

SONOMA SKYPARK NEWS

DECEMBER 2013

This coming **Friday, December 6th** is the annual Sonoma Skypark Christmas party. I hope that everyone reading this newsletter is able to join in on the Skypark Holiday Festivities starting with appetizers and beverages at **6:00 pm** in Hangar A-3. Dinner will be served at **7:15 pm**.

REMINDER: Please RSVP to Kathy Carmichael (707) 935-1728

Bring a dish to share. If your name begins with:

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| A | thru | E | Green Salad/Pasta Salad |
| F | thru | N | Hot dishes |
| O | thru | Z | Appetizers/Desert |

Some special wines will supplement our beverage selection. Skypark will be providing the Holiday turkey and ham to complement all of your great offerings. SEE YOU THERE.

A White Elephant gift exchange will be conducted after dinner. Wrap up a unique gift to pass on. We are limiting you to ONE gift per family in the interest of time. Have fun wrapping!!!

If you feel inclined to bring an un-wrapped child's gift we will have a large gift box available that will be passed along to the Schell Vista Fire Department Toy Collection Program.

AIRPORT HAPPENINGS- the Thanksgiving weekend weather was spectacularly warm and clear. I hope some of you aviators were able to give a few valley rides to your out of town guests. I could almost see the Sierra's from 4,000 ft. over Sonoma Mountain on Friday noon. **Young Eagles** was well attended Sunday, Nov 10th. Twenty nine young people were given valley rides in ideal conditions. I personally gave three young people their first ride and that is really gratifying. I think two of them will be back for more experiences. You don't have to be a pilot to help out on Sunday morning and catch the excitement in the air. **B K White** always has coffee and juice out to accompany donuts and bagels but you have to get there at nine if you are a donut person. **Bob Berwick** has been busy right up to December first giving rides in his Costal Air Tours, 1926 Travel Air biplane in the late fall warm weather. I think Bob celebrated his birthday, December 1st flying his sea plane up to Lake Berryessa for an afternoon on the water. **Rafe Tomsett** is working steadily on a neat entrance sign for Skypark in a unique location. You should be seeing it soon.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS- The airport office will close early on December 24th and be closed all day Christmas. The following week the office will close early December 31st and will be closed all of New Year's Day. I am not sure if the Petaluma Area Pilots Association will have their Chili lunch at noon, New Year's Day. Check our web site or with the Skypark Office for an update.

YOUNG EAGLES SUNDAY- There is no formal Young Eagle event in December. EAA members can obtain a permission slip to give an individual ride any day of the week in the Skypark office. The next scheduled event will be **January 12, 2014.**

MOVIE NIGHT- Our regular Friday movie night will take place on Friday, December 27. The Serial with free popcorn and drinks begins at 6 pm. Pizza and drinks are served at 7 pm for a five dollar donation. The featured film this month is Pixar's latest release, "PLANES" with an always informative introduction by our own movie impresario, **Rafe Tomsett.**

All of us in the Skypark Office wish you Happy Holiday's and a wonderful New Year.

Ron Price, Jorge Oros, Jasmine Villasenor, and Jeanne Williams

Tailwinds,

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