

Auburn Aviation Association

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June 2015

President's Message

MEETINGS

Wednesday June 3

5:30 p.m. Socializing

6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner and General Membership Meeting

Please join us Wednesday evening at the Auburn Airport Barnstormer Room. Cal Fire Helicopter Program Manager and Vietnam war veteran Barry Lloyd will discuss the state's aviation program.

Come hear how brave aviators work hard to protect our lives and property. You will also hear about the department's efforts and successes in keeping the fleet well maintained and

ready for air operations 24/7. This is a presentation that you will not want to miss!



JUNE POTLUCK

Please bring a dish to share.

A-H—Main Dish

K-P—Salad

R-Z—Dessert

EVENTS

July 10 & 11

Nevada County Airfest 2015

www.horsedesigns.com/airfest/

NOTICES

Welcome to new members:

Ken & Karine Lux of Roseville

<http://flyluxaviation.com/>

The City of Auburn and airport community really did ourselves proud on Saturday, May 16th, with the unveiling and dedication of Douglas Van Howd's statue to honor our nation's veterans. If you missed this event, I can tell you that it was spectacular with several hundred people in attendance, perfect weather, many notable attendees, moving speeches, a number of war birds (including the P-51 Old Crow) along with our Guest of Honor - our home town Triple Ace Col. C. E. Bud Anderson. It all came together in splendid fashion. We can all be proud of our new airport monument that I feel may be the "Best in the West".

Oh, yes...something else has finally come to fruition for our destination aerodrome - our airport/business park signage at Bell Road. Wow! Thanks to all who put so much effort into this project - the City of Auburn, the Public Works Department, sign designer Michael Kent Murphy, Evan Wolfe for the propeller, and Tom Dwelle - the ever present "shaker and mover." It was a huge effort by all involved and a fantastic end product.

Have you noticed how much flying is happening at the airport? Even with this increase in activity, our noise complaints have dwindled quite a bit, so we must be doing something right. For example, I recently heard a departing aircraft declare "Cessna so-and-so departing 25 straight out, noise abatement procedure." This is a good reminder to anyone on frequency to be a good neighbor flyer when departing westbound.

Our Vice-President, Tim Pinkney, is doing a stellar job in acquiring outstanding speakers for our monthly meetings. He has put a lot of effort and time into the task so please be sure and acknowledge him.

There are a number of events being planned for aviation activities over the summer so let's have fun and be safe.

Wayne Mooneyham
President

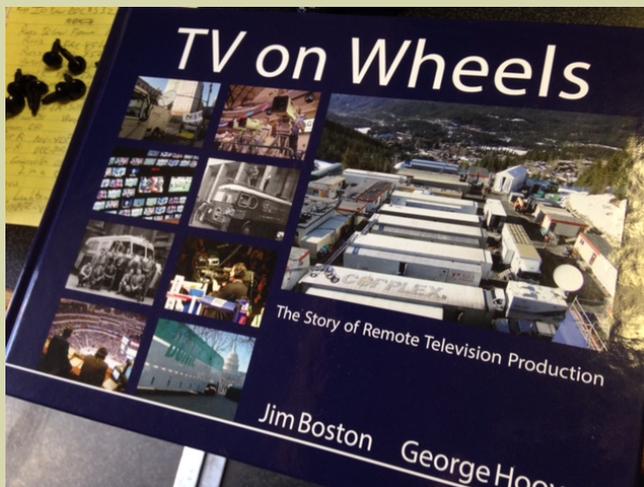


Elks Dedicated to Helping Veterans

The trailers out behind the Barnstormer Room are readying for three-month educational programs to train Engineers In Charge for television production on location. There are approximately 230 to 250 working vehicles similar to these around the country. Events like Sunday and Monday Night Football typically use a "production unit" of six high definition trucks with five support vehicles. While the training vehicles are standard definition, Jim Boston of Northeast Technical Training group, says the locally-based vehicles can easily be up fitted to the new technology and that training the fundamentals of on-location production is what's urgent. "With a slew of retirements from the industry," the goal is to bring veterans, who are used to working teams and to solving problems under pressure, up to speed so they can step into the industry. "In three months, students will be prepared to be a production assistant and can move up from there."

