

# THE FLYING TIMES The Official Newsletter

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BOEING'S NEWEST REGIONAL JET MAY BE ABLE TO OPERATE OUT OF SONOMA SKYPARK, CLOVERDALE AND HEALDSBURG Horizon Air at Sonoma County Airport may have some competition!

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## FIRST THINGS FIRST

The next meeting will be this Tuesday, October 9 at the Skycrafters' clubhouse, Hangar B-5, here at Sonoma Skypark.

Judy Crosson and Howard Hall have volunteered to do the October dinner. Our thanks to them for volunteering! The program after the meeting will be a video called "Wasps and Witches", and is a documentary about the British, German, Russian and American women pilots who flew for their countries during World War II.

See you there! Bring your appetites!

### **MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 11,2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m.

Dinner was provided by Roy and Linda Meyers and consisted of delicious steaks wrapped in bacon, potatoes and salad furnished by Jeannie Williams. Roy's mother and father joined us for dinner and since it was his dad's birthday, dessert was a nice big chocolate birthday cake with rich, thick icing!

Travis Morton introduced Taro, his guest and roommate from college.

Rich Cooper reported that Young Eagles flew ten kids last Sunday.

Bob Avrit gave the Treasurer's report, and Marilyn Poggensee the membership report.

Don Cooley scheduled a fly-out for lunch to Auburn for Sunday, September 23.

Walt Lewis showed two proposals for signs for the club house. The Sonoma Skypark Board of Directors will review the proposals and Walt will then make the signs.

Paul Seibert told the members about the FAA's proposal of rulemaking concerning abandoned vintage type certificates and urges the membership to write to the FAA asking that type certificate information be made available to the public and not withheld.

Our speakers were Marty Spragg and Bill Nye.

Marty showed slides and talked about his experience taking the aerobatic course offered by Sean Tucker the long time airshow pilot.

Marty also told the members that they could help look for Steve Fossett using their computers and Google Earth at www.wturk.com.

Bill Nye talked about what Chapter 1268's responsibilities would be as the sponsor of a Scouting Aviation Explorer Post.

## AUBURN LUNCH FLY-OUT

Don Cooley organized a fly-out to Auburn for lunch on September 23. The briefing at Sonoma Skypark was about 11:00, with four airplanes leaving as soon as the ceilings lifted a bit.

Don and his fiancé Cheryl (I think. Don can straighten me out at the meeting) headed out in the Ercoupe, but aborted enroute due to turbulence. Dave Meeks and his friend Grey (I think. Dave can get me right at the meeting) headed out in the Interstate Cadet, Travis Morton and friend Jasmine took the school 150, and Darrel Jones and Ed Barkhurst flew over in the Stinson.

Ceilings ran from 2500' to 3500', with the clouds scattered. We headed over between the Class C airspaces around Sacramento, and found high enough ceilings at Auburn to land with no problems.

The only problem we encountered was that the airport restaurant had some pluming problems that morning and was closed. After asking a few questions around the field, we found a delicious lunch at a golf country club just a short walk from the airport.

We all made it home and are looking forward to the next excuse to go find that elusive hundred dollar hamburger! Sonoma Skycrafters EAA Chapter 1268 358 Patten Street Sonoma, CA 95476

## REMEMBER! THE AUGUST MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, AT 7:30 PM, AT SONOMA SKYPARK, <u>SKYCRAFTERS CLUBHOUSE, HANGAR B5!</u> DINNER STARTS AT 7 PM, SO DON'T BE LATE!

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