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CHAPTER MEETING

The July meeting will be a picnic on Saturday, July 18, 1998, beginning at 11:30 AM, at the airport in the lawn area between Navajo and Budget Rent-a-car. The Chapter will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, soft drinks, paper plates plastic knives, forks and spoons. For the rest, (baked beans, potato salad, green salads, chips, and desserts, etc.) it is pot luck. Bring enough of one of your favorites to serve 8 people. If you want to sit in a chair, you must bring your own. There are no seats in this lawn area. Trust us! It will all work out! There will be no regular speaker meeting in July.

FOR THOSE FLYING TO OSHKOSH:

Ron Robinson has received a 24 minute video which covers the arrival procedures at Oshkosh. He says that it is very informative. You can borrow it by calling Ron any evening at 228-3720. If you don't get around to that, you can phone EAA at 1 800 -564-6322 for arrival instructions. Fly safely, have fun, and tell us all about it with your pictures at the August meeting

BE HEREBY WARNED II:

If you make any significant modification of your homebuilt after FAA Certification, the FAA can ground your plane, you can lose your insurance coverage, and you can be personally liable for damages. This was the holding of a recent Court decision. Lawyers say that you may avoid these consequences by writing a letter to FAA on your own volition advising FAA of the changes, and by keeping a copy in your possession. Lyle Powell sent a 6 page letter to FAA in Oakland about his modifications. A FAA rep phoned Lyle and was apparently pleased about Lyle's notification. He did not reply in writing, so Lyle recommends making a detailed note in your log about the return call and the content. A major modification, like installing a larger engine, requires formal recertification, but Bob Belshe got prompt cooperation from Oakland FAA for his recent recertification.

Brian Murphy donated the use of a tent for the Young Eagle's event on June 27. Thank you Brian!
Flash! **Fred Egli's** beautiful Lancair IV has flown. Congratulations Fred. You have set a standard of excellence!!

CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 24, 1998:

Vice President Scott Achelis presided since Ron Robinson was in Texas on a business trip. The speaker was Nubar Deombeleg, volunteer editor of the California Pilot's Association Newsletter. He told us of the activities of the Association in protecting us from the unremitting assaults from developers, cities, and noise complainers. He urged every single pilot to join. The dues are only \$20 per year. The Association protects us in California and is needed because the resources of EAA and AOPA are too limited to perform to meet each California threat to pilots. See below for a full summary of details about the Association.

The minutes of the meeting of May 27 were approved.

Ken McKenzie reported that the Golden West Fly In was 3 months away, was mostly on track, and was under control. All of the major exhibitors will be there. There will be a separate area for Ultra lights.

Duane Allen will be actively involved in the Young Eagle's flights for Saturday June 27.

Dick Rihn has just installed an EIS engine information system in his One Design, and likes the one he has in his other plane.

Linda McKenzie is busy keeping books and paper work in order for Golden West.

Charles Adkins is on the Board of Golden West and is receiving chemotherapy for a lung tumor.

Harry Heckman has been cleared to solo in his Lancair 290.

Don O'Neill is working on his Kit Fox Vixen.

Don Baldwin cranked up his Teeny Two for the taxi to the display on Fathers Day.

Lyle Powell made two trips to Southern California in his Glasair III, recently. He also highly recommended the booklet on fundamentals of plane design written by Eric Ahlstrom, CEO of Applied Force Engineering of Fremont. It is available for the asking. Ahlstrom is the developer of the Av Star.

Bob Belshe is happily flying his Lancair 235-320, with its new Lycon engine with 9 and 1/2 to 1

compression ratio developing 190 HP. He gets much more speed and 500 to 600 feet more in climb.

Pete Wieben flew some guests to Yakima in a rented club plane.

Tim Glenn now has 110 hours on his Kitfox.

Tracy Peters is so busy with #393 activities, that he has little time to work on his RV-6 or to fly his Warrior.

Phil Jenkins is flying his Glasair II.