Northeast Technical Training has an advocate with the Elks organization, which already has experience finding employment for members who are veterans. Boston is immediate past president of the Auburn group. His partner in this training enterprise, George Hoover, is on the Elks board. Boston and Hoover literally wrote the text book on Remote Television Production. NEP, a privately held, international company based in Pittsburgh is both benefactor and beneficiary to this project. NEP has donated two trucks, one in Susanville and the other in Auburn, and will be first in line to hire newly trained workers. Boston says an open-house event is planned for this summer when the truck is ready.

For further reading:
<http://www.nepinc.com/>
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It has been a busy month. Scott Woodland passed his Commercial Pilot Knowledge test and is now working on the flight training portion. Meanwhile, Andy Matischak has earned his Commercial Airplane Certificate to go along with his Commercial Helicopter rating. Mike Duncan from Sunshine Flyers helped him get the add-on rating in just two weeks. Good job done by all.

May 16th was a very busy day for everyone at the Auburn Airport, beginning with our local chapter of the 99's conducting a day at the airport for a local Girl Scout troop. Led by Mary Lou Kline, Tammy Meredith, Sue Bell and Jennifer Meiners of the local 99's group, the volunteers showed off our local airport and presented the girls with the many opportunities that our aviation community has to offer to them. By participating the girls were able to earn a merit badge. In that light, Mach 5 conducted their Positive Attitude Day at the Mather airport. Positive Attitude is showing many underprivileged kids from the Sacramento area what aviation can do for them. In addition there were firefighters and police officers there to show the kids a better side of life. Here at Auburn we had a statue dedication to Col. "Bud" Anderson and the Greatest Generation. The statue, displayed next to Wings restaurant, is a life size image of Col. "Bud" Anderson with a P-51 over his head. There is brick paving around the base of the statue. The bricks show many of the sponsors and veterans who have served our great country. If there is a veteran that you wish to be remembered, you can buy a brick to be laid there with his or her name on it and a line or two about them. The ceremony was attended by numerous politicians and about 300 people. Along with the speeches there were several fly-by's from a Yak formation flight team, three P-51's that flew in for the ceremonies, along with three T-6's that came in uninvited but were greatly appreciated. A fourth P-51, in Old Crow livery, came all the way from Georgia just to participate in the event. One of the P-51's gave a few rides for but a mere pittance (\$800 for a twenty-minute ride). Two of the people that got rides were Kelly Kreeger and Tammy Meredith. It was a once in a life time experience for both of them.

Earlier in the month we finally got a new airport and business park sign on New Airport Road and Bell Road. Thanks to Tom Dwelle, Evan Wolfe and a few others, we now have a very unique sign and one that should last longer than the previous sign. It looks good, Tom, and thank you for your efforts.

A new effort is afoot to preserve the old Bill Clark hangar on the east end of the airport. Al Casner has started a petition that has gone before the city Council to preserve the building as a historical building and would like to turn it into a museum. Any one wishing to support Al and his effort can contact him directly at 530-906-1704. Bill Clark put over fifty years of his life into this airport and it would be a great tribute to him to save his hangar. Give Al a call.

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

The Prop Turner
Mike Duncan



Bottom left: Girl scouts standing beside the CHP's new airplane. Top center: Andy Matischak after his check ride. Top right: Bud Anderson's statue prior to being unveiled. Center photo: P-51 "Red Dog" flew in from Santa Rosa. Bottom left: Two P-51's performing a fly-by for the unweiling ceremony. Bottom right: Bud Anderson stands with artist Doug Van Howd, creator of the statue.



More News You Can Use

Cal Fire Aviation Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Js9b6xwfgao>



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Tammy Meredith rode in a P-51 on Armed Forces Day. "On Sat. May 16th for the Col. Bud Anderson statue dedication, I was fortunate to get a ride in this beautiful bird. My ride started in Auburn with a couple of passes for the crowd trailing behind 2 other P-51's for the event. We then flew over to Lincoln where my family was waiting with camera in hand. What a thrill to ride in such a beautiful piece of history. I feel honored."

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