



January 27

Bill Reining will be giving a presentation on: **Crossing the Border: Flying into Canada** An introduction to the paperwork and preparation to cross the border without getting the authorities upset.

Upcoming Speakers/Topics

Dates and topics may will change!

Tracy Peters is seeking input regarding speakers for our meetings. If you know of an interesting, willing and available speaker, let Tracy know. Our members represent another untapped resource. If you are doing something interesting that you could talk about, let Tracy know and get a talk arranged.

Greetings from Our New President

Hello Chapter 393 – My name is Bill Reining, and I am your new President. Are you crazy Bill? Well maybe, but fool that I am, I'd like to give it a shot. I have really enjoyed the last two years as Vice President, and now hope to contribute as the man up front with the gavel. What motivates me? Perhaps a little review of my life experience is in order to answer that question.

Other than the traditional balsa wood model airplanes and Boy Scout activities as a kid growing up in Los Angeles, I didn't really have any significant aviation exposure until the Vietnam War. I came within a whisker of being drafted into the Army in late 1965. I had dropped out of college (I hadn't been studying very hard) and was thus "fresh meat".

Fortunately I discovered the Naval Aviation Cadet Program. If you could see straight, pass a bunch of tests, and weren't married, they sent you to Pensacola, Florida for flight training. Unlike the academy graduates and other college graduates, the cadets had to live on base, march to class, straighten up classrooms, and of course, do lots of pushups! The experience was very much like the movie "Officer and a Gentleman" (without the girlfriend.) It all paid off when we began to actually fly. I found myself in the multi-engine pipeline, first flying the T34, then the T28, and finally the TS2A in Corpus Christi, Texas. A year and a half later I earned my wings of gold. My time in the "fleet" was spent flying the P-2 Neptune off the coast of Vietnam, and then as an instructor pilot back in Corpus Christi. I can't begin to tell you how much I "grew up" as I learned to fly the Navy's airplanes and operate with fellow pilots and squadron mates.

By the time my mandatory service was over, I was ready to go back to school at Cal Berkeley. I didn't take long to finish up – it amazing what you can do when you are motivated! I met my wife, Jeri, while at Cal. We married and moved to Northridge, CA as I went to work for Lockheed Aircraft in Burbank. Four kids and 34 years later, I retired from Lockheed Martin in Marietta, Georgia. I was fortunate to have been a pilot, engineer, aircraft salesman, and IT manager during my career. While at Lockheed I participated directly in the S-3 Viking, P-3 Orion, Canadian CP-140, and C-130 Hercules programs. While I had no personal involvement, many of my friends were heavily involved in the development, test and production of the F22 Raptor. One could walk down the giant production hangar in Marietta and see the F22's being built at one end, and new C130's and P3's at the other end!

Like so many others, my exposure to the EAA began at Oshkosh five years ago, when my wife and I attended AirVenture. Whereas my wife had had enough after 3 days (“gimme the rental car keys, Bill”) I was hooked. I have been going ever since. My second son, Jon, came along the following year. He got so excited he decided to get his private pilot license. He did, and just last fall added an instrument ticket in our jointly owned Cessna 182. Meanwhile, we decided to build an RV-10 together. We have completed the tail and are now in the wings.

Well, I hope this background will serve to explain why I’m here in Chapter 393, and looking forward to the next two years as President. I should hasten to add that part of the reason I volunteered for the job was the talented people who serve the chapter as fellow officers. My goals are pretty simple: continue our excellent Young Eagles program, and support a varied program of speakers and activities to further our member’s interests in homebuilt aircraft and aviation in general. Please don’t hesitate to contact me with any ideas regarding what you would like to see and do in Chapter 393. I read email daily, and can be easily reached by home or cell phone.

The Menu by Rick Bourgeois

The menu for the next meeting is as follows (for just \$7):

- Roasted Chicken & Chili Beans
- Corn Bread
- Green Salad & Potato Salad
- Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Beverages

Let Rick know your suggestions. Some we’ve already heard are: turkey, and corned beef.

Rick thinks a **pancake breakfast** would be fun. Do you? **Would you attend? Let Rick know!**

MDPA has agreed for us to have a refrigerator.
Donation Needed!

