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RAMP RAT VP - RAE - EDITOR 415/825-4211 PROGRAM - George Perriera on his designs - the Osprey and the GP-4. As anyone who has seen George's Osprey knows, he is a fantastic designer/builder. Unless you were lucky enough to be at Oshkosh 84' or even 'luckier' to be out and around when George had the GP-4 out for 'airing', you have missed a beautiful new concept. His designs are both fine examples of excellence in the experimental field......... gorgeous machines! The evening will be well worth the time of anyone interested in the future of aviation (Experimental Aircraft, obviously!) and George has established a track record as a very educational, informative, interesting and entertaining speaker. This is a 'DON'T MISS'!!!!!

FLIGHT OF EAGLES - information and registration forms will be available at the March meeting....note that this year, there is a flight to MECCA departing Oakland...total cost for the flight, 6 nights and 7 days in Oshkosh (July 26 - August 1) is \$419.00 - - take it from your Editor, you can not do it for that in your own bird!

Travis Museum Fly-in: 35 people signed up - a date and further plans will be discussed at the March meeting....

Rich Powell attended the Voyager meeting in Santa Rosa on March 1st....and returned with sincere 'Thanks' from Dick Rutan for our chapter contribution to the project.... more from Rich at the meeting.....

Pope Valley: last year was wonderful...every single member who attended raved about it! However, the Alumbaugh's worked <u>VERY</u> hard, doing all the work. This year we'll need help getting ready....so we've planned work party weekends on May 11th and 18th. It will be fun fresh airing it to get ready....the more <u>volunteers</u>, the merrier. Please contact Rich Kelley, Rob Cook, Kay Smith or Norm Alumbaugh.

I'm sure just about everyone saw the recent newspaper photo of the mechanic standing in the sun-roof of a moving car to pull the gear down on an aircraft in big trouble. I don't know what he makes, but he's under paid!

We'll be having a report on the proposed new building at the meeting....things are progressing to a degree. We'll see....

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"Grandma likes to travel by train 'cause their landing gears are always down."





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A LOCAL CHAPTER OF THE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION, INC.

GENERAL MEETING February 27, 1985

The monthly general meeting was opened by President Dick White at 7:40. There were 55 present. Dick reviewed front counter mail, some items in other newsletters, an update on the airport situation at Henry Coe State Park. Minutes from January meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter, treasurer's report given and approved. Dick had a large number of membership cards to hand out to newly paid-up members and reminded those that have not paid their dues to please do so (if you have received a statement). There was no report from either the Airport Advisory Committee or California Aviation Council members (not present) but Rich Powell mentioned we have the latest newsletter from the CAC available at the front desk at every meeting. Rich Kelly's library project update - check out cards for the publications made and available but still more or less looking for a home - place where the library is most accessible with minimum of hassle. An index for articles in past Sport Aviation issues is available and it was suggested we look into cost for the club to acquire the index. A sign-up sheet went around the room to organize work parties for the Pope Valley fly-in on June 1 & 2. Graves reported the next meeting about the proposed multipurpose airport building was coming up on May 7. Introductions were followed by a coffee break, and a two-stage program. Carlos Amspoker, ex-F-4U Corsair pilot gave a compact course in formation flying, and Lou Ellis, CFII, brought us up to date about some of the basics required these days for a Biennial Flight Review. Both excellent talks given by long-time members! Adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Rich Powell, Secretary

\*\*OSHKOSH 84' VIDEO\*\* Chapter #393 owns the Oshkosh video and it is available for rent... \$1 per night or \$2 per weekend. Secretary/Treasurer Rich Powell is the keeper of the tape and it is available at Rich's office: Hilltop Optical, 1855 San Miguel Drive, Walnut Creek. Call Rich at 935-8822 during business hours to make arrangements......

# EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER #393

#### 1985 CALENDAR

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2nd Wednesday of every month -President Dick White's home 301 David Drive, Alamo All members welcome - 7:30 p.m. CHAPTER MEETINGS 4th Wednesday of

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Buchanan Field Terminal Building
Bring chairs - Bring chairs - Bring chairs!

**EVERYONE** is Welcome

APRIL

Board: April 10th

Chapter: April 24th - Tim Roberts on Safety and Health Hazards of Homebuilding.

