

President's Corner

Jon Garliep

While touring in Oregon last week, I stopped at a gallery with airplane paintings. The wife of the owner was there and she had just finished her term as



President of Medford's EAA Chapter. During our conversation she had spoke of her recent trip to China to visit her son who is working there. While she was there, she observed a total lack of private airplanes flying overhead.

With that thought we really need to appreciate all the freedoms that we have with regards to general aviation.

OSHKOSH AIR ACADEMY - Mike Reynolds has stepped up to bat to help us find candidates. He already has several lined up. Larry Reed and Brian Dal Porto, with the help of the board, will work with him to make our final choice.

Future Programs

- JUNE 5TH** HANDS ON COMPOSITE WORKSHOP
- JULY 10TH** JIM REIR RST TECHNOLOGIES
- AUG 14TH** OSHKOSH IN REVIEW

April 26 - FLY-OUT TO PORTERVILLE to visit Chapter member Harry Dellicker at Del Air. Contact Alec Piplani for more information.

May 3 - YOUNG EAGLES SOUTH COUNTY AIRPORT- May 3rd and 4th Wings of History is having a Cinco de Mayo Fly-In and Chili Cook Off. We will fly Young Eagles on Saturday May 3rd contact Carlo for information. Even if you don't fly-in it sounds like a fun event to attend. There will also be some other clubs with displays and food booths.

ANY ACTIVE MEMBER THAT HAS NOT YET PAID THEIR DUES, IT IS NOT TOO LATE.

WARNING - the event dates are closer than you think.

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Calendar of Events

May

1st- CHAPTER 62 GENERAL MEETING

8th- CHAPTER 62 BOARD MEETING

16-18th- Annual Gathering of Luscombes Columbia CA.
www.luscombe-cla.org

30th- Bellanca-Champion Club West Coast Fly-in
www.bellanca-chapionclub.com

31st-June 1st- Paso Robles annual Central Coast Fly-in
805-438-3655

5/10 -5/10/2003 Truckee, CA Chapter 1073 Pancake Breakfast, Truckee Tahoe TRK

5/10 -5/10/2003 Schellville, CA. Schellville Aeronautical Swap Meet, Sonoma Valley Airport 0Q3 Contact Information: Bill Ewertz 707-938-1465 Email Address: Ewertz@pacbell.net

5/11 -5/11/2003 Woodland, CA Ch 52 Fly in Breakfast, Yolo County 2Q3 Contact Information: Coffee Kauffman 916-428-9477

5/15 -5/17/2003 Hayward, CA 39th Annual Hayward Proficiency Air Race Hayward Proficiency Air Race, Hayward HWD Contact Information: Eric Helms 925-373-0137 Email Address: enter@hwdairrace.org <http://www.hwdairrace.org>

5/16 -5/18/2003 Columbia, CA 27th annual Gathering of Luscombes 2003, Contact Information: Barry Brocato 619-482-8236 Email Address: <http://www.luscombe-cla.org>

5/17 -5/17/2003 Vacaville, CA Young Eagles Fly Day, Nut Tree VCB Contact Information: David Aronson 707.448.8512 Email Address: aronsond@pacbell.net

5/17 - 5/17/2003 Oroville, CA Chapter 1112 Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast, Oroville Muni OVE Contact Information: Terry or Chuck 530/533-0698 or 530/534-7110 Email Address: rv6@cncnet.com or cazamel@hotmail.com <http://fly.to/ea-a-oroville>

5/31 -5/31/2003 Hemet, CA Hemet CA Airshow 2003,Hemet/Ryan Contact Information: Steve Williamson 909 699-3078:

June

6/8- 6/8/2003 Woodland, CA Ch 52 Hangar Breakfast, Yolo County 2Q3 Contact Information: Coffee Kauffman 916-428-9477:

6/8 -6/8/2003 Apple Valley, CA Apple Valley Air Fair, Apple Valley APV Contact Information: Connie Vojkufka Email Address: conniev@earthlink.net

