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### CHAPTER 393

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CHAPTER MEETING - WEDNESDAY EVENING - 7:30  
JUNE 25, 1986

You will note by the calendar that we have had a switch between this month's and November's program. Doug Cline was to give a talk on what he looks for in the first flight of a new plane. However, we have a little glitch in the system. In order to hear Doug, we would have to jet the whole club to Hong Kong!! That's where he'll be on the 25th. Much as most of us would love that, the Board, after serious consideration and a close look at the till, decided there are just not enough funds to get us all there. I offered to go to represent the club, but the Board did not look at that idea too favorably, either. So we have descended on the good graces of Lyle Powell, and he has agreed to give us a presentation on propellers, and Doug will talk in November. Lyle's program

promises to be a very good one. I think I heard the other night that he'll have a new prop of his own by then. Maybe he'll tell us about it. In any case, we can depend on a good learning experience. Plan to be there, and bring a friend. We have a large club, but we lost some during the recent renewal period, and we always welcome new guests and members. That's what a lot of it is about - spreading the fun around.

Well, I'm really sorry I missed Pope Valley; but somebody has to keep the government of ours going, and they needed me in San Diego for just that at the wrong time! I hear there were about 60 people, with lotsa kids enjoying the pool (along with the large white whale that I hear was in the pool on Saturday), adults sitting around swapping lies and kicking tires. Not only did Rich Kelley cook a mean hamburger, but the barbeque was thoughtfully put on early enough so that those who wanted to return that evening could. I heard words of appreciation about that from a couple of people. I also heard that Dick White seemed to have trouble keeping his bird right side up. It kept turning over on him. Must have been in a continuous pocket of severe turbulence. Dwain Duis brought his PT and gave rides, and I understand Louie Goodell's grandson never did get his head back down out of the sky!! And Dwain went swimming in that pool at 7 A.M.??? As with last year, there was plenty of food -- some left over in fact, to be used at the picnic.

Prez Paul has announced that AVEMCO Insurance Co. will become the official insurer for the EAA & its members effective September 1, 1986. Paul said AVEMCO plans to provide addition benefits to the 105,000 members of EAA. AVEMCO will have a booth in the EAA and You Pavilion - a must stop for all.

# EAA

This is normally the page where you see the Minutes of the last meeting. However, the last "meeting" took place at Pope Valley Fly-In, and somehow it did not get convened. So we'll use this space to give the answers to last month's quiz. Remember, we had you and your passengers sitting on a rock in a desert-like area, watching your experimental fizzle into ashes. You are in 100 degree temp. already at 10 A.M., there is a small town 70 miles away, and you were 60 miles off your filed flight plan course when you went down. You managed to save 15 items before the fire, and you were asked to rank them in order of importance. Well, here are the answers in order of importance, as prepared by a panel of 'expert' desert survivalists:

Your first decision should be to all stay with the plane. Statistics show that survivors who travel only get an average of 33 miles.

1. 1 Mirror -- to signal with.
2. 1 Topcoat per person -- Arabs use plenty of cover.
3. 1 Quart of water per person -- to drink.
4. 1 Flashlight -- night signal.
5. 1 Parachute with large red circle pattern in it -- shelter & signal.
6. 1 Jackknife -- to cut up cactus & vegetation for water still.
7. 1 Plastic raincoat -- to make a water still.
8. 1 45 caliber pistol -- signal distant searchers (maybe keep control).
9. 1 Pair sunglasses per person -- Comfort.
10. 1 Compress kit with gauze -- low on list, infection slow in desert.
11. 1 Magnetic compass -- reflector.
12. 1 Sectional Air Map -- as paper.
13. 1 Book, "Edible Animals of the Desert" -- for reading while waiting.
14. 2 Quarts 100 proof vodka -- dehydrates.
15. 1,000 Salt tablets -- no way, dehydrates worse than the vodka and with less pleasure!

