



EAA Chapter 52 Sacramento CA.

September 2019 Edition

September 2019 Left Seat,

By Gill Wright

The past few weeks the days have been getting noticeable shorter until we crossed Fall Equinox this weekend. This becomes some of the best flying weather with the cooler air and less density altitude issues.

These shorted days also seem to prompt some interesting ideas amongst the Board members of Chapter 52 in the last few weeks. There has been a discussion regarding the possibility of creating a flying club from within the chapter members. I think this is a great idea whose time has come. When we gather on Tuesday we will discuss this idea further. So come with your good thinking on this idea and let's see what distillation of ideas we can agree on.

In addition, Jim Heffelfinger has forwarded me an excellent training video about how to be a safer GA pilot. I do want to take the 25 minutes to review this, and have a discussion. It is covering prudent airmanship logic of how to train like a part 121 flight crew to keep everyone safer as they fly. It will be good lessons for us all. Thank you Jim!!

On a final note there is the California Capital Airshow at Mather October 5 & 6, and there is need for people to help out on the GA Fly-in Ramp. If any of you have an interest to help in this event, please let me know. The Blue Angels will be flying, there will be F-35's in the air too. There is a B-29 and a host of unique warbirds to come see too. Plus, there will be all sorts of heavy grey birds to small yellow Piper cubs, and everything in between.

The CCAS is truly a unique local Celebration of California Aviation to behold. It is a lot of Fun to help with the GA ramp, and a great perspective of our community.

Safe travels & I will see you there,

Gill Wright

President, EAA Chapter 52

Keeping your Flight Training Costs Down

By, Cedric Hughes

During my private pilot flight training I had to move three times between instructor's/flight schools. (This has become more common as flight instructors move on to commercial transport jobs). Each time, the new instructor or flight school says they can start up where the other had left off - but the reality is they all started again from near zero which is very frustrating and very expensive! Finally, all of this happens when other commitments (such as school) resulting long breaks in training.

My best advice for keeping your flight training costs down:

- 1) Complete flight training in one go - flying at least 3 times a week, and finishing within three months (for kids such as myself, I suggest completion over summer break).
- 2) Have your FAA written passed BEFORE beginning flight training, and go through something like the relevant Sporty's Private Pilot course BEFORE each flight. I know it can be a bit difficult to memorize how an engine works when you've never seen under the cowling of an airplane, but put in the time- your wallet will thank you!
- 3) Fly the lesson you are expecting to take ahead of time on a flight simulator. These training simulators can be free

(<https://www.eaa.org/eaal/learn-to-fly/eaal-virtual-flight-academy-resource-center>) and really help you master each lesson quickly. This should keep your progress moving forward and making as much progress as possible with each (very expensive) lesson.

Picking the right instructor is important - and often difficult with the low availability of CFI's out there. Talk to the instructor's other students before you start. If their students are all frustrated at lack of progress - get a different flight instructor! Also be sure to get their commitment to be able to provide sufficient time of the duration of your training to finish your training quickly. Once-a-week availability is NOT enough. Also, if the CFI is planning to move to a new job as soon as possible, pick a different instructor. While it's hard to say no to an opportunity for flight training, if you can not expeditiously finish with a flight instructor, you're far better off (at least financially) to pick one that can.

I think if you follow this advice, you could get your private pilot's license for less than \$7,000.

Clarksburg STOL Gathering Report

By, Owen Hughes

Saturday Sept 21 saw a return to life of the Borges Clarksburg Airport (CN13) hosted the 1st Annual? Flying Goats Fly-In BBQ and STOL contest. Clarksburg is a small 2,260 feet long grass strip airport alongside the Sacramento river just 7.5 miles south of Sacramento Executive Airport. Many of you may remember the magneto and air repair station at Clarksburg and my first introduction to Clarksburg was nearly 20 years ago when I bought my first airplane, 2323N - a 1947 Cessna 140 (flying back from OSH in the picture below), from under a shade hanger at Clarksburg.



