

## Presidents Message:

Somehow, I've done less flying since the Hayward Air Race, but I did get over to Columbia for our Fly Out on May 31. And then there were the Young Eagles flights on June 7<sup>th</sup>. And yesterday, I took a quick trip to Hayward to get a software update for our Garmin GPS. My younger daughter and her husband are interested in going to Ashland, Oregon, so I am working on getting that trip scheduled.

Sara and I enjoyed the Potluck meeting and we are looking forward to the Annual Picnic for a further opportunity to meet other family members of our EAA Chapter. The support and participation of other family members is essential for anyone involved with airplanes, since the commitment of time, money and energy can be considerable. The inclusion and participation of other family members makes flying much more enjoyable. Sara and I work to use our flying for activities that we can do together and that we both enjoy,

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## MEETING REMINDER:

The **Annual Chapter Picnic** is scheduled for **June 28, 2003**. Please see enclosed flyer for more information. **Visitors are always welcome.**

### Board Meeting:

Next meeting is July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm at CCR Terminal. Members are welcome to attend.

### Young Eagle Rally:

Next Rally scheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup> (weather permit)

## This Months Speaker:

There will be no speaker this month to provide more time for socializing during the Annual Chapter Picnic.

## Young Eagles:

Pat Peters, Coordinator

The clouds were low and the enthusiasm of the young kids was very high. We had to wait until the ceiling got up to 1300 feet before the tower let us fly at pattern altitude. Pilots Scott Achilles, Bob Belshe, Lou Ellis, Harvard Holmes, Phil Jenkins, Steve Snider, Tony Tiritilli and Pat Peters flew 66 Young Eagles. Most of the kids came from a private school in Oakland with more expected at the next rally as their sister school plans to attend. July 7<sup>th</sup> seems to filling up pretty good for a sizeable crowd. Running the registration for the group were the two very accomplished registration volunteers Mary Ann Nilson and Evangeline Peters. Completing the Young Eagles certificates was none other than Richard Henne. Loadmaster duties were handled professionally by Jordan Jones while Don Baldwin was the gate keeper. Ray Nilson was in charge of the airplane parking making sure that the pilots did not damage any other craft.

Aside from flying the 66 kids Jim Veatch and Pete Degl'Innocenti ran the hot dog sales campaign and came up with \$208.15 in sales, quite an accomplishment. I can foresee that by the end of this season the hot dog sales will be contributing immensely to the coffers of the chapter.

Thanks again for all the help and to all the volunteers. Looking forward to the next Young Eagles Rally on July 7<sup>th</sup>.

although I admit that sometimes I enjoy the "getting there" more and Sara enjoys the "being there" more.

### **Big Brother is Watching!**

I recently got a letter from the Oakland Airport's Noise/Environmental Compliance Office that my "aircraft was not flown in compliance with noise abatement procedures..." Upon inquiry, the office stated that "this particular departure nicked the edge of Alameda in the Fernside area..." but conceded that we actually "flew the procedure very well." What was startling was that they produced a drawing that purported to show our ground track as we departed. Now, I never supposed that taking off from Oakland was anything but public -- after all, we are in plain sight as well as talking to ATC and that is presumably recorded -- but I nevertheless felt my privacy invaded to learn that a permanent record was being made of our ground track, and I certainly had never been made aware of that fact. I am concerned that this process lacks the checks and balances that should be in place for such an operation. In this case, there is no disputing that ATC instructions take precedence over noise abatement procedures, but I doubt that ATC instructions are kept with other records of these events. So the pilot is subject to a monitoring operation where the "bad" evidence is kept, and the "good" evidence (which has priority) is discarded. (Letters are sent on a monthly cycle, more than two weeks after the event in my case -- ATC recordings are usually destroyed on a two-week cycle. And I doubt if access to the recordings would be easily granted, anyway.) My inquiry asked if these records were subject to inspection and correction; the response did not address these specific questions. In this case, the track was shown 400+ feet from the runway centerline; moving the track to the centerline turns the "nick" into a clear miss. Nevertheless, it looks remarkably accurate, and if we have to stay away from something, we might as well stay 1000 or more feet away. The major point is that this technology exists and is being used. Be aware!

