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April 2010

March: 57 Young Eagles Flown!



Chapter 7 Events

Apr. 8 7:30pm
Chapter 7 Meeting
AirFlite LGB

May 13 7:30pm
Chapter 7 Meeting
AirFlite LGB

May 15 8:00am
Young Eagles Rally
ESCAP

2010 OSHKOSH ADVANCED PLANNING

All those planning on
attending the 2010
Oshkosh AirVenture:

DATES:

July 26 – Aug 1st



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President's Message by Don Thompson

What can I say?! Our chapter managed our largest solo Young Eagles event to a very successful conclusion. The weather cooperated, and having 9 airplanes and pilots, lots of ground staff, and food helped make it a great day. The key helper was most of the kids arriving on one bus. Parking is tight at the flight line so the bus took a lot of hassle out of the day, making room for the airplanes. GREAT JOB, WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Our chapter can look forward to May 22 for the Fullerton Airport Bi-Annual Open House. Two years ago we promoted EAA and its programs to the general public and have been asked to come again. I will be looking for helpers to talk EAA.

Later this year LGB will host the AOPA summit, November 11 to 14. Plans are underway as you read this. More to come. Mark your calendars now.

It's time for us to look at candidates for the Air Academy at Oshkosh this summer. Bring your information to the meeting or call any chapter officer.

I have settled on my days to attend Oshkosh this year. I will be there Sunday through Thursday a.m., July 25-29. I want to get rooms at the dorm again. Who wants to join in? Let me know.

Don

Hangar Flyin' by Scott Walton, Ch. 7 VP

The program on April 8th will be a talk by Mr Kenneth E. Pauley about the first Great Los Angeles Air Show which was held 100 years ago at Dominguez Field. Mr. Pauley is a local, from San Pedro, and also wrote a historical book about the event, which he promised to bring to the meeting for those of us that want to purchase one. I know this will be a "must have" for my history of aviation collection.

Too much of a good thing? Speaking of air shows and Southern California, Wow! When I look at the various magazines, aviation rags, and newsletters I subscribe to, the great aviation events in our area can be **OVERWHELMING!!** Just this coming Saturday, March 27, which happens to be my birthday, I have been invited to the Riverside Air Show and an Engine Forum in Jean, Nevada. Both are great events. I can't do both, and since my family is taking me to the air show for my birthday, I will not be able to go to Jean (sorry Mike). There is great stuff just happening all the time. Lucky us! Just think, 100 years ago, they had the first and only ever air show in the Los Angeles. Before that, there were no air shows around here. Folks just looked up at the birds and sighed.

What's my point? Being a guy who thrives in the city of Los Angeles and prides himself as a "City Boy", this is my advice to all of my fellow aviation fans: **PRIORITIZE**. Decide what events most meet your interests and then make a list of the ones you want to attend. Write them on your calendar, datebook, Blackberry, I-phone, Droid, napkin, or however you keep your schedule and then decide what is the most important for you to attend. Don't let the overwhelming events of so-cal overwhelm you. It is your own personal decision. If you decide that you can only go to one event, fine, pick the most important one to YOU. Don't let the sheer number of events be the trees that blind you from the forest. I know one of my priorities will be the AOPA Convention to be held in Long Beach this Fall. I'm sure I will see some of you there!

Scott



Mark your calendar!

Chapter 7's next Young Eagles Rally is

May 15, 2010 ~ 8:00 am ~ ESCAP

Wow, what a show down at the last Young Eagles Rally. Thank you to one and all, ground crew, mentors, instructors and Pilots. We began our program at 8:30am and completed flying our 57 age appropriate new Young Eagles by 11:00am. We were excited to have such a large turn out for this event. We sold 2 of the older tee-shirt patterns, and took \$11 in donations. The BBQ was a fun event to close the rally. Everyone did a spectacular job on the tasks they were appointed, and the show ran smoothly.

We held a small raffle, giving away Air Force pens, posters, and NASA stickers (donated by Jennifer). There was a lot of excitement and energy out there at ESCAP, and I am proud to say, they did an excellent job picking up all FOD out on the flight line.

