

The Flying Wire



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Board Meeting - 5:30 pm

Dinner - 6:15 pm (\$10)

General Meeting - 7:00 pm

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December 4, 2019 Program

Otis Holt:

Otis Holt will be giving us a slide enhanced talk about the extensive modifications he is making to his RV-7A. In addition to the normal trials and tribulation of such an endeavor, Otis undertook the challenge of designing and patenting an all-new fitting for installing fuel return lines as part of his conversion to fuel injection, which will be the primary focus of this presentation. Hearing why this was necessary and how he proceeded through the design, development, and patent process should make for an interesting program.

December Dinner is... Potluck!

We'll bring the roast ham, you bring the rest. Any questions, please check with Sam at SamWerback@earthlink.net. \$10 Donation to support the ham if you don't bring anything...

Events Calendar

Please send info about upcoming events!

Please send us information if it comes your way!

Nut Tree Fly-In: [Fourth Saturday Each Month](#)

Copperstate Fly-In: [Feb 6-9 at Buckeye, KBXK](#)

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Copperstate 2020

(by Bob Gutteridge)

Copperstate Fly-In 2020 February 6-9 at Buckeye, KBXK

With the recent weather it is hard to imagine that Christmas holidays are just a few weeks away. Even harder perhaps to realize it is time to start planning for the 2020 fly-in events.

First is the New Years day Must Fly event. Airport legend holds that if you fly on the 1st good luck will follow for the remainder of the year. A destination is not required, nor is a minimum distance, just have to get the tires off the runway to qualify. Weather permitting, I'll be at the airport near 10:00 in hopes of completing a short flight.

A few weeks later, will be the Copperstate Fly-In on February 6th-9th. Perchance you recall that the Arizona aviation community has rescheduled the Copperstate Fly-In date from the last one of the year to the first. Their initial try for a February fly-in was the 2019 event held this last February.



With the new energetic crew working hard, they pulled off what

I felt was a good event. There were a few things that could have been better, several of these have been discussed in their monthly newsletter articles. Vendor facilities have been increased as have the camping area and aircraft parking/display areas. Here is a surprise; admission is FREE, imagine that.

A new venue agreement was negotiated with Buckeye Airport as well as getting the town of Buckeye behind the effort. We sampled as many of the town's restaurants as we could last year. All were good and I'd like to try a few more this coming February.

If you have interest in flying down this February check their website <https://www.copperstate.org/> for additional details and all the newsletters. Dates for 2020 are February 6th thru 9th at Buckeye Airport, KBXX.



Five folks made the trip last year. Lots of good flying between here and there. If you are interested keep in touch.



Bob Ferguson on Moving Day

Fly Mart

Please send changes to aaa124newsletter@sonic.net

Looking for a partner for our plane. (8-19)

1981 Beechcraft Sierra C24R 1981,
TT 2619, SMOH 1163 Lycoming IO-360, 200 HP
Hangared at KSTS 'Gun Club'
Tail Beacon will be installed soon to be ADS-B out compliant
\$27,500 for 1/2 ownership
For more information please contact:
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News / Notes From the Editor

One of these days! Procrastination will get the better of me and I will get lazier and less effective. But until then I will keep trying to get on top of things. How hard is it to get that one more thing done on your project?

Like paranoia does not mean people are not out to get you, giving up on your dreams does not mean they were attainable. In any case there is more to almost everything than meets the eye and everything is harder than you expect. All this means is that starting the right project, the one you can finish, has huge potential to reward you in ways that are hard to predict.

So in the famous words of Bugs Bunny, "Never give up that ship". In other words Dues are Due.

Interesting Aviation Links

(Thanks to Larry Rengstorf and David Heal)

Cool Jets! [Click Here](#)

LSA Getting Lift [Click Here](#)

Dream Lifter [Click Here](#)

Old Ducks [Click Here](#)

EAA Chapter 124 Board Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2019

Meeting called to order by President Marlon Young at 5:30 PM

Present - Marlon Young, Andy Werback, John Whitehouse, Larry Rengstorf, Mike Fenn, Bob Gutteridge, Ben Barker, Brien Seeley, David Franco, Josh Hochberg

Absent - Dan Steinhoff

Also Attending - Mike Tovani, Dominic Cerniglio, John Swanstrom

Old Business

Minutes - October - Motion to Approve by Larry, second by Bob, passed

Proposed Propjet lease - Adjusted with comments to the inboard fence, and over to the yard light along the taxiway. Should be no change to EAA lease costs, no change to parking (we weren't paying for that section). Still have 18 available spots.

CAFE hangar door - Looking for CAFE/EAA lease document... motor is being evaluated...if we need expert help, might get a better rate by sharing travel time with other County hangar work. Not sure if there is a maintenance clause in the lease agreement - Mike Fenn will check files or with Bruno regarding a copy of the agreement. Check with Otis Holt regarding a binding issue in past years. John Whitehouse was asked to look for CAFE/EAA sub-lease

in the Club file cabinets.

