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Calendar of Events

Thursday, May 7, 2009

General Meeting

6:30pm – Hangar Flying, with the best hot dog dinner in town.

7:30pm - Meeting

Guest Speaker: Bill Randolph - Around the World in a RV8

Thursday, May 14, 2009

Board Meeting

7:30 PM in the conference room in the Terminal at Reid-Hillview Airport

Upcoming Speakers

June 4, 2009

Hank Huddlestrom will talk about "Sixty-three years of Building & Aviating"

Where Do We Meet

Victory Aviation
2502 John Montgomery Drive
Reid Hillview Airport
San Jose, CA 95148

Newsletter Deadline

Articles need to be submitted by the 15th of the month to be included in the next newsletter

Mt. Pleasant High School visits Reid Hillview and EAA 62

By Ron Carmicheal



On March 6, several members of Chapter 62 made a presentation to the science class of Mr. Lance Howard. Ron Carmichael had spoken to Lance about having some of his students put in applications for the Air Academy scholarships for this year's Air Venture in Oshkosh, Wis. Two other goals were to (1) establish a connection between the school and their neighborhood airport, RHV and (2) give out info on our Young Eagles program under the guidance of member Russ Todd. We "presenters" had a great time and the classes were very polite and receptive. The "presenters" were Andy Werback, Terri Gorman, Russ Todd and Ron Carmichael. Ron spoke about the importance of getting to know Reid Hillview and how we adults in Chapter 62 can all be mentors to help the students get more familiar with opportunities at this wonderful resource - only blocks away. He also showed a short video on Air Venture, showed slides of past Air Academy activity and went over the application process. Next, Russ Todd provided the students with an exciting example of model aviation involvement by demonstrating his R/C electric model with Ron holding it while walking around the class as Russ controlled the RPM. Exciting stuff for this age group of 15-16 year olds. Andy Werback then provided some terrific slides of his Lancair and the building process. To no one's surprise, the students were equally interested in Andy's description of how he got into aviation via Skydiving!! Finally, Terri Gorman, our past president of the Chapter



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Upcoming Speakers continued

July 2, 2009

Bryan and Sherrie Wood will talk about Flying their RV9A to the Bahamas

August 13, 2009

Chapter members will reports on their AirVenture experience

September 3, 2009

Dave Saylor, RV owner-builder, owner of AirCrafters at Watsonville

October 1, 2009

Lee Behel, Lancair Pilot, flying at the Reno Air Races

November 5, 2009

Jay Skovbjerg, will be talking about flying Solo to Alaska in a Cozy III

December 2009

To be announced

Young Eagles Events

Jun 27, 2009

Young Eagles at Moffett Field. This event is subject to NASA approval. This is a special



event and we could have over 200 kids to fly. Please sign up as soon as possible.

Jul 18, 2009

Young Eagles at Reid-Hillview

Aug 8, 2009

Young Eagles at Reid-Hillview This event is in conjunction with Kids Take Flight.

Sep 12, 2009

Young Eagles in Palo Alto This is the tentative date for the Palo Alto Airport Day.

Oct 17, 2009

Young Eagles in South County This is the final Young Eagles event for the year.

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gave a very encouraging talk to the girls in the class - explaining the '99s and her own accomplishment of getting her pilot's license with her son as CFI.



To say it was a success would be an understatement! Afterward, Lance took us over to see the Industrial Arts Shop and the teacher there. He was excited and wanted to hear from all of the EAA62 presenters as to what they fly, etc.

Lance got his very first airplane ride March 13 when he and Ron went up in Aerodynamic Aviation's Skyhawk N61637.

March 17, Lance (Science) and

Vic Hageman (Industrial Arts) brought 20 students to RHV for a tour of the tower. Lack of school funding for substitute teachers reduced the number from the original 65. Ron Carmichael lined up Aerodynamic Aviation (thanks to Zdravko Podolski) and Nice Air (thanks to Hiro Takai) so students could tour the two flight schools. Jarod Flohr (CFII, aerobatics) and Jennifer Koenig (recent San Jose Aviation Dept. graduate) gave a great intro on "tail draggers"/aerobatics to the students at Aerodynamic. Phil Obey (CFII, Multi) at Nice Air opened up a 172 for everyone to inspect plus unbuttoned a multi engine to show the engine parts to the group.



After this, the groups rotated to a tour of the tower led by Bob Kindlund - thanks Bob for use of your van - and then on to Victory Hangar to see Andy Werback's Lancair project and Rusty Wells' Cessna 182RG. Russ Todd, Wolfgang Polak, Rusty Wells and John Castner did a great job monitoring the groups and giving short "ground schools" in the Terminal

Conference Room. Both teachers from Mt. Pleasant want to continue their contact with EAA62/RHV for next year and beyond. They will be attending our Young Eagles events and Vic wants to have his students do some metal work associated with aviation in his shop class next year. Members who have ideas for shop projects please contact Ron. We encourage all



members to get involved with our local high schools as we continue to help teachers and students share in our passion for aviation. Schools, teachers and students need our help. It's a "win win" situation! Contact Ron at 408-772-7745 if interested in helping out. We're looking toward visiting Overfelt and Silver Creek High Schools in the near future.

