

PENINSULA FLYER

South Bay

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Editors Corner

Xavier Marshall

Building a flying machine? Send me an email of what you are building so I can include a list in the next newsletter.



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President's Report

Keith Spreuer

Spring building and flying is right around the corner and Daylight savings time too! Hooray! At our last meeting we had an excellent presentation by Monika Petrillo who gave us a movie and commentary on her circumnavigation of Australia. This month seems to have fallen in a crack. We wanted to have the Lightning GSA reps come to talk but now that is going to be in April. I think Rhon may step up and make a presentation. As I mentioned in last month's message, we did in fact select two candidates to go to Summer Camp, Demetrius Ingram, and Geronald Brown. Both have soloed and will be going to the senior level camp.

Merrill did a great job at putting together a draft budget for the chapter. It looks like we are still relying on the Annual Fly In and Expo to keep the hangar in the black. Planning for that event has started and I'm sure we will hear more about that from Dennis at the next meeting. I know that he is looking for volunteers to manage the various functions so your participation is very important. I believe there will be a meeting before the next General meeting so if you want to participate check with Dennis to confirm that meeting (3/17).

There had been a YE event set for Mar 10th but it had to be postponed to the 24th of March. We also talked at some length about taking the next step in our YE program. After a child gets a ride, what's next? The consensus was that kids need some guidance about getting into colleges, and how to make their dreams a reality whether it is aviation or anything else. We are in a unique position to guide these kids. You can expect to hear more about this and once again we will draw on our membership to step up to this important role. Ideas are just starting to come together as the group is formed to lay out a plan.

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Hangar Report

Keith Spreuer

The hangar tenancy continues to waver. We were up one tenant last month but we are back down this month. It is time for Robert Cullenan to move his Aeronca back to his own hangar. This was always his plan after his company storage requirements diminished. So once again we have 3 large spaces vacant and 1.5 small spaces. Plus we have 3 tie downs available. We would like to put a banner on the runway side of the building (since that is where the airplane owners are). Also it is time to get more flyers out to the airport office. I was told there are only a few hangars available on the airport now so we ought to be able to rent more of our spaces. That brings us back to the same point I've mentioned several times, Hangar Clean up. We all agree we need to do both serious house cleaning (trip to the dump) and repair and consolidation of the chapter tools and the shop. I know I'm preaching to you but really it is me that needs to organize this and schedule it and I WILL.

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Paper Forms for Flight Physicals to Disappear October 1st

[EAA Website](#)

The traditional paper forms completed by many pilots prior to their airman medical exams will completely vanish by October 1, as the FAA moves exclusively to its MedXPress online system for these applications (officially known as FAA Form 8500-8).

Federal Air Surgeon Dr. Fred Tilton reported the change in the *Federal Air Surgeon's Medical Bulletin* on January 27. He explained that the MedXPress system debuted in 2007, but it was not required to be used by pilots and Aviation Medical Examiners (AMEs). Dr. Tilton said that "the paper system allows for too many errors, leads to storage problems, and creates security risks" as reasoning for discontinuing the paper forms. In addition, FAA would save an estimated \$150,000 per year by eliminating the paper forms.

See the link below the title for more information.

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Why We Fly Alone

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Brief your passengers, let them know what to expect, and what you expect:

- a. Take a shower. You will be confined in a small area with vents that don't adequately vent most of the time.
- b. Brush your teeth. If you have bad breath then bring plenty of mints, or some strong gum.
- c. The flight is going to be under two hours, bring water, but be prepared to hold it if you have to go.
- d. Don't pack a lot of crap if it's a short (few hour) flight. Why, just because it annoys the hell out of me. (Someone literally brought a good-sized backpack full of crap, for a one-hour flight).
- e. NO FARTING IN THE AIRPLANE. I don't care if it's not healthy to hold it in! Be assured if you do, that's the last ride you will have with me for a long time.
- f. Don't touch a damn thing! Unless you ask first and/or know what you are doing.
- g. Don't complain where we are going, especially if you knew ahead of time. Just keep your ass at home!
- h. If you have to call your wife at every stop, or in route every 5 minutes, or if she calls you constantly, then argues then dammit, I don't want to hear it. DON'T GO WITH ME!
- i. If your wife/girlfriend gives you a curfew. DON'T GO WITH ME!
- j. If we get to where we are going, then you say, "We have to get back because I told my wife I would be back by..." Well, tough shit! You knew ahead of time. You should have said something before we left. Then I could have left you behind!
- k. NO! That button on the yoke is not the guns nor is it the pickle switch for any weapons!
- l. NO! There are no parachutes!
- m. NO! We can't fly over any nude beaches... well YES! We can!
- n. NO! It won't go any faster

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For Sale:

Thorp T18C – Asking \$34,000. Folding wing Thorp powered by O-320 (150 hp) with wood prop. Airframe & engine have 1100 hrs. Equipped for night and IFR operations. Aircraft is hangared at Compton/Woodley Airport (CPM). Contact Jack Kenton at jfkenton@calpilots.org or call 310-322-8098.



Also available is a partially built Pietenpol. Contact one of the board members for info or to make an offer.



KR-2 for sale. Asking \$2,200.00 OBO. Pictures are available upon request. Plans included. It's a great Father and Son project. A lot of learning opportunities included in building. Contact David Wade [310 291 5856](tel:3102915856).



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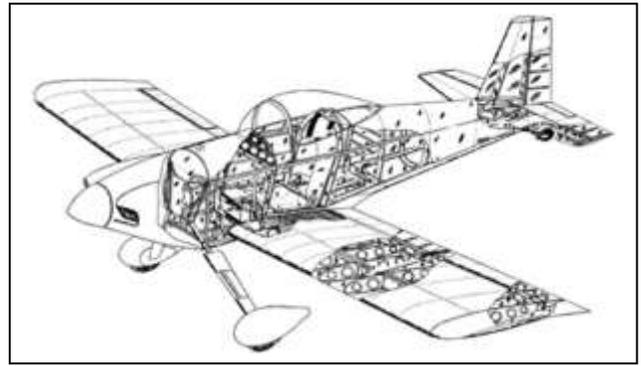
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

YOUNG EAGLES AT KHHR – 3/24

