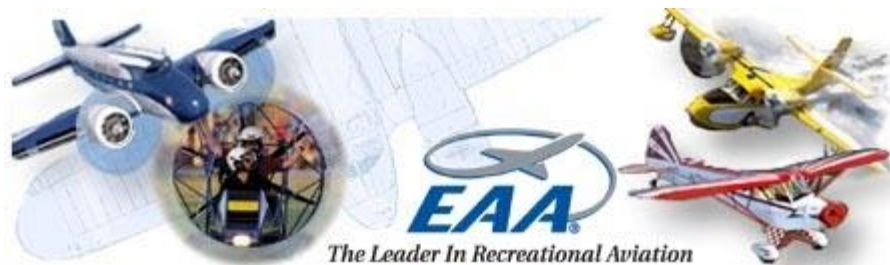




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*April 2018*

*NEWSLETTER*



*NEXT GENERAL MEETING:*

*MAY 23TH*

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**May**

*May 2nd Board Meeting 7:00pm  
May 23rd General Meeting 6:30pm*

**June**

*June 6th Board Meeting 7:00pm  
June 27th General Meeting 6:00pm*

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## President Bill Bower's Notes for April:

Presidents Notes  
April 2018

April is here folks. While the weather can still have some challenging days it is still a great time to get out there and get flying. Speaking of flying our Wednesday Fly Out Group has had some great trips for lunch. If you are interested in getting on the list let Harvard or Renee know to add your e-mail address. Usually on Tuesday night an e-mail chain begins to decide where everyone is going the next day. Usually dependent on weather.

Speaking of more flying our Young Eagles Rally in March with the Patriots at Byron C83 was a complete success. I want to thank everyone who worked ground crew and the pilots who came out to help to make it happen. Our next rally is on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Clubhouse. Please come out and help if you are able to do so.

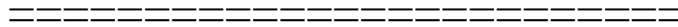
Just for info for those who apply for the tax exemption on their aircraft. While I am not an expert on this subject, I am hoping to have Maurice Gunderson attend the May General Meeting to talk about the recent changes. Due to a case that came up in San Diego that went to the state Attorney General the law was ambiguous on what constituted a unique and historic aircraft. So many took the position that a home built aircraft was a unique aircraft. After doing research and looking through the notes of the legislature when they debated the original law it is now the position that home built aircraft do not meet the level of a unique aircraft and does not qualify for the exemption. Plus an aircraft has to be owned by one person and not part of a club, partnership or LLC to qualify. Sorry for the bad news.

Well, make sure if you have not done so already, to make your plans for Oshkosh to attend Airventure 2018. Should be another great show this year.

The storage shed is finally installed and ready to go. Looks good and will surely be a useful tool. I want to thank Tracy, Lee and the Airport staff for all the hard work it took to get through the process to get it accomplished.

So I am hoping to see everyone at our next General Meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Rick has another great dinner planned.

Bill Bower  
Chapter President  
EAA Chapter 393



## March 393 Board Meeting Notes:

(Since I left off half of the March minutes by error and do not have a copy of the current April board minutes, I have added the second half of the March minutes, though they are a bit out of date.)

President – Bill Bower	Present
Vice-President – Ron Lem	Absent
Secretary – Pete Mitchell	Present
Treasurer & Tools – Harvard Holmes	Present
Membership Coordinator – Vi Egli	Absent
Newsletter Editor – Bill O’Brian	Absent
Tech Counselor –	
Web – Renee Robinson	Present
YE’s Coordinator – Stephen Tucker	Present
Dinner Coordinator – Rich Bourgeois	Present
Eagle Flights – Vacant	
Guy Jones	Absent
Tracy Peters	Present

Guests –none

Bill Bower called the meeting to order at 16:00. The March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting was postponed a week for lack of a quorum and to celebrate the long awaited arrival of our Tuff Shed today.

Treasurers Report – Harvard  
Our bank balance is \$16,100.

Secretary – Pete

Membership stands at 75, 48 have paid, 20 owe 2018 dues.

Dues are payable January 1<sup>st</sup> by mail to EAA 393, Box 6524, Concord CA 94524-1524 or at any meeting.

