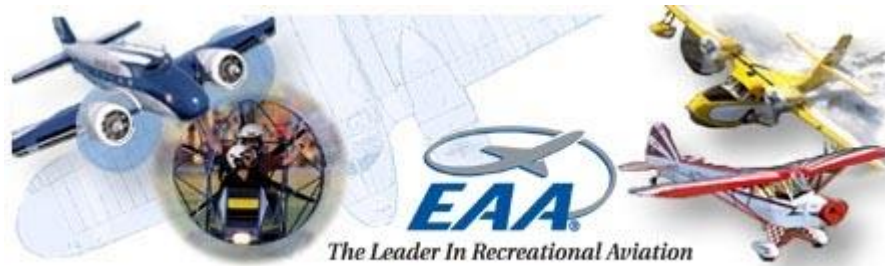


200 Buchanan Field Road, Buchanan Field, Concord, California



MAY *** 2020

NEWSLETTER



RECENT EVENTS:

The board and general membership have been holding ZOOM meetings on the assigned meeting dates.

Meetings will continue this way until further notice.

Upcoming Events:

Board Meetings

(Starting 4/1/20, meetings on ZOOM, ending, who knows?)

Wednesday, June 3rd - 7 pm

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Wednesday, July 1st - 7 pm

General Meeting:

***NEXT GENERAL MEETING:
May 27th - 7:00 pm
THIS WILL BE A ZOOM MEETING !***

Wednesday, June 24th - 6:30 pm

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

From: Ron Lem <rjlbap@gmail.com>

Subject: President's Message EAA 393 May Board Meeting Covid19 Edition

Date: May 8, 2020 at 10:02:42 PM PDT

Greetings to everyone!

I have to admit that I am at a bit of a loss as to how to begin this message. Our chapter finds itself in the worst medical event in our lifetime. Our freedoms have been restricted in the interest of saving people's lives which only goes to demonstrate to me how privileged I am to live in this country. As an essential provider, I have learned that if someone is angry about the current state of affairs, that they don't need to know my opinion, rather, they just need to be heard and then be shown some empathy. They don't need my opinion!

I belong to a number of different organizations and recently received a notification that a local event in one of the states had to be cancelled due to restrictions imposed by the government (no, I'm not talking about Airventure). In the email put out by the leader of the group, he went on a rant about the local government. While he is certainly entitled to his opinion and he may have good reasons for his disturbed emotional state, including them in his email which was put out on a national level was wrong. My initial inclination was to send him a response with my opinion, but after thinking about it I decided to let him have his rant.

I'm pretty sure that once he calms down, he will realize that he exposed himself to several thousand people, most of whom he doesn't even know. This will open him up to criticism and eventually an apology. Otherwise the Organization will be tainted.

This brings me to our chapter; before the onslaught of this virus our chapter was growing and I as your new president felt a certain amount of excitement about the chapter's future. Changes were being made and will continue to reach out to the next generation and bring them into our chapter. That means we must make certain that all members feel comfortable. From my position that means political discussion is not appropriate in a meeting setting. We are not at EAA Chapter meetings to discuss our political views; rather we share a common love of aircraft and all things aviation.

Have I been guilty of the above mentioned conversation? Yep and I make a commitment to you now that I will not engage in such conversation in the future at chapter meetings. Again, please refrain from political conversations at chapter meetings; be respectful of others.

Ok, enough of that; let's move on. According to the treasurer's report given by Harvard Holmes, our chapter is in excellent financial condition.

Pete Mitchell gave the secretary's report and stated that we have 89 members. I would like to take the opportunity at this time to welcome new member Bob Hubbard. Hopefully we will have a bio on him soon. At this time out of 89 members 78 have paid their dues. If you have not paid your dues and are financially sound please pay them. \$30 to the chapter and \$40 to the national. If you have been financially affected by the health crisis, please shoot me an email or text me at 925-395-0672. We will have a way to help you with your dues.