6/8 -6/8/2003 Davis, CA Chapter 52 West Coast Tailwind/ Cougar Fly in, Yolo County Airport 2Q3 Contact Information: Dave Magaw Email Address: dmagaw@att.net

10- CHAPTER 62 GENERAL MEETING

6/14 -6/14/2003 Truckee, CA Chapter 1073 Pancake Breakfast, Truckee Tahoe TRK Contact Information:

17- CHAPTER BOARD MEETING RHV 7:30 PM

6/28 -6/28/2003 Vacaville, CA Nut Tree Community Appreciation Day, Nut Tree VCB Contact Information: David Aronson 707.448.8512 Email Address: aronsond@pacbell.net

6/28 -6/28/2003 Truckee, CA Chapter 1073 Pancake Breakfast, Truckee Tahoe TRK Contact Information: Charlie White Email Address: sales@donner-lake.com

6/28 -6/28/2003 Quincy, CA 6th Annual Antique Wings and Wheels,Gansner Field 2o1 Contact Information: Al Hansen 530-283-4312 Email Address: alhansen@jps.net <http://www.plumas.ca.us/>

Future Air Shows

√ **Watsonville Fly-in May 23 -25**
www.watsonvilleflyin.org/index.html

√ **Golden West Fly-in June 20-22**
www.goldenwest.com

√ **Oshkosh July 29-Aug 4**
www.eaa.org

Editor's Desk

If you still need to be convinced that you should belong to as many "pro-aviation" groups as possible, then the 'dis-Honorable' Mayor of Chicago, Richard—Daley, has provided it to you. In an astonishing display of 'let me show you who is the boss', and under the guise of Homeland Security, Daley literally snuck into the night with a start time of 1:30 AM, and had Meigs Field's only runway destroyed



When I first read this on April 1st, I thought, "A-ha, someone is pulling our collective legs". Not so. I soon found out when several email showed up with references to the AOPA web site, which displayed pictures. AOPA doesn't do April Fools jokes. As I write this, I am still in shock that this 'Dictator of Chicago', who has

long tried to close Meigs to supposedly provide even more park space in an already lush public park area, actually directed this night time attack on a very valuable transportation infrastructure asset. This intentional move left several aircraft stranded, an FBO out of business, Tower Controllers without an airport to control, and has *compromised safety* in the VFR corridor along the lake front which lies underneath one of the world's busiest airports.

This truly is an example of the treachery of politics. Not long ago, Daley signed an agreement to keep Meigs Field open for the next several years. To this editor, he is an example of what happens when politicians are left to do as they please without repercussion whatsoever. As I write this several of the alphabet aviation groups are arranging meetings on the appropriate action towards Daley and his strong handed actions.

What does this means to us? The largest concern is that other Politico's will be watching to see what happens as a result of this 'cowardly political move' on an airport asset which may not accrue as much tax money as a new subdivision; or does not fit what the current political environment believes should be there. Lets hope that the multiple lawsuits which have followed, will show the politicians that they can not do whatever they please.

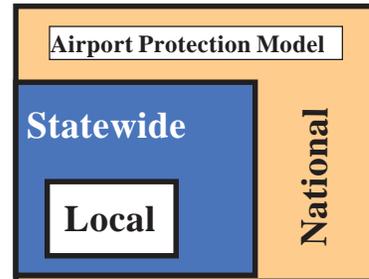
Let me remind you again, how important it is to belong to the appropriate aviation groups. To protect our rights, we should all be members in a national, a statewide, and a local aviation organization. AOPA is right on top of this, along with the EAA, and

Ed Rosiak

other business aviation organizations all of whom have the assets, and power to do something about it. We must remember however, that national aviation organizations cannot handle everything. I believe a tiered approach is the best way to protect airports. It's the best way to ensure that all local issues are known, or uncovered, in a timely manner. As I see it, local pilot groups such as airport groups or geographic groups, are the first line of defense. The protection hierarchy, is

simple: Local, Statewide, and National (see the Airport Protection Model).

Don't think that this can't happen here, or you may be looking at a closed airport through the fence. It requires every pilot to be ever vigilant every day.



