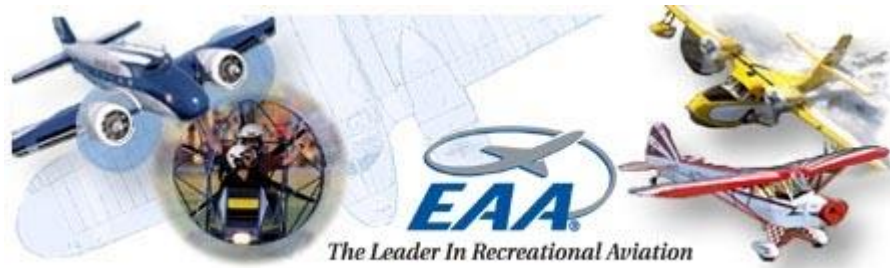


200 Buchanan Field Road, Buchanan Field, Concord, California



MARCH *** 2020

NEWSLETTER



RECENT EVENTS:

The board just held its first Zoom meeting on-line on Wednesday evening of April 1, 2020. Meetings will continue this way until further notice.

Upcoming Events:

*Board Meetings
(Starting 4/1/20 meetings on ZOOM)*

Wednesday, May 6th - 7 pm

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Wednesday, June 3rd - 7 pm

General Meeting:

(These meeting dates are the originals prior to the virus, and are not set to occur yet, in person. April 15th will be a test meeting with Zoom to see if it can work for the general meeting a scheduled)

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: April 22nd - 6:30 pm
APRIL 22 WILL BE A ZOOM MEETING !!

Wednesday, May 24th - 6:30pm

Wednesday, June 25th - 6:30 pm

PRESIDENT'S NOTES FOR MARCH
By the Honorable Ron Lem
New President for 2020

Sat, Mar 7 at 3:11 PM

Greetings to All !

I would like to start off by thanking everyone who showed up to honor Bill Bower's at last month's General Meeting. I could tell from the look on Bill's face that he was truly pleased and it was well deserved.

The attendance was 35 which is an excellent number for February, a month which also brought some great flying weather!

The Board meeting started off with Bill O'Brian talking on the subject of the Cleco Newsletter updates. Bill is soliciting pictures from the membership of their aircraft, projects and stories associated with them. On the National level, EAA National is asking for stories related to any of the following:

- Individual pilots making their first trip to Oshkosh
- A community restored aircraft being flown to Oshkosh
- Chapter members mentoring the next generation of aviators
- Chapter veterans with unique stories

Bill commented that he would contact certain members with stories along the above guidelines.

Next up was Treasurer Harvard Holmes with a report that the chapter is in sound financial condition.

Secretary Pete Mitchell who also worked on the Contra Costa County Election staff during last week's primary gave his Secretary's Report

Stephen Tucker and Rose Desmond were present and discussed the Young Eagles Event which is scheduled to be held at Byron on March 21st with the Patriots. Both Rose and Stephen share a great deal of enthusiasm for this year's YE events.

The new email system is up and running after burning some midnight oil with Harvard Holmes. It wasn't actually midnight, but we did finish late into the evening, far beyond my normal bedtime which I will not disclose.

Lucy Hart demonstrated how to sign up for scrip.com. It is quite simple: go to scrip.com and hit sign up! You will be asked a minimum of personal information and a credit card number. Escrip does not ask for the expiration date or the code on the back! That's it. When you go to one of the almost 200 restaurants listed in the directory, use the credit card that you put on file with scrip.com. The chapter will automatically receive a percentage of the bill. To test this program the Board has elected-at its own expense- to have the next Board meeting at a local restaurant.

VMC Coordinator Greg Karamanougian (the first person who can correctly pronounce Greg's last name gets the last cookie at the next General Meeting...!) spoke on the VMC Club. We will have a VMC presentation during the last thirty minutes of the dinner at the General Meeting. I'm hoping that Paul will be able to check in with regards to the IMC club.

Speaker for the General Meeting will be the physical presentation of the Sonex at the clubhouse. This will be followed by Lee Apaca of Team Light Aviation located in Rio Vista. Team Light Aviation specializes in Experimental and Light Sport Aircraft Maintenance and Repair. They are located in Rio Vista.