Young Eagles was represented by Stephan Tucker and Renee. No event is scheduled for May but we are holding out hope for June. Tracy Peters has tested several inexpensive PC computers and a printer. The total for three computers and the printer is around \$600. This will be brought up and voted on at the general meeting this month. Stu Schuster has graciously donated a YAESU handheld radio for the ground personnel at the YE events. Thank you Stu!

The Newsletter continues along its path as a quality production by Bill O'Brian. Both Bill and EAA National are looking for stories to put in their newsletter and monthly magazine. This is your chance for fame!

Lucy Hart was present for fund raising and it was agreed that we will not solicit the membership during the times of crisis.

Greg K. was present as master of ceremonies of the VMC Club. We will have another presentation this month.

Vice President Mike Cunningham was present and discussed the Zoom General meeting which was held last month. While not necessarily satisfying our (read mine) need for socializing Mike felt the Zoom meeting was a success and we all agreed. A suggestion was made to hold the May General Meeting outdoors off airport perhaps and find a way to provide food and drinks. Please respond to this email as to whether or not you think that is a good idea. A decision will be made by the Board in 10 days as to how the May General Meeting will be held. Your vote on this is important. I have not read the new order for opening up certain venues but believe that it might happen by the end of next week.

Or it could go the other way, we just don't know yet. Regardless state and local guidelines will be followed and the decision about the General Meeting will be based upon the voting in combination with the guidelines.

Building and Facilities? Tracy was at home persuading his children to do their Zoom homework....

The Sonex project has been on hold for the last two months and necessarily so! Project manager Lee Teicheira has been contacted and his response is pending as of the time of this email. I will say that some of the responsibilities for the project have been split off and I along with several other members who have yet to be volunteered, will be picking up a Sonex kit from a gentleman named Samson Phan out of San Carlos. Hence the name "Samson Sonex". We are looking for a temporary spot for the Samson Sonex which will probably be cannibalized for our chapter Sonex.

Looking for someone who can help us keep the Sonex at KCCR for three months. If it goes beyond three months, our chapter will suffer a penalty of \$100 a month until the plane finds a new home.

Membership coordinator Bennett Ashley is in Texas as I compose this email. He is Ferrying an aircraft to Oklahoma and spent last night in Sedona, AZ. We wish him a safe journey.

Preparations move forward for the Sacramento Airshow. Tracy Peters is involved and I'm hopeful that the event will happen.

Thats all Folks,

Ron Lem

President, EAA Chapter 393

RV6A "STUBBS" O320 CS with smoke

MAY 6th BOARD MEETING NOTES

By Secretary Pete Mitchell

Via Zoom

President – Ron Lem Present

Vice-President – Mike Cunningham Present

Secretary – Pete Mitchell 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 Present

YE's Coordinator – Rose Desmond Absent

YE's Coordinator – Stephen Tucker Present

Dinner Coordinator – Rich Bourgeois Absent

Membership Coordinator – Bennett Ashley Absent

IMC Coordinator – Paul Millner Absent

VMC & Chapter Photographer – Greg Karamanougian Present

Amazon Prime / eScrip – Lucy Hart Present

Tracy Peters – Club House Absent

Bill Bower Present

Guest/New Member Bob Hubbard Present

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic shelter in place restrictions against group meetings, the clubhouse is closed to group functions. Our Board meeting was conducted via a Zoom video conference. President Ron called the meeting to order at 19:15. National will be conducting a webinar May 12 on EAA's new website.

Treasurer – Harvard. Harvard reports \$11,152 in Checking, \$500 in Zelle, \$10,000 in our Academy Fund.

Secretary – Pete M. Membership is currently 89 with 11 still - due for 2020. Bob Hubbard's application is pending.

Young Eagles – Stephen. National has waived the age restriction and Hannah Nilsen has agreed to be our 2021 Academy candidate. Possibly include Hannah in the Wednesday fly out group. We have requested an additional slot for next year. No idea when

YE's flight might resume. No word from National regarding 35 YE's missing from their credits statement.

Newsletter – Bill O'Brian plans on doing member bios. He plans to feature tools that are available for loan to members. Bill will have a feature on our Facebook page. Ron has opened a Twitter account.