Activities: Shafter Warbirds in Action, Fly-in/Airshow, April 27-28.

MAY

Board: May 8th

Chapter: Pope Valley Fly-in! Chairpilots are Rich Kelley, Rob Cook and ???

Scheduled for June 1 & 2 - a GREAT time was had by one and all last year!!!

Activities: Columbia Luscombe Fly-in - May 17-19

Nut Tree Swap Meet - May 19

Watsonville Fly-in/Airshow - May 24-26

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JUNE

Board: June 12th

Chapter: June 26th - Oshkosh 1984 Video.

Activities: Merced Fly-in/Airshow - June 7-9 - THE BEST IN THE WEST!

Columbia Fly-in - June 15-16 - a laid back good time. CAFE 400 - June 21-22 - The FASTEST in the west.

Truckee Fly-in/Good Guys Airshow - June 22-23 - 'party time'.

JULY

Board: July 10th

Chapter: PRE-OSHKOSH PICNIC - JULY 17th (one week early) - Sasha has again volunteered to Chairpilot the bash and Dwain promises to assist...with a team like that, we can't loose! We need AT LEAST 5 chili cookers so

a team like that, we can't loose! We need AT LEAST 5 chili cookers so we don't run out AGAIN - please call Sasha or Dwain. Also, for a little extra 'entertainment', the 'SPY' tells me that Norm Spitzer has promised

to groundloop his Glasair.....

Activities: Hollister Fly-in - July ? (anyone know when?)

OSHKOSH - July 26 through August 2 - if you have not made your pilgrimage to MECCA, this is a MUST! Some of us have little chance anyway, but you will never make it to Heaven if you have not been to Mecca first -

this IS Heaven!!!!

**AUGUST** 

Board: August 14th

Chapter: August 28th - Fred Harris on the flying wing - moved from January as

Fred had the bug.

Activities: Abbotsford B.C. Airshow - August 9-11

Cloverdale Fly-in - August 17-18

Georgetown Superchicken Fly-in - August 31 - September 1

SEPTEMBER

Board: September 11th

Chapter: September 25th - \*\*SEE BELOW\*\*

Activities: Reno Air Races - September 12-15

OCTOBER

Board: October 9th

Chapter: October 23rd - \*\*SEE BELOW\*\*

Activities: Rio Vista Fly-in???? October 5-6????

There has been some beautiful spring flying weather of late, but, your President hasn't been taking advantage of it - unfortunately! Right after the New Year, I got started on what was to be a quick 'Top Overhaul' to the homestead - (so I could spend the appropriate amount of time aviating in 1985). Guess what? The 'top overhaul' turned into a 'major' - sound familiar? However, I now can see the light at the end of the tunnel and will soon trade this foolishness for something proper - like work on the Glasair and flying! The inside of the house is now all redecorated and painted. I'm on my 20th gallon of paint on the outside - about 15 gallons more and the nightmare will be behind me. Meanwhile, I hope all of you are spending your time more wisely -- with flying activities.

Don't forget, Pope Valley is coming up soon and we need some volunteers. Talk to Rich Kelley, Rob Cook or Kay Smith. See you at the Chapter meeting on Wednesday the 27th. We have an excellent program planned with George Perriera...it should be a very interesting evening. Next month, I'll be back with it!

Dick White, President

### \*\*LUSTED AFTER\*\*FOR SALE\*\*NEEDED\*\*PIPE DREAMS\*\*GOTTA' HAVE\*\*GARAGE SALE\*\*WHATEVER\*\*

FOR SALE: C-85 Continental with everything! 712 SMOH - attached to a wingless Ercoupe - don't ask why! Nav-com, ELT and the usual panel stuff. Call Ray Forsberg at 415/839-9777 (work) or 415/835-3260 (home)

FOR SALE: Marvel Scheibler HA6 Carburetor - side draft - 40 hours since new - call #393 Chapter Pres. Dick White 415/837-2874

FOR SALE: Quicksilver Ultralight - with tricycle and floats - call Pete Wiebens 415/933-7517 or 415/687-0937

FOR RENT: ½ of a small hangar/shop on Buchanan Field - call Rick Lambert 415/689-3168

WANTED: Continental A-65 for Aeronca KCA - call Bette Davis 415/881-8118 days only.