Remember, *together, we can make a difference protecting an important part of our nation's transportation infrastructure, our airports.*

Not Again

Yes, I have changed the format again. For those of you who wonder why, I am trying to make it as easy as possible to create the monthly Intrepid Airmen Adobe PDF file, which many of our members now download from our web site, to view the newsletter in color. I am also using a different application to create it, which doesn't have the same templates as the previous application.

As I stated earlier this year, I will be spending this year trying to make the Intrepid Airmen download from our web site easy and worthwhile. Further, since the PDF file will appear in the same format as this paper newsletter, it will look better, and print in color on your home computer. Please bear with me. Also, don't forget you need Acrobat Reader 5 to view the PDF file from the web site. You can get it for free by going to www.adobe.com and following the free download menu.

Meeting Minutes April 2003

Ted Robinson

Minutes from the general meeting, EAA Chapter 62, April 3, 2003

President Jon Garliepp called the meeting to order at 7:20. Randy Wilde gave the treasurer's report. The program for May has been moved to June. Both general and board meetings for June and July have been moved back one week. The fly out for Porterville is still on for April 26th. See Alec Piplani. The chapter picnic will be Saturday, July 12th, at South County airport and museum. There will be a SportAire workshop at Watsonville on April 26th and 27th.

The Golden West fly-in needs volunteers. Those interested can go to their website. Anyone who has not renewed their chapter dues, kindly do so. The Palo Alto, April 19th Young Eagles event was canceled. See Carlo Treves for information on future dates. Anyone who has any suggestions for a program, or speaker, for our monthly meetings, see Alec Piplani.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32. Our speaker was Guy Minor, FAA. Officers, board members present were: Jon Garliepp, Alec Piplani, Randy Wilde, Ted Robinson, Brian Dal Porto, Larry Reed, Ralph Reichhold, Carlo Treves, Wolfgang Polak and Rolland LaPelle.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Robinson,
Chap Secretary

Minutes from the board meeting, EAA Chapter 62, April 10, 2003

President Jon Garliepp called the meeting to order at 7:30. The secretary's minutes were approved as presented. Treasurer Randy Wilde gave the treasurer's report. It was moved and seconded to increase the suggested donation for coffee and a donut from one dollar to two dollars. Alec Piplani gave an update on the Porterville fly-out; currently there are 12 members going. There was some talk of flying Young Eagles at Porterville; the idea was nixed. There is no program for May's meeting. June's program will be on composites. July's meeting will be pushed back to Thursday July 10th, and the Chapter picnic at South County (July 12th) August's meeting will be on Oshkosh. We still need something for Sep., Oct and Nov. Any ideas?

Mike Reynolds discussed the EAA Air Academy. He has eight candidates. Much was discussed as to how to select the final nominee. It was decided that each will write an essay. A committee will narrow the field to four, at which time the board will decide on whom is the nominee. The RHV Young Eagles event for April 19th has been cancelled. There will be one, however, on May 3rd at South County.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM. Officers, board and members present were: Jon Garliepp, Alec Piplani, Randy Wilde, Ted Robinson, Brian Dal Porto, Larry Reed, Ralph Reichhold, Wolfgang Polak, Rolland LaPelle, Mike Reynolds and Ed Rosiak.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Robinson,
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Time for your Annual?

So, you say that it's been a whole year since you completed that flight test program and have been flying to parts unknown in your plastic

fantastic? Well, time flies and it's time to do your annual condition inspection. Time to brush up. And you applied for and got your inspection authorization, right? Time to brush up on what you need to do a proper condition inspection on your home built .

The EAA has some good information online on this subject. You could start with a recent page that discusses the NPRM (Notice of Proposed Rule Making) on how to earn your repairman's certificate for the light sport category of aircraft.

http://www.sportpilot.org/faq/faq_maintenance.html

The EAA also has a page online that presents a great checklist you can use for inspecting your home built. As it has been pulled from FAR 43 – D, it's also probably a good start for a 100-hour checkout, or for pre-inspecting your Spam can before handing it over to that new A&P your friend recommended.