Fund Raising – Lucy H. Remember to include 393 in your Amazon Smile purchases.

VMC – Greg. Some clubs are meeting online. Paul Millner started a VMC presentation during our March meeting, had technical problems; Bennett Ashley was able to finish the presentation.

General Meeting Speaker – Mike C. The Board will consult on May 20th, regarding the direction of our May meeting. Mike C suggested Stu Shuster repeat his MDPA presentation.

Building & Facilities – Tracy Peters Tracy tested a Chromebook computer with the new website with no problems. Three could be purchased for around \$600.

Sonex Plans are underway to retrieve the Phan Sonex project. We will need temporary storage for the parts, decide which will benefit our Sonex and which can be sold.

Sacramento Airshow Discussion The Sacramento Air Show is scheduled for October 3rd and 4th, this year.

Adjourned 20:40
PJM

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HERE IS A PICTURE OF A COUPLE OF HAPPY AIRPLANE BUILDERS.



AND HERE IS THE AIRPLANE !



***CURRENT EAA 393 PROJECT: Finishing the building
of the Sonex aircraft donated to our club as part of _____
estate.***





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)*

NOTICE FROM STEPHEN TUCKER:

Hi Bill

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 393 of Concord, Calif. and the Mount Diablo Pilots Association (MDPA) believes California State, Contra Costa County and nearby Communities / Organizations , and Local Government will benefit greatly by having access to a local DART chapter. Therefore, it is establishing a DART charter at Concord Airport / Buchanan Field (KCCR).

DART's mission is to organize and provide volunteer airlift and ground support resources and services in response to declared disasters and other emergency events. They will operate in concert with broader emergency response plans, and in support of agencies and volunteer organizations needing airlift assistance.

Airlift services under consideration by EAA's and MDPA include:

Small Aircraft Airlift of food, supplies and emergency workers to impacted areas, as well as evaluation of people and their pets.

Air Reconnaissance Assistance associated with search & rescue, and aerial damage assessments.

Small Aircraft Airport Ground Operations & Logistics including;

Flight Dispatching & Tracking

Aircraft Movement & Parking

Aircraft Refueling, Loading/Off Loading

Passengers & Supplies Staging

Mutual Assistance to other DART chapters and emergency response organizations across the State

To learn more about the DART, or if interested in helping, please contact Stephen Tucker via email at Stephenf4e@gmail.com or Pilots4 DART@gmail.com or call at 925-586-5977

Learn more about the CalPilots statewide DART program at: <https://calpilots.org/dart/> . Or Google Join CalDart .ORG. We need Ground Workers as well as Pilots. Please consider this great opportunity and help us to be prepared for our next Disaster/ Emergency, Thank You.



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NEXT YOUNG EAGLES:

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

However, here are a couple of pics from previous YE flights:

