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of the Sonoma Skycrafters

EAA Chapter 1268

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BOB BERWICK AND HIS TRAVEL AIR

Another good reason to hang out at the airport...it's beautiful out there.

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The January meeting is this **Tuesday, January 14**. 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 chef for the month will be our very own

President Robin. She is thinking of stew. Great winter meal.

Our program will be a presentation by Gene Marcinlowski about the history of Hamilton Army Air Base in Novato. Hamilton was from where the B-17s flew unarmed into Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Gene has a video presentation and will answer questions from the members.

**EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN
AND TREASURER REPORT**
January 2020

Membership Report – Welcome to 2020 and hopefully a year of good health, prosperity, and fun flying activities. Along with my good wishes comes the plea that comes this time of year for you to get current with your club dues – still only \$15. With your club dues we are able to stay in good standing with EAA National and also fund our chapter activities. This year our renewal with EAA National is \$583. With dues at \$15, it requires 39 member’s renewals just to cover this expense. Also every year we, along with donors, help sponsor youths to attend the Air Academy at Oshkosh.

I think everyone knows by now that you can check renewal status by looking at your name badge color – blue if you’re current, white if you’re not. A membership form and address to send your dues check is on the back page of this newsletter or you can pick one up from one of the envelopes that’s under the badge board in the clubhouse. Please use this form to indicate any changes in personal information – telephone numbers, email addresses, etc.

Treasurer Report – We began 2019 with funds in our three accounts at Redwood Credit Union totaling \$10,000.96 and ended the year with a balance of \$13,179.05. These funds do not include money held in the Jack Strehl Memorial fund.

Each year at the January Board of Directors meeting I present my Annual Report to the Board. My accounting is basically in the form of three documents. The primary ones being the “Running Balance Reports” which lists the incomes, expenses, and balances throughout the year for our Checking, Savings and CD accounts. The second document is the meal accounting. The third document are listings of bank deposits indicating source and amount of funds deposited.

If any member would like a copy of these documents, send me an email (bill.wheadon@gmail.com) and I’ll forward them to you.

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

YOUNG EAGLES

Young Eagles today, January 12, had pilots Don Booker, Tim Bloodgood, Frank Russo, Robin Tatman, Mark Shackford, Bill Wheadon and Darrel Jones giving 33 Young Eagle flights. The weather wasn’t bad and got progressively better through the morning.

John Thomason and Gretchen McDougall handled registration, with Roland Gangloff and Ron Willis taking care of ground school and the ramp.

Robin, Gretchen and Bob Berwick flew to Petaluma for lunch in Bob’s Travel Air afterward. Let’s make that a regular thing.

Let BK know you will be joining us and helping out next month 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 January is **Saturday, January 25 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).

See you at the movies on Skypark Movie Night, **SATURDAY, January 25** at 6 p.m.

DINNER SCHEDULE

We have some of our celebrity chefs for 2020 but let us know if you want to take an unfilled month. Hot dogs, chili or pizza are perfectly fine. 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
2020 DINNER SCHEDULE	
JAN	Robin T
FEB	Bill & Jan W
MAR	Nelleke and Rich C
APR	Ernie G- Tri tip
MAY	
JUN	
JUL	Darrel- bbq
AUG	
SEP	Ron & John –Roadkill Special
OCT	Richard, Sandra & George
NOV	Air Explorers
DEC	XMAS PARTY
Standby	?

As you can see, we still have three meals needing cooks. Please let us know if you can take one of these nights.

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
2020 SPEAKER SCHEDULE	

JAN	Gene Marcinowski- Ham AFB
FEB	
MAR	
APR	
MAY	
JUN	
JUL	
AUG	
SEP	
OCT	
NOV	
DEC	XMAS PARTY

2020 EAA 1268 CALENDAR

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

DATE	EVENT
1/12	Young Eagles 9 am
1/14	1268 Meeting 7 pm
1/25	Skypark Movie Night
1/31	Air Academy application deadline
2/9	Young Eagles 9 am
2/11	1268 Meeting 7 pm
2/22	Skypark Movie Night
3/8	Young Eagles 9 am
3/10	1268 Meeting 7 pm
3/28	Skypark Movie Night
4/12	Young Eagles 9 am
4/14	1268 Meeting 7 pm
4/25	Skypark Movie Night
5/10	Young Eagles 9 am
5/12	1268 Meeting 7 pm
5/23	Skypark Movie Night
6/9	1268 Meeting 7 pm
6/14	Young Eagles 9 am
6/27	Skypark Movie Night
7/12	Young Eagles 9 am
7/14	1268 Meeting 7 pm
7/16-19	Brodhead Pietenpol Fly-in
7/20-26	EAA AIRVENTURE at Oshkosh
7/25	Skypark Movie Night
8/9	Young Eagles 9 am
8/11	1268 Meeting 7 pm
8/22	Skypark Movie Night

9/8	1268 Meeting 7 pm
9/12 ?	Skypark Family Fun Day!
9/13	Young Eagles 9 am
9/16-20	Reno Air Races
9/26	Skypark Movie Night
9/29-30 ?	Wings Over Wine Country
10/11	Young Eagles 9 am
10/13	1268 Meeting 7 pm
10/24	Skypark Movie Night
11/8	Young Eagles 9 am
11/10	1268 Meeting 7 pm
11/28	Skypark Movie Night
12/4	Skypark Xmas Party
1/1/20	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

EAA 1268 Board of Directors Meeting
November 12, 2019

The Board Meeting was called to order by
President Robin Tatman at 6:15 pm.