SPECIAL MENTION:

Congrats to Don Myhra, who flew his 300th Young Eagle, that is quite a mile stone Don! We are counting to your 500th, which is only a ways out on the horizon!

We are eagerly looking forward to our next rally which is scheduled for May. I hope that if you haven't had an opportunity to come out and enjoy the fun, that we see each one of you out at the next Rally.

In closing, I am wishing one and all, Happy Easter, blessed Passover and Spring too!

Holly



by John Mahany, 2007 Master CFI, Chapter Flight Advisor

This month I have decided to talk about Electronic newsletters or e-newsletters as they are sometimes referred to. Do you subscribe to and read them? There are several good 'e' newsletters out there.

I receive a few in my in box regularly. It is hard to keep up with all that is going on now in the aviation world. And depending on your aviation interests, there are many more than those few that I am listing here. Among those I receive are Bob Miller's Over the Airwaves, Tom Turner's Mastery Flight Training, Max Trescott, Pilot Workshops, eAopa, and eFlying.

Among the better known and widely distributed, is Bob Miller's Over the Airwaves, which is now published monthly. Bob owns and operates his own flight school, Bob Miller Flight Training, out of Buffalo, New York. Bob calls it like he sees it and does not mince words, regarding the flight training issues that we face today, and some of the problems we face in general aviation today. He is not politically correct. His website is <http://www.overtheairwaves.com/>

Tom Turner is a CFI who runs his flight training business out of Wichita, Kansas, where they build Cessna's and Beechcraft, among others. He specializes in Beechcraft Bonanza training, and presents seminars for the American Bonanza Society, as well. His weekly newsletter, Mastery Flight Training, is wide-ranging and addresses a variety of training issues, ranging from fuel exhaustion to engine failures to gear-up landings. He also encourages reader participation and poses both questions and readers responses to his questions each week. His newsletter is <http://www.thomaspturner.net/>

Max Trescott is generally well known among the pilot and instructor community. Max was the 2008 National CFI of the Year, and is based in San Jose, CA. Max worked for Hewlett Packard for 25 years, and learned the software business, and is now teaching in TAA aircraft, specializing in Glass Cockpits. He keeps busy teaching and writing, having published two texts on GPS now. He has both websites and a blog. His blog is www.maxtrescott.com and is his commentary on general aviation. It is always interesting.

Mark Robidoux, in Merrimack, NH, started PilotWorkshops a few years ago. Mark has assembled a group of senior instructors who disseminate critical information to the pilot community, both in writing and verbally, using video clips. He frequently addresses IFR topics. His newsletter is published weekly. His url is <http://pilotworkshop.com/index.php> the most recent issue can be found at http://www.pilotworkshop.com/tips/ifr_cockpit_organization.htm

Then there is also AOPA's e version, and Flying Magazine's weekly, newsletter@email.flyingmag.com; both of which you can subscribe to, if interested.

A wealth of information...keeping up with it all can be a challenge.

Fly safely, and keep the blue side up!

John

March Young Eagles Rally: Success!



EAA Chapter 7 Study Group Report

by Alex Culp

On Friday, April 16th, the study group is working on radio communications along side with airport operations pertaining to Long Beach Airport. John Cheng, a member of the ESCAP flight line, is printing out a large-scale diagram of Long Beach Airport. Each person will have their own "plane" as they start-up, taxi, contact clearance, ground, tower, etc., moving about the diagram. For those that don't particularly want to participate but would like to help out, they could come be an airliner or charter plane, helping to mix things up a bit! This serves as an opportunity to start on, or further hone, radio communication skills and safe procedures. With the many operations at KLGB, and the size of some of the aircraft, knowing what to expect, how to respond, or when you want double check what ATC just asked you to do, can go a long way.

