



THE FLYING TIMES

The Official Newsletter
of the Sonoma Sky Crafters

EAA Chapter 1268

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GARDNER BRIDE, OF THE WORLD FAMOUS PETALUMA COFFEE COMPANY, BREWING A CUPPA THE GOOD STUFF UNDER HIS WING AT COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON.....IN THE RAIN!

Gardner brewed coffee for all of use for the whole trip.

Bet you're sorry you didn't go along.

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The program at the next meeting will feature whoever survived the Oshkosh flight from EAA Chapter 1268. There aren't many...

The chapter president, aka Darrel Jones, thought it couldn't be too hard to be flight leader for the members who wanted to go to Oshkosh this year. Ignorance is bliss.

The official investigation is still under way, so charges haven't yet been brought. We don't want to give too much away here, so you are all encouraged to come to the meeting this Tuesday, August 14, to get the details. The full report will be in next month's newsletter.

Back at Oshkosh they are referring to us as "The Lost Squadron of Sonoma."

Dinner will be sandwiches and trimmings, and will start at 7 pm, with the meeting following dinner.

SECOND THINGS NEXT

The Marilyns are officially retiring from the coordinating dinner business, so we need some members to take over that function.

This is the email Marilyn P. sent to their crew:

Hello Kitchen Crew,

Marilyn A. and I had talked about having sandwiches at our monthly meeting coming on August 16th. She has volunteered to see that the sandwiches get to the meeting. After that she is relieved of all kitchen duties. With my recent surgeries, my energies are being directed to take care of myself. The chapter needs one or more people to step up and take over the responsibilities that we have shouldered for over 3 years. In other words, the Marilyns are retiring.

The kitchen duties do not need to be filled by women. As you know, some of the best cooks and organizers are men. This is your club and your social time with your flying friends. Marilyn and I have continued the tradition that our founder, Bev Morgan, started with serving a good dinner with our meeting. Marilyn and I trust that this tradition will continue.

To round out this month's dinner, we need salad and watermelon or dessert. Please let me know if you can help.

I trust all of you, who have helped so generously in the past, will seriously consider stepping up to take over. I am so grateful for all of your help.

Marilyn Poggensee
windsong21@comcast.net

Marilyn Poggensee has suggested that the membership take turns bringing or cooking the main dish, side dishes, salads and desserts. The September meeting would then need someone to volunteer to be responsible to make sure the main dish is chosen and prepared, and would coordinate with other individual members who would then bring a side dish, salad and dessert. October would have other members assume the same tasks.

We will have a grid made up for meals for the rest of the year so members can pick the months and dishes they would like to have.

The advantage of supplying our dinners this way is that each member would only need to bring a couple dishes a year, and the menu would have some great variety.

Guys will be allowed to participate also! Even if you can't cook you can bring a couple buckets of Kentucky Fried chicken, pizza or Chinese food.

I'm starting to get hungry already!

Our dinner meetings are a very special part of our chapter. We may be a relatively small group, but we eat well and have a great time!

ED BARKHURST

As you all know by now, our own Ed Barkhurst lost his left arm in a propping accident a little over a month ago.

If you know Ed, you know that he's not someone to mope around and dwell on what's wrong with the world. Early reports were that he was looking forward to getting back out to Sonoma Skypark and getting back into the air.

I haven't had a chance to talk to him yet, but word is that he is back home and may be out to the airport soon.

If any of you want to write the next inspirational best seller, just sit down with Ed for a couple of hours and take notes.

As promised, here are the minutes for the May and June meetings. July is a bit fuzzy at this time...

EAA Chapter 1268 **May 8, 2007 minutes**

1900 hrs great dinner with desert served.

1956 hrs. Meeting called to order by president Darrel Jones.

Walt Lewis thanked for doing the chef duties and giving Roy Myers a break. Walt, Janet, and Marilyn given a big thank you for their contribution to the meal and potato salad supplied by the Coopers.

Motion to accept the previous meeting minutes as published is passed.