<http://members.eaa.org/home/homebuilders/operating/inspection.html>

I found this link on an FAA website. It's a PowerPoint presentation advising Inspectors how to handle Home builds. Well worth reading to be sure that your aircraft is up to snuff. Be patient, it takes some time to load, but it's worth the time and bandwidth.

www.faa.gov/fsdo/orl/files/pp/exper-ia.ppt

Finally, here's a brief article from a tech counselor from Chapter 170 on how to work with an AP and also a discussion on major changes you may have made to the design of your aircraft. No 337s here. Note that there are differences in what maintenance you can do if you are the builder of the aircraft, or if you have purchased it.

http://www.geocities.com/eaal70/techc/hb_maint.html

Learning to Fly on the Discovery Channel

Beginning April 28, television viewers can discover the joy and accomplishment of becoming a pilot through the new "Learning to Fly" series created for the Discovery Wings Channel by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and its affiliate, the National Association of Flight Instructors (NAFI).

May 2, with one new episode aired each evening at 8 p.m. (EDT). Each episode will then be repeated at 11p.m., 4a.m., and 7a.m., noon and 3 p.m. during the next 24 hours.

For more information go to: www.eaa.org

Five original episodes will premiere April 28-

Young Eagles

Carlo Treves

The following dates are tentative Young Eagle flight dates. Please check with me, or check on line as the dates get closer.

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Date	Location	Airport	Special Event	Status
May 3rd	South County	Q99	Fly-in	In planning
June 14th	Moffett Field		International YE Day	Pending Approval
June 12th	San Jose	RHV		Planning Stages
August 10th	Palo Alto	PAO		Planning
September	San Jose	RHV	Fly-in	YE flights part of fly-in
October	South County	Q99	Fly-in	Part of fly-in

C.A.R.E.

King Schools, in cooperation with a prominent insurance company, has developed a Safety Video, which reviews some of the behaviors, which help explain why pilots can get themselves into trouble. These are worthwhile remembering.

For more information: Practical Risk Management For Pilots: \$49 www.kingschools.com/riskmanagement

Of course they thought up a handy acronym to help remember it: **C.A.R.E.**, which stands for. It might be a good idea to cut these out and carry them with us.

1) **Consequences** [How bad is the situation, and how bad could it get?]

2) **Alternatives** [“You always need them, but as the flight progresses, you have to work harder to make sure you still have some.”]

3) **Reality** [“When something changes, recognize it; don’t deny it. Deal with things as they are — not as they are, on your plan.”]

4) **External pressures** [“As you approach your destination, your incentives to get there go up.”]

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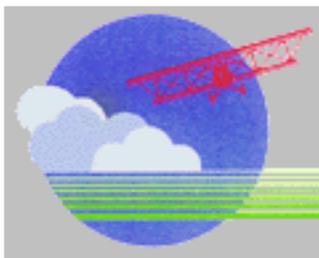
MEMBERS MEETING: THURSDAY MAY 1ST, 2003

BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY MAY 8TH, 2003 7:30 PM RHV

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM

John McMains, Chairman of Wings of History, will be our speaker for the

May 1st chapter meeting.



John will present a brief regional history of aviation in the Bay Area including the early days of Reid-Hillview and other

local airports. John will also provide an update on Wings of History activities and the South County Air Museum.

Our meetings are open to the public. EAA members, their guests, and visitors are always welcome. Chapter 62 usually meets on the 1st Thursday of each month (*except August*), 7:30 PM. at Vern Miller Aviation, 2635 Cunningham Avenue, Reid Hillview Airport (main entrance, on Cunningham Avenue right side of the road).



Hangar Hour

Come meet your fellow EAAer's, make new friends, have some food, and enjoy the camaraderie. Food will be sold from 6:30: to 7:25 during which time you can hangar talk or view various 'How To' videos. The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 PM, with 10 minutes of announcements, 10 minutes of "open mike," and 10 minutes for the coffee break. The program starts promptly at 8:00PM.

