



May 2017

NEWSLETTER

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

MAY 24TH

Upcoming Wednesday Meetings:

June

7th Board Meeting 7pm

28th General Meeting 6:30pm

July

No meetings this month.

AIRVENTURE JULY 24-30

President Bill Bower's Notes For May:

Next General Meeting is May 24th. Make sure you have it on your calendar.

Spring is in full swing and many things are occurring with Chapter 393.

Our last month's combined meeting with MDPA was a great success. The night's speaker LTJG Willie Sharp and when he was shot down over North Vietnam and his escape from his captors was just plain amazing. Hopefully we will be able to do more of these in the future.

Our May Young Eagles Rally is the 20th. Speaking of Young Eagles we have a candidate chosen to attend the Advanced Air Academy in July at Oshkosh. His name is Alexander Lieske. We interviewed 2 finalists at the May Board meeting. They were both very qualified and it was a

tough decision. He will be attending the May General Meeting on the 24th to introduce himself to the full chapter membership.

Just as a reminder to Young Eagle pilots. Our object is to introduce them to aviation by giving them a first experience in general aviation aircraft. All flights should not be conducted with any smoke emissions from the aircraft so that we don't cause any undue concern to the parents on the ground as well as the others waiting for their flight. No aerobatics of any type. During flight operations make sure you follow the instructions of the ground Marshals. No stalls. Turns should be done with the shallowest bank angle necessary. If you have any questions or concerns please talk with Stephen Tucker our Young Eagles Coordinator. He can be reached during rally days or at yec@eaa393.org.

Also on the Young Eagles Rally we will be holding our June rally at Byron (C83) in conjunction with the Patriots. For those that don't know the Patriots they are an aerobatic group that flies L-39's. We have met twice with them to make plans and map out how the rally will run. If you have never been to their hanger it is an amazing place.

It is about 70 days till Airventure 2017. If you are planning on attending you need to make your plans now. It should be a great show. Both flyable B-29's FIFi and Doc are scheduled to be there. If you have never attended the Airventure in Oshkosh you really need to put it on your bucket list.

The Wednesday fly outs have been a success with large groups enjoying a flight and lunch at different locations. If you would like to get on the e-mail list please see Renee Robinson or Pete Mitchell.

As the hot days of summer fast approach please remember to do those density altitude calculations. Especially if you do any flying to high altitude airports or those located in hot climate areas.

Lastly Basic Med is now the law of the land. So instead of having to visit an AME you can have your private MD fill out the form and you have to do a short self assessment online. This is not applicable to LSA pilots who only need a drivers license. New pilots will still have to get a 3rd class physical but after that they are eligible to do Basic Med. As well if you have had a Class 3 in the last 10 years but let it lapse you are now eligible to do Basic Med. For more info log on the eaa.org site and they will be able to help with any questions. As well you can also find info at AOPA.org. There are restrictions with Basic Med such as not being able to fly in Class A airspace and the size of aircraft you are allowed to fly so you have to think about the types of missions you do to see if fits your type of flying.

So hope to see everyone on the 24th at the May general meeting.

393 Board Minutes May 3rd 2017

President Bill Bower called the meeting to order at 19:00. Also present, Vice-President Ron Lem, Secretary Pete Mitchell, Treasurer Harvard (and Sara) Holmes, Webmaster Renee Robinson, Young Eagles Coordinator Stephen Tucker, Dinner Coordinator Rich Bourgeois, 393 members Rich Sperling and Bruno Motta. Guests included two Air Academy candidates Alexander Lieske and Dominic Monaldo, John Sawatsky and Don Paiva from Byron Airport's Patriots team.

Advanced Air Academy Interviews and selection

The Board interviewed both candidates, after deliberation, selected Alexander Lieske.

Treasurers Report – Harvard H

Bank balance is \$15,170 plus a deposit of \$500 from Scott Achelis, proceeds from the ongoing sale of aircraft slides, and the \$500 Simone fund.

Secretary Report – Pete M

Membership stands at 74, with 13 still due for 2017 dues. Pete M motioned and Stephen T seconded we purchase a weed blower similar to the one Ron L lent us for yard cleanup. The Board approved up to \$150, Ron L agreed to purchase it.

Clubhouse – Tracy Peters

Tracy reports the storage shed has been ordered, with June installation planned for the concrete slab south of the clubhouse.