Present were: President Robin Tatman, , Vice
President Darrel Jones, Treasurer and
Membership Chairman Bill Wheadon,
Secretary Nelleke Cooper, Directors Jeanette
Woods, Roland Gangloff and Young Eagles
Coordinator B.K. White

Absent: Director Paul Siebert

Bill Wheadon mentioned that the Treasurer's
report is in the October Newsletter.

Robin asked the current Board members if they
accepted to be nominated for the 2020 Board
and the current officers agreed to serve again if
elected.

Bill and Darrel discussed the renewal
paperwork for 2020 for our Chapter and the
need to set up volunteers for meal preparation
and speakers for the coming year.

We will need to find a hangar for the Christmas
party and several possibilities were debated.
Ron Price will ask Jonathan Clark, if we can
stay with our tradition and use Ron's old
hangar. Marsi Fahraji will be available to
coordinate the food preparation.

Will Campbell showed his artistic aviation
photographs, including time-exposure
photographs of Reno, Oshkosh and airplanes
spraying fire retardant on the recent fires. His
picture of Veteran's day was published in the
Index Tribune.

B.K. White will give report to the Membership
regarding the Y.E.

Food preparation volunteers: Will Campbell
can do BBQ, Ernie Ganas – April, Bill
Wheadon – February.

Board Meeting adjourned 6:55 pm

General Meeting called to order at 7:55 pm

Robin thanked Richard Craig and Sandra for a
delicious meal of Polenta au Jus with Italian
Sausage, bell peppers, asparagus etc. As it was
Darrel's birthday Robin and Bob Berwick
brought his favorite Key Lime pie and a large
cake, which Marsi decorated with candles and
everybody sang Happy Birthday to Darrel.
Howard Hall provided the coffee and George
Thomson brought wine.

Guest: Randy Walder

The officers gave their reports to the
Membership.

B.K. White reported that the requirement for
pilots to fly 10 Young Eagles annually in order
to get credit is eliminated. EAA will give us \$5
credit for each Y.E. flight flown.

Young Eagles report for Sunday, November 10,
2019. Kids started showing up at 8:30 am.
They had a big ground school group and started

out with 20 kids, but due to the late start 4 left. The fog did not clear till 11:15 am and the pilots, Robin Tatman, Bob Berwick and Darrel Jones managed to fly 16 Y.E.

Correction to Minutes of September 10 meeting by Ron Willis on traffic pattern at Skypark “However, due to noise abatement at Skypark and Petaluma, the pattern is right traffic. “ Correction traffic pattern at Skypark is left traffic for runway 26 and right traffic for runway 08.

Paper work for Air Explorers – all adults need to be re-registered for 2020.

Robin made a motion to re-elect all current officers on the Board. Second by Roland Gangloff. Unanimously accepted.

Christmas party discussion and reminder to Membership for set-up on Thursday, Dec. 5. Notice as the venue to be send out by Darrel.

Flight school. The Taylorcraft is now legal to fly and has a fresh annual thanks to Richard Craig and Darrel Jones.

After the departure of Colin Traynor, names and schedules for the new employees at Sonoma Skypark are: Richard Wallace, Sunday, Tuesday and Friday; Dennis Grimes, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and Jack Turner, SVHS Junior will help with burgers on Saturdays.

Speakers for the evening were Glen Gathright and Harlow Voorhess from the FAA FSDO office in Oakland.

Their presentation was focused on Takeoff Safety Planning and preparations for emergencies occurring during takeoff and initial climb. Multiple accidents were analyzed. Much valuable information was passed on to the Membership and mistakes made, such as the impossible turn, and pulling back on yoke were brought up. Importance of; knowing your airplane well, fly your airplane

only after a qualified mechanic agrees it's repaired, checking surrounding areas, and have a Safe Landing Plan in place.

General Membership Meeting adjourned 8:50 pm



We lost another old friend when Maureen Russell passed away December 7. She and her husband Jerry were long time Schellville members.

Jan's just giving her a big hug, not strangling her. Maureen gave lots of love and received lots in return.

Well, that's all for tonight. I'll see you at the meeting.

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 2020!** SEE YOU THERE!

**REMEMBER! THE JANUARY MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 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!
THE 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: _____

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