

LIBERTY FIELD FLYERS

August 2013 NEWSLETTER

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EAA Chapter #1534

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SEPTEMBER MEETING AND FLY-OUTS

In July we didn't have a meeting because we flew off to Lake Pillsbury for our annual camp-out. This year Mike and Yarik drive up with the dinner supplies and Andre did the cooking. The meal was great and the club owes a debt of gratitude to these three guys for their work. The group agreed that this year's campout was one of our best. Thanks guys.

In August we had our meeting, a week earlier than normal, to accommodate a few of us who wanted to join the PAPA poker run flight (we didn't win). The minutes of this meeting are presented below.

Saturday is the [Wings over Wine Country airshow](#) in Santa Rosa. (Click on the link for details.) For those planning to fly there, be aware that the airport will be closed for the airshow both Saturday and Sunday from 1120 to 1530 hours. If you want to fly in, call Chris to coordinate the flight.

Since the Mendocino County Fair at Boonville is on our regular meeting date in September, and several of us like to flyin to the fair, our September meeting will be held on the Saturday the 7th rather than the 14th. As usual, no-cost pizza or burgers will be available at 1230 hours and the meeting will start at 1300 hours. Les will try to put together a video of the best stuff we took for this meeting. ...And if you plan a late summer vacation in your plane, take a look at this> [video](#).

AUGUST 3RD 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Chris opened the meeting at 1255 hours. There was no old business. The new business follows:

- The PAPA poker run was discussed by Les
 - Charlie discussed organizing a tour of the "Man cave", a museum and bar like property owned by a former SF cop.
 - Vic reported that the treasury contains about \$4700.
 - Chris discussed the annual fly-out calendar that he just completed in some detail.
 - Bill Sherlock and Linda agreed to hold this year's XMAS party at their place.in Greenbrae. The club thanked them for volunteering.
 - Bill also discussed the future prospects to be able to land at a 2000' place owned by a friend. We need to get and sign hold harmless agreements beforehand.
 - A few of the guys (Mark, Les, Vic, and Gordon) need a bi-annual soon. We discussed who may be available to provide it.
 - We discussed the possibility of again being able to land at Harvey's place and Liberty Field.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1350 hours.

MEMORIES OF ACES PAST

LFUF
INTERVIEWS

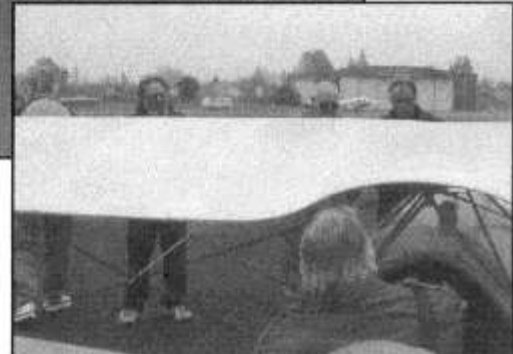
“ace”
of the month

Tim Starks



He built this miniture “Great Lakes” from scratch!

Tim with his
latest creation.



The day the inspectors came out...it passed with
“flying colors.”

LFUF: When did you get into ultralights?

LIBERTY FIELD was my first intro to ultralights and my first ultralight was a 503 powered Weedhopper. However, I have been around “micro lites” as they were referred to as far back as 1974. From 1975, I started building the first of many bd-5’s in Santa Cruz. At that time, a friend of mine took me over to Pajarja Dunes outside Wattsonville to meet a guy named “Jack McCormick”. Jack had been building a plane called the “Pterodactyl”. He wanted someone to “turbo charge a Cayuna” so he could go to 23,000’. Well, after I got off the floor from laughing so hard, I found out Jack was serious, so we set about to do just that. We turboed a Cayuna...really. I have pictures. and it did go to 21,000’ above Wattsonville.

LFUF: What was your most harrowing experience?

Picture this...4 acres ringed by 70 ft. trees. Brian of Santa Rosa says: “watch where I go and then you do it”. He flies along the trees and then turns into them and dis-

appears! I speed up and look down and see that he has landed on a short driveway that is S shaped. He tells me to start braking right after the water puddle but by now, I am already way past it so I turn right, just missing whatever that was I just missed and stopped with inches to spare. THAT was an experience! Actually, it showed me what I could do with that plane.

LFUF: What is the most interesting thing you have seen or done?

The coolest thing I ever saw was at Oshkosh 1979. Don Stewart had a plane called “Puffin Egg” or some such. It had counter-rotating props powered by two 820 West Bends. It never flew but it sure looked cool. I have had so much fun doing all the things involved with flying...the planes, the people, the destinations. It’s the most fun you can have with your clothes on I always say!!!

Next month we interview anyone available!

MEMORIES OF GREAT FLY-INS

(Note the Flying Pizza Box!)



Close up of the 5' Radio Controlled jet

WATTS - WOODLAND

May 1, 2
All photos
by Jim Grimes



Recognize that face?
Maybe that stomach is
familiar. Maybe you
don't recognize either
because he is drinking
water!



This little radio controlled beauty is capable of 28 lbs of thrust! The owner clocked it at 200 mph. All that power generated by a 9" jet engine! Very impressive.



This Nighthawk helio-copter was run mostly on hydraulics!



A challenger and a CGS Hawk back to back at the Watts - Woodland fly in.

OUR HEART FELT CONDOLENCES TO VIC

Vic's mother passed away yesterday. Vic will let us know when arrangements have been made.

THIS MONTH'S PICS

(Guys, submit pictures or this section will be very small! Howard and Charlie did contribute here)

Harvey's field being improved. Maybe we will be able to use it again.



The following pics are from the Lake Pillsbury flyout



(There were no mosquitos but this didn't stop Mark)





Then we flew to Ukiah for brunch (pics below)



Another 2-Roc pic



This week two guys, Tony and Ron, came down from Oregon with a Challenger. Our guys helped put it together and they joined our club. (Pics taken by Charlie).



(Vic can be really intense at times! This pic is a real winner Charlie!)