May General Meeting Dinner Menu – Rick B Taco Soup, Salad, Dessert and Drinks.

Young Eagles – Stephen T

Stephen reports he has pilots and ground crew for our May Young Eagles event. There were two winners of Acalanes High Schools paper airplane contest. Bill B will send each student a certificate good for a flight. Harvard and Sara requested additional care in securing flight simulator equipment after our events. Laptops were closed without shutdown, resulting in dead batteries. Renee reminds us that because of firmware issues, the registration printer only connects to labeled laptops via USB, using laptop software only.

Member Bruno Motta requested the Board give consideration to sending a Board member(s) to Nationals Chapter Leadership Academy.

“These interactive workshops held at EAA Headquarters in Oshkosh, WI provide an immersive experience that will help you be a better chapter leader and learn a tremendous amount about EAA. The workshop will be focused on topics important to you as a chapter leader, and provides an excellent opportunity to network with other chapter leaders as well as interact with EAA staff. The sessions begin on Wednesday evening where participants enjoy a social hour and a special dinner. Thursday starts a full day of classes which conclude at noon on Friday. “

June Rally at Byron Patriots

There was extensive discussion of issues regarding the June Byron event. There will be sailplane tows and arrivals as well as skydiver aircraft that takeoff and land on different runways. We will have a tour of the Patriots facility May 13th.

The board meeting adjourned at 21:05 to Executive Session.

PJM

COMING NEXT MONTH!



JUNE 17TH 393 Young Eagles Flights at Byron Airport

in conjunction with the famous Patriots Jet Team.







[Aero L-39 Albatros](#), Patriots Jet Team No. 4.

The **Patriots Jet Team** is a civilian aerobatic formation team that performs in air shows across western United States of America. The team currently operates as a six-ship team, flying the [Czech-built Aero L-39 Albatros](#). The Patriots are based in [Byron, California](#).^[1]

The team began flying demonstrations in 2003 with just two L-39 aircraft. In the 2004 airshow season a third L-39 was added. With the success of the 2005 season, the Patriots added a fourth jet for the 2006 season. and in 2010 the Patriots Jet Team expanded to a six-ship aerobatic formation team.^[1]

The team is owned by former [United Airlines](#) pilot Randy Howell^[2] It is sponsored by companies including Hot Line Construction, Inc. and supported by a ground crew of more than 25 volunteers.^[3]

Patriots Jet Team Fleet	
Aircraft	In Fleet
Aero L-39 Albatros	8
Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-17	2
Rockwell Sabreliner 60	1
Rockwell Sabreliner 60SC	1
Total	11

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

	BOARD MEETINGS	YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS	GENERAL MEETINGS
June	7th	17th	28th
July	none	none	none
August	2nd	19th	23rd
September	6th	16th	27th
October	4th	none (scout flights)	25th
November	1st	none	15th

Young Eagles Quotes:

**These are comments the young eagles wrote about their flights
in the Fall of 2016.**

**‘IT WAS SO FUN GOING UP THERE. AT SOME TIMES MY
STOMACH POPPED WHEN WE WERE GOING DOWN.’**

BY FATIMA, AGE 11

**“IT WAS A GOOD EXPERIENCE AND I WOULD COME BACK
MORE OFTEN.”**

BY NOE, AGE 14

“IT WAS COOL; I LIKED IT.”

BY YAHIR, AGE 13

**“I ENJOYED MY FLIGHT AND MY EXPERIENCE AS A CO-
PILOT.”**

BY ABHIRAMI, AGE 11

**“IT WAS FUN. ALL THE THINGS LOOKED LIKE TOYS. THE PILOT WAS HELPFUL WITH ALL OF THE INSTRUCTIONS.”
BY BELEN, AGE 13**

THERE YOU HAVE YOUR FEEDBACK, PILOTS. I HOPE THESE COMMENTS ENCOURAGE YOU TO KEEP FLYING THE YOUNG EAGLES.

(more comments to come in future issues)

**WANTED!
HANGAR SPACE FOR RENT!**

This local EAA Chapter 393, Concord (Buchanan Field), California is looking to rent a hangar large enough in which to build a kit plane.

Anyone who has any information regarding this plan, please contact this person:

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Chapter 393 fly-outs are open to chapter members and guests. See the newsletter for arrangements.

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