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EAA Chapter 723

News



President's Corner

by
Tom Ridderbush

Things are finally really opening. Next month Merja plans to have Young Eagles resume in Camarillo. I would like to thank Sam Huestis for and the gang at SZP for all the flying of youth that they have done.

Big thank you to Eric Peterson for setting up a new email/discussion board. We should all be able to use it soon. I know the first question I am going to ask for help with.

Yesterday, for the first time in two years, I went on an overnight flying trip. I flew from Camarillo to the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway airport. This is a route I have flown many times. When I filed an IFR flight plan, I thought I was filing the route they would give me. My clearance was what I filed. Shortly after takeoff, I was given the first amendment. After that, I was amended 4 more times. Basically a 2.5 hour

trip turned into 3 hours. So, my point is, we always need to be ready for the unexpected.

Lately, I have been working at a research facility that develops packaging that is compostable and will replace single use plastics. The company is coming up with ideas for a package to be delivered by drones. I wonder how much it will cost to have 2 cups of coffee delivered by a drone. It is really going to happen. Drone delivery coming to your neighborhood.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting.

Next Meeting:
March 12th, 2022
EAA Hangar Camarillo
501 Aviation Drive

09:00 am: Socialize before Meeting,

10:00 am: General Meeting,

Program: Oscar Felix, a MUGU Air Traffic Controller

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The closing date for submissions to the next month's edition is close of business on the third Friday of the month.



Hangar Happenings

By Doug Wagner

Our tie down space is full at this time.

No update to the LED lights in the hangar. The CAF is working on a solution.

The Hangar Door has been working OK for now. I will contact Ventura Overhead door schedule a service call to check the door. This is who CAF had adjust their hangar doors.

When looking through our vast selection of rivets, screws, nuts, and bolts do not leave them laying on the shelf put them back where they belong. We are finding screws and bolts where someone got them out of the container and left them. Hard to identify the size and type when this is done. The top of the Wood cabinet where the rivets are kept has a mess of dumped rivets. Clean up after yourself.



Before using the new Milling machine ask for instructions. You can check with Andrew, Doug, or Randy for help.

Builder activities:

- Doug Wagner working on wiring and making mounts for the electronic boxes. Installing wiring and devices. Installed a fuel flow sensor and fuel line.
- Mike Eyre and Perry Dahm have the Zenith kit in the space where the Jungster was.
- Andrew Freesh and dad Bill are building the Spitfire. They have anodized many parts and painted them before installing them on the plane. Nice work.
- Mike Fountain new owner of the Quickie plane will be doing the fly off time.
- Joe Tischler has his Cozy fuselage in his spot.
- Jay Hansen has his airplane opened up. He now has the wings back on. I believe he has flown it again.
- Andy Barkin has removed the top center section has it on the bench. Andy plans to get back to working on the project.

Left: Photo courtesy of Jeff Bevilacqua

The Dragonfly was sold. Jeff and a Randy helped load it for transport to Bakersfield.

Upcoming Programs

For our **March 12th** gathering, Oscar Felix, a controller with Mugu Approach Control, will talk about the airspace controlled by Mugu Approach, the services they can and do provide and will address any questions or concerns any meeting attendees have. He has been asked to talk specifically about the assistance they can provide during emergencies and inclement weather conditions.

For the **April 9th** meeting, Jackie Babenco of our Camarillo tower crew will join us for an enlightening and entertaining talk about aircraft ops and how to stay on the good side of the tower!

At our **May 14th** meeting, Dale Filkins will present the fast, efficient and great looking Velocity aircraft that he and Barb fly.

In June (**June 11th**), Jeff Odum of the STC Group will provide an update on the Trio autopilot now available for installation in a variety of legacy certificated aircraft. The TRIO is a highly functional and competitively priced alternative to the Garmin, STEC and similar units currently available as a retrofit to our fleet.



Young Eagles

Young Eagles flights at Camarillo Airport will resume April 2nd.

At Santa Paula Airport on March 6, David Vanoni and Kurt Young flew three YE flights each, flying a total of 21 Young Eagles.

February Chapter Meeting in Photos

Photos courtesy of Eric Peterson

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Below: Before the General Meeting





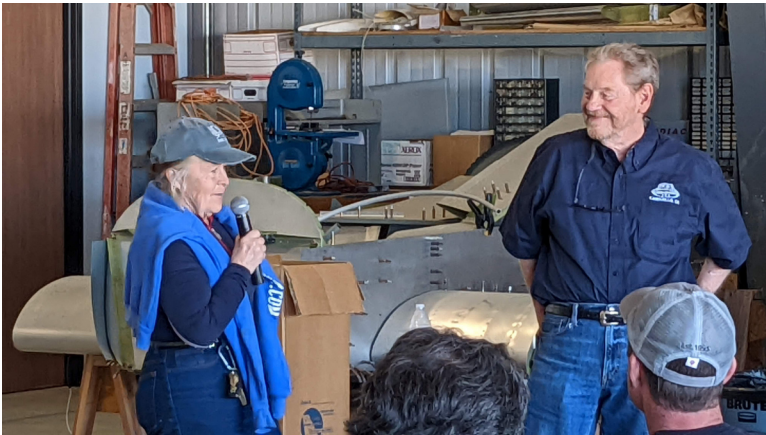
Guests included:

Wayne King (above, left); Pete (?) (above, middle); Chris Darden (above, right); Mike Austin (below, left); Chris Hudspeth (below, middle), and Justin Sheryl (below, right).



Right: Perry Dahm (left) and Doug Wagner (right) spoke at the meeting.





Other who spoke at the meeting were:

Above: Bill Earlywine

Left: Barbara Filkins

Below: Tom Ridderbush

Bottom: Mark Sullivan





Left: Chapter President Tom Ridderbush showed a safety video.



The February speaker was Rick Fleck and his dog, Dakota, of Camarillo Aircraft Services.

Above: Rick Fleck.

Right: Dakota rested under the table during the presentation.

Below: Chapter Members and other February Meeting attendees listen to the presentation.



Castle Air Museum.

by Jeff Bevilacqua



Last month past President Randy Lewis, my Grass Valley neighbor, and I flew to Castle (KMER) central California for a guided tour of the Castle air museum.

My Cirrus group (COPA) arraigned the fly out to this amazing outdoor static aircraft display.

It was an easy 15 minute walk to the museum from the ramp. On the way we stopped to indulge in the "Landing Zone" food truck scene for lunch.

The museum has over 80 aircraft on display. It's pretty easy to guess the type. Anyone



care to guess what the large round knob at the end of the center pedestal is for?

It's a control to rotate the main landing gear for a crosswind landing. A conventional wing-low crosswind landing technique will not work on a B-52 because it would drag a wingtip (or an engine) so they actually land in a crab and they rotate the main gear to align with the runway.



Their B-58 Hustler example alone is worth the trip. Recently moved from Chanute AFB museum as they are reassembling after the move.

Amenities: Large ramp and free parking with Gemini flight support. About one hour flight from Camarillo.



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