#### HOW TO TELL IF YOU ARE GROWING OLDER

Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt, doesn't work. The gleam in your eyes is from the Sun hitting your bifocals. You feel like the night before and you haven't been anywhere. Your little black book contains only names ending in M.D. Your children begin to look middle-aged. You finally get to the top of the ladder and find it is leaning against the wrong wall. You join a health club and don't go. You begin to outline enthusiasm. Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet. You know all the answers but nobody asks you the questions. You look forward to a dull evening. Your favorite part of the paper is '25 years ago today.' You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going. Your knees buckle and your belt won't. You regret all those times you resisted temptation. Dialing long distance wears you out. You can't stand people who are intolerant. The best part of the day is over when the alarm goes off. You burn the midnite oil after 9 P.M. Your back goes out more than you do. A fortune teller offers to read your face. Your pacemaker makes the garage door go up when a pretty girl goes by. The little gray haired lady you help across the street is your wife. You get your exercise acting as pallbearer for your friends who exercise. You get too much room in the house and not enough room in the medicine cabinet. You sink your teeth into a good steak and they stay there. You prefer typewritten pages to be double-spaced....

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The weather has been great (finally) and the flying has been GREATER!!!! The fly-in at Pope Valley was a huge success and all of us owe a huge THANK YOU to Norm and Evonne Alumbaugh for their hospitality. They plan to open shortly as a (reservations only) Bed & Breakfast....those of us who know them and have seen Pope Valley know they will be a monumental success!

Some of us have three fly-ins under our belt this early in the season - and some of you have none. You stick in the mud stay at home folks don't know what you are missing! Try it - you'll like it! At least pull that poor old bird out, let it get a bit of sunshine and shake off the cobwebs.....FLYING IS FUNNER!

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THE SPY IN THE SKY!

Sees all....Knows all....And has quite a few juicy tid-bits to spill....

I saw a bunch of #393ers lolling around Spitzer's plane (well, one of them) enjoying the warm sun. Yes! I said SUN! I know it is hard to believe - an entire weekend of warm sun in Watsonville! It really happened! Your Prez was in attendance with a couple of lady friends, all on two wheels. They report having a great time and I understand they took a trip to Carmel on Sunday to introduce themselves to the Mayor....wonder why?

Pope Valley! There was a very good turnout of #393ers and families....the kids got a lot of use from the pool and most of the adults chewed the fat, drank beer and ate themselves into two larger sizes. The Prez (who four wheeled it up - had a temporarily sick bird) and Bette Davis shared the 'single ladies' room (hear neither snore) and several of our 'boys' shared the 'single gentlemen' room. All but one of the 'boys' report not sleeping too well as they were waiting for 'the other shoe to drop.' It seems a certain member who shall remain anonymous (wonder who?) was run out last year and forced to bed down in the lodge because there was a real danger the roof would cave in if he snored any longer. This year, he was tuned in at half volume and the others kept expecting the worst! As usual, the Alumbaughs were the perfect hosts and SPY had a great time! EVERYONE DID!

Merced was fantastic, as usual! It was hot (so what's new?) but there was a nice breeze all weekend. Saw about 15 more 393ers, all having a good time. The attendance was fantastic - over 2,000 aircraft - - regardless of other claims, that makes Merced the largest on the west coast! The REAL Prez (Paul Poberezny) was the banquet speaker - it was more than a sell out and his talk had us all on our feet more than once. One super weekend!!!

Speaking of the PREZ, your trusty SPY has it on good authority that one of our own - Rich Powell - will be flying Brien Seeley's Mooney in the CAFE 400, with a very well qualified Co-Pilot: Paul Poberezny! Good luck in the race, Rich and Paul! With those two pilots in that airplane, the competition is in for BIG\_TROUBLE!!!!

Happy CAVU  
SPY

SAFETY TIP

Ridge and Canyon Flying - When crossing a ridge, the flight path should be at a 45 degree angle to the ridge, so that if you decide to peel out due to inadequate altitude or downdraft, a lesser turn will be required to get headed downhill again. When flying a canyon or valley, stay to one side, preferably the side where the air is flowing upslope. If it becomes necessary to make a 180, you will have more area to turn, you will be turning toward lower terrain and you will be turning into the wind. Knowing the turning radius of your plane is as important as knowing the turning radius for your car. Remember that a turning radius is increased by higher true airspeeds at altitude. Also remember to maintain airspeed in downdrafts, and remember that by putting the aircraft nose down and speeding up, the time spent in the downdraft is decreased. Watch the powerlines strung across the canyon!

