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Cover: *Bob Osborn and Kathy Moss with One-Niner Fox at Ocotillo.*

The Flying Report

By Bob Osborn

May 03 - It finally happened. Chapter 14's weekly fly in luncheon had no fly in aircraft, a first that I can remember. Rain and low clouds may have had a bearing on the non-event. It was a normal weekend for our annual Ocotillo Wells campout. How did we miss it? Last weekend we had perfect weather for that event. Unusual! I suspect quite a few Cinco de Mayo celebrations were washed out this weekend. How did the Gillispie Field Open House and Airshow go? We saw a B -17, C-46, B-25, and two additional aircraft do a fly by at Brown on Thursday in preparation for the weekend airshow. Ron Schular reported the hot air blimp flew Thursday morning, making a takeoff, circuit of the field, and perfect landing back at the site in front of their hanger. Now if we can just get them to come by for a show and tell on our monthly meeting Saturday.

The Ocotillo Wells Outing celebration continued in hanger #1 with some 40 guests driving in to finish off the bratwurst, hamburgers, potato salad, cole slaw, and fruit cocktail John Alley brought back from the desert. John and his crew returned the WW I hangers to the rafters of hanger #2 between rain showers. Each time Ryan or Dennis started to open their hanger doors and extract an airplane to go flying another shower chased them back inside. A small price to pay for an unusual rainy day.

May 10 - Arkansas Traveler, a descriptive term that has passed down through the years and one that perhaps applies to our distinguished and newest lifetime member of Chapter 14, Sam McCutcheon. Last week Sam resigned the presidency of Chapter 14 and was presented a lifetime membership and plaque in a farewell ceremony at hanger 1 on Thursday. Sam in turn unloaded the huge moving van he is driving to

Arkansas and presented the Chapter a matched set of some 14 soft seat chairs. These will be greatly appreciated for our monthly meetings and Saturday luncheons.

Saturday was a perfect day to fly the Young Eagles, sunny, cool, and sparkling visibility, vastly different from the previous week. Dennis Cullum, Dick March, Armond Brattland, Rik Keller, and Bob Osborn flew some 16 Boy Scouts and other youth, ably assisted by Dayton Smith, John Watts, Gene Hubbard, and Frances Novotny-Myers who handled the briefing, sign up, certificate awards, and scheduling. Over 60 lunches of hot dogs, nachos, potato salad, cole slaw and ice-cream were served by Joe Russo assisted by the new president Richard Kalling. In honor of Mothers Day, all mothers ate free as well as all Young Eagles. Numerous fly in aircraft arrived to make up for last weeks sparsity, our familiar friends, as well as Pat Ryan in his immaculate RV-6A, and Lloyd Buckner in his KR-2S. In addition a couple of our "hanger queens" were rolled outside for action. Richard Kallings Colt flew with Richard and John Watts testing the air, and Mobley Milam's Cassutt with Ron Schular at the controls did a run up on the ramp and will hopefully get airborne soon.



Xavier Beso with Armond Brattland, pilot/ member of the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association and the SD Ultralight Asso.) on May 10th after Xavier's first flight.

May 17 - Dawn Patrol featuring John Watts and Ty Tyvoll who led the way with their pancake, sausage, and eggs breakfast with a little assistance by Ryan and John Thomson in setting up. However the fog and gloom kept the patrol grounded most of the day. At 1000 president Richard Kalling opened the monthly meeting with announcements followed by a video of what else "Dawn Patrol". If you can't fly, hanger fly. The video featured WW 1 replica fighters (French Nieuports ??) which as I recall were constructed by an EAA chapter. Some 6 fighters were constructed as a project and when done, the builders drew lots for their own individual fighter. Sounds like fun.

As the day progressed with no let up in the weather, or the video, and no cook in sight, Joe Russo seized the moment—carpe diem—sallied forth to the market and with the assistance of Gene Hubbard and Lista Duren produced a healthful lunch of Pasta Putenesca, salad with Balsamic Vinaigrette, Mangia! Actually it was a very tasty meat sauce over spaghetti. Finally the magic of a good meal, pushed the clouds away and a young couple in a Long-eze from Gillispie flew in after taking a look at Borrego and finding the winds were up on the desert. Even though the rotating beacon indicating IFR conditions at Brown, continued on most of the day, the afternoon was nice and our flights got out. Never a bad day at Brown Field.

