

## Auburn Aviation Association

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**February 2014**

## President's Letter

### MEETINGS

Wednesday, January 29

6:00 p.m. 5AC Meeting

Wednesday February 5

6:00 p.m. General Membership

Tim O'Brien will share a presentation about the Reno Air Races.

February Potluck Menu

Please bring a dish to serve 8.

A-H—Dessert

K-P—Main Dish

R-Z—Side Dish/Salad

Wednesday February 19

5:30 p.m. Board Meeting

The board meeting is subject to change dates, but is generally held on the third Wednesday.

### EVENTS

Monday, February 24

Auburn Air Fair Meeting

New volunteers welcome.

### NOTICES

Please welcome new members

Don Treco

Gumshoe Detective Agency

530-889-1945

Milo & Karen Schauer

541-580-7747

AAA Membership Renewals

are due for 2014. It's a bargain at \$20.

Now you can pay online at

[www.auburnaviationassociation.org/membership](http://www.auburnaviationassociation.org/membership)

membership

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I am happy to report that the Mercey Hot Springs Raffle project is well underway. A *big* thank you to Darcy Brewer and Casey Long for creating this innovative scholarship fundraising idea and providing the energy to get it packaged with flyers and printed tickets. Altogether, this project has the potential to add \$3,000 to the scholarship account.

In support of the project, I was interviewed recently on KAHI radio, explaining the Auburn Aviation Association's mission and scholarship program. It was an interesting experience—realizing that your words are going out in real time so you have to get it right. In addition to the background information on AAA, I talked about the raffle prize and when we will draw the winning ticket. For those of you who don't know, the drawing is scheduled for Friday, February 28, at 12:45 PM live on KAHI (950 on your AM dial.) Tune in to see if you have won.

If you have not yet purchased your tickets, they will be available at the next general meeting or you can buy them at Mach 5 Aviation or from Mike Duncan, Chris Haven or me. I encourage you to get your tickets, because it sounds like the trip with Casey Long will be an unforgettable experience. He is the kind of guy that makes me want to fly off and live dangerously. See [www.auburnaviationassociation.com](http://www.auburnaviationassociation.com) for information about the trip.

Shout out also to Chris Haven and Wayne Manning for technical support on the website for the raffle and for the option you now have to [pay your membership online](#). It's time to renew your AAA membership.

While it's not quite living dangerously, please stop and see the creative work of Tom Dwelle at the corner of Bell Road and New Airport Road. What looks like the start of a homeless shelter is actually a mockup of the shape and location for the proposed Auburn Airport identification sign. The existing wooden sign will be removed and the location will make room for a new right turn lane and future sidewalks. Check out Tom's handiwork and thank him, as well as let him know if you have any questions. The project still has to move through a bureaucratic maze, but maybe we'll see something by summer. If it was up to Tom, this would have been built six months ago!

Bob Snyder

# Auburn Aviation Association Newsletter

Photos: Top left: January guest speaker Larry Hardy. Right: New member Milo Schauer and Publicity Director Bob Ferber. Bottom left: Doug Fee and granddaughter Zabria. Right: Air Fair Chair Joanie Mooneyham and founding AAA member Peggy Dwelle.



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**Send us your news, events, and photos!**

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It was another good month for aviation. The flying has been wonderful, unless you have been trying to stay current on your instrument flying. I will take the good weather every time.

Casey Long is back in the Auburn area from his summers in Alaska. Actually he came back in November. He is a home-grown pilot living the dream of many aviators by flying in Alaska in the summer months for several lodges, acting as an independent guide to hunters and fishermen. Casey gave a



lecture last year for us about his Airventures Alaska business and some of his adventures in South America, where he also books hunting and fishing getaways. Several weeks ago he heard about our scholarship fund for kids and offered a one-day get away at Mercey Hot Springs. He will fly you down to Mercey Hot Springs and cover all your expenses for only \$10.00. Well, not exactly \$10.00 but that is what a ticket to a raffle will cost. Only three hundred tickets will be sold and all of the proceeds will go to our scholarship fund. This will cover at least one \$2500.00 scholarship for a lucky kid. Tickets will be sold through Mach 5 Aviation, Sunshine Flyers and TGH Aviation Pilot Shop. The drawing will be held on the 28th of February on KAH1 radio at approximately 12:45 p.m. with Mary West.

For those who do not know Casey Long, you are missing knowing a very adventuresome soul. Casey went to high school in Auburn and still has family in the area. After learning to fly at Auburn Airport he had a very successful construction company. Thinking that there was a little bit more in life he decided to turn his passion into a career. He now has a successful air charter company that has the run of all fifty states and Canada. That is a bit unusual unto itself. Most air charters are restricted to a region of the lower 48 states but Casey had the perseverance to get a charter company that covers all of U.S. and Canada. Casey is married with two beautiful kids, one of which was just born a few days ago. If you see Casey about say "Hi" to him. If you get a chance go fly to with him, you are in for a ride of a life time.

