

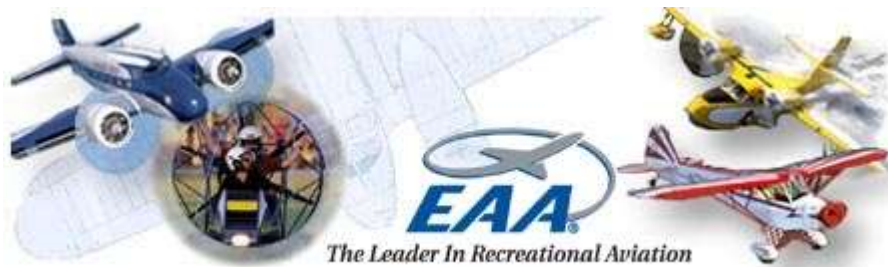
The Cleco

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 393

200 Buchanan Field Road, Buchanan Field, Concord, California

September **** 2021

NEWSLETTER



Upcoming Board Meetings:

Wednesday, October 6 - 7 pm

Wednesday, November 3 - 7 pm

General Meetings:

Wednesday, September 22 - 6 pm

Wednesday, October 27 - 6 pm

*PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR September
From Ron Lem, President*

EAA 393 September 2021 President's Message

Greetings to all, I hope this email finds you in good health and spirits. As I work on this message to the chapter during the Labor Day weekend, I am struck by the current complexities in all of our daily lives. I reviewed a number of the recent messages that I sent out, which were full of optimism regarding the recession of the Covid19 pandemic and, in fact it was my view that the virus would be eradicated. This has not occurred and we are faced with a variant that is affecting all of our lives.

Thus it is important that our chapter takes this into account when we plan our chapter activities. It is important that people who attend functions are vaccinated. Those who are not vaccinated should not attend. This is not a political statement, it is a health issue, one which is still preventing us from using our cherished clubhouse! Tracy Peters and I have been working with the county to find a protocol that will allow the county to justify letting us use - at a minimum - the exterior clubhouse grounds. We are not there yet.

Due to a number of issues that need to be resolved by the board, the Young Eagles event for September has been canceled. There are two Young Eagles events scheduled for October, the first one at the Patriots located in Byron and the second one being Tracy Peter's Boy Scout merit badge event later in the month. Tracy's event has a challenge in that he needs a room to do his presentation and workshop in. This is something that is being worked on.

The Wednesday fly out group continues to go on lunch trips with the latest destination being Hollister. It was attended by Paul Milner, several of his neighbors, Scott Davis and myself. Carol Healey was attending also, but when she attempted to extend her landing gear, the nose gear light failed to illuminate. Because she was using flight following and I was listening on frequency, I heard her notify ATC that she had this situation. Of course this caused concern in our cockpit (Scott Davis was my passenger) and we offered assistance via ATC, but Carol had the situation well under control and landed safely at Oakland.

The Baldwin Sonex has been sold to chapter member Ryan Young. He has moved the plane to Smith Landing Airfield in San Rafael where he will finish the airplane. It is Ryan's plan to bring the plane back to Concord once he gets the airworthiness certificate. It is important to thank all who worked on the Sonex for their efforts!

Former Sonex project manager Lee Teicheira has moved on to his next project, which is a Bearhawk Patrol, a two place tandem seating taildragger. He just got a crate that contained a Lycoming O360. I was there when he opened the crate, and it was cool to see the engine in the crate. To a large

degree if one takes away the actual flying of the airplane, building an experimental aircraft is just like building a big model airplane! That's according to Lee; I don't have any claim to fame!

In order for Lee to be able to work on his Bearhawk, he is selling his Kitfox. The Kitfox is a fabric covered airplane and the fabric work is completed through what is called "silver coating, which protects the fabric. It comes with 6.00 x 8.50 tires, which are designed for back country flying. Lee will sell the airplane to a chapter member for a reasonable price!

It appears the Cleco will again be published on a monthly basis by Editor in Chief Bill O'Brian. Because there are elections coming up, this is important in order to get the word out to you in regard to positions that are available. All Chapter officers are open for re-election. Per our chapter Bylaws, chapter officers are elected to two year terms. The chapter officer positions are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor.