May 24 - Memorial Day Weekend and you weren't at the EAA fly in luncheon at Brown Field Saturday were you? Were you freezing at the beach or roasting in the desert? You could have been at Brown where the food was hot and the cool breezes blow. True, the air was somewhat thick in the morning but just right for those light maintenance jobs such as mounting your Quickie on tricycle gear or building a storage rack for the hangar or cleaning out the last six months accumulation of chips, saw dust, parts, rags, etc that had built up on the hanger deck under your project. Or perhaps wait until after lunch to launch as Steve Maher in his Geo powered Kitfox. It needed flying and drying after a stint at the

washrack. It was just another normal fine Saturday at Brown.

Artist Larry Owen prepared the Bohemia Basque'o chili with crackers and ice cream for desert. It didn't need any additional hot sauce! Fine for a cool day. He also donated a framed picture of a Pietenpol gassing up at a service station on Route 66. Was that in Chandler, AZ? Did route 66 go through Chandler? Gene Hubbard and Lista Duren mounted it on an aircraft quality frame on the coke machine where it stands out brightly. Check it out next Saturday.

May 31 - Gray May passed on to June's gloom. That is our coastal weather this weekend. Our planned flyout to the Hemet/Ryan airshow was grounded until nearly 1400 hours. Steve Maher in his Geo powered Kitfox and Dennis Cullum in his RV-3 departed at that time and I suspect hauled up short at Ramona where an open house was in progress. Still the hanger flying was first class with a good turn out to admire Gene Hubbards Pietenpol which is shaping up with a sleek cowling design and Jack Thomson's "stretched" hanger for his RV-6A which awaits sign off by the FAA. It appeared at first glance last week that Jack was configuring his hanger for pass through service, taxi in from the back and out through the front. It turns out that it just involved a 4' extension for the tail and a roll up door in front, a



Rik Keller supervises work on the club Cessna 140.



Tom Buettgenbach and his Falco, N1001A were recent visitors to Chapter 14's Saturday fly-in.

touch of class that the other small hangers do not have.

"Mitch" and Marie Mitchem brightened our gray day with a fine lunch of Swedish meatballs in gravy, mashed potatoes, rolls, ice cream and cake, thus saving some 40 hanger fliers from certain starvation. Ex Pres. Sam McCutcheon pushed his moving van, pedal to the metal, all the way from Arkansas in two days, to join us. Another distinguished old time member last week was Randy and Brenda Randall of St. Peters, MO. Randy took his new bride in her first ride in a light plane (Cherokee 19F) after the fog pushed back toward the ocean and it was flyable to the east over the mountains.

Bill Chana Inducted into the EAA Homebuilders Hall of Fame

By Gale Hess

It is a great pleasure to announce that Mr. William F. (Bill) Chana has been inducted into the National EAA Homebuilders Hall of Fame. By his letter, EAA President, Tom Poberezny congratulated Bill on his selection as the 2003 inductee into this prestigious group which includes Burt Rutan, Steve Wittman, Ray Stits, Paul Poberezny, Ladislao Pazmany, and Curtis Pitts to name just a few.

Bill is a founding member of EAA Chapter 14 and contributed immensely to the growth and popularity of Homebuilt aircraft in San Diego as well as throughout the world. Among his many achievements, which would take several pages to cover, was his participation in building, and as test pilot, of the prone pilot position Wee Bee which Guinness Book of World Records acknowledged as the World's lightest Airplane. The Wee Bee was widely displayed by the media in newsreels and in Life and Look magazines.

Bill has served more than thirty-four years as a member of the Board of Directors of the San Diego Aerospace Museum. As its president in recent years he provided leadership and guidance serving, as we have seen, to beautify, preserve and expand the Museum's facilities at both the Balboa Park and Gillespie Field locations.

Please join us in extending our congratulations to Bill and his lovely wife Norine on this occasion of Bill's induction into the EAA Homebuilders Hall of Fame.



