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of the Sonoma Sky Crafters

EAA Chapter 1268

Sonoma Skypark Airport
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EMMANUEL BURKE SOLOS IN FLORIDA!

What else are you going to do when you turn sixteen and there are no hurricanes forecast for the day? Looks a little breezy in the back though.

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The June meeting is this **Tuesday, June 11**. The Board of Directors will meet at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. after the Board of Directors' meeting, and is \$6.00 per person. Our chef for the month will be Robin Tatman and Jeanette Woods who will be preparing ribs with fresh corn if it is available.

Our speaker will be Howard Hall who will tell us his secrets of flying. You know, keep the oily side down and the shiny side up. Stuff like that.

EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER REPORT **June 2013**

Membership Report - As Membership Chairman my duties include not only keeping track of the membership roster but also trying to increase the membership base. As someone who doesn't spend as much time at the Skypark airport and in the Sonoma Community as most of you, I'm calling on you to assist me in this latter endeavor. The tool to use is the EAA Trial membership program which gives someone a free 6 month membership in EAA National with all the perks of a full membership. This allows the prospective member to take a "road test" of the EAA experience with no obligation. All it requires is the name and address of the candidate – telephone number and email address doesn't have to be submitted to EAA National. Once I have the information I can handle the registration. Let's see what we can do to grow our base.

Treasurer's Report – Even though activity in the checking account has been light, we're about to enter a period of high disbursing as we enter the Air Academy activity season. Our sponsorship of four attendees will require a significant portion of

our treasury to be allocated to this. In the past we've had individual contributions to help lighten the load and we're once again calling on our members to help out. A contribution to the Air Academy fund is fully deductible since we are recognized by the IRS as a 501c3 non-profit organization. Contributors so far this year have been: The Air Explorers Group, Marsi Fahraji, Jeanette Woods, John Thomason, and Bill & Jan Wheadon. Cash or check contributions can be made. Our checking account balance stands at \$4934.28.

See you at the meeting, Bill Wheadon
EAA 1268 Membership Chairman and
Treasurer

YOUNG EAGLES JUNE 9.

BK will have his report at the meeting.

As always BK White is looking for volunteer pilots, ground crew and registration helpers for our monthly Young Eagles events. Let him know you will be joining us and helping out by sending him an email to eagle1@vom.com or by calling him at 707-996-1335.

AIR EXPLORER UPDATE

The latest from the Aviation Explorers:

A big **CONGRATULATIONS!!** goes to our newest Private Pilot in Air Explorers and on the field: Daniel Shulte. And if that's not enough, he got his Driver's License a week or so later. What a month! It's tradition that whenever an Explorer has a landing mark event (solo, rating, etc.), they get a cake, and Daniel already has his order in.

Another big Thank You goes to the Board of the Sonoma Skypark Airport. Due to some rather wild politics and lawyer maneuvers at EAA National, they decided a few years ago that there was to be no "co-mingling" of EAA with other groups, like Air Explorers for example. The issue will likely be

resolved shortly, but until then we were lacking a sponsor, which is a requirement of the Boy Scouts of America who indirectly charters the Air Explorers (and more importantly underwrites the insurance). The Sonoma Skypark Airport has graciously agreed to be our sponsor so that we can continue as an Air Explorer Post. Thank you again Darrel, Jeannie, and the other Board members!

Since the May meeting coincided with Mother's Day, the consensus of the group was to not have a meeting. Most members drive at least 30 minutes and some nearly an hour each way to get to the airport, and its mostly (although not always!) moms who are doing the driving. A big Thank You to the mom's for your support, and endless driving, and we hope you had a great day with your families.

Our field trip to Beale has been rescheduled to June 21 so more Explorers could attend. Stay tuned for details and pictures next month.

Our regular meeting will resume this Sunday.

Robin Tatman, Post 1268 Advisor

MOVIE NIGHT AT SKYPARK

Movie night for March will be **Friday, June 28.**

The movie this month will be the 1932 film "Sky Devils" starring Spencer Tracy and Ann Dvorak.

The collective interest in aviation peaked in 1929 just as the air burst from an inflated stock market. Moviegoers, looking for an affordable escape from the financial doldrums, flocked to see Hollywood's beautiful people on the silver screens. Market forces suppressed all forms of flying, except at the movie studios, which were eager to capitalize on the earlier

successes of Dawn Patrol, Wings and Hell's Angels. Howard Hughes, with thousands of feet of unused flying shots from Hell's Angel's, decided to produce a smaller scale aviation film with a very young actor, Spencer Tracy. This is another rather rare opportunity to step back into aeronautical history only at Sonoma Skypark Vintage Movie Night. Admission and Walt's popcorn is always free to all and pizza and a drink are just a \$5 donation.

Rafe



Pizza is always available for \$5 per person, including beverages, and complimentary popcorn just to whet your appetite (or spoil

it), courtesy of Walt Lewis and his Amazing Real Movie Theater Popcorn Popping Extravaganza Machine.

See you at the movies on Skypark Movie Night, **FRIDAY, JUNE 28** at 6 p.m.

DINNER SCHEDULE

We are lining up our celebrity chefs for 2013 so let Roy know if you would like to be one of our famous chefs for the upcoming year. Roy can be found at Flyboyroy@aol.com or by phone at 415-897-2983. You can also let me know at wd6bor@vom.com and I'll put you on the roster.

The schedule for this year so far is:

Month	Cook	Meal
2013 DINNER SCHEDULE		
JUN	Robin T.	Jeanette W.
JUL	?	?
AUG	?	?
SEP	?	?
OCT	Air Explorers	Chili
NOV	Ron P.	Chili
DEC	XMAS	PARTY

SPEAKERS

We are always, continually, everlastingly looking for speakers for our monthly programs. If you don't want to show your own baby pictures at a meeting, think of an alternative program or speaker and let us know what you would like to hear.