Young Eagles – Stephen

Stephen reports we have 10 pilots pledged and 15 ground volunteers for the March 24<sup>th</sup> event at Byron Patriots. CAP will not be available for this event.

Tuff Shed – Tracy

The shed has arrived. We need to install a partition for CAP, shelving, solar battery, LED lighting and entrance door ramp. The great room needs trim painting around the new fire doors, a chair rail (dado) and the sound system installed.

Future Speakers – Ron

The March 28<sup>th</sup> speaker will be .....

Dinner – Rich

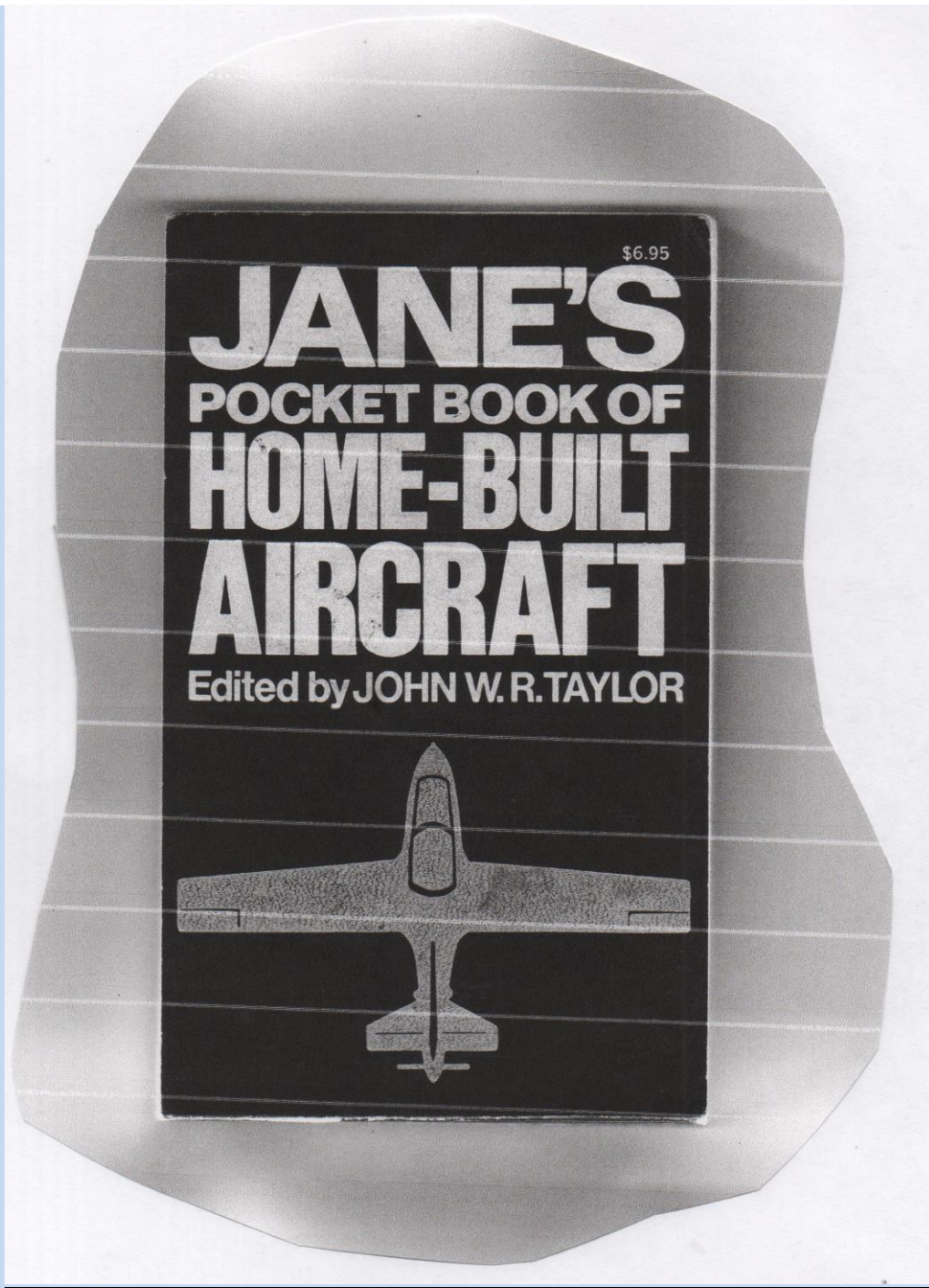
Minestrone Soup, Salad, Dinner Rolls, Beverages and Dessert.

