

# SONOMA SKYPARK NEWS

## JUNE 2015

**Family Fun Day** is this Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am to 3:00pm. **Yayoi West** is heading up Skypark's Family Fun Day this year with guidance from **Jeanette Woods** and **Nelleke Cooper**. We are still looking for raffle and silent auction items. Please bring your contributions to the airport office. Phone Yayoi West (707) 364-9257 or the airport office (707) 996-2100. **Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm** we need volunteers to help set up the airport. This is always a fun work party, young and old are welcome!

**AIRPORT HAPPENINGS-** May was a busy month at Skypark. On May 3<sup>rd</sup> our own **Tom Palmer** celebrated his 29<sup>th</sup> birthday in his new hangar with his family, girlfriend, and friends. Tom is the first second-generation Skypark pilot to own a hangar and planes here. We wish Tom many more happy occasions at the airport.

The monthly EAA Chapter 1268 dinner meeting was well attended on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Thirteen **Young Eagle** rides were given on Mother's Day, May 10<sup>th</sup>, by EAA Chapter 1268 member pilots.

From May 21<sup>st</sup> to May 25<sup>th</sup> the EAA's 1929 Ford Tri-Motor passenger plane was giving rides at Napa County Airport. Skypark's EAA Chapter 1268 pilots assisted the Napa chapter with ground support duties and young eagle flights on Saturday.

**Sonoma Skypark Aviators** were once again asked to fly over the 57<sup>th</sup> annual Sonoma Valley joint Memorial Day Observance. Six pilots and their planes flew in two "vee" formations at the conclusion of the ceremony. **Rafe Tomsett**, coordinated the timing from the ceremony by radio. Pilots **Dave Casella**, **Eric Presten**, **Trevor Meeks**, **David Meeks**, **Peter Gauthier**, and I accompanied by pilot **Yayoi West** flew overhead the Sonoma Veterans Memorial Park.

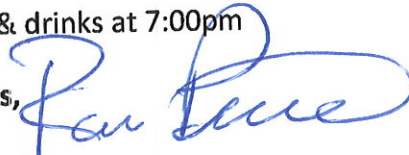
**Curtis Presten** graduated from Hanna Boys School Friday May 29<sup>th</sup>. Curtis worked at Skypark for almost two years. He soloed in a glider on his fourteenth birthday and an airplane on his sixteenth birthday. He can be seen most days this summer working at Oil Changers on Highway 12. Curtis will be attending Santa Rosa Junior College in the fall. Congratulations to Curtis, we are proud of you!

**Jack Strehl** – I just received word from Doug Roberts, (707-344-5152) Jack Strehl's conservator, that Jack is home and not mobile. He enjoys visitors! It is best if you phone ahead to Tiko (707-623-5757) to make sure Jack is up to a visit. Tiko feels that late morning or early afternoon, right after lunch, would be a good time.

**CALENDAR:**

- June 9<sup>th</sup>** - EAA Chapter 1268 Dinner meeting in the Skypark Clubhouse. Dinner at 7pm
- June 10<sup>th</sup>** - Petaluma Area Pilots Association, PAPA Dinner meeting at their clubhouse along the southeast taxiway. Dinner at 5:30-6:00pm.
- June 13<sup>th</sup>** - Sonoma Skypark, Family Fun Day 11:00am to 3:00pm
- June 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>** – Aircraft of historical significance Display Days. Noon to 4:00pm.
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** - Movie night – Skypark Clubhouse 6:00pm for movie serial, free popcorn and beverages, feature film following pizza, salad & drinks at 7:00pm

Tailwinds,



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