President's Column

By Andy Werback

Greetings, Members and Visitors. We must have had a lot of good publicity about this evening, as there were many new and several repeat visitors – You probably know Brian Stout (former member), aerobatic enthusiast, and Bob Mackey, a person of many talents. Jim Jensen and Sue Rohweder, flying enthusiasts from the RHV tower staff. Also, Bob Fortune, who is interested in flying and Lionel Figueroa, from West Valley Flying Club. Welcome everybody. Everybody enjoyed meeting Todd Whitmer and hearing his talk about acrobatic flying. He's a local pilot who has progressed to some pretty serious acrobatic competition with his Zivko Edge 540T. By the way, wouldn't this be a great presentation for Oshkosh? Todd also donated a ride in his 540, which was won by Bob Mackey via silent auction. Thank you Todd! And thanks to Bob and everybody who put in a bid. The proceeds of course go to the education fund. Have Fun, Bob!! We'll expect a complete report and a video. Thank you all for taking part in the raffle, and I hope you won something. The donations will help the educational fund. And thanks, Terri for organizing the raffle. Speaking of money, we do now and then spend some. As you know, most of the an M-14P radial engine). The museum has a large and fairly unique collection of flying airplanes, and a special section on the USS Enterprise, CV-6. Highly recommended - www.planesoffame.org for more info. The weather, by the way, was clear, but with



strong tailwinds out of the south/east, so we made good time except for the bumps coming over the mountains.

In the Right Seat

By Terri Gorman

Many thanks to our members who participated in our chapter raffle in support of the Nick Nilmeyer Education Fund which netted around \$300.00. Our April Guest Speaker, Todd Whitmer, donated a flight in his Edge 540t and the winner of that flight was Bob Mackey who had the highest bid at \$200.00. Thanks, Todd, for your great presentation and for donating the flight. Both Todd and Bob are tenants at Reid Hillview Airport.



Bob Mackey flies a blue Lancair.

Our guest speaker for May will be Bill Randolph who built an RV8 in 2004 and flew it solo around the world in 2005 at the age of 76. Bill is a member of EAA Chapter 119 at Watsonville. He learned to fly in 1946 upon discharge from the Navy.



Bill Randolph, Pilot/Owner/Builder RV8

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April Meeting Photos



Rusty and Randy prepare another meal



Don talks up the members



Andy talks about the Chapter



Russ and one of our senior members



Sue and Jim from the RHV Tower



Todd talks about aerobatics



Todd's Edge 540T



Edge cockpit



The crowd listens



Windows below the wing



Whats it like in the box



Terri give Todd a Certificate of Appreciation

Membership Notes

By Don Von Raesfeld, Jr.

This month we welcome new member Mansfield Garrett and returning member Larry Reed. Both joined our Chapter last month. Mansfield, who goes by Gary, is flying a Lancair 4PT which he built and a Cessna 182 which he has owned since 1986. He is also currently building a Taylor Titch. Welcome to the chapter, Gary.



Many of you know of Larry Reed who has been a member of this chapter and is a past President. He teaches ground school at Aerodynamic Aviation. He also purchased a 1949 Aeronca 7EC last year which he planned on rebuilding at RHV and home. He is also leading an effort to bring a Young Eagles event at Moffett Field this summer. Welcome back, Larry.

As of March 14th 2009, we have 75 members in our chapter. Of those 75 members, 56 have paid their dues through 12-31-2009. One member, Don Schwab who lives in Sacramento, is paid up through 12-31-2010. Thank you Don. Thank you to all the members who have renewed for this year. Those of you who have not yet renewed can do so by going on-line and paying with PayPal or sending a check made out to "EAA Chapter 62" to my home address. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call or e-mail me.

Remember guests are always welcome at all of our events. Please invite your fellow aviators and any friends who have an interest in aviation to our meetings. Terri, our Vice-President has great speakers lined up for our meetings. Andy, our President, is still offering a ride in his Lancair Legacy FG to any member who signs up a new member. Thank you Andy.

Hope to see you all at the next meeting April 2, 2009.

Don Von Raesfeld, Jr.

Membership Chairman

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General Meeting: Thursday, May 2, 2009

Board Meeting: Thursday, May 9, 2009

May Speaker: Bill Randolph - Around the World in a RV-8

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 (the 2nd Thursday in August), at 7:30 PM. at Victory Aviation, Reid Hillview Airport, 2502 John Montgomery Drive, San Jose, CA 95148.

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 fly." The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 PM.

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