We will be trying a new method of arranging for speakers. We will ask for volunteers, not to necessarily be the speaker themselves, but to ask someone they know to be the speaker for the month they've selected. If we can fill out the schedule at the February meeting for speakers and dinners then we can sit back and relax for the rest of the year.

We already have some volunteers with Tat talking about airway beacons, Travis

inviting ATC controllers from the Napa tower, Rich Cooper lining up a formation flying presentation, John Carmichael talking about seaplane operations, and Craig McDonald and Les Goldner agreeing to either find speakers or give presentations themselves.

Send an email to me at wd6bor@vom.com so we can get your program or speaker information into the newsletter.

Month	Speaker/Member	Subject
2013 SPEAKER SCHEDULE		
JUN	Howard Hall	Flying tales
JUL	Craig McD	Airplanes
AUG	?	
SEP	?	
OCT	Air Academy	
NOV	Eric Presten	Bleriot
DEC	FROSTY	ICING OPS

PETALUMA BREAKFAST 6/15

Got this from Gary Mc over at PAPA.

Dear Friends,

Please join Uncle Don, Big PAPA Phil, Buddy T, Cousin Bob, Little PAPA Janero and Fast Eddie the Banker, for a great breakfast this next Saturday 6-15-13. Our leader Marc "the Wheel", has said, anyone who fly's in for this breakfast, eats free! After we eat we bring our planes to the line for Airport Display Day and help Little Joe set up and take down, he is paying \$50.00 an hour for the help! :-)

Don't forget our Pot Luck dinner meeting this Wednesday night, bring something to cook on the BBQ for yourself and a dish to share with others, starts at 5:30 PM, Spoke DeBel has line up a great guest speaker, come find out who will win the \$500.00 Scholarship Raffle?

Be well and fly straight!

Gary

Date: Saturday 6-15-2013
 Time: 8 to 9:30 AM
 PAPA Clubhouse, O69
 Any Questions call 707-333-4464
 Eggs to order, Italian Sausage, Potatoes, Pan
 Cakes, Coffee, Juice, Fruit, only \$7.00

2013 EAA 1268 CALENDAR

Send me any events you have for the calendar and I'll put them in.

DATE	EVENT
6/7,8,9	Golden West, Yuba City Fly-in
6/9	Young Eagles, 9:00 am, SSP
6/11	EAA 1268 meeting, 7:00 pm, SSP
6/28	Skypark movie night, 6:00 pm
7/9	EAA 1268 meeting, 7:00 pm, SSP
7/14	Young Eagles, 9:00 am, SSP
7/26	Skypark movie night, 6:00 pm
7/29-8/4	EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, WI

EAA CHAPTER 1268 MINUTES
May 14, 2013

EAA Chapter 1268 - BOD Meeting
 Commenced: about 6:00 pm

Present: The usual cast of characters (probably Don Booker, Jeanette Woods, Bill Wheadon, Paul Siebert, BK White and Darrel Jones, who was helping Catherine in the kitchen and not taking very good notes. Marsi Fahraji was absent, and missed greatly.

The Chapter will be signing up our Aviation Explorers for free honorary membership in the Chapter. Any Young Eagle qualifies for free national EAA membership until age nineteen. Our bylaws doesn't specifically have provision for youth membership, but can be changed by a vote of the general membership.

The national EAA doesn't currently allow Chapters to "co-mingle" with other

organizations. Chapter 1268 isn't able to renew our sponsorship of Post 1268 until the national office has completed guidelines for doing so. Until that time Sonoma Skypark Airport will sponsor the Post. Jeff Skiles has told us that the new guidelines will be in place this summer to sponsor Aviation Explorers as well as other youth organizations such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

The board meeting was adjourned sometime before dinner, which was prepared by Catherine Jones and consisted of chili, salad, cornbread and cookies.

The General membership meeting was called to order at 7:20.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved as published in the newsletter (I suppose.)

Richard Craig had Damian Hoke, who went to the Air Academy last year from Napa, and Adam Coffman, who is a member of the Travis CAP.

Daniel Shulte, one of our Air Academy participants for this and previous years, passed his private pilot check ride.

Andrew Walker, Todd Walker's son, will be instructing at Oshkosh this summer. He was one of John Camichael's students and graduated from Chico State this year.

7:40 in pm Meeting Adjourned.

The speaker for the evening was Gene Stangel, who talked about making a forced landing on the salt flats in Utah after a catastrophic engine failure.

Darrel Jones, Acting (Pretending!) Secretary

Send me your news for your newsletter!

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MEMBERSHIP **DUES ARE DUE** IN JANUARY, AND MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER. DUES ARE STILL A MODEST **FIFTEEN BUCKS**, SO BRING SOME CASH FOR DINNER AND A BIT MORE TO **PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2013!** SEE YOU THERE!

REMEMBER! THE JUNE MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, JUNE 11 AT 7 P.M., AT THE SKYCRAFTER'S CLUBHOUSE HANGAR B-5 AT SONOMA SKYPARK AIRPORT.

DINNER STARTS AT 7 PM, SO DON'T BE LATE!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE 6 P.M. BEFORE THE MEETING

SKYCRAFTER MEMBERSHIP

EAA CHAPTER 1268 Membership Dues: **\$15 per year.**

Name: _____ EMAIL: _____

Address: _____ APT: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone number, home: _____ work: _____

EAA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____ **EXPIRATION DATE:** _____

AIRCRAFT OWNED OR BUILDING: _____

Your check should be made payable to: **EAA 1268**

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