FOR SALE: Low time Tomahawk - \$5,000 - call Navajo Aviation 415/685-1150

FOR SALE: Aircraft trailer - call Bob Gonzales 415/798-5100

FOR SALE: Quickie kit - still in the box with 18 hp Onan engine - call Jan Switalski 415/228-6399

FOR RENT: East ramp tiedown between hangars D and E (experimental row) - available for appx. 2 to 3 months - call Larry Laughlin 415/758-3532

FOR SALE: Partially completed Q-2 - call Don/Peggy Beasley 415/432-9139

FOR SALE: BD-5 plans, parts, jigs & whatever - call Peter Draper 415/671-7423

FOR SALE: 0-290 Lycoming O SMOH
FOR RENT: Hangar at Oakland Airport - call Jordan Coonrad 415/769-9766

FOR SALE: Canopy lift gas cylinder for Glasair/Long Eze or whatever \$20 - Wheel covers for 5 inch Clevelands - \$10 per pair - call Russ Giffin 415/935-2887

HERE WE GO AGAIN: if you have something (legal) you would like to sell, give away, find, steal, beg, borrow, loan or whatever, let any officer know BY the second Wednesday of any month and we'll run your ad - - - as long as it isn't of a commercial nature or obscene. Also (again), how about letting your editor or someone know when you no longer need the ad - they now run for three or four months (give or take) and float off into oblivion.....

NOVEMBER

Board: November 13th

Chapter: November 27th - \*\* SEE BELOW \*\*

DECEMBER

Board: December 11th

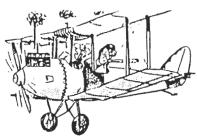
Chapter: CHRISTMAS DINNER/AWARDS BANQUET - Friday, December 13, 1985 - \*Concord Elks Club - Rich Powell and Kay Smith are Co-chairpilots.

\*\*BELOW\*\* (this is it)

For the empty spaces: John McCombs has been a little busy playing 'haus-frau' - wife Betty took a nasty spill on the golf course and broke a leg....best wishes for a speedy recovery. Anyway, John has been a little short on time to contact the Walnut Creek attorney who flew the Ultralight coast to coast. Heidi (who flew the 182 alone almost across the drink) has been out of town. We're expecting a report from Carlos on his success in scheduling our Aerodrome manager shortly....anyway, we'll soon have the empty spots in the program filled with interesting and exciting speakers!

\*\*\*SPY IN THE SKY\*\* (Sees all, knows all and has been thinking about telling MORE!)

I've been out at our Aerodrome quite a bit lately....isn't it funny how when the weather is unflyable, air oriented folks spend an unusual amount of time spilling the beans on each other...... the juiciest tidbits of gossip have floated past my usually less than totally discreet little lobes....



I have been told that it is customary for 'Bird Types' to throw a large bash and invite all their friends (who are <u>always</u> astounded they have survived!) when a milestone (such as 10,000 hours?) has been reached. Rumors have been 'flying' forever and ever and ever.....as have excuses, excuses! Also, a combination hours/first flight party? Is that legal? Promises, promises, promises......

I hear Editor 'Ramp Rat' has begun dying her hair to cover the grey acquired on a recent Sunday experience.....guess the throttle separating from its other ends would get your attention rather quickly! Your SPY has photographs for sale....of many wise members south ends waving in the breeze while the north end was buried under the cowl checking cables.

From \$2 to \$8 to \$30????? I suppose we should be saving the grocery money folks..... at this rate, ramp passes will require a mortgage in the not to distant future. It is difficult to understand the 'necessity' of this increase. It has been explained as necessary to keep unauthorized people off the ramp and to keep those of us who have a right to be on the ramp from buying several passes to hand out to our friends! Doesn't seem reasonable (or rational) to me.....how about you?

For anyone who has not been around our home away from home recently, our 'Fearless Leader' has been among the missing....and the family Glasair/Acro have become 'Ramp Queens'....they have probably forgotten how to fly! From a reliable source, your SPY has learned that the Prez has really been earning his 'Honey, Do....' points by singlehandedly (?) doing a vast remodel/repaint job on the old homestead! With all this experience, he'll probably be available at reasonable rates....

Happy CAVU!

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