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# **President's Corner** Terri Gorman



EAA Chapter 62 is one of the oldest chapters in the county and was founded in 1959. Our chapter makes its home at Reid Hillview Airport and we hold our monthly meetings on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30 PM in Vern Miller's Hangar.

Hot Dog Dining and Hangar Stories begin at 6.30 PM through 7.25 PM. During this time, homebuilders are encouraged to gather together in the 'newly created' Homebuilders Corner to share ideas and discuss their ongoing projects, completed or in the thinking stage.

As your new president, my Flight Plan for the year will include monthly fly outs which will be listed in our newsletter and on our website three weeks prior to the event allowing sufficient time for pilot/renters to reserve an aircraft. Our first flyout for 2006 will be January 14th and we will be touring Cal Pacific Airmotive, a company at the Salinas Airport, which restores P51's. Several of the P51's that have been restored through Cal Pacific Airmotive are now housed in Kermit Weeks Museum in Florida.

Our Guest Speaker for January will be one of our members, Tom Slappendel, who will give a presentation on props. Tom is one of the longest attending members of our chapter having joined EAA Chapter 62 back in 1968. In reviewing a 1974 Intrepid Airmen Newsletter, Tom was on the Board of Directors.

Our two major events of the year are the Picnic/Poker Run held in July at Wings of History Museum, South County Airport, and our Holiday Potluck held in Vern Miller's Hangar. Our December party was a huge success as 'the heat was turned on' and everyone was very comfortable. Vern is a Chapter member and a good friend and we appreciate everything he has done to support Chapter 62.

If you are interested in exchanging ideas or seeking help from other homebuilders, looking for a fun group who like to have EAA related fly outs, sharing your knowledge of aviation with our future pilots, the Young Eagles, children between the ages of 8 to 17, picnics, Poker Runs and great Holiday Potlucks, EAA Chapter 62 is the place to be. Please accept my invitation to attend one of our meetings. If you have questions, call me or email me.

On a sad note, Warren E. Burnham, EAA Number 10739 and Intrepid Airmen since the inception of EAA Chapter 62, passed away in early December. He was 83. Warren flew 170P, a Starduster. Warren, a Book Binder by trade, had bound Sport Aviation Magazines from 1958 through 1996. At the request of his daughter and wife, I picked up the bound Sport Aviation Magazines and they will remain within EAA Chapter 62, Warren's chapter. I will keep the books in my Home Office and they will be available for members use. I will bring a few of the books to our General Meetings beginning in January.

I am looking forward to meeting you soon.

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### **January Fly-Out Info**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2006
Cal Pacific Airmotive Inc, 1330 Mercer Way,
Salinas End of Runway 26 Time 11.00 AM at
Salinas Airport
Lunch after the tour at THE LOADING ZONE
RESTAURANT
Rain or IFR Weather cancels. Rain date
1/21/06.

Join us in a tour of Cal Pacific Airmotive, a company which restores P51's. Several of these planes are now housed in Kermit Weeks Museum in Florida. The planes have won many awards at EAA.

Upon contacting Ground Control, state you want to taxi to Cal Pacific Airmotive which is located at the end of Runway 26.

### **February Fly-Out Info**

FLY AND/OR DRIVE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2096

SQL/San Carlos Airport

Meet in the Hiller Aviation Museum at 10 AM. Admission: \$0/adults: \$6/seniors

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Presentation by the Tuskegee Airmen is at 10.30 AM to NOON. Plan to arrive early as many other EAA chapters will be flying in to this event. Tie down is available close to the facility.

Flight Leader: Brian Dal Porto.



#### FOR SALE: 1/2 share of C182A Skylane

Beautiful new paint (August 2005) Annual completed in August 2005, All ADs complied with Basic IFR panel: KX-170B with glideslope; Narco 12D with localizer; transponder with mode C. Micromesh oil filter. Two cabin covers. 4 place intercom. TT: 4386; SMOH: 1296; compression in high 70's on all cylinders. We have owned and babied this classic squaretail for 16 years. Runs and flies great. Logbooks & maintenance records carefully maintained. Can base at Byron, Livermore, or Tracy (will consider other locations)

**Contact:** Key Dismukes at (408) 938-0455 or (650) 604-0150 or send email

## WANTED: hanger space needed

Looking for hanger space to share or sublet for RANS S7 (small high-wing tailwheel, 29' wingspan; 21' long). RHV PAO, SQL, Q99, HWD, or LVK.

