

# **LIBERTY FIELD FLYERS**

## **MAY 2014 NEWSLETTER**

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**EAA Chapter #1534**

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## **MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

Our meeting this month, as usual, will start at 1-PM this Saturday in our Club hanger (11C) with no-charge pizza and soft drinks before the meeting at 12:30-PM.

This meeting will focus on planning the flight to Lake Pillsbury scheduled for the following weekend. Since Harry & Charlotte will not be hosting it this year, we need to decide how to get stuff to the lake and preparation of the evening meal.

We also have a presentation planned about the overhead military type aircraft landing activities at Petaluma. We can also discuss runway construction at Santa Rosa and anything else of interest that you may wish to bring up.

## **MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

*(By Chris Rampoldt)*

The meeting began with 20 members present. A discussion of flights to different destinations started up with mentions of Booneville the next day, the PAPA's mountain flying talk on Tuesday the 29th, the May 3 trip to Cloverdale, and a trip to Willows airport next Saturday. We all agreed that making an announcement on the Club Website about a desired flight is a very effective way of spreading the word about coming events.....but please check the club schedule.

Victor Bologna, our treasurer was asked about the full amount in our treasury, and he said, "about 4 thousand dollars". There was then some discussion about perhaps charging for the club BarBQs in the future. The group agreed that if the club treasury drops below \$3000, we would reexamine the issue and decide how much to charge for the lunches.

Les called for an around the room update from our pilots.

- Les told us about his new Viking engine issues; the coolant leaks because of a warped block. He said that Viking was shipping him a new new engine....good luck.
- Harry is working on his new Challenger, and mentioned a Sportstar Lite sport aircraft that would be good for a club aircraft.

- Chris agreed about the airplane but no one else seemed interested. Flying and freedom is not free.....unless of course you are Lockheed Martin.
- Eric said he needs to find an instructor and fly!
- A new member Paul Dolccini said it's time to find an airplane and fly.
- Ted Miller, captain supreme is flying his Gull aircraft out of Freedom Field north of Sacramento.
- Rod, who has impressed us with his many cross country flights, is ready for more.
- Bill Sherlock will be going to Sun and Fun to represent Aerotrek Aircraft.
- Steve Smith recounted the trip he took with Chris up near Mt. Shasta. It included many of the small airports that are very picturesque north of Lake Pillsbury.
- Chris Desmond spoke about the Airworthiness Directive out on the Carbon Cub. He is now flying again.
- Mark Johnson and Charley Makiva are both flying a lot.....spring winds permitting.
- Chris is fixing a lot of small things on his airplane which keep breaking.
- Brenda will be flying into Willows in a couple of weeks to watch her husband race his car...sounds like fun.

Next came a talk by a member of the Petaluma Airport Pilot's Association, (PAPA), His pride in the bureaucracy of how an airport is run and it's connections with city government was apparent. Also, he referred to the Liberty Field flyers as the "Bohemian Bunch" which I thought was quaint. The meeting ended, the hangar door swung open, fresh air came in and the sun shined brightly off the pilot's heads.

Respectively Submitted, Chris.

### **BY-BY IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID!**

A few have not yet paid yet for the privilege of remaining a member of the Liberty Field Flyers in 2014. You know who you are... and if you don't pay up by our meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> you will be summarily excluded from any and all functions and mailings (including the Yahoo group and other emails).

So if you don't wish to say by-by to the club, send your \$45 2014 membership fee to our treasured, Vic Bologna at 4760 Lakeshore Blvd. Lake Port CA 95453, or save the stamp and bring your check to the meeting Saturday so you won't be excluded.

### **WE NEED ARTICLES FOR THIS NEWSLETTER**

*If you don't want very short Newsletters, pls send anything of interest to Chris Rampoldt*

### **PICTURES OF THE MONTH**

This month we have a plethora of pictures. We got more pic this month from Mark Johnson, Bim shots, and even a few from Les. Thanks Guys.

Mark sends the following link for 10 minutes of military jet flight. He says the last is the best. See <https://vimeo.com/93790719>. He also sent the following three pics.



Chris's plane



The bridge (we must have 500 similar pics)



Our fearless leader about to start his new engine after the “new” 701’s elevator walked up and hit him.



Bim’s pic: looking down on whales near the beach





This pic and following two shows Jim O'Neal and his new UL pre first flight





This and next pic show Bill and Chris near Petaluma



André over the GG (this plus next three pics)