Related learning: AOPA Online Safety Courses, "Runway Safety" and "Say It Right: Mastering Radio Communication" http://www.aopa.org/asf/online_courses/

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AirShow/Fly-In Events



For complete So. Cal Air Show and aviation events [click here](#)

May 1-2 March AFB Air Show
 Aug 27-29 Thunder Over The Valley, Santa Maria CA
 Jul 26—Aug 1 EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh WI

Monthly Events in So. Calif.

Palm Springs Air Museum, Palm Springs CA Every Sat PM, museum aircraft flown regularly
 Chino Planes Of Fame Open House, Chino CA 1st Saturday, 3rd Sunday, west of Cal Aero Dr.
 Agua Dulce Airpark, Agua Dulce CA 1st Saturday, and 3rd Sunday
 Santa Paula Open House, Santa Paula CA 1st Sunday Aviation Museum of Santa Paula
 Apple Valley Open House, Apple Valley CA 2nd Sunday, Antique/classic static
 Brown Field Fly-In San Diego CA 2nd Sunday San Diego Flight Museum
 Whiteman AP Open House San Fernando CA 2nd Sunday Whiteman Airport Association
 Corona Airport, Corona CA 2nd Sunday Antique Aircraft Display/Fly-In
 Fullerton Airport Fly-In Fullerton CA 2nd Sunday
 Brackett AP Open House, LaVerne CA 3rd Sunday
 Zamperini AP Open House, Torrance CA 4th Sunday
 El Monte AP Classics Display El Monte CA Last Sunday/Month

Secretary Notes by Merv Meyer, Chapter 7 Secretary**BOARD MEETING 3/11/10**

Present were Don Thompson, Chapter President, Scott Walton, Vice President, George McDaniel, Treasurer, Merv Meyer, Secretary, Holly Richards, Young Eagle Coordinator, Brian Ringel, Newsletter Editor, John Mahany, Flight Counselor, Tom Griffith, Membership Coordinator and Don Myhra.

Don Thompson told the Board that he had not yet talked to anybody at Los Alamitos Reserve Training Base about hosting the EAA B17 visit there. He is considering hosting the B17 visit, working with Chapter 96, at Torrance Airport or Hawthorne Airport. George McDaniel said that the Los Alamitos location would be closer to where most Chapter 7 members live.

The Board agreed to give a lifetime membership to Birch Parker.

Mike Stearns, webmaster of the Young Eagles website, informed the Board that the annual website subscription expired March 2. Don wanted to know if the site was worth the annual \$100 subscription fee. Holly said that during the year subscription there were 45 Young Eagles sign-ups, that is, 9 per event, and 18 pilots volunteered to fly Young Eagles. Holly said that sometimes parents showed up at a Young Eagles event without the forms, assuming that they had signed up on the website. Holly said that the website was worth the \$100 fee because of its value in informing the general public. The need to bring the authorization form should be emphasized. Brian Ringel said that EAA National links Chapter 7 Young Eagles program through the Chapter 7 website. The Board approved a year extension of the Young Eagles website service. Don will inform Mike Stearns at the Saturday Young Eagles event (Mike is a Young Eagles pilot) that the subscription has been renewed and pay Mike the \$100 subscription fee and will clarify the need to bring authorization forms. Brian will change the screen format for the Young Eagles website.

Don reminded the Board of the national AOPA convention to be held at Long Beach Airport November 11, 12 and 13. All the major FBO's on the airport will be involved along with the EAA and the National Business Aircraft Association. Runway 25R will be closed. Transient aircraft will be parked on Runway 16R. There will be 100 aircraft on static display. Don is considering setting up an EAA pavilion for Chapter 7 volunteers.

Don said that normally chapter resources limit Young Eagles to about 30 kids per event. Holly said that are now enough volunteers, pilots and ground crew, for 64 kids to be flown. Two ground schools, by John Mahany and Don Myhra, will be held simultaneously at the Young Eagles event. The ground school locations will be clear of crowds. Ground school should begin no later than 8:AM, Saturday, March 13. Holly wants one group of Young Eagles in the air immediately, to go to ground school after they return. Holly said that the no-show factor has been reduced, and that the Boy Scout groups which are flown are flexible, and are available on short notice.