**Contact:** Key Dismukes at 650 604-0150 or 408 938-0455 or send email

#### FOR SALE: Zenair Zodiac XL airframe kit

Zenair Zodiac XL airframe kit, new in crate Jabiru 3300 engine, Jabiru Sport USA firewall forward package with engine mount, cowl, Sensenich prop. Horizontal stabilizer, elevator and rudder completed. Wings almost complete. Navigation lights with strobe option installed. Firewall, fuselage started, about 10% complete. Sigtronics intercom, clecos, pneumatic riveter, hand tools, lots of extras like turnbuckles, nutplates, other fasteners from Aircraft Spruce included.

Located in Bend, Oregon.
Asking price for all: \$33,940.
Contact: Rob Norris or send email

## Calendar of Events

### **January**

**01/05 – EAA62 General Meeting – 7:30 PM** Vern Miller Aviation, Reid-Hillview Airport Tom Slappendel - Propellers

**01/12 – Board Meeting – 7:30 PM** Reid-Hillview Airport terminal building

**01/14** – **Fly-Out to Cal-Pacific Airmotive** Cal-Pacific Airmotive at Salinas airport. Lunch afterwards at The Loading Zone.

## **February**

02/02 – EAA62 General Meeting – 7:30 PM Vern Miller Aviation, Reid-Hillview Airport

**02/09 – Board Meeting – 7:30 PM**Reid-Hillview Airport terminal building

# 02/11 – Fly-out to SQL for Tuskegee Airmen presentation

Hiller Aviation Museum

General admission fees for the Tuskegee Airmen and entrance to the museum is \$9/adults; \$6 seniors.

#### <u>March</u>

03/02 – EAA62 General Meeting – 7:30 PM Vern Miller Aviation, Reid-Hillview Airport

**03/09 – Board Meeting – 7:30 PM** Reid-Hillview Airport terminal building

**03/18-19** — **Sportair Workshop in WVI** for details call 800-967-5746 or go to http://www.sportair.org

#### April

**04/06 – EAA62 General Meeting – 7:30 PM** Vern Miller Aviation, Reid-Hillview Airport

**04/13 – Board Meeting – 7:30 PM** Reid-Hillview Airport terminal building

#### 04/04 - 10 - Sun and Fun

For details check out http://www.sun-n-fun.org

#### 04/30 - Pacific Coast Dream Machines

Halfmoon Bay Airport, 10am through 4pm. Cars, planes and more. Details at http://miramarevents.com/dreammachines/

#### May

**05/04 – EAA62 General Meeting – 7:30 PM** Vern Miller Aviation, Reid-Hillview Airport

**05/11 – Board Meeting – 7:30 PM** Reid-Hillview Airport terminal building

### 05/20 - Wings of History open house

This is the annucl WoH spring open house. Most likely there will be Young Eagle flights - stay tuned.

**05/26 – 28 Watsonville Antique Fly-in** Details at http://www.watsonvilleflyin.org/

#### June

**06/01 – EAA62 General Meeting – 7:30 PM** Vern Miller Aviation, Reid-Hillview Airport

**06/02-06/03 Merced Antique Flyin** The 49th Annual Event

**06/08 – Board Meeting – 7:30 PM** Reid-Hillview Airport terminal building

Newsletter contributions are welcome, so send your news items, cartoons, photos and articles the Editor, Paulette Dal Porto, 408-930-0255, by e-mail to pdalporto@sbcglobal.net. Newsletter Deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. The deadline for our February newsletter is January 20, 2006. As you probably suspected, contents of The Intrepid Airmen are the viewpoints of the authors. No claim is made and no liability is assumed, expressed or implied as to the technical accuracy or safety of the material presented.

# **Meeting Minutes**



Ron Carmichael

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Vern Miller Aviation, RHV airport, San Jose, CA

Those who braved a windy rainy night were rewarded with a terrific Holiday Dinner. It showed how generous our

members are in donating their time and energy to decorate the hanger and prepare the food. Special thanks to Terri Gorman and Carol Garliepp for the decorations and Jack Bowlus and the Dal Portos for the ham and turkey respectively. As usual, the salads, desserts, veggies, etc. were beautiful and delicious. A few recipes were passed along as well.

The weather was not so cold and the hangar doors being closed made for a cozy evening with the rain on the metal roof.

After the "feast", outgoing President, Garliepp presented the awards and pins to officers, board members and those, like Russ Todd - who along with his son, Russell, was very active this year flying many young eagles. A top contributor of course was, as always, Vern Miller who donates his hangar for our monthly meetings. He has done this for many years and trusts that the membership will treat it with care. Vern and his wife received a big round of applause along with a gift certificate for a dinner out - compliments of the Chapter. Ralph Reichold was recognized for supplying the donuts and coffee at each meeting. Jack Bowlus was recognized for generously helping out and showing his historical movies of early flight whenever needed. Randy Wilde and Rusty Wells were recognized for the delicious hot dog dinners at each meeting and, of course, a great round of applause was given to Wolfgang Polak who maintains our award winning Chapter 62 Website each year and contributes in so many ways.