Similarly, chapter coordinator positions are two year terms, but these positions are appointed rather than elected. These positions are: Young Eagles Coordinator, Eagle Flight Coordinator, Membership Coordinator, Technical Counselor, Webmaster, Dinner Coordinator, Tool Coordinator, (Photographer and Fly Out Coordinator – as of 1/7/2016 these last two coordinators were not listed in the Appendix to the Bylaws – I think the board of directors can revise this list).

Per the Chapter Bylaws, I am forming a nominating committee to seek out candidates for all these positions. From my perspective it is important that we allow those of our members who are interested in participating at a higher level, the opportunity to do so. If you wish to participate on the nominating committee, please contact me at rjlbp@gmail.com or call me at 925-395-0672.

This month's general meeting will be held at Ryan Baillie's hangar A-15, which is located at the northwest hangars. Mike Cunningham has agreed to round up a speaker for the meeting, which will also include a VMC presentation by Greg Kar. Like our clubhouse, Ryan has a large movie screen mounted on the wall of his hangar and a projector that plays on the screen. The projector has HDMI inputs, which allows one to hook up a laptop or DVD player to the projector.

Dinner Coordinator Lucy Hart will be sending out invitations shortly and they will also be posted in the Cleco. The dinner will be a hybrid pot luck affair with the chapter chefs (volunteers?) cooking hamburgers and hotdogs on the barbecue. I do want to take this opportunity to thank Sterling Aviation for letting us use their grounds again for our last event, which was the combined EAA-MDPA Barbecue.

On a personal note, I want to thank those who have been putting together the fly outs, which has given me an opportunity to work on learning about the different performance parameters in my new (to me) airplane. Additionally, I have been working on take-offs and landings, something I encourage

all of you pilots to practice, especially the landings. If you need an excuse to fly, and any excuse will do, pound the rubber on the pavement with a bunch of touch and go's.

That's All Folks. Ron Lem, President EAA39

**393 Board Minutes
September 1st 2021
KCCR WR B3 & Zoom**

President – Ron Lem	Present
Vice-President – Mike Cunningham	Present
Secretary – Pete Mitchell	Present
Treasurer – Harvard Holmes	Zoom`
Newsletter Editor – Bill O'Brian	Present
Tech Counselor – Jim Agua, Peter Friedman	Absent
Web – Renee Robinson	Zoom
YE's Coordinator – Rose Desmond	Present
YE's Coordinator – Stephen Tucker	Present
Dinner Coordinator –	Needed
Membership Coordinator – Bennett Ashley	Absent
IMC Coordinator – Paul Millner	Absent
VMC & Chapter Photographer – Greg Kar	Present
Amazon Prime / eScrip –	Needed
Tracy Peters – Club House	Present
Bill Bower – Past President	Zoom
Tools – Lee Teicheira	Absent
Lucy Hart	Present
Jim Madison	Present
Scott Davis, Rich Cunningham, Rich Bourgeois	

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic shelter in place restrictions against group meetings, the clubhouse is closed to group functions. Our

Board meeting was conducted at KCCR West Ramp Hanger B3 and via Zoom.

President Ron called the meeting to order at 19:00.

We can expect your Clubhouse to be closed for the balance of this year, advise the Board of your ideas for meeting locations.

Sixteen members were present including three via zoom.

Treasurer – Harvard H Via email

Harvard reports \$51,095 in Checking, \$500 in Zelle, \$10,000 in our Academy Fund, a total of \$61,595.

Secretary – Pete M

Membership is currently 90, with 15 still due for 2021.

Perpetual Award – Sara Holmes, Lee Teicheira, and Bill Black will be deciding the next member to be honored.

The AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile program activity between April 1 and June 30, 2021. has been issued a **\$18.42** donation.

"When you shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/65-1197798, AmazonSmile will donate a portion of your eligible purchases to Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 393 of Concord CA at no cost to you!"

Cleco – Bill O

Send your photos or story's to Bill at Obrianob@yahoo.com. Bill wants material no more than ten days after meeting.

2021 Dues

Chapter dues are payable January 1st. Please remit to

EAA 393 Box 6524 Concord CA 94524-1524

Or by Zelle Payments@EAA393.org or **19256853700**

VMC – Greg K

Ron and Greg will be sitting up a subgroup of our groups.io page to allow dialog on each month's presentation.

Facebook – Bennett A

Here is the link to our EAA 393 Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ea393>

Send material to Bennett at BennettAshley925@gmail.com.

Hanger Space – Tracy P

Tracy has been meeting with airport staff regarding 393's possible lease of hanger space. Spent time with the Assessors Office regarding property taxes.

