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2023 AVIATION CAREER DAY

Discover more about the many exciting career opportunities in different facets of the aviation industry. Meet educators and pilot mentors from numerous career fields.

It's a great time to be a working pilot!

Registration is required, use the QR code above.

FREE PIZZA WILL BE PROVIDED, AS WELL AS A RAFFLE!

WHEN

Saturday, January 28, 2023 12:00pm Pizza 12:30pm Presentation

WHERE

Barnstormer Room
Auburn Municipal Airport
13666 New Airport Rd, Auburn, CA



To most people, the sky is the limit.

To those who love aviation, the sky is home.

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President's Message "Getting Started"

By Chris Haven

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polo shirt with the AAA logo around town, people want to talk about it. Inevitably they ask what it takes to get their son or daughter, or sometimes themselves, started on acquiring a private pilot's license. Achieving that first big milestone - the private pilot ticket - is no small feat. Not unlike for a first-generation college student or first-time triathlete, it takes a plan and a community to move new pilots forward into a field with which they may have little practical experience.

The paths to aviation are as varied as those who fly. By telling your own story to an aspiring pilot, you pull aside the curtain and show how it can be accomplished. Was it military experience, growing

up in Alaska, paying your dues working at the airfield in trade for dual time, having use of someone else's plane, or waiting a long time until you could pay for a few more hours?

However you did it, polish your elevator speech and tell your story! It's one small way you can help address the pilot shortage, and further our mission of inspiring young people to fly.

Clear Skies, Chris Haven President





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AAA Events

5AC Meeting 1/3 6-6:30 This month's speaker will be Brice Corcoran.
Brice is a young aviator and AAA scholarship winner who is progressing along well in his career. He's currently flying air-refueling operations, and will be speaking to us the day he arrives back home from overseas deployment.

His talk will be very interesting to all, particularly young people interested in ways to advance their own aviation career. Hope to see you there.

Połluck Menu

Here's what you can bring, according to your last name:

MAIN: J-O

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General Membership Meeting 1/4 6-8:30



OPEN JANUARY 1ST CLOSES FEBRUARY 28

8 FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

- Private pilot training scholarships ranging in value from \$2,600 to \$10,000. Ages 16-25.
- Advanced pilot training scholarships for Instrument or Commercial license up to \$10,000 each. Ages 17-25.

**Training must be accomplished at a flight school located at KAUN

**Persons who are prior recipients of \$10,000 scholarships from any of the sponsors are ineligible for the 2023 scholarships.



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As The Prop Turns

by Mike Duncan

Well Santa Clause managed to get recurrent for the season. His sleigh has been annual-ed along with the reindeer completing their fitness tests. It is pretty amazing how that jolly old soul can stay so proficient with only twenty four hours a year of flying. While not as experienced as Santa, Brian Hausback has managed to do his first solo in a Cessna 172 with Scott Woodland as his instructor.

Congratulations Brian and Scott on a job

For those who do not already know, our local hero **Col."Bud" Anderson** was given

well done.

an honorary
promotion to
Brigadier General.
On December 2, 2022,
at the Aerospace
Museum of
California at
McClellan, a
promotion
ceremony took place
with over two



hundred people in attendance. Included in the crowd were two retired Generals and one retired Admiral. Additionally, several Congressmen had their representative there to honor him along with some local politicians. His new one stars were pinned on by **General Brown** who flew in from Washington D.C. for the ceremony. General Anderson retired from the military after 30 years in the Air Force and then went on to work for McDonald Douglas at the Edwards AFB for another twelve years as the Manager of the Company Flight Test Facility. His biggest project was the F-15, which is still in use today. After retirement he moved to Auburn with his wife, Ellie, and wrote a book called "To Fly and Fight" about his memories of WWII and becoming a "Triple Ace". A second book was to follow about his friendship with **General Yeager** (Press – On) and their adventures hiking in the Sierra. General "Bud" Anderson became active in promoting aviation not only in Auburn

but all over the world. You might see him at Wings Restaurant while he continues to be active as a mentor and role model for all generations, even at 100 years old.

Congratulations Sir on your promotion.