The drawing for the EAA leather jacket was made. The winner was Erik Wahlstrom. Congratulations to Erik. President Garliepp got to be the first to try out Wolfgang Polak's new Roster Book to look up Erik's phone number and call him. Jon put on his speaker phone and all could hear Erik whoop it up at the news, since he couldn't make the dinner. Jack Cross was there with his new knee replacements. I got to see how well the result turned out as Jack did a few fancy dance steps. Really nice to see him back at the hanger.

Finally, there was the ceremonial passing of the gavel from President Jon Garliepp to incoming President Terri Gorman. Needless to say, Jon has done a terrific job keeping the enthusiasm going and handling this vital job with great organization and aplomb. President Terri Gorman accepted the gavel and shared a few of her many ideas for making the Chapter even better. Her first suggestion is that we have monthly fly- outs scheduled. This to be done in advance so "renters", like "yours truly", can schedule a plane. The first fly- out is to be to Salinas to visit a P-51 restoration facility on January 14. Terri recommended having rain dates for one week after the scheduled event. If weather does not cooperate on the rain date, we cancel and move on to the next month's flyout. Jon reiterated that it is "our" chapter and we all need to support Teri in the coming year to make things even better. Thanks again to Jon for a great tenure and congratulations to Terri, our new President!

Meeting adjourned at approx. 9 pm

Officers and Board Members present were: Jon Garliepp, Terri Gorman, Brian and Paulette Dal Porto, Randy Wilde, Ron Carmichael, Rolland La Pelle, Jack Bowlus, Wolfgang Polak, Rusty Wells, Jim Manley, Larry Reed and Allen Roark

Minutes submitted by Ron Carmichael

### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

RHV airport terminal building, San Jose, CA

President Gorman called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

The General Meeting Notes were given and approved with minor corrections. Randy Wilde was absent so there was no Treasurer's Report. Vice President Jim Manley reported that next month's speaker will be member, Tom Slappendel. His topic will be: Propellers.

A discussion was held centering on the Newsletter. Paulette Dal Porto, Editor, said that she has some ideas on a new format which she will present at our next Board Meeting. Several ideas were proposed including that we put the fly out schedule (for 2 months) on the front page. Another idea was that we should include "EAA" on the letterhead along with "Chapter 62". Rolland LaPelle suggested that we should check with the national organization to be sure we are in compliance with laws involving use of "EAA". Terri reported that she had put out 15 Newsletters in the RHV Terminal and only 2 were

left. Good work, Terri!

President Gorman also suggested that all guests should receive a packet of materials including a copy of a recent newsletter, application form, etc. Wolfgang Polak added that there is also an online application.

Allen Roark, Young Eagles Coordinator, said that May 20 is currently a target date for the next YE event. It will be held at South County. Paulette Dal Porto suggested that she would be willing to hold a class for volunteers who would work as "ground crew" at YE events. This class would be held a month or so before the beginning of the flying season. Terri suggested that the Santa Clara Wine Festival is a great place for us to have a booth to acquire new members and Young Eagle applicants. This event occurs around mid September.

Terri reported that her inventory showed there were 19 Large size and 12 Middle size Young Eagle T-shirts in stock and that we need some Extra Large sizes. She said that the small sizes do not sell well. Jon Garliepp made a motion that we get the same number of shirts as we had in inventory after last year's order — after first checking with Treasurer Randy Wilde. This was seconded and passed unanimously. Rolland LaPelle also suggested that we need to inventory the Chapter's T-shirts and sweatshirts.

Under "old business", Paulette Dal Porto and Jon Garliepp reported that they have sent in the necessary paperwork for the B-17 tour and that EAA will announce the schedule sometime after January. Paulette said that a new director will be coming to NASA and hopefully that will not alter their willingness to have the B-17. Jon also reported that Randy is working on getting the "Chapter Application" in to EAA by the end of month (deadline).

Wolfgang Polak, Webmaster, reported "no complaints".

