

## 25+ Engaging Event Ideas for Your WAI Chapter

Women in Aviation International (WAI) Chapters thrive on engaging events that inspire, educate, and connect members. Here's a list of creative event ideas categorized for easy planning.

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### **Industry & Educational Events**

**Aviation Business Tours** – Visit airlines, FBOs, or aerospace companies.

**Airport Operations Tour** – Go behind the scenes at a local airport.

**ATC Tower Visit** – Meet controllers and learn about air traffic operations.

**Aircraft Maintenance Facility Tour** – Explore aviation mechanics and engineering.

**STEM & Career Panels** – Feature women in various aviation roles.

**Flight School Open House** – Introduce members to pilot training opportunities.

**Weather & Safety Seminars** – Partner with meteorologists or FAA safety teams.

**Military Base or Air National Guard Visit** – Learn about military aviation careers.

### **Guest Speakers & Panels**

**Women in Aviation Leadership Panel** – Feature successful female aviators.

**Diversity & Inclusion in Aviation** – Discuss fostering inclusivity.

**Resume & Interview Workshops** – Offer career coaching and application tips.

**Financial Planning for Aviation Careers** – Cover scholarships and funding.

**Mental Health & Wellness in Aviation** – Discuss stress management and work-life balance.

### **Virtual Meetings & Webinars**

**Webinar with Industry Experts** – Host Q&A sessions with aviation professionals.

**Virtual Cockpit Tours** – Have a pilot-led tour of aircraft types.

**Aviation-Themed Book Club** – Discuss books by aviation leaders.

**Scholarship Application Tips** – Provide guidance on aviation scholarships.

**Mentorship Matchmaking** – Connect members with mentors.

### **Fun & Social Events**

**Aviation Movie Night** – Watch *Top Gun*, *Hidden Figures*, or *Amelia*.

**Trivia Night** – Host an aviation-themed competition.

**Hangar BBQ or Potluck** – Gather at an airport hangar for a casual event.

**Holiday Party & Gift Exchange** – Celebrate with a themed gathering.

**Paint & Sip Night** – Create aviation-inspired art together.

**Photo Scavenger Hunt** – Capture aviation moments for a social media contest.  
**Escape Room or Game Night** – Plan a fun team-building challenge.  
**Pumpkin Carving Contest** – Celebrate fall with creative aviation-themed designs.  
**Christmas Ornament Making** – Craft aviation-inspired holiday decorations.  
**Cookie Decorating Party** – Host a festive baking event.  
**Spring Picnic & Outdoor Games** – Enjoy a relaxed outdoor gathering.

## **Community & Outreach Events**

**Girls in Aviation Day (GIAD) Planning** – Organize STEM outreach for young girls.  
**STEM Outreach at Schools** – Bring aviation to classrooms.  
**Charity Fundraisers** – Host silent auctions, 5K runs, or pancake breakfasts.  
**Volunteering at Aviation Events** – Support airshows and museum activities.  
**Airport Clean-Up Day** – Give back to the aviation community.


## **Networking & Collaboration**

**Multi-Chapter Meetups** – Connect with nearby WAI Chapters.  
**International Chapter Exchange** – Host a virtual meeting with a global WAI Chapter.  
**Mentorship Circles** – Facilitate small-group career discussions.  
**Networking Happy Hour** – Build relationships in a relaxed setting.  
**Speed Networking** – Quick introductions and idea exchanges.

## **Special Events & Conferences**

**Pre-Conference Prep Session** – Help members plan for WAI's Annual Conference.  
**Post-Conference Recap** – Share key takeaways and insights.  
**Annual Chapter Awards Night** – Recognize outstanding members.  
**Chapter Anniversary Celebration** – Celebrate milestones with a special event.

## **Make It Happen!**

 Use this list as inspiration to create memorable experiences for your WAI Chapter! Customize events based on your chapter's needs and engage members in meaningful ways.  
Happy planning! 