Adjourned 17:40

PJM

## Reminder:

May 19 is the next Young Eagles flight day and takes place at the Byron Airport in conjunction with the Patriots Jet Team.



*Below is an example of the planes in the above Jane's book.*



(USA)

Two-seat sporting monoplane

**Data:** Standard Cougar

**Power plant:** One 86 kW (115 hp) Lycoming O-235 flat-four engine

**Wing span:** 6.25 m (20 ft 6 in)

**Wing area, gross:** 7.66 m<sup>2</sup> (82.5 sq ft)

**Length overall:** 5.76 m (18 ft 11 in)

**Height overall:** 1.68 m (5 ft 6 in)

**Weight empty:** 283 kg (624 lb)

**Max T-O weight:** 567 kg (1,250 lb)

**Max level speed at S/L:** 169 knots (314 km/h; 195 mph)

**Max cruising speed at 2,130 m (7,000 ft):** 144 knots (267 km/h; 166 mph)

**Max rate of climb at S/L:** 395 m (1,300 ft)/min

**Service ceiling:** 3,950 m (13,000 ft)

**Range with max fuel:** 651 nm (1,207 km; 750 miles)

## EAA NESMITH COUGAR

**Accommodation:** Two seats side by side in enclosed cabin. Dual controls. Space for 41 kg (90 lb) of baggage

**Construction:** Braced wooden wings, plywood covered except for fabric covering on trailing-edge. Steel tube fuselage and tail structures, fabric covered. Non-retractable landing gear

**History:** A prototype side-by-side two-seat light monoplane named the Cougar, designed by Mr Robert Nesmith, flew for the first time in March 1957. Sets of plans were made available to amateur constructors, originally from Mr Nesmith and, since the beginning of 1977, from the EAA. About 250 Cougars were flying or under construction in early 1976. Some incorporate detail modifications. For example, one has a T-tail and others have been completed with folding wings.

**For details:** PO Box 229, Hales Corners, Wisconsin 53130, USA.

**UPCOMING YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS:**

**May 19th at Byron Airport with the Patriots Jet Team.**



**WANTED!**  
**HANGAR SPACE FOR RENT!**

**This local EAA Chapter 393, Concord (Buchanan Field), California is looking to rent a hangar  
large enough in which to build a kit plane.**

**Anyone who has any information regarding this plan, please contact this person:**

*Ron Lem*

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Chapter 393 fly-outs are open to chapter members and guests. See the following article explaining them:

### *Wednesday Fly-Outs*

By Harvard Holmes

*To maintain our proficiency, a number of pilots get together on Wednesdays and fly somewhere for lunch. Many of the aircraft owners in the chapter participate. Passengers are always welcome. Not only is it a great way to see the Bay Area, it's also fun to see and ride in our members' aircraft. The email address is [WedFlyOut@eaa393.org](mailto:WedFlyOut@eaa393.org) You may contact [HarvardHolmes@comcast.net](mailto:HarvardHolmes@comcast.net) or Renee Robinson [webmaster@eaa393.org](mailto:webmaster@eaa393.org) to be added to or removed from this list.*

*Generally, someone who wants to go flying will send a suggestion to this list a day or two before. Those who can go will respond, and a destination gets selected. Recent destinations have included: South Lake Tahoe, Half Moon Bay, Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Ukiah, Boonville, Shelter Cove, Willows, Auburn, Sacramento, Lodi, Stockton, Merced, Watsonville and Salinas. If the weather is poor, a destination may be selected as late as Wednesday morning.*

*The most active pilots on this list are Harvard Holmes, Bill Reining, Renee Robinson, Stu Schuster, Clint Beacham, David Thacker. Pilots sometimes advertise that they have empty seats, but not always. Harvard Holmes, Bill Reining and Stu Schuster are most likely to have extra seats (4 seat aircraft). My advice is to contact a pilot in advance to make sure they have room and to get directions. Typically, you'd get to the airport by 11:30am and return by 3:30pm.*

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