In regards to the Sonex, the current plan is to tow the aircraft to the Clubhouse for all the members to look at and ask questions about the plane and the building process.

Thanks to Bennett Ashley, we have new postings on Facebook. For those of you who don't have a Facebook account Bennett can post your airplane pictures and videos for you. For those of you already on Facebook you can post your videos, pictures and stories at EAA 393. We appreciate Bennett!

Sacramento Airshow- Discussions continue about the Sacramento Airshow. Current discussions center around what our chapter will do at the airshow. Hot dogs have been a money maker in the past provided they are bought from the right source (read Costco). The logistics are being explored with the idea being that some members (read volunteers) will bring up the supplies while other members (read volunteers!) could fly in and do the preparation and sales. Four hour shifts are being discussed with the need for dedicated volunteers to help with the end of the show when everyone wants to Bogie on outta dere!

This month's General meeting theme is Volunteer Appreciation Night. While this applies specifically to the Young Eagles Volunteers of the past and present and the Sonex Volunteers (Dat's right all youse guys!) If you Volunteer elsewhere i.e. Oshkosh, MDPA please come and hang out.

MARCH 4th BOARD MEETING NOTES

By Secretary Pete Mitchell

President, Ron Lem, Present
Vice-President, Mike Cunningham, Present
Secretary, Pete Mitchel, Present
Treasurer & Tools, Harvard Holmes, Present
Newsletter Editor, Bill O'Brian, Present
Tech Counselor, Peter Friedman, Absent
Tech Counselor, Jim Agua, Absent
Web, Renee Robinson, Absent
YE's Coordinator, Rose Desmond, Present
YE's Coordinator, Stephen Tucker, Present
Dinner Coordinator, Rich Bourgeois, Present
Membership Coordinator, Bennett Ashley, Present
IMC Coordinator, Paul Millner, Absent
Chapter Photographer & VMC, Greg Karamanougian, Present
Smile-Amazon Prime / eScrip, Lucy Hart, Present
Tracy Peters, Club House, Absent
Guy Jones, Present
Guest, Sam Desmond II

President Ron called the meeting to order at 19:00 in the clubhouse great room. Ron raised the question of a dinner price increase. Stephen motioned we poll the membership about increasing our meeting dinner to \$10. MSC

Treasurer – Harvard H Harvard reports \$11,674 in Checking, \$500 in Zelle, \$10,000 in our Academy Fund. A request was made for monthly report of eScrip and Amazon Smile income.

Secretary – Pete M Membership is currently 90 with 12 still- due for 2020.

Young Eagles – Rose & Stephen Our Young Eagles Banner has been ordered, expected this month. Patriot's is ready for our March 21st event. They are prepared to add their YE's to our new Young Eagles Registration website.

E-Mail System – Ron L The new membership email system (goggle, groups.io) is up and working. The Wednesday fly-out email is in development.

Newsletter – Bill O Brian plans on doing member bios. He plans to feature tools that are available for loan to members. Pictures are welcome. The Academy committee has prepared and mailed 20 letters of invitation to eligible female young eagle with a reply deadline of March 15th. National is interested in member bios.

Fund Raising – Lucy H 172 restaurants in the bay area are on the eScrip program, they contribute a 2.5% of receipts to participating non profits. Amazon Smile is a similar program. Bill O will enumerate eScrip & Smile donations in the Cleco. Bennett A motioned we try a board meeting at an eScrip restaurant.

VMC – Greg February’s general meeting ran late, leaving less time for Greg’s VMC program.

General Meeting Speaker – Mike C Our Sonex is scheduled to make an appearance at our March General Meeting. March 25th is young eagles volunteer appreciation night. Lee Apaca will discuss mentoring pilots at Rio Vista.

Building & Facilities – Tracy Peters YE’s banner is due next week, Tracy will email board when it arrives. Tracy has some information for personalizing caps and T shirts. We have Sonex’s permission and logo. He reported garage lock problems to the County. The County has hired an exterminator to control the critter digging under our AstroTurf.

Membership – Bennett A Bill Bower has turned over our Facebook activity to Bennett. Sacramento Airshow Discussion The Sacramento Air Show is scheduled for October 3rd and 4th, this year.