Marlon – Possible that CAFE would take over Long EZ project?
Mike Fenn to pass request to the CAFE Board.

Josh – Lampson YE Rally – 23 Nov, coordinating with Chamber of Commerce in Lampson, who is trying to make the AOPA curriculum available to their High School students. Looking for volunteers. Coordinate flights to get the volunteers there.

DART – Had 10 volunteers, had several flights ready to go when the Kincade Fire Mandatory Evacuation order came in. Will continue to recruit and organize the North Bay airports.

Motorhome – hope to see it resolved...soon...

New Business

Marlon – Possibility of a proclamation regarding the First Responders – Cal Fire

Tonight's presentation – Cal Fire, Captain Nick Welch; Next month – Bob Gutteridge, plan on a regular program.

On-line registrations – Need to talk with Stuart, and determine what sort of budget is available. Need to add a Renew Now capability, make payments easy, incorporate the membership roster, etc... Have a list of desirable features, will ask for estimates from OptiRev.

Nominating Committee – Josh – Coming along... have a good director candidate, and 2 are continuing, as well as the VP. Just need a candidate Secretary.

Treasurer – No significant changes, and the Tie Down overdue list is almost Clear! (just 2 tardy...)

Facilities – Have one new and one leaving, so no change.

Membership – Focus on web page, need an email to request renewals (done, will do again...).

Director's Comments – Executive Session – Recommendation for recognition of key individuals.

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Andy Werback

Secretary

EAA Chapter 124 General Meeting Minutes November 6, 2019

Meeting called to order by President Marlon Young at 7:10 PM after an excellent traditional Turkey dinner. (Don't know whether it was the Presentation or the Dinner, or combination, but we had a great turnout – almost 60!)

Marlon thanked the cooks – Sam thanks her crew – Mike Fenn, Mike Shook, Ron, Geri, Andy, Tim, Dan and Howard. Great job, guys!

Visitors and returning members – Henry Crigler, Bob Matreci (PCAM), and Joe Wiegand introduced his friends from West Point – Arlene and Harry. Hope you enjoyed the evening and hope to see you next time!

October Minutes – Motion to approve, passed.

President's Comments – The Kincade Fire, and awesome work by the First Responders! Thank you to them and everyone from Cal Fire – Captain Nick Welch and Alan Rose of the Santa Rosa Fire Base attending for tonight's presentation.

President's Comments – Looking for more active member presentation!! We need more people to help with the Chapter. Nominations are coming up, but we have many opportunities besides the Officers (Young Eagles, newsletter articles, building projects such as the VariEz, etc.).

Newsletter – Thank you Stuart and thank you to members who submitted articles. Stuart says there are lots of articles out there just waiting to be written...

Treasurer's Report – Doing well, normal for this time of the year, and the tiedowns are almost completely current!

Facilities – All current...outside tiedowns available. Hangar is sure looking great – thank you David and Larry.

Young Eagles – Josh reports that we have a nice event coming up Nov 23 at Lakeport (1o2) in coordination with the Chamber of Commerce – trying to get the AOPA curriculum available to their High School Students. Will try to arrange flights for volunteers to be there early that morning (8AM).

December Meeting – Will be Potluck to build out the main course of roasted ham, will coordinate. Donation requested in lieu

of potluck item.

Sustainable Aviation – Brien Seeley provided a report on the recent conference at UC Berkeley. About 200 people attended the event, hosted by the Institute for Transportation Studies. A few highlights – 90% efficient solar cells, a 3D Metal Printer, and a battery with twice the power density and the ability to recharge to 80% in 3 minutes – pretty exciting, lots happening, more to come!

Builder's Reports – Mike Tovani reports the 8th Annual Salute to Veterans at Boonville this Saturday (Nov 9). Art Hayssen says they are resuming the monthly FAAST meetings – coming up is the Winter Flying seminar. All presentations at SCOE on Skylane. Kevin Quirk says his Sonex Onex is about ready... and John Swanstrom is making good progress on his RV-12 project.

Presentation – Cal Fire Captain Nick Welch presented highlights of Cal Fire's activities with the recent Kincade Fire – A huge response with dozens of fixed wing aircraft and helicopters. Alan Rose provided details of the logistics required for this operation. Nick's overhead pictures from his OV-10 vantage point and narrative provided a lot of insight into the fire fighting activities. The question/answer period was especially informative. Thank you Cal Fire and all of the First Responders!

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andy Werback

Secretary

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Chapter meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. FOOD (\$7 sometimes \$10) AND SOCIALIZING (free) from 6:15 to 7:00 pm. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

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