



THE FLYING TIMES

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of the Sonoma Sky Crafters

EAA Chapter 1268

Sonoma Skypark Airport
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SANTA CLAUS GETTING A LIP LOCK ON SOME POOR GIRL!

You can see the innocent damsel is struggling to break free! Of course, their lips might not even be meeting through those whiskers.

Just another typical EAA Chapter 1268/Sonoma Skypark Christmas party.

CHAPTER OFFICERS

President: Darrel Jones, 707-996-4494

Vice Pres: Jeannie Williams, 707-

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Treasurer: Bob Avrit, 707-938-5818

Membership: Bill Wheadon, 707-224-3901

Building: Dick Sullivan, 707-996-0401

Young Eagles Coordinator (for now):

Rich Cooper, 707-938-5587

FIRST THINGS FIRST

The next meeting will be this Tuesday, January 13 in the Skycrafters' clubhouse, Hangar B-5. Dinner will be provided by Jeannie Williams and Jeanette Woods. We don't have a speaker scheduled so we can talk about the upcoming year and start planning for the trip back to Oshkosh.

HEALTH AND WELFARE REPORT

We have a couple of members who are in recovery mode.

Don Youngs is slowly coming back from a fall and injured hip. He is getting around slowly and hoping to be able to get back out to the airport to work on his airplane. He has a new radio to install and has the canard off. We are hoping to see him out at Sonoma Skypark soon.

BK White, who had volunteered to be our new Young Eagles liaison has extensive back surgery to fuse three vertebra. He had some complications and spent twenty-four days in the hospital. He is home now, but confined to bed, so he says he won't be able to actively participate for several more months. BK has contributed a lot to the club, helping put together our clubhouse kitchen and restroom, as well as always showing up to help as a ground crewman for Young Eagles.

We're all hoping for both Don and BK's speedy recovery and return to the fold. Things are just too quiet out at Skypark without them.

DINNER SCHEDULE

BK White was scheduled to prepare the February dinner, but won't be up and around in time, so we need someone to take that month. We also need cooks for next April, May, June and July.

Roy Meyers generously volunteered to coordinate the dinners so give him a call at 415-897-2983 to reserve your month.

Chapter members preparing the meals are often pairing up and working together to provide dinner. If you don't feel that you can prepare the entire dinner yourself, go through the roster and give another members a call to ask them to help you..

The schedule so far is:

Month	Cook 1	Cook 2
January '09	Jeannie W.	Jeanette W.
February '09		
March '09	Nelleke C.	Rich C.
April '09		
May '09		
June '09		
July '09		

Please let me know by email to wd6bor@vom.com or call 707-996-4494 which month you want and we will finish filling this in!

YOUNG EAGLES

November Young Eagles will be this Sunday, January 11 from 9 am to noon, weather permitting.

BK White had volunteered to take over as Young Eagles liaison, but won't be able to because of his recent surgery.

Rich Cooper has been our Young Eagles Liaison for these many years and has agreed to step in to continue until we find another member who can take over those duties. I will be asking for another Liaison at this meeting so come prepared to serve.

We still need two to three people to rotate to cover greeting the Young eagles and parents, as well as help them register. We are looking for people with basic reading and writing skills who loves making new friends. Come out Sunday and give us a hand!

Call or email Rich Cooper if you are able to help January 11 either by flying or as ground

crew. His email is cooper@vom.com and his phone number is 707-938-5587.

OSHKOSH 2009

July 27 through August 2. Clear your calendar, we're going flying!

EAA CHAPTER 1268 MINUTES **NOVEMBER 11, 2008**

1900 hrs: Great dinner served

Vice President Andy Smith called meeting to order and thanked Roy and Lynda Meyers for the Excellent Surf and turf dinner, Jennie Williams for the salad, Marilyn Avrit for cookies.

Introduction of guests: Jack Caldwell introduced Jay and Rich Cooper introduced his neighbor Rollin Ganglaug. Also guests Joe Pataco president of the Petaluma Pilots Association, The Kirby family, and Curtiss Lewis now a new member that will be building a LSA Jabiru 230, the kit is expected to arrive in mid December.

Andy Smith then proceeded to announce the nominating committee candidates that would be willing or ramrodded to serve for the next term and asked for a vote of approval from those present. The offices filled are

President: Darrel

Vice President : Jennie Williams

Secretary : Frank Russo

Treasure: Robert Avrit

Membership chair: Bill Wheadon

Young Eagles: BK White

Fly Out Coordinator: Don Cooley

Safety Officer: Eric Presten

Building: Dick Sullivan

Meals: Roy Meyers

Activities:

Public Affairs: Jeanette Woods

Board of Directors: Bob Mercer, Andy Smith, Travis Morton, Jack Streh

Nominating Committee: Ron Price, Paul Seibert, Walt Lewis, Andy Smith, Travis Morton

Treasures report: Bob Avrit states the chapter beginning balance was \$6566.83 with a ,bank deposit of \$165 ,dinner receipts \$168, and expenses of ,dinner (\$123),web hosting 2007/2008 (\$278.80),with a balance in the general fund of \$ 6333.03 .

In 2007 there were 67 paid members and in 2008 there are 62, Please get an envelope from Bob to put your 2009 dues in Bob said 2009 dues are \$15 and due January, and requests that if you have a receipt for reimbursement to put your name on it prior to giving it to him at the meeting.

Young Eagles: Rich Cooper reports that they flew 15 young Eagles on Sunday and had a couple of new first timers. Rich thanked all that helped make it a great day

Membership Chair: Marilyn Poggensee no report

Air Explores report: Walt Lewis thanked the chapter for the help to their group.

Building Report: None

New business:

Fly out: Don Cooley none planned.

The speakers for the evening were Eric and Debbie Presten, on their summer travels in England and the time spent test flying the Macciti flying boat along with the American Barnstormers Tour, flying for the movie *Amelia* in Canada, Oshkosh, Blakesburg Vintage fly-in, and Reno's American Heritage experience, wow! most people will not experience this much in a life time let alone one summer. You missed a good one if you were not there.

2120 hrs Meeting adjourned

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**REMEMBER! THE JANUARY MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA
CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, AT 7 PM, AT THE 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.

Name: _____ EMAIL: _____

Address: _____ APT: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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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