Keith Martz, is flying his Comanche and reported about good food and lodging and poor fishing in Mexico. His recommendation is to enter and leave via Calexico.

Rick Lambert is working on his 4 place amphibian and has the fuselage out of the mold.

Doug Page is bolting on the wings to his RV-6A.

Louie Goodell is looking like his old self after his 4-way heart surgery last month

A WAY TO GO TO OSHKOSH AND SEE THE COUNTRY!!!!

Don Baldwin is again driving to Oshkosh and towing his 24 foot travel trailer with his Suburban. He has room for two more. The cost will be about \$500 which can cover everything if one is on a tight budget. The trip takes two full weeks, Sunday to Sunday. Three are committed so far and Don has room for one or two more. Don asks that each person take a two-hour driving turn. Sign up soon! Call Don at 685-1639

BOARD MEETING:

A Board meeting was held on Tuesday July 7. Attending were President Ron Robinson, Vice President Scott Achelis, and Newsletter Editor Doug Page. We made arrangements for the July 18 picnic, and we discussed possible future programs. The Board would welcome members at these Board Meetings and would welcome any input anyone has to make the Chapter meet the needs and wants of the Members.

THERE WILL NOT BE THE USUAL FLY-OUT IN JULY. MEMBERS ARE URGED TO MAKE INFORMAL ARRANGEMENTS ON THEIR OWN

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF JUNE 10, 1998

Bank Balance	Checking	\$1896.29
	Savings	\$3032.15
		<u>\$4928.44</u>

LOUIE REMINDS US THAT DUES OF \$20 ARE NOW PAST DUE. Please pay now so that you will not be removed from the mailing list of this brilliant newsletter.

Make checks payable to EAA Chapter 393 and mail to EAA Chapter 393, PO Box 27275, Concord, CA 94527.

EAA # 393 WAS WELL REPRESENTED AT THE BUCHANAN OPEN HOUSE ON JUNE 21

Gerry Greth did an entertaining and professional sounding job as announcer.

The following 15 owners and planes were on display:

Ron Robinson, Glasair IRG

Lou Ellis, Glasair IRG

Dick Rihn, Pitts S-1T

Bruce Seguire, Swift

Phil Jenkins, Glasair IRG

Bob Decker, Glasair I

Pete Wieben, Glasair III

Lyle Powell, Glasair III

Fred Egli, Glasair IV

Scott Achelis, RV-6A

Chris Kenyon, RV-6

Bob Belshe, Lancair 320

Bill Madden, KIS TR-2

Tim Glenn, Kitfox V

Don Baldwin, Teeny Two

Tracy and Pat Peters spent a long and productive day at the booth signing up Young Eagles

SOAP BOX EDITORIAL VII

I am going to join the California Pilots Association. The dues are only \$20 per year.

I am attaching the data sheet and the membership application below. I urge each member of #393 to join also.

CALENDAR

July 18 11:30 AM Chapter picnic meeting

July 29-August 4 Oshkosh

August 1 10AM usual board meeting at Ron's hanger

August 26 7:30PM Regular #393 meeting

September 25-27 Golden West Fly In, Castle Field

Dec 13 Chapter 393 Annual Christmas party at Petar's.

WHO ARE THE MEMBERS OF CHAPTER 393?

So far, most members have been shy about responding, and this section may therefore, not be continued for long.) Here is what came in this month: Zip! Nothing!!

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Items for sale by club members may be placed in this newsletter for **FREE!** *Please submit your **FOR SALE** items to me in writing no later than the 14th of the month.*

For Sale (or rent)

From: "David Glenn" <daveglenn@earthlink.net>

To: <dougpage@earthlink.net>

I have about 50 lengths of shelving material, 8ft x 18inches x 1inch, available to anyone willing to haul it away. It is 1inch subfloor particle board, already cut into strips. Call Tim Glenn at 925-299-8745 for further information.