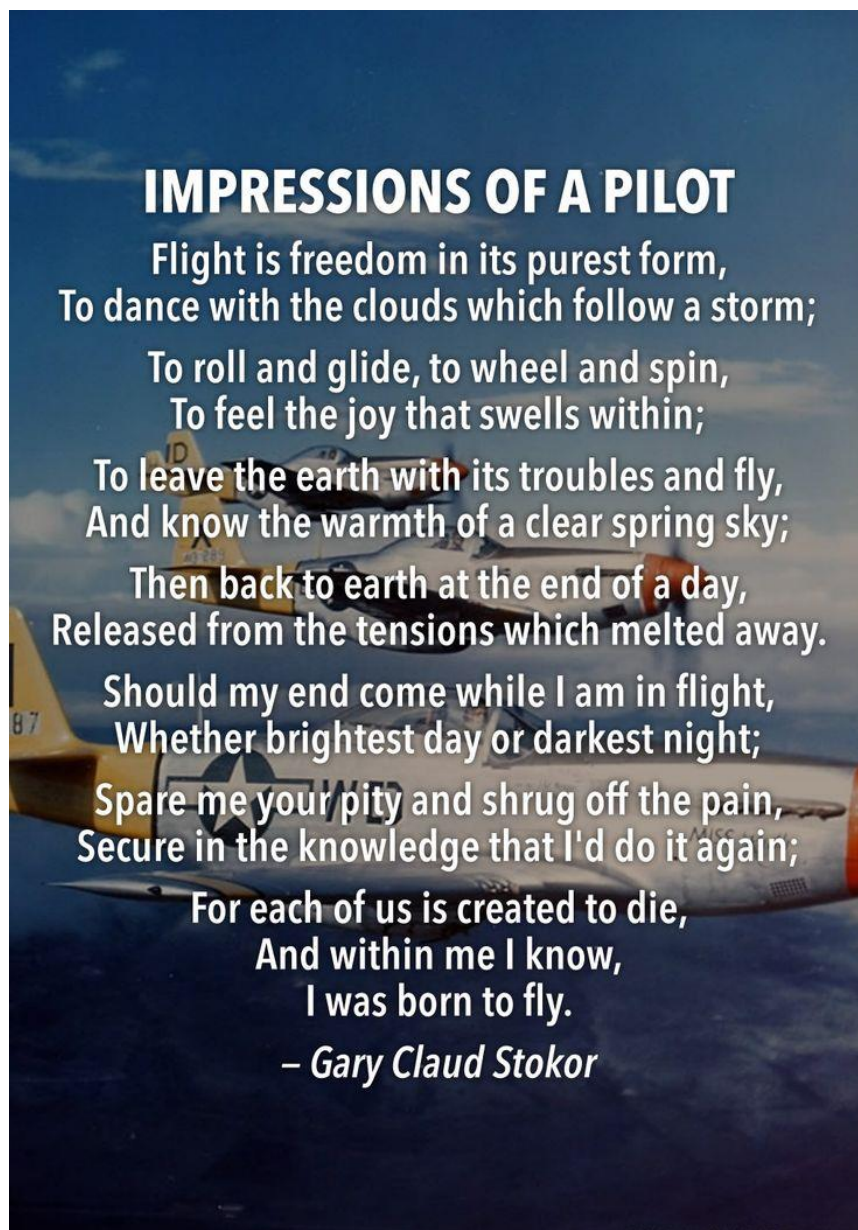


GONE TO THE GREAT BEYOND:

BOB BELSHIE, EAA # 444831
Joined 393 March of 1994
Wife Sally preceded Bob
News Letter Editor 1997
President 2000 - 20001
Membership Coordinator 2003 - 2007
Treasurer 2010 - 2015

During his term as treasurer Bob was successful in setting up our 501 (c) (3) non profit status with IRS.

RIP, BOB



WANTED!

