



THE FLYING TIMES

The Official Newsletter
of the Sonoma Sky Crafters

EAA Chapter 1268

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LOOKS JUST LIKE SKYPARK... ON A GOOD DAY!

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The April meeting is this **Tuesday, April 12**.
 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 chefs for the month will be... another big
 surprise!

Our speaker will be Daniel Shulte, who will talk about his Kickstarter project, his film "Joy of Flight".

**EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN
AND TREASURER REPORT
2016**

Nothing much new in the Membership and Treasurer departments so no written report this month.

YOUNG EAGLES

BK White reported that they had quite a day on Sunday, April 10th. They flew 8 youngsters with ONE AIRCRAFT, Ron's Vagabond. Ron and Frank alternated flying the Vagabond, then finally Frank brought out the Cub so they were able to clean out the roster about 2:30 pm. Marsi was there as well as Paul Seibert, John Thomason and Colin Traynor.

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:

Hi from Air Explorers!

I am happy to report that Air Explorer Post 1268 has been officially re-chartered for 2016. We have 9 Explorer members plus two that are technically not old enough (13 - minimum age for Exploring is 14) and are participating in the group as EAA members.

Our newest member, Hugo McDougall comes all the way from Half Moon Bay to join us.

Thanks again to Ron Price and the Airport for being our sponsor.

Our first field trip of the year is on April 22-23, and we are going to tour and spend the night on the aircraft carrier USS Hornet in Alameda. Our own Rich Cooper will be joining us. He spent 3 years flying off of the USS Essex (very similar to the Hornet) while based in Guantanamo Bay. Rich told me "You can't spend over 3 years on a carrier without something happening to you." I believe him, and can't wait to hear him elaborate on that. So far, 9 kids are signed up to go (and a lot of adults!).

On May 7th we are planning a fly out between 10am and 2pm. If anyone can volunteer to fly I would appreciate it - we are looking for 10 seats minimum. I have 3 volunteers so far that will cover 3 seats. We need 7 more to cover the kids. I am hoping to have a few extra seats so that some of the parents can come. Our primary destination is Half Moon Bay airport, but if the weather is bad/foggy/too windy we will have an alternate - probably Sacramento Executive. I will buy lunch for whoever flies! The Explorers are all REALLY excited about this and everyone wants to go. Please call or email me if you might be able to fly. (robntat@aol.com 707-853-2220)

On September 24-25 we are going to fly out to Columbia Airport for an overnight camping trip. Hopefully we won't get smoked out this time. Same story - looking for volunteers to fly us one or both ways. One of the parents has access to a trailer and will be driving all the gear up and back.

The last two meetings Marc Ashton has been working diligently to turn to our Explorers into good chart readers and cross country planners. He's covered the basics so far of how we're going to go to Half Moon Bay, and plan a cross country to Columbia. The next time we meet I'll start working on communications.

Hope to hear from you!

Robin

MOVIE NIGHT AT SONOMA SKYPARK

Movie night for April will be **Saturday, April 23rd (4th Sat) at 6 PM.**



Showing will be “Wings Over Honolulu” with Ray Milland and great 1940 US Navy flying in Hawaii.

Free admission. 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, **SATURDAY, APRIL 23** at 6 p.m.

DINNER SCHEDULE

We are lining up our celebrity chefs for 2016 so let us know if you would like to be one of our famous chefs for the upcoming year. Contact Robin at robntat@aol.com or 707-553-2747. 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
2016 DINNER SCHEDULE		
JAN	Bill & Jan W.	Chili
FEB	Marsi & Amir	Persian Chili
MAR	Nelleke & Rich	Chili Spaghetti
APR	?	Mildly Chili
MAY	?	Chilly
JUN	?	Warm
JUL	?	Hot
AUG	?	Not So Chilly

SEP	?	Cool, Man
OCT	?	Cooler Still
NOV	?	Dern Cold
DEC	XMAS	PARTY

SPEAKERS

We are always, continually, everlastingly looking for speakers for our monthly programs.

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
2016 SPEAKER SCHEDULE		
APR	Daniel Shulte	His Kickstarter film project.
MAY		
JUN		
JUL		
AUG		
SEP		
OCT		
NOV		
DEC	Herr S. Klaus	IFR/NIGHT OPS

2016 EAA 1268 CALENDAR

Send me any exciting, thrilling, terrifying or just plain fun events you have for the calendar.

DATE	EVENT
4/10	Young Eagles 9 Am
4/12	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
4/23	Skypark Movie Night
5/8	Young Eagles 9 Am
5/10	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
5/28	Skypark Movie Night
6/?	Skypark Family Fun Day
6/12	Young Eagles 9 Am
6/14	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
6/27	Skypark Movie Night
7/10	Young Eagles 9 Am
7/12	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
7/25	AirVenture Oshkosh 7/25-31
7/23	Skypark Movie Night
8/7	Young Eagles 9 Am

8/9	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
8/27	Skypark Movie Night
9/11	Young Eagles 9 Am
9/13	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
9/24	Skypark Movie Night
10/9	Young Eagles 9 Am
10/11	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
10/22	Skypark Movie Night
11/8	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
11/13	Young Eagles 9 Am
11/26	Skypark Movie Night
12/?	XMAS party at Sonoma Skypark!

12/24	Skypark Movie Night
1/1/17	New Years' Day 1 st Flight
Every Saturday Noon to 1:30 pm	
Skypark Hamburgers and Hot Dogs!	

EAA CHAPTER 1268 MINUTES

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 2016!** SEE YOU THERE!

REMEMBER! THE APRIL MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, APRIL 12 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**

Please mail your dues to:

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