

## Chapter 495 Roseburg Oregon

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Around the Patch Well, Ken and Ester were under the weather last meeting so President George and board member advisor Paul stepped in and made up an awesome batch of spaghetti to take care of our appetites. Ken and Ester toil "under the radar" but when they're not there, they are REALLY MISSED!!

Dorothy Austin brought in some information about the Oregon Air Tour and it sounds like a lot of fun. I've got my 40 hours flown off our Rebel, and I would like to go, but I've got to see what will be going on when the tour is on. I've got a ton of yard and house maintenance work staring at me.

Having our next meeting at Round Table Pizza was brought up and it was decided to try it on a possibly once a quarter schedule. If you forget and go to Felt Field on June 19<sup>th</sup>, you'll be pretty lonesome. The meeting will start at 7P.M., but at 6P.M. we'll be taking advantage of the Tuesday night all you can eat buffet. The manager showed me how to hook up my laptop to their big screen TV so we can still watch our aviation videos when the meeting is winding down. Speaking of food, it was determined that we'll start having our fly in / drive in Saturday morning breakfast on the SECOND Saturday of the month INSTEAD of the first Saturday of the month because the Cottage Grove chapter does theirs on the first Saturday. They might come down here to see how they stack up to our sumptuous feast. I may fly up to theirs to give them a little good natured "ribbing".

HATS! Hats, hats, hats. President George said that he'll get with a local vendor to get us a sample of a hat and at least a patch so we can see what our headgear will look like. WHAT!! You didn't see or vote on the chapter logo?? Well,.... you're going to have to be at the meetings! Trust me, it's a cool logo.

Get the stuff that you don't have any more use for and sell it at our fly in / drive in swap meet on August 4<sup>th</sup> and 5th. President George is putting the event in the Willamette Valley Flyer so the world will know what we're doing. Don't forget! Next meeting! June 19<sup>th</sup> ROUND TABLE PIZZA!!! ... **Steve Kame** 

### Jordan Fly In Cancelled

We got a call from Chris Jordan, who gave us the sad news that the Jordan Fly In scheduled for June 23 at the Umpqua Skypark has been cancelled. If anything changes, we'll send out an e-mail blast and let everybody know. But for now, if anybody has a suggestion for another activity contact George or Steve and we'll bring it up at the next meeting being held at Round Table Pizza in the Garden Valley Mall.



# Mystery Airplane

Can you identify this airplane? Yes, it does look a bit like the French Bleriot except for one major element. We'll tell you at the next meeting.

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#### Billy's Aerial Motorcycles Now at Felt Field

If you saw the last issue of this newsletter, you know Billy Chatfield is a former hot rodder, motorcyclist and custom car builder, if there is anything such as a former any of those things. Let's just say he added airplanes to his expanding repertoire. As a friend of mine remarked to me the other day, "I saw what looked like part of an airplane flying over the other day."

So, what Billy is really involved in these days is what is known as trikes, kind of an airborne motorcycle. These are really big kites with a pod hanging



under them and a seat for the pilot, two if there's a passenger on board. The engine is usually in a pusher configuration at the back of the pod. They don't have conventional aircraft controls but rather a bar that the pilot hangs onto and pushes, pulls or moves from side to side in order to control the aircraft's attitude. I've never flown one but a friend of mine who has, once told me that he got really confused at first. You push forward to go up and pull back to go down and it's a little tricky to transition from a normal three axis control airplane.

Billy started his operation in Myrtle Creek but later decided to move to Felt Field. He is a certified Rotax mechanic and is working on his flight instructor certification for weight shift aircraft. Both he and his wife fly these "almost" airplanes so look for them buzzing around the skies above Roseburg.

#### 495 Participates in UCC STEAM Extravaganza

I joined Paul Schafer and George Dorius as we represented EAA Chapter 495 at the 2018 STEAM Extravaganza at Umpqua Community College on Saturday, May 19. STEAM stands for science, technology, engineering art and mechanics. The idea is to get the younger generation interested in careers in one of these fields.

We were hoping to interact with older teens but most of the youngsters attending were grade school age with a few in our target age range. George brought out his Ridge Runner LSA for viewing and it creat-



ed quite a sensation with the youngsters. Hopefully a few seeds were planted in some young minds. Paul had his covering demonstration going and we had several inquiries about the Young Eagles program so don't be surprised if you get tapped sometime this summer to take some young folks for a ride. **Joe Messinger** 

#### A few more photos from the UCC STEAM Extravaganza.

Photos by: Joe Messinger and Paul Schafer









#### Members Profile: Dennis and Bonnie Rose

by Steve Kame

When I visited Dennis and Bonnie at their hangar, I noticed a rack on the wall with coffee cups in it. I really took notice when I realized that these cups were all from various fly ins. THIRTY ONE!!! Included were three from Airventure along with two plaques for best builder. Hmmm... Do ya think that maybe he knows a little about aviation??

Dennis comes from a "Flying Family" being as his three brothers and both parents all fly. He is retired from the state of California where he was a waste water treatment operator. Although he was born in California, that states loss is our gain as they're now permanent residents here. Dennis has a B.A. in Biology and a Masters in Marine Biology, but his true passion is in aviation. While most of us

Dennis has a B.A. in Biology and a Masters in Marine Biology, but his true passion is in aviation. While most of us struggle to build even one aircraft, Dennis has built two out of fiberglass. They built the Cozy Mk IV that he flys now and earlier they built a Quickie Tri 2-200. (See Rose P.4)



**Rose:** As far as memorable flights, they've had quite a few such as losing an engine in a Cherokee, flight plan woes to and from the Bahamas, weather, scrambled up taxi and customs fun at Kissimmee Fla., plus, one of the times they went to Airventure, they got on the cover of EAA World (aerial shot of the convention grounds)!!! Dennis had made his solo flight before he became a licensed driver so he figured that he would become an Air Force pilot, but his eyes held him back.

They joined 495 because they like aviation, the people with an aviation mindset, and they like the direction 495 is heading. They are family and church oriented and do missionary work all over the world in third world countries such as, but not limited to, Sri Lanka, Mexico, China, Romania, South America, Cuba, the Caribbean, and a very, very, dangerous place called Detroit, Michigan. The McDonalds across from their mission has bullet proof glass! I'm not kidding!

Their daughter is also active and moves frequently, so Dennis and Bonnie have also been to the U.S. Virgin Islands, Death Valley, and Canada. Although their son was a straight "A" student in computer technology, his true love is Beekeeping. He wrote a book about Beekeeping called "Beekeeping in Coastal California" and it's now in its second printing! He must know a lot about the birds and the bees because they've made Dennis and Bonnie grandparents four times over! We are proud to have them as members.





If you've heard any sonic booms around town lately you might blame them on John Anderson. John used to fly big bad jets with a Rhino painted on the tail. So, when he decided he need-



ed to paint his Vans RV 7A, after flying around naked for several months, he chose the same paint scheme. Stop by his hangar and take a look. John loves to show off his beautiful bird. OK, John so where are the hard points for mounting the bombs and rockets?

#### JUST FOR GRINS



An hour into a flight from New York to L.A., the captain came on the P.A. to announce, "We have lost an engine, but don't worry, we still have three left. However, this will increase our flight time, so instead of taking 5 hours, it will take 7 hours to get to L.A." Awhile later, the pilot announced, "A second engine failed, but we still have two engines left. However, it will take 10 hours to get to California now." Later still, the pilot announced, "A third engine quit. Don't worry, we can fly on a single engine. But it will now take 18 hours to get to L.A." At this point, a passenger piped up and said, "We'd better not lose that last engine, or we'll be up here forever!"