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CHAPTER 393 MINI-MART

- For Sale: Quickie kit. No construction started. 18 H.P. Onan engine. \$2,500 or make offer. May consider selling foam and glass cloth from kit. Jan Switalski, 415+228-6399. 2
- Hangar Space: Share a Port-A-Port Exec. III. Ideal for Vari-Eze or small Bi-plane. \$150 per month. Pete Wiebens, 415+933-7517. 2
- For Sale: Motorcycles. Jan Switalski, 415+228-6399.
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| 1981 Yamaha Virago 750 | \$1,900 |   |
| 1982 Honda XR200R      | 300     |   |
| 1976 Honda XL350       | 500     | 2 |
- For Sale: Midget Mustang, 75 TT, Lyc. 0-235 100 H.P., full elec. with starter, NAV/COM, strobe, wet wing, 1,000 plus mile range, Imron paint. 160 MPH cruise on 5 gal. auto fuel per hour. \$9,500. Stub Pilotte, 415+883-7067. 2
- Wanted: For Quickie 200 project: Mid-time keystack 0-200 with accessories. Also one wing core foam block, NAV/COM, electronics, electrics, 500x5 wheels and brakes, instruments, 4" tailwheel, threats, prayers, encouragement, and whatever else you have cluttering up your shop and appropriate to a Q-200. Quentin Durham, Orinda, 415+254-7843. 2
- For Sale: 1959 Cessna 150J Commuter. 870 SMOH, stock equipment, blue and white. Has STC for auto gas. At Buchanan. Lic. N6522 is up this month. \$6,000. John Fick, 415+946-9715. 2
- Local Hangar Available Immediately. Call 415+254-7843. 1

Q. Which came first - the airplane or the wristwatch?

A. You must already know. The airplane led to the wristwatch. An early aviator found it difficult to time himself with his pocket watch. So Cartier made a wristwatch for him, the first.

## EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

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## 1986 CALENDAR

CHAPTER MEETINGS - The 4th Wednesday  
of every month - 7:30 P.M. at  
Buchanan Field Terminal Building  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME! Bring Chairs!

BOARD MEETINGS - On the dates  
listed below (usually the 2nd  
Tuesday each month) - 7:30 P.M.  
at Navajo Aviation. Chapter  
members are welcome.

## JUNE

Board - June 10th

Chapter - June 25th - Lyle Powell will present a program on propellers.

Activities - June 6-8 - 29th Annual West Coast Antique Fly-In, Merced.  
June 13-15 - Porterville 34th Annual "Moonlite Fly-In."  
June 14 - Lincoln Airport Annual Air Show.  
June 14-15 - Columbia Fly-In.  
June 14-15 - Redding Air Show.  
June 15 - Buchanan Field Airport Day. Tower open house.  
Come back from Columbia early on Sunday.  
June 19-21 - Paso Robles Aerobatic Competition.  
June 21-22 - 17th Annual Truckee Tahoe Air Show.  
June 27-28 - CAFE 400, Santa Rosa. Jim Horn, 707+523-4890.  
June 27-29 - Travelair Fly-In, Vacaville Gliderport.

## JULY

Board - July 8th

Chapter - July 23rd - Annual Pre-OSHKOSH Picnic, directed by Sasha Munir.

Activities - July 4-5 - Bridgeport 4th Fly-In. Camp for the night.  
July 12 - Grass Valley Fly-In and Avionics Swap Meet.  
July 17-20 - 17th Annual Northwest EAA Sport Aviation  
Fly-In Convention, Arlington, WA.

## AUGUST

Board - August 12th

Chapter - August 27th - Possibly Ron Sorenson: Pleasures of Running a FBO

Activities - August 1-9 - OSHKOSH!!!  
August 15-17 Madera War Bird Fly-In

## SEPTEMBER

Board - September 9th

Chapter - September 24th - Member show and tell. Introduce a part, an  
occurrence, or something about aviation.

Activities - September 11-14 - Reno Air Races.  
September 27-28 - Fifth annual Humboldt County Air Show  
and Fly-In, Eureka/Arcata.

## OCTOBER

Board - October 7th

Chapter - October 22nd - Hal Wight, Manager of Buchanan Field.

## NOVEMBER

Board - November 11th

Chapter - November 26th - Doug Cline will tell us what he looks for in a  
plane and what he prepares for when he is making  
a first flight in a new homebuilt.

## DECEMBER

Board - December 9th

Chapter - Annual Christmas Celebration and Awards Banquet - Friday  
December 19th at the Concord Elks Club - Club Room

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