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## Chapter Fly-Out

EAA Chapter 393 Fly Out to Half Moon Bay  
Saturday, August 28, 2004

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We met at the Terminal at 10 AM and decided to go to Half Moon Bay. The FSS said that there was no adverse weather and the fog was way down the coast. Bob Belshe and Harvard went in Bob's Lancair; Ron Robinson went in Ron's Glasair; Bruce Sequine went in his Experimental Swift; and Phil Jenkins and Bob Rudolph went in Phil's Glasair. When we arrived we spotted this canard certified plane from Germany. We had a great lunch in Princeton, joined by a friend of the group and by a niece of Bob Rudolph. As we returned to the airport and were looking over a group of RVs that had flown in from lunch from the Sacramento area, someone called "FOG". That stirred everybody to action and about 12 planes took off as quickly as we could. Here is a picture of the fog next to the airport from Bob's Lancair.



### Notes of Interest:

- **Meeting:** Wednesday September 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Buchanan Field Terminal Building located on John Glenn Drive in Concord and will begin at 7:30PM. Visitors are always welcome.
- **Club Fly-Out:** September 25<sup>th</sup>, meet at CCR Terminal at 10am or contact Harvard Holmes.
- **Board Meeting:** Next meeting is September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at CCR Terminal. Members are welcome to attend.



## Board of Directors Meeting Notes:

Harvard's informal notes on the  
EAA Chapter 393 Members Meeting  
Wednesday, August 25, 2004

Regretfully, our speaker from the CHP was unable to make it to our meeting at the last minute.

### New Member

A new member, Charles "Damian" Allen, was introduced. Damian is going for his private pilot check ride soon.

### Holiday Banquet

The Holiday Banquet was discussed. Louis Goodell has done some research on caterers and has contacted Englund's Catering <http://englundscatering.com/>

Our first choice for a date would be Saturday, December 11, and our second choice would be Friday, December 10. Bob Belshe has communicated our request to MDPA to use their clubhouse, and we should get an answer back after their next board meeting on August 31. As last year, we would like to do Holiday decorations jointly with the MDPA. Louis Goodell has confirmed that the caterer is available on both those dates at the present time.

There is a list of menu items and their costs at [http://englundscatering.com/party\\_informal\\_buffer.html](http://englundscatering.com/party_informal_buffer.html) This menu starts at \$14.95 for most entrees, with salmon costing \$16.95. It was suggested that entrees should include tri-tips, salmon, and chicken or vegetarian. Smoked turkey breast could replace the chicken if desired. A budget committee will have to weigh the alternatives and costs. We would like to accomplish the dinner on \$25 per person. This would include all the costs, including a contribution to MDPA.

It was suggested that we remove the beverage service (soft drinks) and dessert, and buy a more elaborate dessert from Ernst Freitag's Alpine Pastry <http://www.alpinepastry.com/> Ernst volunteered to give EAA 393 a price break!

Harvard provided to the board a list of items to be considered in the planning for the Holiday Party:

Food - Select caterers (need to start immediately)

- Menu choices

- Entrée selections

- Budget

- Linens

- Cutlery

- Glassware

- Dessert (included?)

- Wine Glasses (needed/wanted?)

Entertainment

- Music

- Slide Show

- Equipment

Cleanup Committee

- Garbage

- Cleanup

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Recycle

Re-arrange Furniture if needed

### Decorating Committee

Coordinate with MDPA

Coordinate what to bring

Decide on table decorations

Any favors to be raffled off?

Refreshments for the evening

### Door Prizes ??

Raffle of the aviation print

### Attendance

Compose the flyer

Advertising and promotion

Who is coming - master list

What entrée they want

Nametags

Collect money

### Special Guests

Invite airport related guests (Tower staff? Airport Management?)