The Highway Patrol got a new Christmas present, a brand new Cessna Caravan. While it is not unusual to see a Caravan land at Auburn, it is unusual to see one in CHP livery. It showed up in Auburn the other day with all its bells and whistles. One of the nice things about this office of the CHP is that they usually get the first of the new gadgets and do the "Beta testing" on them. Feel free to go up and look at your tax dollars working for you. I am sure they will be more than happy to show off their new Christmas present.



Tammy Meredith was featured in an article in AOPA Pilot magazine. The article is featured in this month's newsletter courtesy of AOPA. Please take some time to read about her and her adventures in Alaska and the trials and tribulation she has gone through.

Well that is about all for this month.

Good Night Miss Daisy and have a Merry

Christmas and a Happy New Year, to all.

The Prop Turner
Mike Duncan



Passion meets community

'Fighter' pilot overcomes cancer, returns to the sky

BY EMMA QUEDZUWEIT

TAMMY MEREDITH GREW up regaled with stories from her father, who was a U.S. Air Force ground refueler at Kimpo Airbase in the Korean War, and during her childhood they went to countless airshows together. If there were ever airplane rides being offered, she and her dad were on one as often as they could afford. Throughout adulthood, aviation remained in the back of her mind, but because she always heard flying was difficult and took a lot of money, she never seriously considered becoming a pilot

Then one day, she saw an advertisement for a discovery flight at Auburn Municipal Airport (AUN) in Northern California. She was nearing retirement and reconsidering learning to fly, so she took the discovery flight. Her interest was instantly reignited and she was off and running, training as often as possible and soaking up everything she could

learn. Then she got a job at Sunshine Flyers-one of the on-airport flight schoolsand suddenly, aviation became a bigger part of her life. She began meeting pilots, being up close to aircraft, and learning by immersion.

In January 2018 her dream came true when she passed her private pilot checkride, and she began enjoying the best of what general aviation has to offer-her favorites being the simple joys of flying, seeing new places, and meeting new people.

But a new challenge arrived in her life. A year and a half after getting her certificate, she was diagnosed with breast cancer and underwent aggressive chemotherapy. So began her years-long fight with both health and financial adversities.

Through it all, Meredith's aviation family was a pillar of care and support. The Auburn Airport community and the Sierra Gold (then Placer Gold) chapter of The Ninety-Nines, International Organization of Women Pilots, organized a fundraising event at the airport to support her treatment that included things like auction items, airplanes rides, and more. "You realize how lucky you are, and how it makes a huge difference to have that support," she said. Her family members, who are not involved in aviation, were amazed and touched by the generosity of the tightknit aviation community.

Meredith's recovery has been long, but her determination to keep flying never wavered. She continued steadily at her own pace, investing time as she could. because giving up was never an option. In the summer of 2022, she was finally able to take a long-desired first step toward pursuing a seaplane rating at Alaska Floats and Skis in Talkeetna, Alaska. Flying a 1951 Piper PA-20 Tri-Pacer on floats was another dream come true, and she enjoyed a thrilling time flying in the Alaska backcountry with the instructors.

However, strong fatigue-a lingering effect of chemotherapy-flared up more than she anticipated, and it became clear that she would not be able to complete



Tammy Meredith did most of her training in a Cessna 172, but she treasures her flying experiences in a Piper Cub on skis and a Tri-Pacer floatplane. She participates in animal rescue flights and founded an animal rescue in her community.

the accelerated course in time. Despite the disappointment of this setback, she determined to stay positive, appreciating the opportunity to build skills and have fun.

"I'm so lucky to be able to do what I do," she said. Her passion for aviation is stronger than ever, and her goal is to keep flying no matter what it takes, even if that might look a little different for a while. "If I have to keep flying with another pilot for safety reasons, then so be it."

"If you really want to do it, don't give up or let people talk you out of it," she said. "Find your inner circle that share your passion, or who are going through the same thing. Talk to them and accept their support. From aviation I learned that people are genuinely nice and want to help you reach your goals, and these people will help you get through it, cheer you on, and want to see you succeed."

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Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 526 and Auburn Aviation Association



2023 EAA Air Academy Scholarships

In partnership with the Auburn Aviation Association, Auburn Chapter 526 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) is offering scholarships to attend EAA Air Academy summer camps during 2023.



One applicant who will be age 14 or 15 as of June 25, 2023, will receive full tuition and up to \$600 in air fare reimbursement to attend the June 25 - 30, 2023, session of EAA Basic Air Academy.