President Terri Gorman requested that all leaders make up a job description to be handed along to the next leaders when they take over the job. This includes information on ordering wing ribs for Young Eagle Events, set up of the annual Christmas Party, etc. Terri would like this to be done by the next Board Meeting if possible. She also led a discussion of her plan for monthly fly outs involving tours of interesting aviation sites and "flying gourmets". Terri provided a list of "Proposed Fly Outs" for review. Brian Dal Porto volunteered to be "Fly Out Chairman". Terri also handed out the EAA Chapter/Squadron Handbook (pg. 28, Bullets 5, 6, and 7 were discussed)

Interest was shown in reviving the monthly raffle held by the Chapter in the past. Wolfgang suggested contacting Bruce Frank and Alex Piplani who were involved. Jack Bowlus suggested raffling off free flights to members.

Terri suggested that we should have a "Homebuilder's Table" set up before each General Meeting for those interested in sharing information, progress, etc. This would be in operation from 6:30 pm to 7:25pm (hot dog dinner time).

Finally, Jon Garliepp emphasized the need to get going on the Air Academy applications. Volunteering to serve on the committee were Ron Carmichael, Wolfgang Polak, Larry Reed, and Brian Dal Porto. Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM

Officers and Board Members present were: Terri Gorman, Jon Garliepp, Brian and Paulette Dal Porto, Rolland LaPelle, Ron Carmichael, Allen Roark, Rusty Wells, Jack Bowlus, Jim Manley, Wolfgang Polak, Larry Reed, and Terri Gorman

Minutes submitted by Ron Carmichael



The WOODEN BUCKS are back at the Airport Shoppe at Reid Hillview Airport. For every \$50 increment spent, receive one WOODEN BUCK towards a future purchase. Save up the WOODEN BUCKS or apply them to your next purchase.



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### GRAND CANYON'S CHINO PLANES OF FAME MUSEUM

By Ron Carmichael

Recently my wife, Barbara, and I traveled to the Grand Canyon – by car since one of us is not crazy about flying. If there were ever a reason to fly, this would be it since it took us a long while to travel south from Hoover Dam to Kingman, Arizona, then east to Williams and then north to the Grand Canyon. This was easily a one day drive, but "as the crow flies", it would be just a few hours at most.

Not too far from the GC National Park entrance, I suddenly noticed a 4 engine "Connie" parked in front of some buildings. It turned out to be part of the Chino Planes of Fame Museum and was used by Gen Macarthur during WWII. What a treat! We went in and I got to reminisce with a "young lady" (about my age of 64) selling the tickets - whose Dad flew with TWA in the '40s and 50's. My Dad was with UAL at the same time so we compared experiences – flying in the cockpit of Connies, DC 6s, DC 7s, etc which we got into by way of our father's presence.

What a different age - when everyone dressed up in their Sunday duds to go on an airplane trip! Nothing but a curtain separated the flight deck from the passengers. Of course this was way before the word "terrorist" existed in our lexicon. Surprisingly, it was the TWA/UAL midair collision over the Grand Canyon in 1956 that led to the formation of the FAA.

But I digress – in the Museum, we saw a Ford Trimotor from Grand Canyon Airways, various military aircraft including a B-25 and a most unusual Pitts Biplane with landing gear on top and bottom so the pilot could land upside down. You can walk right up to all the aircraft and look into the cockpit, etc. Most were in flyable condition. No one else was visiting the museum at the time so we had the run of the place. I strongly urge anyone who flies or drives to the Grand Canyon to stop by this museum located at the Grand Canyon Valle Airport. You won't be sorry.

# MEMBERSHIP CORNER

A reminder that we are entering a new year and it is time to send in your dues for 2006. We presently have 71 paid members in the chapter as of December 1 2005. If you have friends or acquaintances interested in aviation bring them to the meetings, all guests are welcome to join in our events. Membership Chairman, Jon Garliepp 408-253-3769

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# 2005 IN REVIEW



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S30.00 Annually

National membership is required

# JANUARY'S SPEAKER: TOM SLAPPENDEL ON PROPELLERS

General Meeting: Thursday, January 5, 2006 7:30 PM Board Meeting: Thursday, January 12, 2006 7:30 PM

Our meetings are open to the public. EAA members, their GUESTS, AND VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. Chapter 62 usually meets on the 1st Thursday of each month (the 2nd Thursday in August), at 7:30 PM. at Vern Miller Aviation, 2635 Cunningham Avenue, Reid Hillview Airport (main entrance, on Cunningham Avenue right side of the road).

Hangar Hour Come meet your Fellow EAAer's, make new friends, have some food, and enjoy the camaraderie. Food will be sold from 6:30: to 7:25, during which time you can "hangar fly" or view various 'How To' videos. The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 PM, with 10 minutes of announcements, 10 minutes of "open mike," and 10 minutes for the coffee break. The program starts promptly at 8:00 PM