Adjourned 21:00 (MSC) Motion Seconded Carried PJM

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*HERE IS A PICTURE FROM ONE OF OUR WEDNESDAY
FLYOUTS FOR LUNCH TO HALF MOON BAY.*



The following story was in last month's Newsletter, but as editor I decided it should run a second month for a couple of reasons, not the least, that all of us should be very proud of and happy for Kerry and what he has accomplished, and thanks to his wife for the first flight.

***Hey Members, Please welcome the new EAA 393 Private
Pilot, Kerry Curtis!!!!!! Look what one can do in
retirement!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!***

Jan 2016: Introductory flight lesson, 74th birthday present from wife newly recovered from vertigo.

Feb 2016: Joined flying club in Livermore, pursuing Sport certificate, but club loses lease on Cessna 162.

May 2016: EAA friends convince me that (1) PPL is a lot better, (2) best way is to buy plane first.

May-August 2016: Go through process to get Class 3 medical.

Oct 2016: Find right Cessna 150L in Oregon & buy it.

Jan 2017: Plane arrives in Concord after 3-month wait for weather.

2017-2019: Flying lessons mostly with Bill Crouse; knowledge test; find good mechanic Jim Agua; new paint & windows; get hangar.

Feb 2020: Finally get PPL certificate at age 78 (U.S. record oldest = 87).

Wisdom gained:

1. Old people learn slower. 2. "Rote" has four letters but it's a good word, not a swear word like I used to think. 3. Greater humility is required in old age. 4. Persistence pays.



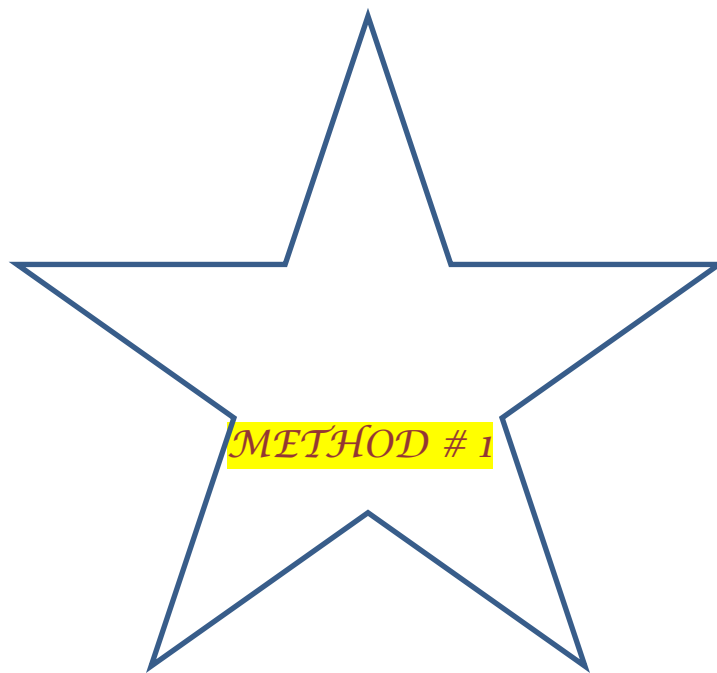


PUT YOUR HANDS TOGETHER FOR KERRY !!!!!!!!!!!!!

AND

TAKE IT HOME, KERRY !!!!!!!!!!!!!

YOU DA MAN !!!!!!!!!!!!!



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS !!!

If you order ANYTHING on AMAZON, PLEASE go instead and sign in to **SMILE.AMAZON** where you sign up to send donations to our EAA chapter 393. Once you sign up, you are done. THEN instead of going to Amazon, you always buy from **SMILE.AMAZON**, and we automatically get the donations. This procedure is AMAZON'S way of contributing to the communities of the USA. Hey, folks, I just checked yesterday, and when I ordered two more items from Smile. Amazon, I had given so far, since signing up, \$143. Basically, that means our household is spending a lot of \$ there, but it sure helps the club.

YOU CAN TOO!!!! JUST SIGN UP, AND DO IT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

AND HERE IS THE NEXT METHOD YOU CAN PAINLESSLY (TO YOUR BANK ACCOUNT) ADD \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ TO OUR CLUB.

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SpoonTonic Lounge, Bar Cava, Center Street Deli & Café, La Veranda Restaurant
and Oke Poke.

