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August 2019

## **AAA Events**

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#### AUGUST MEETING Wednesday, August 7

In August, we throw a party.

Come have BBQ and take time to get to know your fellow members and guests this month. There's no speaker.

AAA will provide the barbecue main dish in August.

# SEPTEMBER MEETING Wednesday, September 4

Author **Nicholas Warr** will present to us at the meeting. He is author of several books, including <u>Phase Line Green:</u> The Battle for Hue, 1968.

# OCTOBER MEETING Wednesday, October 2

Auburn Chief of Police Ryan Kinnon will introduce himself, talk about the police department and answer questions.

#### **AUGUST MENU**

August is our annual barbecue.

AAA will provide the hotdogs
and hamburgers. Please bring
a dish as follows:

A-J Dessert K-Q Salad R-Z Side Dish

# President's Message

#### **Friendly Small Airports**

Yvonne and I just returned from a day-outing by air to Little River Airport (LLR) on the North Coast. LLR sits a couple of miles inland and slightly south of the town of Mendocino, and has a very friendly operation there that, among other things, rents cars. However they are not your typical rental cars. You might call them "beaters". But they work, and they will get you to town or up and down the coast. So we checked the weather this morning and, finding Little River open, I called to reserve a car. Uh oh, all of their usual rentals were already spoken for. However Mary did have one tired old Cadillac that was available. But, it had some eccentricities, and she just couldn't see charging us to use it. So, she'd loan it to us for free. All we had to do was to return the car with the gas tank full. Well, the old Caddy got us to town, and off we went for lunch, a hike, and a visit to Fort Bragg's Wednesday afternoon Farmer's Market. What a great day! All made possible by Mary's friendliness at Little River Airport.

Our outing got me thinking about some of the other friendly small airports I've been to over the years, as well as some of the interesting experiences I've had visiting them.

Once, somewhere in west Texas, I was offered a loaner car to get into town for the night. It turned out to be a retired police car. The guy at the airport gave me directions on how to get to town on the Interstate, and as I rolled up the onramp and onto the highway, I put my foot down on the gas to merge into the flow of trucks. I felt like I was Neil Armstrong being launched by a Saturn V rocket. Apparently, this particular retired police car had been souped up to participate in high speed chases. Wow!

Another time, I landed at a very small airport in western Arizona. I shut down at the gas pumps and a highly weathered woman strolled out of the mobile home that served as an office. She looked at me quizzically and asked, "Watsa matter? Y'all lost?" Once I explained that I just wanted fuel and to be on my way, she told me that she'd just made lunch and that I should come on inside to eat. She *insisted*. I sat down and had a very pleasant lunch with her, then fueled the airplane and was on my way.

Several years ago, a buddy and I stopped for lunch and fuel at Sunriver Airport, up in Oregon. Turns out that the nearest restaurant was a couple of miles away. But . . . . the airport had loaner bicycles, and it was paved bike trail the whole way there, as well as a beautiful ride.

There are lots of friendly small airports around. And I like to think that Auburn is one of them.

Blue skies,

Doug Fee



It is now the middle of summer and the hot sultry days are upon us. Students are making early morning and late evening flights to keep out of the heat. I think it is time to get my Sea Plane Rating recurrent and go float around the lakes.

Despite the weather, **Brandon Brown** (center picture) earned his Flight Instructor Rating with **Richard Conti** as his Designated Pilot Examiner and **Mike Duncan** as his Instructor. Brandon wants to fly heavy cargo jets and F-15 fighters for the 144th Fighter Wing of the California Air National

Guard. Richard Conti has been busy because he passed Joshua Silva's student David Calabretta (bottom left) who earned his Private Pilot Certificate. David was Joshua's first recommendation as a new flight instructor. Joshua Silva (pictured in the right-hand column) has been pretty busy himself because he has been studying for and has passed his Instrument Fight Instructor Rating while helping David get his rating. James Duvall was

Joshua's DPE. Congratulations to all.

Soaring Saturdays was a great success this past

Saturday. Although the final count has not come in yet, **Ben Foss** and company says that more than \$2000.00 dollars were raised for the first responders and the Placer County Chaplaincy. I was giving rides in the Cessna 172 and **Don** 

**Gwinn** was



giving rides in the Stearman for donations to the cause. Cal Fire and Auburn Fire Department each brought static displays. Placer County showed up

with their airplane, a SWAT-like vehicle, and of couple booths for the sheriff's department as well as the Chaplaincy. Additionally, Ben was able to get a full blown orchestra to show up and play live music. The orchestra has performed several times for the Fly Fridays and Soaring Saturday events and has been greatly appreciated.

The Navada County Airport put on their Airshow and BeerFest earlier in the day. (See page 5 for photos.) It appears that Soaring Saturday saw a few people who attended both events, first attending

the Airshow and BeerFest and then coming to Ben's KAUN fundraiser to help recover from a long day in the sun. For those who might like to participate for the next Soaring Saturdays event it will be 24 August. Contact Ben Foss for more information.