### **Weapons of mass destruction -- NOT!**

Sadly, the media, encouraged by the politicians, have identified small airplanes as significant terrorist threats, which they are not. This fear mongering has not abated as I thought it would. As pilots, we need to counter this misinformation as best we can. An

important activity in this regard is our Young Eagles flights, and other opportunities to educate the general public about the realistic capabilities and threats of our small aircraft. Remember that truth and justice do not prevail without a lot of time, energy and money spent to promote it. Exercise your privileges -- fly as much as you are able, and tell everyone how wonderful it is.

Happy flying,  
Harvard

### **EAA 393 Members Meeting Informal Notes**

May 28, 2003

This meeting was devoted to a members and family potluck held in the Terminal Building. Guy Jones and Harvard Holmes coordinated the menu items, and made sure that there were tables, plates and utensils and brought the drinks. There was a good turnout and lots to eat.



## Events (past and future):

Fly out May 31, 2003

The group decided to go to Columbia, since there was a Bellanca fly in that weekend, and we might see some of them at Columbia. In addition, it has been a while since the group has been to Columbia. Also, an earlier idea to go to Monterey involved weather that did not look too promising, with low cloud cover in Monterey until well after noon. The intrepid flyers were: Harvard and Sara Holmes, and Jordan Jones in Harvard's Mooney, Harry Heckman in his Lancair, and Bob Belshe in his Lancair. We tried out the Goldstreet Bakery and Cafe that is just short of the main entrance to the park, and a half block or so on the other side of the highway from the park. We liked it.

## Treasurers Reports:

### Bank Statements:

Checking: \$2401.04  
Savings: \$2583.13  
Total: \$4984.17

**Please check with Louis to see if your badge is still floating around. Thanks!**



## Potluck Pictures (continued):



## Young Eagles News:

Pat Peters, our own Hot Dog Guru, receiving a Permit to Operate from the County Health Inspector.



## ADVERTISING:

### Miscellaneous items available cheap:

tool carts and tables, winches for lifting heavy items, radial arm saw, band saw, circular saw, Hoffman enclosures of all sizes, panels for Hoffman enclosures, explosion proof boxes, watertight enclosures, radial arm drill, grinder-sander, metal desk, small compressor, propane fueled floor mounted space heater.

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## EAA Chapter 393 Board Meeting Informal Notes May 1, 2003

Thursday, June 5, 2003

Attendees: Harvard Holmes, Guy Jones, Louis Goodell, Jordan Jones, Pat Peters, and Bob Belshe

1. Bruce Hobbs is having trouble paying for the website. He is in contact with EsoSoft, but their administrative operations do not seem to be working correctly. The registration has been paid and the contact has been set up as the Chapter, rather than an individual. (Thanks to Duane Allen and Bruce Hobbs.)
2. We will fly Young Eagles this Saturday. Jim Veatch will manage the hot dog sales. Pat reports that we have a "bunch" of kids coming. He has about 8 airplanes lined up. Pat reports that the Boy Scouts insist on certificated airplanes for any rides provided at a Boy Scout activity; it's not clear how we can accommodate this.
3. Annual Family Picnic, June 28, 11am - 2 pm, preparations:
  - Pat Peters will bring several tables to put food on and for people to sit at.
  - Our note in the Cleco should ask people to bring chairs.
  - Guy Jones will bring coolers with ice, and water to drink.
  - Harvard and Sara will purchase/bring soft drinks and hamburgers & buns.
  - Jordan will bring a gas grill for BBQ
  - Pat Peters will ask EAA for a written copy of our insurance covering the picnic, and Bob Belshe will contact the manager of Budget Rent-A-Car to ask/confirm that we can use the space.
  - Louis Goodell has some silverware, which he will give to Jordan to bring
  - Pat Peters will bring a roll of plastic for tablecloths.

### Likely/Possible Contributions:

- Linda Jones, pasta salad
- Bob Belshe, taco salad
- Pete Wiebens, ask him to bring chili
- Jordan Jones, tritip and a tuna pasta salad
- Pat Peters will bring hot dogs & buns

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