

The One. The Original. The RV-1.

See the original RV-1 when it arrives at an airport near you!

In 1963, Richard VanGrunsven modified a Stits Playboy and the first RV was born. Thus began the most prolific line of homebuilt airplanes in history . RV-3, RV-4, RV-6/6A, RV-7/7A, RV-8/8A, RV-9/9A, RV-10 and RV-12 . with over 7,600 completed and flying aircraft!

Thanks to the efforts of the Friends of the RV-1 and a lot of elbow grease, the original RV-1 has been restored to flying condition and is making a tour of the US and Canada, on its way to permanent display in the EAA AirVenture Museum in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, later this year.



You can be part of this historic tour by visiting one of the stops along its route across the U.S. and Canada. The tentative schedule of stops is located online at rv-1.org. Each stop is designed to give the public an opportunity to learn more about the original RV-1, see it up close and talk to the pilot. In addition, most stops will also involve FOOD . because that's what pilots do!

Make plans now to participate in this historic flight across Canada and America. Fly, drive or hitchhike to a stop near you and see the airplane that revolutionized the homebuilt aircraft industry and gave birth to a family of airplanes that epitomize the fun, utility and economy that make building an airplane at home worth the effort. Come join us to celebrate this historic occasion and milestone in sport aviation.

Weather permitting, the tentative schedule calls for the RV-1 to stop at Toledo Executive Airport, OH, (KTDZ) on Memorial Day, May 28, 2012. A reception is planned to include lunch and plenty of time to see the RV-1, talk to the pilot, and enjoy the fellowship of fellow pilots, builders and admirers of the RV series.

The next stop on the "RV-1 Barnstorming Tour Across the US" is in Elkhart, IN, at the Mishawaka Pilots' Club (3C1). A cookout is planned for late afternoon/early evening with plenty of time to see the RV-1 and mingle.

On May 29, the RV-1 will depart Elkhart for Marshall County Airport (C75) near Peoria, IL, for a fuel stop and another chance to see the RV-1.

Mark your calendars, check the website schedule often and keep an eye on the weather. Make plans to see the RV-1 at a stop near you!

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