For those who have not heard yet, AAA has

gotten the Scholarship Endowment fund up and working. With an initial deposit from AAA of \$25,000 to get things started we are looking now for more donations to build up the principal investment to \$50,000. From this start we can fund at least one scholarship forever. Your one-time donation can bring a lifetime worth of aviation to many young people. Our goal is to get many more donations to be able to afford several scholarships. Please keep the endowment in mind as you re-up your membership in the Auburn Aviation Association. The AAA Board of Directors is currently working on some other ideas to help to help increase the endowment amount. Rest assured we'll advise you of how you can help the cause. Well that is about all for now. Good Night Miss Daisy.

The Prop Turner
Mike Duncan

# **Mach 5 Musings**

Summer time and the flying is easy! The heat won't stop these pilots; they are all working hard toward their goals-pilots like **Scott Harshbarger** who completed his first solo on June 24th, **Richard Norlie** who soloed on June 29th, and **Michael Battaglia** on June 28th! Wow, so many amazing students are reaching important milestones this summer. But that's not all we are celebrating. Please give a big warm welcome to **Adriana**! She is our newest member of the Mach5 family working in our maintenance hanger as our new A&P. Adriana is already fitting in well and we expect great things from her.

A few lucky members of Mach5 got to fly over Alaska in our annual Alaska Floats and Skis trip to visit our pilot friends in Talkeetna Alaska. They had a week of beautiful scenery, amazing friends, and some of the most exciting flying a person can do--Float Planes! That's one of the wonderful aspects of aviation, you have a community full of great people that want to share their knowledge and excitement with you.

Coming up: Our two day Drone Ground School course is starting soon. This course is designed to streamline the process of preparing for the Part 107

written drone test. After taking the course you should be ready to take the exam and pass the first time! Contact us at 530-889-2000 to learn more.

Blue Skies and Tail Winds KAUN

Mach5 Aviation





## **Events**

Antique Aircraft will be on display Saturday, Sunday, and Monday August 3, 4, and 5 as well as on August 24, 25 and 26 to the general public on the ramp and in individual hangars at the Auburn Airport. Stop at Wings restaurant for breakfast or lunch. Parking is generally street-side along Rickenbacker Way or Bill Clark Way. Bring your walking shoes. Call Beau Perry for information at 530-320-6730.

Soaring Saturday featured musical entertainment by Symphony
Phonotones and raised money for the Placer County Chaplaincy and First Responders. The next Soaring Saturday event is August 24th in Auburn.

The California Capital Airshow is coming up October 5 and 6 at Mather Airport.



# **Grass Valley Airshow and BrewFest 2019**





This photo-op flight of three (above) was a family affair all around. **Tom, Tom W.,** and **Ken Dwelle** flew two A-T6s and a rare two-place Hawker Sea Fury in formation while the brothers **O'Brien**, (**Brian** and **Tim**) rode along and took photos. Brian was in a fourth plane, an A-T6. He sat in the back in a gunner seat that rotates all the way around, in this case so that he could face and photograph the formation planes.

A Lockheed Loadstar (left center) made an appearance at the Grass Valley Airshow and BrewFest on Saturday July 20.

(Bottom left) The Sanders Brothers brought their air racer Hawker Sea Fury Argonaut.

For more pictures from the airshow, click to follow the link to **Tim O'Brien's excellent photos on Facebook.** 

# **AAA Members List August 2019**

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# **Engraved Bricks for Veterans**

Commemorative Bricks are available for sale to be installed around the Monument at Auburn Airport. As many of you know, our Association has taken on the task of ordering the bricks for the amazing Doug Van Howd monument honoring WWII veterans. For those of you who haven't seen it, stop by the grassy area at Wings Restaurant - you'll be awed and amazed. Bricks cost \$500 each. Proceeds, after costs, go to fund the "Col. Bud Anderson Scholarship Fund." See form on the next page for ordering. Questions? See Secretary, Joanie Mooneyham, 530-878-0434.



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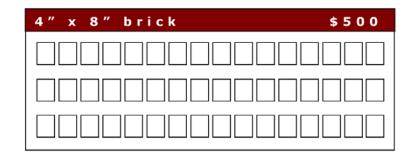
Bronze monument of Col. Bud Anderson and his P-51 Mustang "Old Crow" created by Douglas Van Howd and installed at the Auburn Airport

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### Auburn Aviation Association—Membership and Donation Form Fill out and return the form payment or log on to www.auburnaviationassociation.org to use PayPal or credit card to join or to pay your annual renewal. Scholarship donations are welcome at any time. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Name:\_\_\_\_\_ eMail: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: City:\_\_\_\_\_\_State:\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number(s): Type of License (Circle One or More): Student Glider Rotorcraft Other \_\_\_\_\_ CFI Other Ratings: Private Commercial Instrument Aircraft: Annual Individual Membership: \$30.00 Dues: **Annual Family Membership:** \$30.00 Dues: (Up to two contact and email addresses per family membership) Family Member Name: eMail:\_\_\_\_ Name Badge: \$11.00 each Name on badge: \_\_\_\_\_\_Amount: Endowment Fund Donation (optional): \$20 \$70 \$120 Amount: Total Payment: Mail form plus check payable to: Contact: Auburn Aviation Association Larry Borchert PO Box 6454 (916) 508-1820 Auburn CA 95604-6454 AAA is a 501(c)3 Corporation. Donations to the Scholarship Fund are deductible using Tax Exempt ID number: 68-0083066

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