### Donations

Wine

Desserts

Sodas

Door Prizes

Firewood

### Certificates and recognition

Officers

Young Eagle pilots and ground crew

First flights

Perpetual Trophy

### What have we forgotten?

Peter Degl'Innocenti will do a sign up list to plan/accomplish some of these tasks at the next members' meeting on September 22. Some assignments were proposed based on past participation:

Pat Peters is requested to be in charge of inviting airport related guests.

Tracy Peters is requested to do the sound system and entertainment.

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## Members Meeting (cont.)

Members interested in participating in some of these tasks should notify Peter of their interest.

### Aviation Print Raffle

Rich Henne has volunteered to manage a raffle for the aviation print that was donated to the Chapter. He will sell tickets to both members and non-members, and the winning entry will be drawn at the Holiday Party.

### Old Business

Phil Jenkins was asked if he ended up getting together with NASA to test see-and-avoid systems as described by our last speaker. Phil said no.

### Fly Out

There will be a fly out this weekend on Saturday, August 28. We will meet at 10:00 AM at the terminal building and fly to Half Moon Bay, weather permitting. If the weather is not good, we will go to Auburn. Members are invited to show up and we will try to find seats for them, or they may call Harvard Holmes, who will try to coordinate seats.

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### Introductions:

Peter Degl'Innocenti is finishing up his 1/8" shear web on his plane. Now he has lots of sheet metal work to do. He is now in hangar A-9 with Doug and Jeannie Knight.

Ron Robinson has over 1000 hours on his Glasair, and over 100 hours on his rebuilt engine.

Harvard Holmes is working on a Lancair IV-P project and he is also replacing the engine on his Mooney.

Ray Nilson is working on an RV-9A. His canopy frame did not fit well and he is now working on a new one. He is getting his engine at the end of the month, a horizontally opposed six from Subaru. It will run on auto gas, but may require 100LL if it's hot and subject to vapor lock.

Don Baldwin is working on a Sonex and brought an aileron for the members to see. He got the engine two years ago. It is VW based and you assemble it yourself. It puts out 80 HP. He has sent off the heads to get a second spark plug added to them. He will use one electronic ignition and one magneto. He is almost done with the right wing.

Scott Achelis has an RV-6A that is waiting for an annual. In early June, he went up to Seattle and visited the Seattle aviation museum on the way. At Rigby field, outside Scappoose, he had problems with a vent line and discovered that mudbugs had clogged the vent.

Fred Egli is performing an annual inspection on his Lancair IV. He is moving the static ports to the location recommended by Lancair to see if his low airspeed readings improve. His prior location was recommended by Lyle Powell. He has also purchased VGs to try them out.

Bob Belshe has a Lancair 235/320. He just got his medical renewed. He recently installed a digital autopilot, an EZ Pilot II, for

## Members Meeting (cont.)

\$995. This looks at the digital data stream from the GPS. He recently replaced the alternator and recommends the B&C alternator as a very high quality unit. The old one was an automotive conversion and had failed twice in about 300 hours.

Jim Veatch is working on a Kitfox VII. He recently got back from AirVenture at Oshkosh, where he stayed on the campground and greatly enjoyed it, especially the evening programs. He met several "notables." He has ordered the firewall forward kit for his Kitfox. The Kitfox can be built to meet the LSA regulations.

Bruce Seguine is having trouble with uneven temperatures in his engine. He knows of a crashed Yak that might be for sale if anyone is interested.

Pete Wiebens is still working on his "annual." He has taken the wings off, and added windows to his plane. Now he is finished with some home projects and hopes to be back in the air soon. He has seen bases for the M16 landing lights that some of us use at Yardsbirds for about \$2.50.

Gary Staufer, a friend of Ernst Freitag, has finished his RV-8 and is flying off his 40 hours. He has had several problems with vibration, and has changed the propeller a couple of times to try to fix it.

Ernst Freitag has an RV-8 and will fly to Portland to Vans gathering for a second time. His family is growing and he has a real itch to built something else, perhaps an RV-10.

Rick Lambert has been working on a Europa. The company is going through a reorganization, and that has made work difficult. He has got the flaps and ailerons done on the first wing.

