatory and the historic Pines home at the Dow Gardens. Afterwards, relax and enjoy downtown Midland; dinner on your own. There are lots of shops and eateries within walking distance of the H-Hotel.

Saturday, September 9, 2017 *Harbor Springs Airport (KMGN)*

07:30am - Transportation from hotel to Midland Barstow airport
08:00am - Breakfast at EAA Hangar prior to departing for Harbor Springs (KMGN).
10:00am - MAT planes arrive at Harbor Springs airport and pilots check-in
11:00am - Plaque presentation
11:30am - Lunch at the Polish Kitchen
12:45pm - Transportation to At Michigan Inn & Lodge
01:30pm - Optional adventures (ziplining, Segway rides, skydiving)
05:30pm - Transportation to Northern Lights Recreation
06:00pm - Dinner followed by bowling and laser tag
09:45pm - Transportation back to At Michigan Inn & Lodge

At Michigan Inn & Lodge - (\$110.07 USD/ Double, \$118.59 USD/Queen room, \$121 USD/King). Hotels in this area were hard to come by because of another large event. The hotel has good reviews and provides a complimentary breakfast bar and daily welcome reception. A room block is held in the group name "Michigan Air Tour" and individual reservations may be made by calling the Lodge directly at 231-348-3900. Room block will be released on **July 30, 2017**.

Note: Tent camping at the airport is available; however, there are no showers in the airport restrooms.

Optional Activities:

* **Ziplining & Segway Tours.** Boyne Highlands offers ziplining and Segway tours at their resort just 3 miles from Harbor Springs Airport. Segway Tours take about 1-1.5 hours and cost \$59 USD/person. There are two options for ziplining; a 2.5-3 hours tour with 8 ziplines for \$64 USD/person OR the 45-minute twin zipline tour for \$25 USD/person. ***Please indicate on your registration form if you are interested in these activities.*** We will try to coordinate a separate group rate and transportation to Boyne Highlands.

* **Skydiving.** Harbor Springs Airport is host to a skydive team that offers tandem and staticline skydiving. You must make your own reservations. For more information, check out their website at: skydiveharborsprings.com.

Sunday, September 10, 2017 *Drummond Island Airport (KMGN)*

08:30am - Transportation from At Michigan Inn to the Harbor Springs airport
10:00am - MAT planes arrive at Drummond Island airport and pilots check-in
11:00am - Plaque Presentation
11:30pm - Lunch at Bear Track Inn
01:00pm - Optional visit to the Drummond Island History Museum

Fly home safely!



The afore itinerary is a draft and may be adjusted as plans come together. Registered participants will receive periodic updates on itinerary changes.