Bill Chana, founding member of EAA Chapter 14

Unclassified Ads

Unclassified ads are free to Chapter 14 members - \$5 to non-members for 2 months. To submit an ad (or other newsletter input) send to Kerry Powell, Newsletter editor, either by email (preferred) at kgpowell@aol.com ,or by phone at 760-602-0662

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 7 – Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

June 14 – Young Eagles, 9AM, Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

June 21 – Pancake breakfast 7:30, Chapter meeting – 10 AM, Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

June 26 – Board of Directors meeting (4th Thursday) 7PM at Montgomery Field administration building

June 28 – Open house, coffee, lunch at Chapter 14 hangars, Brown Field.

Editor's Note

By Kerry Powell, Newsletter Editor

This newsletter would be better with *your* article in it. Are you building or restoring an airplane? Did you attend a fly-in or event recently? How about writing about it for the newsletter—share your experiences.

Send news and articles to Kerry Powell, newsletter editor at kgpowell@adelphia.net (760) 602-0662



My wife and I celebrated Mothers' Day by taking a ride in a 1929 Travel Air biplane out of Palomar Airport.

Upcoming California aviation events

Following events from the “Fun Places to Fly” web site <http://www.fun-places-to-fly.com/>

Saturday, Jun 7, 2003 — Chino, CA. Air War Over Italy - <http://www.planesoffame.org>, Air Museum Planes of Fame. , This monthly event will feature veterans of aerial combat over Italy during WWII and conclude with a flight demonstration. Event begins at 10 a.m. Contact: Call 909/597-3722

Saturday - Sunday, Jun 7-8, 2003 — Merced, CA. 46th Merced West Coast Antique Fly-in. Merced Municipal/Macready Field. , Contact: Virginia Morford 209/383-4632

Sunday, Jun 8, 2003 — Pacoima, CA. Whiteman Airport Display Day. Whiteman Airport. , Whiteman Airport Display Day (WHP) Pacoima, CA, June 8th. Hosted by the Whiteman Airport Association. New and old aircraft will be displayed, Fly in and join the fun. Free admission. Contact: Don Hagopian 818-782-1654, sheldonphoto@earthlink.net

Saturday, Jun 14, 2003 — Columbia, CA. Fathers Day Weekend Fly-In - <http://www.airnav.com/airport/O22>, Columbia. , Father Day Weekend Fly-In Saturday, from 8am to 5pm. Food, contests - flour bombing, spot landing. Aircraft displays. Fly-In camping. Lots of fun!

Saturday, Jun 21, 2003 — El Cajon, CA. Challenge Air for Kids and Friends - <http://www.challengeair.org>, Gillespie Field. , Challenge Air for Kids and Friends, a not-for-profit organization, provides motivational, inspirational and life-changing experiences to physically challenge children and youth through aviation. Contact: Byron Laszlo 214/351-3353, Ext.12, blaszlo@airmail.net

Saturday, Jun 28, 2003 — Quincy, CA. 6th Annual Antique Wings & Wheels. Gansner Field. , Pre-1950 Aircraft & Autos. Contact: Al Hansen 530/283-4312, alhansen@jps.net

Saturday, Jul 19, 2003 — Colusa, CA. Old Time Fly-in. Colusa County Airport. , Static Displays, Free Breakfast for Pilots and Passengers, Judging of Aircraft. BBQ Lunch. Over at 1:00 p.m. Contact: Harry Krug 530-458-0580, hak@colusanet.com

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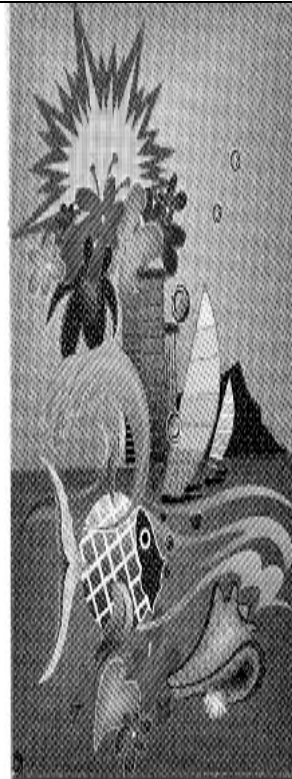
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Open House at the Brown Field Hangars every Saturday from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. with lunch at 11:30.

Pancake breakfast - third Saturday of each month.
 General Meeting - 10:00 A.M. third Saturday of each month.

Tape Library

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