## Young Eagles:

GREAT NEWS.....PSA has worked out a deal with their fuel supplier to donate 1000 gallons of fuel to the pilots who fly Young Eagles. I will work out the details with PSA Friday night at a meeting with them. In the meantime think positive Pat hasn't given up on the YE program and still has a lot of respect for the pilots who thus far flown the kids at their own expense. Please if you plan on buying fuel, I will be working with PSA for discounts to members of the EAA chapter 393.

I was asked by the Doreen of the Airport office to sell franks at the Byron Airport open house on October 9th from 10:00AM till 2:00PM. I have agreed to support their function and will contacting pilots to fly young eagles on that same date. This will help them locally in Byron to support their airport.

Pat Peters

## Treasurer's Report

Checking Balance: 1415.09

Savings Balance: 2600.20

Total: 4015.29

If you have any recent changes in your contact information please be sure to contact Louis Goodell. His contact information is below.

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## Board Minutes

Harvard's informal notes on the  
EAA Chapter 393 Board Meeting  
Thursday, September 2, 2004

1. The Chapter has received notice of the Coffy Gregory Aviation Program. The Chapter is invited to nominate candidates to attend this program. This is an introduction to aviation class for women; candidates must be 18 or older and have not yet soloed. Participants begin with a web based EAA AeroScholars course, then go to Oshkosh for a resident portion from October 8 through October 11. <http://www.airventuremuseum.org/education/scholarships/>

2. Planning continues for our Holiday Party. MDPA has informed us that their Holiday Party is scheduled for December 11; accordingly, we have scheduled our party for Friday, December 10 this year.

Discussion of the entrées available at Englund's yielded the choices of TriTip, Salmon and Boneless Chicken Breasts. The Basic entrée comes with salad, bread & butter, one hot side dish, a side salad, sodas and desserts. [http://englundscatering.com/menu\\_party\\_informal\\_buffer.html](http://englundscatering.com/menu_party_informal_buffer.html)

The board decided on salad dressings of Ranch, 1000 Island, and Raspberry-Walnut Vinaigrette; on a hot side dish of Potatoes au Gratin; on a side salad of Mandarin Orange Salad; and to omit the beverage and dessert in favor of supplying our own beverages and getting dessert from Alpine Pastry (at a discount! Thanks Ernst!).

The chapter would like to have linens on the tables and needs someone to pick them up in time for decorating. We are planning on 8 tables needing linens plus a few for serving tables.

Louis Goodell will inquire with the caterers on the charge for providing wine glasses. Louis will also ask about "real" place settings, instead of disposables.

The goal for tickets is \$25. There was discussion to increase the price for latecomers to \$26. Harvard suggested that \$1 increase was sufficient, given the traditional pecuniary tightness of EAA members.

Guy Jones will get Pat Peters to invite airport administration/services guests according to his discretion.

Harvard will update the web page for new schedules.

Jordan Jones will do the flyer for the Holiday Party.

For certificates of appreciation and accomplishments, Peter D. will confirm the officers with EAA, check with Pat Peters for Young Eagles supporters, and check with Rick Lambert and Bob Rudolph for first flights. Also we need to check with the members at the next meeting. Speak up, members!

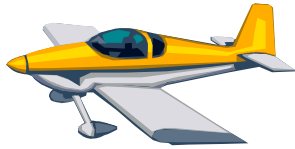
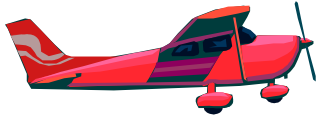
3. Riche Henne needs support for selling raffle tickets. Guy Jones will ensure that he has tickets to sell.

4. Name changes and other rumors: Doug and Jeannie Knight got married.

5. Next month's speaker: unknown, but Guy has some leads.

## This Months Speaker

Once again, an officer from the CHP is scheduled to be our speaker. Officer Andrews has been nominated. We are hoping things work out better, this time.



- CHP Cessna in Flight

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