Guest's Chip Hebner, Rebecca Oros, Ester Oros, Janet Lewis, John Winter, and Joe Debnar were welcomed.

Andy Smith reported that the third Saturday in May is the planning day meeting for the trip to Air Venture at OSH. Andy said talk is in progress to invite other chapters and young Eagles to participate in the trip.

Treasure Report from Bob Avrit states the chapter general fund has a balance of \$7393.10 with dues collected from 4 new members \$48 and a check for \$ 841.83 from Sonoma Sky Park Inc. for the club house along with deposits \$ 250.70, dinner receipts \$209, Electrical Seminar dinner receipts \$126. Expenses for Dinner (\$50.70), Electrical Dinner (\$ 470.89), and Electrical Seminar scholarship (\$150). We have 50 paid members of 61 last year.

Building report: Movie screen and Marker board were installed for the seminar. The patio still needs to be completed and the shower installed in the one bathroom. BK is recovering from back surgery and evidently we need his expertise and tenacity to continue to completion. Take two aspirins go to bed get many a good nights rest and heal quickly BK.

Ron Price reports that Jorge Oros will be going to Air Ace at OSH July 12 through July 18. And they have \$375 in donations for the \$600 required and there is \$195 in credits from Young Eagles.

Jack Strehl made a motion to spend \$500 (\$250 per student for miscellaneous expenses) that passed.

Five young people have been sponsored to date. Dillon Thomas and Michel Murphy may attend this year.

Rich Cooper reported that Young Eagles would be the coming Sunday and that Jorge Oros was going to work the ramp and made sure that all understood the hand signals to be used with the pilots.

Don Cooley commented about the possibility of a trip to Auburn after Young Eagles on Sunday

Badge designs were presented and discussed for the members with Stewart Munson.

Roy Meyers was thanked for the rib dinner that he did for the Saturday night Electrical Seminar weekend.

Ray Spangler reported that he has a 2003 Cessna 172 with round gauges coming in a week for training and that they are also working on having a Cessna 150 with 150HP to use.

0826 hrs. Meeting adjourned

Stewart Munson did an interesting presentation using Sketch up Google. He created a program to visualize airspace in 3D with airport patterns superimposed on Google Earth landscape and zoomed around the local landscape including some of the member's houses.

EAA Chapter 1268 minutes **June 12, 2007**

1900 hrs. Spaghetti dinner served ala Rich and Nelleke Cooper

1945 hrs. Meeting called to order by pres. Darrel Jones

Guest Jim Bicais was introduced.

Rich and Nelleke Cooper were thanked for supplying the great spaghetti dinner, Jeanie Williams for the salad, John and Rosie Eaton for the bread pudding and all others that brought desert. Marilyn, Kestas, Les and Walt were thanked for helping out in the kitchen

VP Andy Smith reports that Airport Day was a success and that several pilots from

other than Sky Park came. Andy said that it would be nice to have a sign to promote the Chapter on the hangar.

New business: Dave Meeks made a motion to spend up to \$500 for a sign to place on the hangar.

Andy Smith will host a committee to create the sign for Chapter 1268 hangar

Andy Smith reported that 30 young Eagles were flown and that his buddy Ricky Braugh from Placerville flew 12 of them in his Cessna 172.

Don Youngs building report: More bricks for the patio will be delivered to complete the atrium.

Volunteers will be needed to complete the restroom shower and patio. Kestas will head up the patio crew.

Treasurer's report from Bob Avrit states the chapter general fund is at \$6893.10 and that we have 51 paid members this year of the 61 paid in 2006.

Ron Price reported that Travis Morton soloed on Monday June 11.

Ron said that Jorge Oros had his physical for Ace Venture and will be leaving on June 8th.

Michael Portman is also signed up to go to camp.

The chapter and donations will cover all expenses of about \$1500.

This Saturday June 16 is the meeting for the Oshkosh group.

Petaluma Airport Day was Saturday, June 16th. Santa Rosa had their open house on Sat. and Sun. June 16th and 17th.