Newsletter Editor Quits! – Harvard Holmes

Yes, it is time for new blood, a new perspective, change for change’s sake, and all that stuff! After being your newsletter editor for 4 years and writing much of the material before that, I detect a certain repetition in the style that needs to be corrected. Linda McKenzie has graciously offered to be the new editor. I encourage her to pare down the newsletter to its bare essentials. It will thus reflect more of the members’ input, and less of the stuff that I had been providing. If you want to know what is happening in the Chapter, you will have to come to the meetings! If you want certain content in the newsletter, now is the time to provide it. Sit down at the computer and send Linda your ideas and stories.

I am not leaving the Chapter and I will provide some input of my own from time to time. But, Sara and I have a number of projects that we need to deal with in the coming year, including aging parents. Eventually, I hope to spend more time on my aircraft construction project. But, I am also keenly interested in Bill Reining’s proposal to find a place where we can have a Chapter project. I greatly enjoy the social aspects of a group project, aspects missing in building your own aircraft alone in your workshop.

I am also turning over the web site maintenance to Renee Robinson, a relatively new member that many of you have not met yet. She is very capable with computers and I expect her to pick up the language of the web quickly. Her work schedule will keep her away from many of our meetings, but she is good with email. Renee has several years experience flying ultralights and she is now making the transition to Light Sport aircraft. If you ever had a question about ultralights, ask Renee!

Fly-outs by Tom Howard

As always, please let me know if you have, or need a seat, so I can mix and match them.

Fly-outs are usually scheduled on the Saturday following our regular monthly meeting. If the weather is not conducive for flying, the event is often postponed to the following Saturday. Watch for email from Tom TurnPrez@SBCglobal.net, and be sure to give us your email address if you haven't been receiving fly-out information.

We are seeking ideas for new fly-out destinations.

[Editor's note: Informal fly-outs also occur on irregular Wednesdays. Email HarvardHolmes@comcast.net to get on the list if you are interested. Often there is a spare seat for wingless aviators.]

Young Eagles by Rich Sperling

For the next Cleco (January, 2010) I'll provide a summary of the Chapter 393 Young Eagles Program since 1992, based on an updated report from EAA Headquarters. You will be surprised at how much we have accomplished!

Thanks again for your help in making the Young Eagles Program, a success story we can all be proud of.

Rich Sperling
EAA Chapter 393
Young Eagles Coordinator

EAA 393 Christmas Dinner

December 13, 2009

64 people jammed into Marie Callender's banquet room for a very nice dinner. The Young Eagles program received an award from the Sea Cadets, Concord Ship, for the November 21 Young Eagles rally.



We held a rather lively, and lengthy raffle. The most coveted prizes were the Christmas ornaments that Tom Howard made.

In addition we presented the annual Chapter Service awards and First Flights to: Gene Stangel in his Glasair II S RG; Bill Call and Duane Allen in their Lancair ES; Eric Schuldt in his Volksplane.

Rick Bourgeois was this year's recipient of the Perpetual Member of the Year Award.

Most importantly, Sara Holmes deserves recognition for the hard work she put in organizing the event and with Marilyn Sperling decorating the banquet room.

EAA 393 Board Meeting Notes

January 5, 2010

Minutes not submitted

Hangar Space For Rent

West Ramp CCR
Ideal for low wing
Homebuilt, or Project under construction

\$230/mo (shared space)

Pete Wiebens 925-933-7517

HANGAR FOR SALE

Also available for rent at \$400/month

Hangar B-15

South facing

\$56,000-with transfer of title

Contact: Carl Johnston: carl@carljohnston.com
or 775-220-3663

1. Hangar has been insulated with 1" foam on metal surfaces, which receive direct sun.
2. Two roof mounted vents; one 16" diameter electric exhaust fan with thermostat, one wind action whirligig type exhaust fan, 24"x24" screened intake port on back wall for induction of cooler air from shaded area behind hangar.
3. Two 4' x 16' reinforced plywood storage surfaces suspended 7' above floor surface provide 128 sqft of off-floor storage, leaving 100% of floor area usable. These storage shelves are supported & strengthened by multiple manufactured beams on each side, suspended from steel hangar frame with stout chains at corners.
4. Both side bays include suspended fluorescent lighting fixtures, in addition to wall switched Mercury Zenon light at roof peak center.
5. The floor is level concrete, covering the steel framework.
6. The maximum clearance with the large hangar door open is 10'6".
7. Included are: 42" x 72" steel work table, compressor, file cabinet, side table & carpet.