General Meeting Wednesday September 22

The September meeting will a BBQ Potluck in Ryan Baillie's Hanger A-15, Northwest Ramp. 393 providing burgers, hot dogs and drinks.

A combined 393 / MDPA Thanksgiving dinner is proposed for November 13th.

Meeting Adjourned 20:45

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COMING UP NEXT, FOLKS, THE SEP 22 POT-LUCK GENERAL MEETING !

BBQ Potluck - EAA Meeting

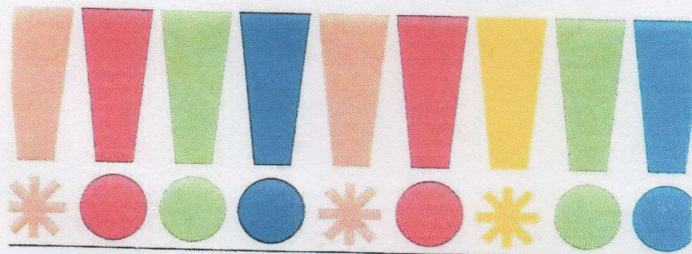
PARTY!

FOR Members and Guests

DATE September 22, 2021

TIME 6:00pm Social; 6:30pm Dinner; 7-9:00pm Mtg

PLACE Northwest Hangar A-15 (Ryan Baillie's)
Park outside the gate, walk in



Price of dinner: Bring a potted plant - then take it home
Hamburgers, Hot dogs, Drinks provided - Bring a side dish
RSVP Lucy Hart at lucyhart552@gmail.com or
(925) 889-9656

Pics from Barbie in August with MDPA & EAA 393:







If you liked these barbie pictures, then thank MARK GANDRAU, MDPA member, who took 38 of them at the barbie and shared them with us. He did an excellent job. Thanks, Mark !

OBITUARIES

JIM BAILEY
1922 - 2021

Veteran of Two Wars Found Space-Age Role

By JAMES R. HAGERTY

A U.S. Marine Corps pilot, Jim Bailey, was on a strafing mission over Korea in October 1951 when a burst of enemy fire crippled his F4U Corsair. He ditched the plane into choppy waters in the Yellow Sea and managed to inflate his raft. The first flare he tried to light was a dud; the second sent up a plume of smoke that helped attract an amphibious-aircraft crew.

He came home a decorated veteran of two wars who wanted to fly faster planes and had ideas about how to design them. He found a way to do both by joining Honeywell Inc. in Minneapolis as an engineering test pilot.

Mr. Bailey, who became a colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve, helped develop and test controls for the F-101 Voodoo jet fighter used in the Vietnam War and for the Mercury space capsule in which John Glenn spun around the Earth in 1962. Mr. Bailey befriended Neil Armstrong while teaching him to use controls on the X-15 rocket-powered aircraft.

In July 1969, when Mr. Armstrong landed on the moon in a module equipped with Honeywell controls, Mr. Bailey's family clustered around a TV set. Mr. Bailey, worried about his friend's safety, refused to watch.

"If anything bad happened, I don't think I could have stood it," he said in a Honeywell video later.

Mr. Bailey, who died June 24 at the age of 99, received the Chautauque Flight Award from the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics in 1979. The institute cited his role in developing flight-control systems.

His full name was Austin James Bailey Jr. He was born Feb. 25, 1922, in Worcester, Mass., and grew up in Norwood, near Boston. His father was an executive at Holliston Mills, a supplier of materials



for book covers, and his mother was a pianist. They divorced when Jim was young, and he spent much of his childhood with his maternal grandparents.

His grandmother, he wrote in biographical notes prepared for his family, "never said a hard word to me. She only grabbed me by the collar once, when I brought in a box of garter snakes and they escaped in the kitchen."

At 15, he climbed over a fence at a local airport and asked the first man he met for a job. "I don't want money," he recalled saying. "I just want to be around planes." He ended up helping to clean and maintain aircraft for 25 cents an hour.

After graduating from high school, he enrolled at Northeastern University in Boston and signed up for a civilian pilot training program. He completed a Navy flight training program in 1943 and served as a fighter pilot in a Marine squadron in the South Pacific, where he earned a Distinguished Flying Cross.