*Hey, folks, how about a SHOUT OUT for Miss Lucy for
reaching the club goal of raising \$3,000 for the 2019 year !*

She brought us Smile.Amazon and eSCRIPT.com

*Thank you to our sponsors!
(at various places in NL)*



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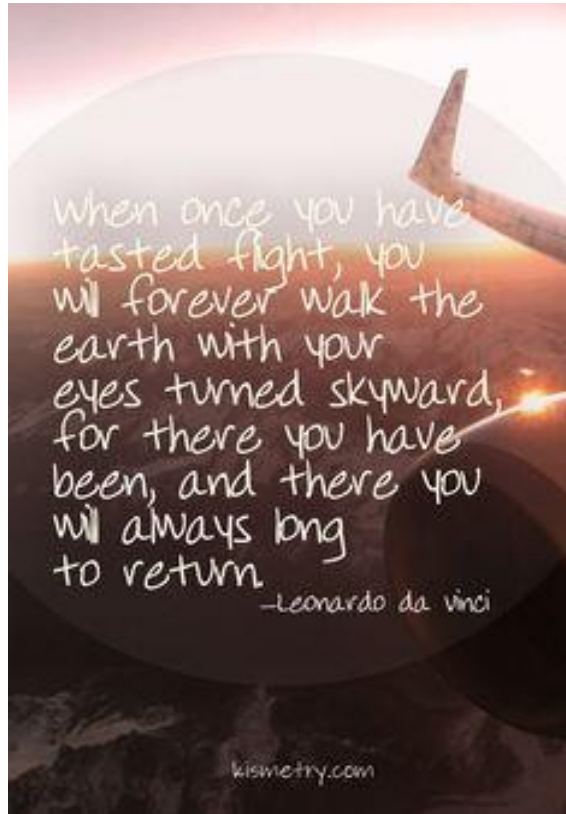
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NEXT YOUNG EAGLES:

At this point we do not know, but will keep you informed.



WANTED!

HANGAR SPACE FOR RENT

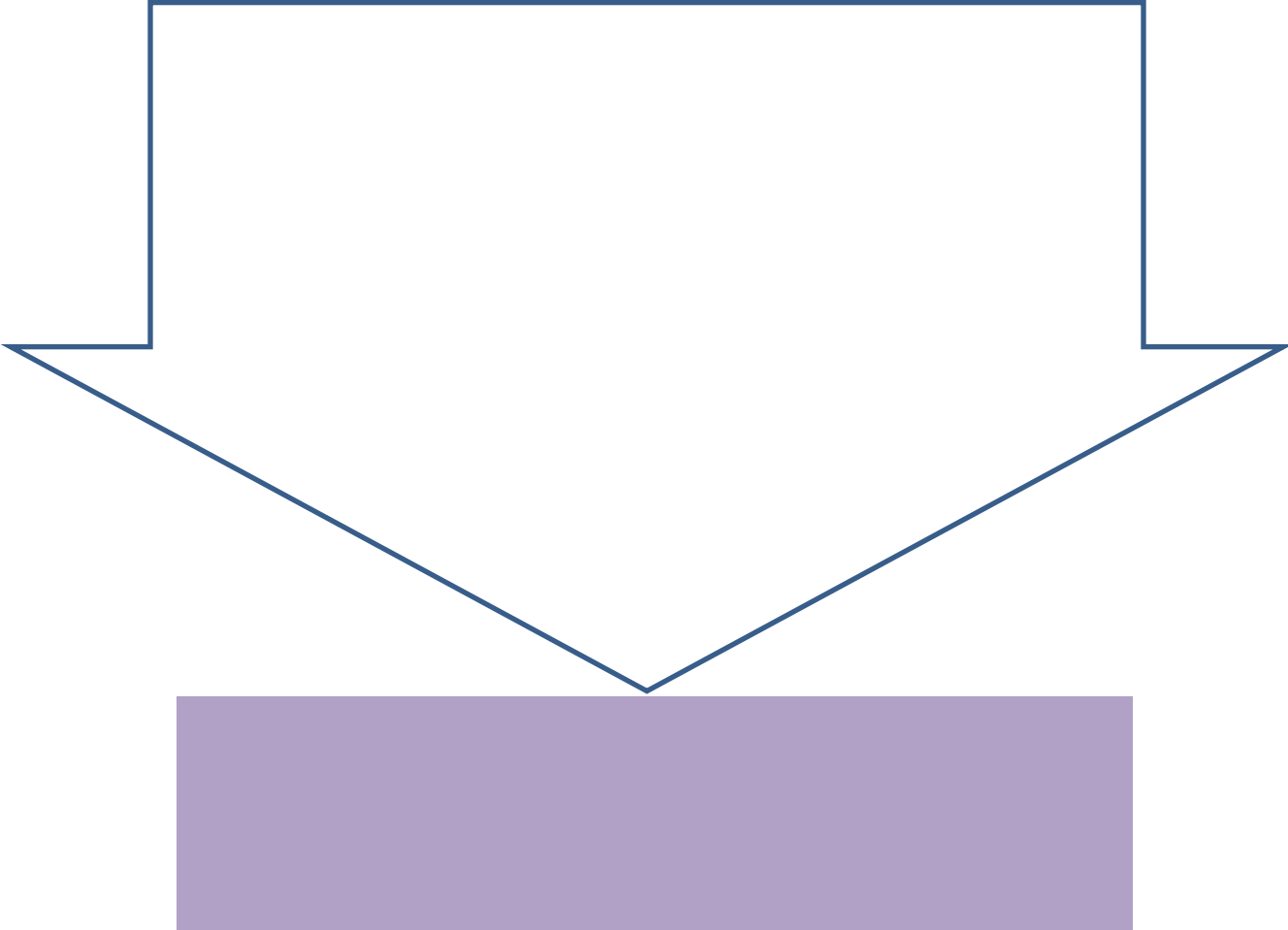
This local EAA Chapter 393, Concord (Buchanan Field), California is looking to rent a hangar