Ed Barkhusrt recommended that we use Stuart Munson's Prop Stop for obtaining anything from major aircraft vender's such

as Sporty's, Aviall, Aircraft Spruce, and all other's to help support his business.

2018 hrs. Meeting adjourned.

Entertainment for the evening was a very interesting presentation by John Carmichael and Trevor Meeks of their trip from Anchorage to Sky Park via floatplane around Sept. 21st.

Respectively submitted
Frank Russo

OK, OK, here are the July minutes...

EAA chapter 1268 minutes
July 10, 2007

1900 hrs Hamburger and Chile dinner served with salad, watermelon, and cake for desert.

2000 hrs Meeting called to order by President Darrel Jones.

Andy Smith, Rich and Nelleke Cooper, Sandy Portman, Travis Morton, Paul Siebert, Marilyn Poggensee were thanked for setting up the dinner along with Jeanie Willams and her great salad and Howard Hall for the chocolate and white cakes for desert.

Guests Paul Haynie, Sheryl Bruno, and Lillian Sliupas were introduced.

New business: Ed Barkhurst was reported to be doing OK and off the ventilator to the amazement of the Doctors at the hospital.

Young Eagles: Rich Cooper reports that 17 Young Eagles rides were given by Andy Smith in Hal and Jeanette Woods Cessna 172, Nerio Festa in the Marchetti, and Rich Cooper in the RV8 and his Champ. Paul Siebert and Travis Morton were ground crew, and Sandy Portman and Jeanette Woods did the paper work.

The OSH group now consists of 4 airplanes a Cessna 182, Stinson 108, Luscomb, and John Thomson's Waco if he gets the initial flying time on it with out any problems.

Michel Portman gave a very informative report on his Air Academy Camp this past month at OSH and that he is really looking forward to going when he can be in the oldest group.

Bob and Peter arrived from visiting Ed Barkhurst and gave a complete report on his condition and when he would be able to have visitors again.

2045 hrs Meeting adjourned.

Respectively submitted
Frank Russo

JULY TREASURER'S REPORT

July 2007

Sonoma Skyrafters EAA Chapter 1268

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount.</u>	<u>Balance</u>
6/12/07	Balance Brought Forward	6971.88
6/12/07	Donation	50 7021.88
6/12/07	Bank Deposit	101
6/12/07	Dinner Receipts	226 7247.88
6/12/07	Dinner Expenses*	113 7134.88
6/12/07	Can Opener	12 7122.88
6/13/07	Air Academy Students Expenses	50 7072.88

EAA Chapter 1268 General Fund
7072.88

Members: 2006 Paid 61
2007 Paid 54

The following note came in from Bruce Wiltse

I know that some of the Chapter members have known Ed Marquart quite well (Flabob Airport) for years and flown his Marquart Charger airplane. Anyway, it was announced by Flabob Airport that Ed died peacefully of natural causes in the early morning of July 4.

Here are some interesting web sites you might like to visit:

<http://mywebpages.comcast.net/biplane0/boeing40/updates/>

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=9elcSXVNIWw>

<http://users.skynet.be/fa926657/files/B29.wmv>

<http://www.johnfleck.com/>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRBIVRwvUeE>



Hello All!

Just wanted to send you all some pictures from the other side. Last weekend I had the fortunate opportunity to fly a jet down to Okinawa and fly all

weekend. It was a very cool experience. The weather down there was great and it had a very tropical feel. Oh yeah and the mustache is still in full effect. Hope all is well.

Scott (Thomason)



Our own blushing Mr. Bride enjoying the sunshine and good company at camp in Sally's Alley at Oshkosh.

More pictures and stories in the next exciting issue!

Send your news to wd6bor@vom.com.

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**REMEMBER! THE AUGUST MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA
CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, AT 7:30 PM, AT SONOMA
SKYPARK, SKYCRAFTERS CLUBHOUSE, HANGAR B5!
DINNER STARTS AT 7 PM, SO DON'T BE LATE!**

SKYCRAFTER MEMBERSHIP

EAA CHAPTER 1268 Membership Dues: \$12 per year.

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City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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