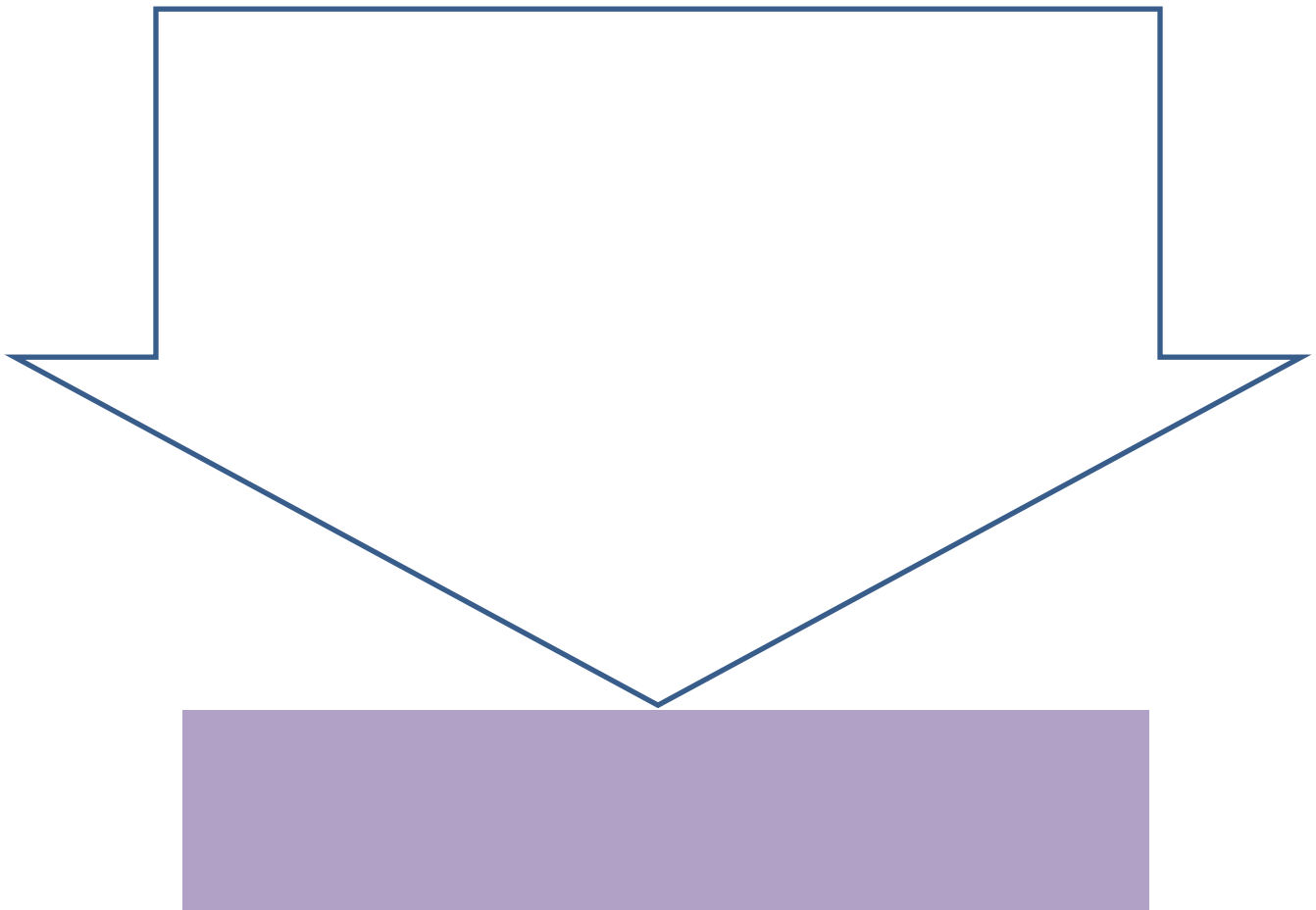
HANGAR SPACE FOR RENT

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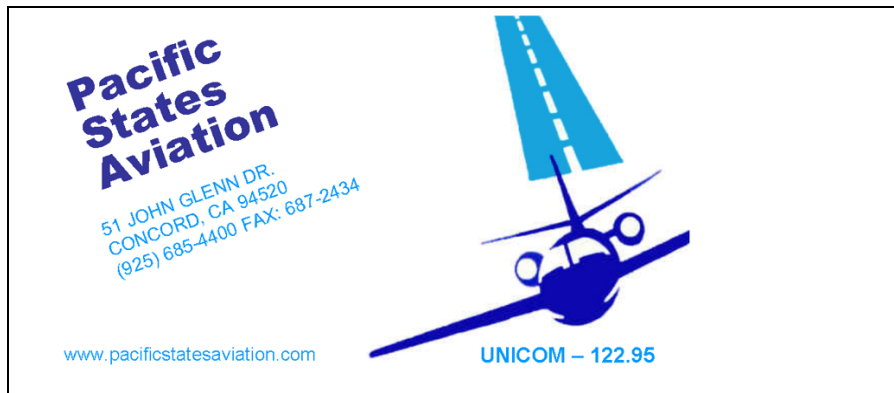
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*NOTICE to AIRMEN: Please send me any old aviation pictures you have of yourself, your planes, and EAA events, a sort of look back at history.
Yo Newsletter Editor, Bill*

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.



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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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