HANGAR FOR SALE

Hangar B-11

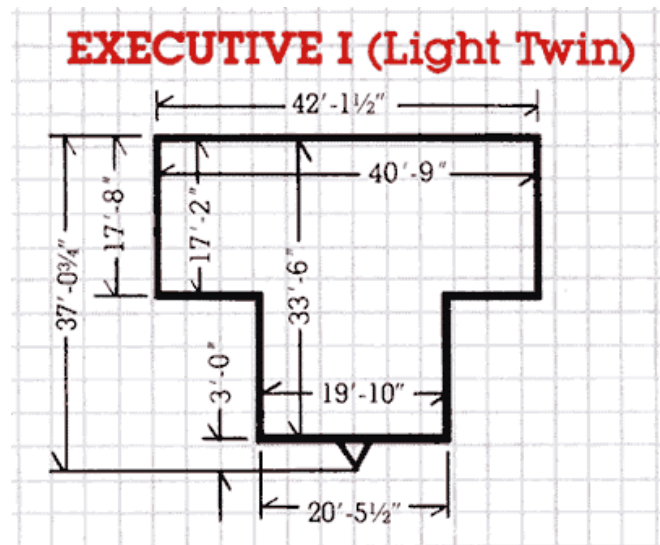
\$60,000

Contact: Steve Crews:

steve@bayareastairs.com or (707) 310-6276

1. Hangar is south facing
2. In the central area, there is 2" insulation on the ceiling and 4' down the walls

3. The parts that are not insulated are painted white
4. The roof has been painted white to reduce heat in the summer
5. There are 2 electric exhaust fans
6. It is part of the Buchanan Hangar Owners Association-dues are \$501.62 quarterly
7. Property tax is \$64.42 due annually
8. It is an Executive I type=1,067 square feet



AIRCRAFT FOR SALE

AIRCRAFT SUMMARY

Year: 1974

Type: CITABRIA 7KCB

Airframe Total Time: 7568 Hours

Engine/HP: 150 HP

Engine Times: 1131 SMOH

AVIONICS

New Garmin transponder GTX327

OTHER EQUIPMENT

All new:

Engine baffles

Alternator

Volt regulator

Oil cooler

Over sized

Heavy duty pedals front & back seats

BC700 oil filter adapter

Beefy tires 8.50 x 6

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EXTERIOR

New wings w/ large gas tanks (\$17K)

INTERIOR

New Oregon Aero seats, new interior

REMARKS

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Meeting and Event Schedule (2010)

| Board | Y Eagles | General | Fly-out | Other |
|-------|--|---------------|---------|---------------------|
| Jan 5 | | Jan 27 | Jan 30 | |
| Feb 2 | | Feb 24 | Feb 27 | |
| Mar 2 | | Mar 24 | Mar 27 | |
| Apr 6 | | Apr 28 | May 1 | |
| May 4 | | May 26 | May 29 | |
| Jun 1 | | Jun 23 | Jun 26 | |
| | <i>Golden West</i> | | | <i>Jun 11-13</i> |
| Jul 6 | | | Jul 31 | |
| | <i>Arlington Fly-in, Arlington, Washington</i> | | | <i>Jul 7-11</i> |
| | <i>Chapter 393 Picnic</i> | | | Jul 17 |
| | <i>AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wisconsin</i> | | | <i>Jul 26-Aug 1</i> |
| Aug 2 | | Aug 25 | Aug 28 | |
| Sep 7 | | Sep 22 | Sep 25 | |
| Oct 5 | | Oct 27 | Oct 30 | |
| Nov 2 | | Nov 17 | Nov 20 | |
| Dec 7 | | | | |
| | <i>Chapter 393 Holiday Party</i> | | | Dec 12 |

Our meetings are open to the public. Join us for dinner at 6:30 pm (\$7) with the general meeting at 7:30 pm on the above dates in the building at 161 John Glenn Drive north of Sterling Aviation. Enter from the airport side of the building.

Chapter 393 fly-outs are open to chapter members and guests. See the newsletter for arrangements.

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