



THE FLYING TIMES

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of the Sonoma Sky Crafters

EAA Chapter 1268

Sonoma Skypark Airport
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SUNSET OVER SONOMA VALLEY AND A P&W 1830
Thanks to Richard Martin and Bob Berwick for a lovely flight.

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The April meeting is this **Tuesday, April 10.**
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 \$8.00 per person.

Our chefs for the month will be Ron Price and Frank Russo. I'm not sure if they are the ones featuring roadkill cuisine or if that is the team of Ron Willis and John Thomason. Only one way to find out. Join us for dinner and a feature presentation.

**EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN
AND TREASURER REPORT**
April 2018

Treasurer's Report For the month of March we had net deposits of \$123.07 which was comprised of dues (\$60), Air Academy donations (\$50), and excess dinner receipts (\$13.07).

I'm a little handicapped by not having an official statement from the credit union but by taking our February 28 balance and calculating expenditures and deposits in March, our effective checking account balance (not counting funds held in the Jack Strehl Memorial Fund) now stands at \$9484.11. That's all for now – see you at the meeting,

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

YOUNG EAGLES

Young Eagles day is Sunday, April 8. 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.

MOVIE NIGHT AT SONOMA SKYPARK

Movie night for April is **Saturday, April 28 at 6pm in the Sonoma Skypark clubhouse.**

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 28** at 6 p.m.

DINNER SCHEDULE

We have our celebrity chefs for 2018 but let us know if you would like to be on the standby list in case one of our chefs is indisposed. 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	Cooks/Meal
2018 DINNER SCHEDULE	
JAN	Roland Gangloff
FEB	Ernie Ganas-Tri-tip
MAR	Rich & Nelleke Cooper- c. beef
APR	Ron Price & Frank Russo
MAY	Ron Willis & John Thomason- road kill
JUN	Don Booker & Wayne Schake
JUL	Darrel Jones- meat(s) and salad
AUG	Robin Tatman
SEP	Richard Craig & Les Lucas
OCT	Air Explorers
NOV	Marsi F., George T. & Howard H.
DEC	XMAS PARTY
Standby	Bill & Jan Wheadon

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
2018 SPEAKER SCHEDULE	
JAN	Katie Greenwood/ Dr. Howard Donner-Truckee Tahoe
FEB	Avery Cruz- Air Academy
MAR	Dave Alexander- Canary Is. crash
APR	A program sure to please!

MAY	
JUN	
JUL	
AUG	
SEP	
OCT	Air Academy participants
NOV	
DEC	XMAS PARTY

2018 EAA 1268 CALENDAR

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

DATE	EVENT
4/8	Young Eagles 9 am
4/10	1268 Meeting 7 pm
4/28	Skypark Movie Night
5/8	1268 Meeting 7 pm
5/13	Young Eagles 9 am
5/19	Skypark Family Fun Day
5/26	Skypark Movie Night
6/10	Young Eagles 9 am
6/12	1268 Meeting 7 pm
6/23	Skypark Movie Night
7/8	Young Eagles 9 am
7/10	1268 Meeting 7 pm
7/19-22	Brodhead Pietenpol Fly-in
7/23-29	EAA AIRVENTURE at Oshkosh
8/12	Young Eagles 9 am
8/14	1268 Meeting 7 pm
8/25	Skypark Movie Night
9/9	Young Eagles 9 am
9/11	1268 Meeting 7 pm
9/22	Skypark Movie Night
10/9	1268 Meeting 7 pm
10/14	Young Eagles 9 am
10/27	Skypark Movie Night
11/11	Young Eagles 9 am
11/13	1268 Meeting 7 pm
11/24	Skypark Movie Night
12/7	Skypark Xmas Party
1/1/18	New Years' Day 1 st Flight
Every Saturday Noon to 1:30 pm Skypark Hamburgers and Hot Dogs in the clubhouse!	