large enough in which to build a kit plane.

Anyone who has any information regarding this plan, please contact this person:

Ron Lem

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*And, another sponsor! Thank
you!*



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*NOTICE to AIRMEN: Please send me any old aviation pictures you have of yourself, your planes, and EAA events, a sort of look back at history.
Yo Newsletter Editor, Bill*

Thank you to all our Young Eagle pilots!

*And, how could we forget this very
consistent sponsor?????*



Our meetings are open to the public.

Join us for dinner at 6:30 pm (\$7 donation) with the general meeting at 7:30 pm on the above dates in the building at 200 Buchanan Field Road. Enter from the west side of the building, on the west side of the airport. We always have various speakers and presentations of interest to aviators, after dinner.

Chapter 393 fly-outs are open to chapter members and guests. See the following article explaining them:

Wednesday Fly-Outs

By Harvard Holmes

To maintain our proficiency, a number of pilots get together on Wednesdays and fly somewhere for lunch. Many of the aircraft owners in the chapter participate. Passengers are always welcome. Not only is it a great way to see the Bay Area, it's also fun to see and ride in our members' aircraft. The email address is WedFlyOut@eaa393.org You may contact HarvardHolmes@comcast.net or Renee Robinson webmaster@eaa393.org to be added to or removed from this list.

Generally, someone who wants to go flying will send a suggestion to this list a day or two before. Those who can go will respond, and a destination gets selected. Recent destinations have included: South Lake Tahoe, Half Moon Bay, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Ukiah, Boonville, Shelter Cove, Willows, Auburn, Sacramento, Lodi, Stockton, Merced, Watsonville and Salinas. If the weather is poor, a destination may be selected as late as Wednesday morning.

The most active pilots on this list are Harvard Holmes, Bill Reining, Renee Robinson, Stu Schuster, and Clint Beacham. Pilots sometimes advertise that they have empty seats, but not always. Harvard Holmes, Bill Reining and Stu Schuster are most likely to have extra seats (4 seat aircraft). My advice is to contact a pilot in advance to make sure they have room and to get directions. Typically, you'd get to the airport by 11:00AM and return by 4pm.



*OUR FRIENDS, THE PATRIOTS, OF BYRON AIRPORT, WITH WHOM WE FLY
YOUNG EAGLES ABOUT TWICE A YEAR. WE SALUTE THEM !!!*



Yo tax dollars at work!

That's all, folks.

*You made it to the end of the newsletter. I hope you
enjoyed it! Keep on Flying!*

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