Flying Goats Presents

FLY-IN BBQ

STOL DEMO

BORGES CLARKSBURG
CN13 - CALIFORNIA
IF YOU DRIVE: 54254 So River Rd, CLARKSBURG, CA

SATURDAY SEP 21

ARRIVALS: Anytime after 10am except during STOL DEMO
STOL DEMO: WINDS PERMITTING 2:00 to 4:00pm (no arrivals and departures)
BBQ: 5:00pm - Light snacks around 1:00pm
CTAF: 122.9
CAMPING: Permitted overnight at designated areas 
RUNWAYS: 09 (Right Traffic) 27 (Left Traffic) - Grass 2260 x 90ft (Check Airport/Facility Directory)
AIRSPACE: CN13 lays under Class D Airspace. If not comfortable, email or call Mark prior to your arrival for detailed instructions and local knowledge operations.

RSVP: mark@angelosair.com - 925-222-0787 (by Sep 18) - Max of 20 airplanes allowed
Fee: \$20.00each / Apple pay or Cash



For the last 15 years Clarksburg Airport has been in legal limbo as heirs of the original owner all sued each other. But at long last Clarksburg Airport's journey through purgatory has come to an end and the new owner, Mark Anderson, is an enthusiastic and friendly aviator hoping to breathe new life into this local jewel. Mark Anderson, and the Flying Goats (a small group of STOL flyers I belong to) put together a BBQ, camping, STOL contest, fly-in to help spread the word that Clarksburg is alive again. About 23 airplanes flew in. The day featured lots of snacks and eats, a pheasant/tri-tip/pork belly/ribs BBQ and an afternoon short landing contest. A great time was had by all.

Though Clarksburg is private, the owner Mark Anderson is welcoming and the strip is reasonably long and smooth. The strip is oriented East-West. Landing towards the west is a little puckering in that there are large trees and electrical wires over the East end of the field. But the field is long so staying a little high and landing a bit long is no problem. My visit was in a tired old Cessna 150, and it had no problem. Fly into Clarksburg, practice your short and soft field operations – and experience a little grass strip adventure!



Photos from
Airplane Wash @
Pancake Breakfast

Airplane

**\$25/\$35
PER SEAT**

WASH

**DURING THE EAA 52 PANCAKE BREAKFAST
AT YOLO COUNTY AIRPORT**

**Funds raised go to supporting local
Young Eagles flight training scholarships!**

**HAVE YOUR AIRPLANE
WASHED BY SUPERVISED YOUNG
EAGLES WHILE YOU SIT TO A
PANCAKE BREAKFAST!**

COST/DONATION:

**\$25/SEAT FOR SINGLE ENGINES; \$30/SEAT
FOR TWIN ENGINE, BIPLANES
AND TURBINE AIRPLANES; \$25/CAR**

EAA Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast and Airplane Wash

Fund raising / tax deductible high quality airplane wash and detailing

Have your airplane washed by well supervised Young Eagles while you sit to a pancake breakfast. Funds raised go to supporting EAA Academy and flight training scholarships for local Young Eagles.

This is it – they are washing airplanes to support their dreams of flight!



WHEN:

Sunday May 12th, June 9th, Aug 11th, Sept 8th, & Oct 13th
at Yolo Airport (KDWA), 9am to 12pm

WHERE:

Yolo County Airport (KDWA)
Mid-field turn leads right to the EAA Hanger

WHAT:

Exterior:

Spot Free De-Ionized Water using
Reverse Osmosis Filtered H₂O
Pressure Wash
Soft Brush Wash Wand
Belly Degrease
Quality Wash and Wax



Windows cleaned with Plexis/Pledge after rinse.