EAA CHAPTER 1268 MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting
March 13, 2018

March 2018 EAA 1268 Board of Directors Meeting

Present: Directors Paul Seibert, BK White, and Jeanette Woods Jeanette Woods

Officers: Bill Wheadon, Treasurer
Meeting began at 6:39 but due to lack of quorum (at least and 3 Directors with 2 being executive officers) the meeting was to be informational only with no actionable items voted upon.

The Treasurer, being the only officer present presided.

Items discussed:

Director BK White spoke of his experience attending the EAA Chapter Leadership Boot Camp that was held in Santa Rosa the previous Saturday. He said it was a very intensive 7½ hours spent discussing: chapter recruiting and retaining members, marketing, tax exempt status, fundraising, media & public relations, Young Eagles, insurance, and available EAA Chapter resources. Director White displayed a binder that was given to all attendees containing the above information. BK agreed to share his experience at the general membership meeting. Director Woods inquired if there was a way for non-attending chapter leaders to obtain the binders. Treasurer Wheadon said he would make inquiries with EAA to see if that was feasible.

Director Seibert brought up three items for consideration:

-Having the board meeting in a location separate from the membership meeting location to eliminate distractions.

-Finding and advocating available follow-up “learn to fly” programs for Young Eagles.

-Actively pursuing a flying club within the constraints of the EAA restrictions.

March 2018 EAA 1268 general membership meeting

Darrel Jones opened the meeting with a thank you to our March hangar chefs Nelleke and Rich Cooper for the excellent dinner of corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and carrots. Dessert was also provided in the form of a birthday cake by the Coopers to celebrate Nelleke's birthday.

Darrel recognized three recent new members: **Gene Marcinkowski** who lives in Cloverdale and has been a frequent visitor to Skypark and decided to join our group. Gene invited members to visit the Cloverdale airport and enjoy the ambiance. He commented wistfully that Cloverdale is the type town that Sonoma used to be.

Gerald (Gerry) Hodnefield lives in the Napa Valley near Yountville and amazed the members when he said that he had nine airplanes and has built four. Darrel commented that "this sound like a program" for a future meeting.

Wayne Herely has also been a frequent visitor to Skypark attending movie night and Saturday burgers and decided to join.

Darrel called on for a Treasurer's report – Treasurer Wheadon replied that the report is in the newsletter and would answer any questions concerning it – none were asked and none were given.

BK White was called to give a Young Eagle report on the Sunday event. BK said that a record had been set – only one YE had flown. Fog restricted flying activities until well after noon which was when Ron Price took the Young Eagle up.

BK also gave a report on his attendance at the EAA Chapter Leadership Boot Camp in Santa Rosa (see the BOD meeting report for more).

Under Old Business, Darrel reported that the chapter would be sponsoring three attendees at the Air Academy this summer - Nathan Wilson, Nick Griffin, and Eirwyn Rogers. They all be attending the advanced camp so they'll be there during AirVenture.

Announcements:

Paul Seibert will help move Frank Schelling's Jenny to March Air Force Base for the 100th anniversary of the base's opening - this will take place on the first weekend in April. It's reported that a Jenny was the first airplane to fly at March AFB.

Ernie Ganas related that Leon Scarbrough is back at UCSF Hospital and will have surgery soon.

Darrel then introduced speaker Dave Alexander who described his experience as a survivor of the worst crash in airline history when a KLM 747 collided on take-off with a Pan American 747 that was on the ground at the Tenerife airport in the Canary Islands. Dave was among 61 survivors that were aboard the Pan Am 747. 583 passengers were killed on the two airplanes with no survivors on the KLM plane.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 with a request by Ron Price for help in cleaning up.

I would like to thank Rafe for the wonderful Fokker D.VII model he presented to me at the March movie night. The movie was the 1927 film "Wings" about World War I fliers, and featured two actual Fokker D.VII airplanes crashed for the movie.

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 2018!** SEE YOU THERE!

REMEMBER! THE APRIL MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, APRIL 10 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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