MEMBERS MEETING 3/11/10

Attendance: 44

Don Thompson, Chapter President, led members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

OLD BUSINESS

George McDaniel, Chapter Treasurer, gave his report. John Mahany moved that the report be accepted. Joe Porter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Videotapes, DVD's and manuals are available for check-out at a table near the officers' table.

NEW BUSINESS

Guests were introduced;

JIM HIGGINS was a member of Chapter 224 which has been disbanded.

HOWARD JARVIS recently sold a Ryan Navion.



John Mahany, Chapter Flight Counselor, is looking forward to a check ride in a new Glasair. Recently he flew a Beech 18, a utility transport with two R985 radial engines.

He informed members that on Thursday, March 18, there will be a one-hour documentary on the history of Long Beach Airport. It will be shown in the conference room of the Long Beach Marriott Hotel, starting 4:00PM.

Tom Griffith, Membership Coordinator, has the badges for four new members.

Holly Richards, Young Eagles Coordinator, will need more volunteers for the event on Saturday, March 13. She is expecting a busload of Young Eagles about 8:AM. A show of hands indicates seven Young Eagles pilots and 12 ground crew. Don Thompson, Chapter President, anticipates twice the usual number of Young Eagles, about 60.

Don Thompson told members that the AOPA will be having its first national convention in Long Beach since 1996. Event dates are November 11, 12 and 13. There will be 100 aircraft on static display. Runway 25R will be closed and transient aircraft will be parked on Runway 16R. John Mahany expects about 10,000 attendees. Don is on the planning committee for the event. He is planning an EAA pavilion. Chapter 7 volunteers will be needed.

Don introduced Birch Parker, the new lifetime member. Birch was a naval aviator, flying the Grumman F4F Wildcat, the Grumman F6F Hellcat and the Vought F4U Corsair. Birch accumulated about 600 hours on a PT22. He had Don take the airplane apart because he didn't want anybody else flying it.

Don has been grounded by a health condition. He will not be flying solo for a period of up to 1 1/2 years. He has been a pilot since 1976. He is petitioning for a medical review.

Brian Ringel, Newsletter Editor, is compiling a list of members going to Air Venture 2010.

Hal Landis has a partially assembled Continental O200 engine. The crankshaft is good. One piston and two cylinders are missing.

G. T. McDaniel is studying chemical engineering at UC Berkeley. He is working on two projects. He needs a fuel cell, capable of producing 12 watts to 30 watts, to propel a shoe box sized hydrogen car. For the other project he needs a small diesel engine, about the size used to propel a lawnmower, for a conversion to using bio-diesel fuel.

Dylan Lee brought a sample of a fabric covering project to the meeting. Dylan has graduated from high school and is taking an A & P course at Orange Coast College.

PROGRAM

Candace Robinson presented a brief history of the Long Beach Flying Club and her flying career, using a computer operated projector.

On November 15, 1980 she completed purchase of the club. Concurrent with operating the flying club she has a career as a commercial pilot. She is a qualified CFI and has accumulated 1600 hours of multi-engine time.

She has an aviation pedigree. Her grandfather, Wharton Larned, was a barnstormer and after World War II retired from the Navy with the rank of Rear Admiral.

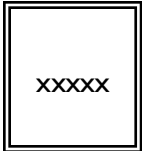
Her first commercial airplane was a Cessna 402 in Alpha Air livery. 1987-88 she was a first officer with American Eagle, flying a Swearingen Metro III. 1988-90 she was a flight engineer for UPS flying a Boeing 727.

She has an agenda for the future of Long Beach Airport:

- Save Runway 16L and R.
- Reinstate customs service at Long Beach Airport.
- Enhance LGB Class D airspace (No class C airspace)
- Introduce a one-for-one tiedown policy for general aviation.
- Rescind AOA badge restrictions at Long Beach Airport.
- Implement notice of chart changes
- Continue to improve flight training procedures.
- Work toward getting recourse from TSA restrictions.



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2nd Thursday of each month

Board Meeting 6:00 pm

General Meeting 7:30 pm

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