In 1946, home from the war, he married Nancy Leavis, his high school sweetheart. Back at Northeastern, he earned a bachelor's de-

gree in mechanical engineering in 1950. He and his wife were starting a family and had recently bought a house near Boston for \$10,000. His fighter pilot days were over, Mr. Bailey thought. "Like most Americans," he said later, "I had other plans."

Then came word from the Marines: He was heading for Korea.

His Yellow Sea rescue is recounted in "Marine Air," a 2005 book by Robert F. Dorr. The book quotes Mr. Bailey as recalling that his mission was to destroy railroad tracks. He and several other pilots "ran into a flak trap," he said. "I was able to climb out of there and get up to 4,000 feet, but it was clear that I wasn't going to make it home."

After he ditched the plane, it "settled into the water at a 60-degree angle," he said. "I climbed over the windshield, inflated the raft and got in. The waves were about nine feet, and there were a lot of whitecaps, so it was pretty rough."

For his service in Korea, he was awarded another Distinguished Flying Cross and a Purple Heart.

Mr. Bailey joined Honeywell in 1952. During the Mercury project, he helped test the capsule's flight controls while wearing a spacesuit and spinning in a centrifuge. He later recalled feeling that his eyeballs were being pulled out of their sockets.

He is survived by four children, 10 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. His wife, Nancy Bailey, died in 2017.

In the Honeywell video, he spoke of his contribution to the U.S. space program. "I had a little piece of something," he said. "I didn't manage the whole program or anything but I supplied an important piece that fit into it."

◆ Read in-depth profiles at [WSJ.com/news/types/obituaries](https://www.wsj.com/news/types/obituaries)

NEW INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS!

(I am leaving the list in this newsletter for one more month, and deleting all the pictures from last month)

LIST OF EAA TOOLS IN CLUBHOUSE SHED & OTHER LOCATIONS

22 May 2021

The EAA tool items are stored on the plastic shelves to the left of the door

PLEASE RESERVE THESE SHELVES FOR THE EAA TOOLS ONLY

To use these tools, please make arrangements with an EAA Board member.

ITEMS IN SHED

B&D Workmate 200 – workbench
Bathroom scales - go with multiplier arms
Snap-On Borescope
Corner clamp
Scissors jack
Hand drill
Vise
Multiplier arms – go with bathroom scales
Vise (red)
Stencil cutter
Sidewinder ratchet and sockets (right angle)
Rolling seats (2 red metal)
Jigsaw
Drill
Small optical borescope
Fuel can – 1 red plastic

ITEM IN A-11 (Eric Schuldt's hangar)

Engine hoist – orange metal

ITEMS IN B-7 – (Lee Teicheira's hangar - in junction with the Sonex project)

AN supplies (hardware) from Don O'Neill – 1 metal box with 4 drawers

Grizzly sheer press 12 inch
AN supplies (hardware) – donated by Don O'Neill

*AND THAT'S ABOUT ALL THE NEWS FOR NOW,
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ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS !!

If you order ANYTHING on AMAZON, PLEASE go instead and sign in to **SMILE.AMAZON** where you sign up to send donations to our EAA chapter 393.

Once you sign up, you are done. THEN instead of going to Amazon, you always buy from **SMILE.AMAZON**, and we automatically get the donations. This procedure is AMAZON'S way of contributing to the communities of the USA. Hey, folks, I just checked yesterday, and when I ordered two more items from Smile. Amazon, I had given so far, since signing up, \$143. Basically, that means our household is spending a lot of \$ there, but it sure helps the club.

YOU CAN TOO!!!! JUST SIGN UP, AND DO IT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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NEXT YOUNG EAGLES:

October, 2021

Byron Airport with the Patriots

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*NOTICE to AIRMEN: Please send me any old aviation pictures you have of yourself, your planes, and EAA events, a sort of look back at history.
Yo Newsletter Editor, Bill*

Thank you to all our Young Eagle pilots!

*And, how could we forget this very
consistent sponsor?????*



Our meetings are open to the public.

Join us for dinner at 6:00 pm (\$10 donation) with the general meeting at 7:00 pm on the above dates in the building at 200 Buchanan Field Road. Enter from the west side of the building, on the west side of the airport. We always have various speakers and presentations of interest to aviators, after dinner.

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 You may contact HarvardHolmes@comcast.net or Renee Robinson 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, and Clint Beacham. 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 11:00AM and return by 4pm.

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YEARLY FROM BYRON.



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That's all, folks !!!!!

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