Interior:

Interior Vacuumed
Interior Plastics cleaned and UV Protected
Interior leathers cleaned and conditioned
LPS2 treatment for hinges and control rod ends



COST/Donation:

\$25/seat for single engine airplanes;
\$30/seat for twin engine, biplanes, and turbine airplanes;
\$25/car

Contact:

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Video:

A video was sent to us about a very interesting topic about the difference of loss of control between GA Pilots and Commercial Airline Pilots

Check it out: <http://bit.ly/WF-Video>

Calendar:

SEPTEMBER

8 SEPT, Pancake Breakfast DWA

10 SEPT, Board Meeting,

24 Sept, General Meeting

OCTOBER

3-6 OCT Capital Airshow

MHR

8 Oct, Board Meeting

13 Oct, Pancake Breakfast

DWA

29 OCT, Pot Luck Dinner

NOVEMBER

12 Nov, Board Meeting

26 Nov, Gen Meeting,

Election

December

7 Dec, Christmas Party

10 Dec, Board Meeting

A Message from the Editors:

The Wing Flap has a website! We made this for the chapter so more members can get involved with the Wing Flap. If you have photos from an event or want to write about anything aviation, it will be included in future Wing Flap editions. The website is <http://bit.ly/WingFlap> and it includes previous Wing Flap editions as well. Thank you and see you in the sky. Also there will be a new logo soon!

Thank You,
Carson & Cedric



officer: do you know what the speed limit is?

guy: 250 knots or less under 10,000?

officer: hands on the vehicle, please



6th ANNUAL LEGAL EAGLE GATHERING - Northern California

Gathering of those interested in Leonard Milholland's Legal Eagles, Double Eagles and the Cabin Eagle. There are many builders and flyers in our area. This gathering will bring Eagler's together and share ideas, answer questions, motivate and create some camaraderie.



There will be flying Legal Eagles, Legal Eagle UL and XL. Things to look at, rib building jigs, sample wing, questions answered. Lots of fun.

There are motels in town, about a mile away, camping at Sandy Beach and other local camp grounds. Contact myself or Gerry Nolan at gerrynolan@aol.com, 707-628-9987. There is an RV park in town, call ahead.

Rio Vista is next door to the Delta and a lot of Legal Eagle flying spaces. Great EAA chapter with lots of support. Several Legal Eagle and Double Eagle builders on the airport or close by.

Saturday September 28th , 2018

9:00 Coffee and Donuts

10:00-10:45 Flying the Legal Eagle UL XL

11:00-11:45 Wing Building Seminar

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00 -1:45 Fuselage

2:00-2:45 Engines and Props

Legal Eagle - best described as a slow Cub. A real flying machine.

Check out youtube video of Rio Vista and the Delta: [Legal Eagle XL Rio Vista to Oakdale](#)

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Rio Vista, California 94571

AIRCRAFT INVITATION

Central Valley Aviation Association

"Remember When"

5TH Annual Classic Plane Fly-In & Classic Car Show

This year's show is being filmed for feature in its own episode of the highly popular TV Show:



My Classic Car

Reaching over 100 million households!

BRING YOUR PLANE FOR A CHANCE TO BE FILMED
AND FEATURED BY MR. DENNIS GAGE FOR OUR
VERY SPECIAL EPISODE OF THE HIT SHOW!

September 28, 2019 – 9am to 4pm

Fresno Chandler Executive Airport (KFCH)
510 W. Kearney Blvd., Fresno, CA 93706

ENTER YOUR AIRCRAFT FOR A CHANCE TO WIN 1 OF 3 SPECTACULAR TROPHIES!

Aircraft will be displayed on the airport tarmac along with classic cars and **MUST** arrive by or before 8:30am for placement and are static until 4:00pm. Public will arrive at 9am

Lots of great food will be available at the Flight Line Café located in our newly renovated 1930's Art Deco designed Terminal. Food Trucks will also be located on the ramp

Your participation provides automatic entry to the event for everyone in the aircraft. We hope to hear from you and see you there!

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