According to Scott Achelis, via Chris Kenyon, Rick Young wants to sell his well equipped RV-6 For \$55,000. Rick Young 520 474 4747

A THANK YOU LETTER FOR FLYING YOUNG EAGLES

Subject: many thanks to you and your organization
Date: Sun, 28 Jun 1998 19:30:19 EDT
From: BluFlier@aol.com
To: aerosol@pacbell.net

Dear Duane and Lisle,

I took three happy and excited young boys home from their flights with pilots of your EEA organization. I was very impressed with how they [pilots] handled the young people and I don't mean just my grand kids. They never talked down to them, ~~but to them~~ while showing lots of patience, especially with young ones.

I spoke to my daughter last night and the three of them were still excited while comparing notes with each other about their respective flights and it seems they each felt that they had the best pilot. I don't think they will forget the day they had their first flight in a small plane with the opportunity to handle the controls etc., I know I have never forgotten mine.

I've felt so sorry that I'm not flying anymore and was not the one to introduce them to some of wonders of the sky, but if someone was to do it, I feel fortunate that there were people like you and your organization out there to pinch hit for me. Thank you all for that. You hit 3 homeruns.

Keep up the outstanding work you're doing, so that the other young people out there will have the same opportunities my grandsons did.

So here's to lots of CAVU flying for all of you on the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Paul Morton

California Pilots Association

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1. **What is the California Pilots Association?** It is the only statewide pilot organization in California, a grass-roots nonprofit 501(c)3 corporation a member-elected board of officers and directors, with a membership composed of pilots, aviation organizations and businesses. CPA also has a Pilot-PAC to raise funds for direct support of friendly legislators and legislation in Sacramento (PAC contributions are not tax-exempt under
2. **What does CPA do?** We do what you would expect a statewide pilot organization should do - represent the interests of aviation and pilots; the main thing we do in California is defend airports. How?
 - We monitor legislation in Sacramento.
 - Testify before local and state legislative bodies.
 - File lawsuits when a city or county does something inconsistent with or federal law or regulations, that threatens an airport.
 - Sponsor a Political Action Committee (PAC) to support friendly legislation.
 - Publish the monthly newsletter, CALIFORNIA PILOT.
3. **Why do you need the CPA?**
 - a. **We (you and I) are losing airports** - more than 1 a week nationally, and 1 every six months in California. All over the country airports are under increasing attack from neighbors and developers.
 - b. **Name some of the airports** that have been closed in California. (You name them? (Antioch, Fremont, Santa Cruz Skypark, San Air Center, just in this area alone.)
 - c. **Name the airports CPA has defended**, or is now involved in defending (Modesto, Bakersfield Airpark, Westover Field, Pearce (Clear Lake), Brawley, Reid-Hillview, Hayward, Chico, Auburn, Napa, Math South Lake Tahoe, Santa Maria, Fullerton, Torrance, Brown Field, San Luis Obispo, Sierraville.)
 - d. **When is it going to stop?** When there are no airports left, or when pilots take it seriously enough to join together in sufficient numbers to have the clout it takes to do the job.
4. **I belong to AOPA and EAA. Isn't that enough?**
 - a. These are both great national organizations, but neither has the resources to defend airports all over the country. AOPA can only do this on a very selective basis, with high visibility precedent-setting cases (such as RHV).
5. **Nothing's happening at my airport, why should I care?** If you don't care eventually the chickens will come home to roost at your airport. If you think this can happen, just look at what's growing around your airport.
6. **Membership.** CPA has 1100 individual members (out of a state population of about 78,000 pilots), and about 50 organizations such as EAA chapter airport associations and pilot clubs. Members comprise a statewide network of airport representatives and district coordinators to monitor airports.
7. **There are three ways you can help:** support CPA's activities with your membership dues of only \$20 a year; become an active member of our statewide team working to save airports; or contribute to the Pilot-PAC

You can join CPA by completing a simple application, or by calling 1-800-244-1949. Use your credit card, or send a check with your application.

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