On a more serious note, one of our members and long-time supporters in the city, O. C. Taylor, died. Born and raised in Auburn, O.C. worked for several business and owned Taylor's Richfield service Station. He served four

terms on the city council and was mayor twice. It was during this time that I got to know him for his support of the airport. Among his passions were coaching boys and girls baseball, fast cars, and racing, which lead him to be part of the Parnelli Jones NASCAR race team. That passion for speed and adventure is what inspired O.C. to learn to fly at the age of 68. Evan Wolfe was his instructor and probably knew him best. Evan helped him to buy an airplane which he flew for the last several years. As of this time a service has not been announced for him. We who knew him will miss his long winded stories, his dry sense of humor, and the friendship and support he had gave to us and the airport.

Well that is about all for this month, so "Good Night Miss Daisy."

The Prop Turner  
Mike Duncan



Photos from January meeting. Top left: Casey Long of Airventures Alaska explains the charter trip to Mercey Hot Springs that he has donated to AAA. Top right: New private pilot (thanks to a AAA scholarship) Nick Moore. Flight student James Jacobson and his family.

# Around the Mach 5 Club House

It has been another month of fun and 'firsts' at the Mach 5 "Club House": Glenn Peterson flew his initial SOLO flight under the watchful eye of his CFI Tip Russell. Beau Perry's student, Greg Schafer, flew his initial SOLO flight while we all watched and listened. We were a bit concerned during Greg's third pattern when another aircraft suddenly appeared in the pattern flying parallel, slightly wide and far too close to Greg. That aircraft had made no radio calls, did not answer any radio calls directed towards him and we ...

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*Top: Tip Russell and new solo student Glenn Peterson*

## **POTLUCK**

### **FEBRUARY MENU**

Please bring a pot-luck dish (to serve 8) as listed below by the first letter of your last name.

**A-H—Dessert**

**K-P—Main Dish**

**R-Z—Salad/Side Dish**

## **AAA Membership Form**

New Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewing Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # – Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of License: Student \_\_\_\_\_ Glider \_\_\_\_\_ Rotocraft \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Rating(s): Private \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_\_\_ CFI \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Aircraft Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail form plus a check for **\$20** payable to:

**Auburn Aviation Association**

P.O. Box 6454

Auburn, CA 95604-6454

For Questions, Call Darcy Brewer,  
Membership Chair, or see attached form  
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## *Mach 5, Continued.*

were all unsure if he was even aware of Greg. As you could imagine, there were a number of potential disastrous outcomes to this situation. However, Greg handled the situation expertly altering his pattern while keeping an eye on the 'unaware' aircraft and performed a perfect landing.

Kyle Hollis flew a near perfect check-ride and earned his Private Pilot rating! Congratulations to Kyle and his CFI Beau Perry. And congratulations again to Beau Perry for earning his Gold Seal CFI designation.

In our never-ending quest to help people achieve their goals, one of Mach 5's own CFI's, Isaac Radford, has been accepted for a position with SkyWest Airlines. This is an exciting opportunity for him and his family and we are very proud of him. And yes, when he's not at the helm of his CFJ-900, he will still be teaching at Mach 5.

You may remember over a year ago another Mach 5 CFI, Jeremiah Hartin was accepted into a pilot position with the Mission Aviation Fellowship. We are proud to pass on that he has completed all of his training and after some intensive language training him and his family will be stationed in Indonesia supporting missionaries throughout the region. If you would like more information on the MAF or are interested in supporting their cause please feel free to contact Dennis Pearson at Mach 5.

Speaking of Dennis, he has retired (again!) from the US Air Force and is back home permanently. He has been teaching our country's next generation of fighter pilots in the T-38C 'Talon' at Sheppard AFB, TX for the last few years after the USAF recalled him to duty and we are excited to have him home. Never one to let moss grow on his feet, his first flight back at Auburn was to fly out to Orland with Beau to retrieve an RV-8A that had some extensive paint repair completed.

Though Dennis had never flown an RV-8A before, in his typical fashion after taking off he performed a precisely executed rejoin to the wing of Beau Perry who was in his Bonanza and returned to Auburn as a flight of two. You have to stop by and check out the paint job on this RV. The paint shop at Orland did an AMAZING job matching a pearl-essence, multi-color scheme. The color actually 'changes' color depending on how the light hits it and how they matched the previous paint job so that it changes exactly the same is simply astounding. And if you or someone you know is interested, the owner has this little beauty up for sale (stop by Mach 5 for more information).

Mach 5 Aviation



*Photos: Top right photo: Kyle Hollis. At left: RV 8 on the rose at AUN.*

### **Renew your 2014 AAA membership now!**

At \$20 per family, ours is one of the best deals in town for a year of visiting with fellow pilots and hearing entertaining speakers.

**Renew online at [www.auburnaviationassociation.org](http://www.auburnaviationassociation.org).**

Click on the "Membership" tab at the top.