One applicant who will be age 16, 17, or 18 as of July 28, 2023, will receive full tuition and up to \$600 in air fare reimbursement to attend the July 28 - August 5, 2023, session of EAA Advanced Air Academy.



These highly regarded summer camps are held at Oshkosh, Wisconsin, home of EAA AirVenture, the world's largest aviation event. Camp participants will be immersed in many aspects of aviation. AirVenture will be held July 24 - 30, 2023, and Advanced Air Academy participants will attend. Basic and advanced camps usually sell out months in advance. Chapter 526 has already secured the necessary slots for 2023.

For more information on EAA Air Academy:

https://www.eaa.org/eaa/youth/eaa-aviation-and-flight-summer-camps/eaa-air-academy

Applicants must reside in Placer, El Dorado, Nevada, or Sacramento Counties. Upon each scholarship winner's return from Oshkosh, EAA Chapter 526 will reimburse up to \$600 in air fare to/from either Green Bay or Appleton. Applications will be accepted **December 5, 2022, through January 31, 2023**.

Apply online at: https://auburn-aviation-scholarships.scholarshipsplatform.com/

For more information on EAA Chapter 526 and the Auburn Aviation Association:

http://www.eaachapter526.net/ https://aaa2.wildapricot.org

Mach 5 Musings

from the Mach 5 Aviation Cluhouse

December seems to have posed challenges felt by all pilots at the Auburn Airport, what with the low ceilings, visibility, and stormy weather – all of which have made the more VFR days prime, competitive real estate on our schedule.

While the inclement weather has necessitated practicing good ADM and pausing the training of several students, we would still like to give a shout-out to those that have managed several tremendous accomplishments: Michael B. obtained his IFR rating on November 27th; Tzonu G. obtained his commercial license on December 8th, Liam L. obtained his commercial license on December 21st, and Rick V. obtained his private pilot license on December 28th. A special shout-out goes to Nancy C., who won a

partnered scholarship with the non-profit Girls Love to Fly and Mach 5 Aviation!

Downtime with the weather has allowed us to focus more on maintenance for Mach 5. Our Piper Cherokee, N5233L, and Piper Arrow II, N4443X, are now back in action after both aircraft were fitted with new engines and props.

Solitary days under rainy clouds have led to some unique sightings around the airfield, like spotting coyotes wandering around C-172s and taking shelter under wings, or listening to someone fly the RNAV 7 approach and go missing without eyes on the ground ever spotting them. On our better days, it's humbling to remember that Auburn is truly special with how it avoids the Tule fog and Sierra snowline. The memories and Musings for our little airport and community are what we'll take into the year 2023 – see ya there!







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2023 AOPA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Made possible through donations to the AOPA Foundation, the more than \$1 million in scholarships are a major benefit of AOPA membership, helping members reach their aviation goals.

- Scholarship applications open Sept. 5, 2022, with awards ranging from \$2,500 to \$14,000 for primary flight training, advanced ratings/certificates, and aviation maintenance.
- Open to AOPA members that are U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent legal residents
- Some scholarships also require applicants to meet additional criteria (see listings below)
- Scholarship applications will close February 10, 2023, at 11:59 EDT.

You need only submit one application that will be automatically considered for all scholarships for which you are eligible.

FREE AOPA "AV8RS" memberships are available for youth ages 13-18 at the following link: https://www.aopa.org/membership. Benefits are the same as regular membership, however the Flight Training magazine is sent digitally. This is a great opportunity to discover more about aviation and to apply for an AOPA scholarship.

The AOPA has opened the application process for their 2023 scholarship program. A link to the application and additional information can be found under the "scholarship" tab of our AAA web site.

Applicants must be a member of AOPA.





Karen and Dan Foster flying in their Kitfox

Fluffy cumulus cloud sunset over KAUN, courtesy Don Wolfe







Rory Ondracek shares his experiences while on his new journeys aboard the CRJ-700







Honoring of CHP retiree at KAUN





Auburn Aviation Association

Wreath Sponsorship Form

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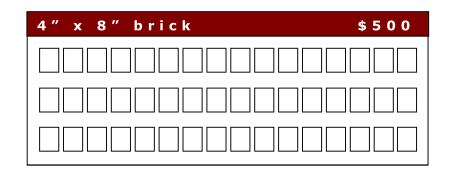
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Engraved Bricks for Veterans

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.

