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FIF1, the last flying B-29 just landing at Mather Airfield, Sacramento, California

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FATHER'S DAY EAA STYLE

FROM THE LEFT SEAT



by
Rick Stockton
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Well, it's Father's Day; I'll be heading to the airport in a few minutes. I'm hoping for a good turnout. We had only three airplane show up at Golden West. Had we one more airplane we might have placed in the EAA event on Sunday. Dennis Wellerton, showed up with his RV-12. Dr Todd Johnson left his Eupora overnight and I flew my plane each day. Dennis and I entered the spot landing contest. I finished second, at ten feet from the spot. The chapter needed another plane to do the flour drop or bomb drop. Because we only had three planes we did not qualify for the event. Don Griffay had called around and a number of members said they would come, but none showed up. Dr. Johnson would have come in at first or second place for show I'd like to get a few more flyers involved in some of these flight activities. We need an airplane that has a window that can be open in flight, so we can complete in the flour drop events.

I just got back from Pancake breakfast. It was amazing! We served the first pancakes, eggs, and bacon at 9:03a.m. The turnout was light, but Lincoln EAA Chapter dropped in with four planes and nine people. An RV-6, I believe, a Kit Fox, a beautiful 170B and a Peat & Pull with a Corvair engine. They have their Pancake breakfast next Saturday, so see if you can go as they supported us. They are also talking about a poker run. More on that later.

After breakfast and clean up I took off for an hour flight in my plane. I climbed out to 7500 feet checking engine perrameter. Nice flight and it was cool up there. I got to thinking how lucky pilots are. At 7500 I could see Mt. Shasta, Mt. Lassen. Looking to the southwest the Bay Area was in full view. I had to give thanks for being a pilot and for still loving it. I have to thank my Father, a WWII and Korean War veteran; my Grandmother would read us his letter from Okinawa about his flights to North Korea. I started reading about the B-29 and knew a lot about his plane when he came back. He took time to answer my questions; some of his answers didn't make sense then, but do now.

To all Fathers, may you have a bless day and thank you Dad.
Rick Stockton

This Sunday, June 15th, Chapter 52 held our Father's Day pancake breakfast at our Yolo hanger. We had nine members of the EAA chapter 1541 fly in to join us. They arrived in four aircraft from the Lincoln Airport. Capt. Hap and his crew prepared 30 pancake breakfasts for members and guests. Chapter 1541 members invited our chapter members to the Lincoln Airport next week, Saturday, June 21 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM to join them for their pancake breakfast, at hanger number 25. On display will be several of members aircraft including the world's only Cozy MK III, powered by a jet engine, see more information on the attached flyer. Let's all go up June 21 to Lincoln Airport and have a good pancake breakfast. See you there.



Pictured: Richard & Sue Bristow, Bruce Estes, Mike Anderson, Kimberly, Jack & Ira, Jack Parks and Gary Boothe.



Legendary visitors

When talking about iconic warbirds, three aircraft come to mind, one is the B-17, two is the P 51 Mustang, and three is the B-29 Superfortress. During the first week in June, Sacramento was treated to a rare sight at Mather Field. The Commemorative Air Force based out of Texas flew in a P 51 Mustang, and the last flying B-29 FiFi. These two aircraft along with other airplanes for the next four days were open to the public. For more brave persons flying tours were available. Large crowds were expected throughout the four day event to inspect these legendary masters of the sky.

Photos by Sanjeev Batra



My View of the Golden West

article and photo by
Dennis Willerton

I flew the RV12 in Friday morning, arriving at 8:45 for check in. After securing the RV and going through the check in, I worked at Kid Quest Friday and Sunday. Rick, and Gil were setting up the displays and Bob was working on the simulator. Jamie, with her crew were nearby. I helped where I could. A few people and families with kids were browsing the displays and some worked the simulator. Gill hailed a water truck down every time they came by, and passed out the cool bottles, making sure all were cool. Friday afternoon was hot and slow. Gill, on Sunday was up at the crack of dawn to set up for the pancake breakfast and cook the eggs. The display area had only a few planes. One was the, Bleriot replica in the picture I took (attached). It was trucked in and still there Sunday. The Builder was under the wing and sold his book loaded with pictures of beautiful unique aircraft.

Sunday was fairly busy up til around 2:00 pm, very hot and very windy all day. The display area was pretty much full with beautiful aircraft and other vehicles.

Rick and I went over and signed up our planes for judging and the spot landing contest. 7 planes in competed in the spot landing contest. The winds were howling, Rick came in second to a big tired Just Aircraft Highlander, which is uniquely qualified for that event. The Highlander missed the line By 8 feet and Rick missed it by 10 feet. Pretty good for Rick! I touched a main wheel way before the line, so was disqualified. Was fun anyway. I helped pack up and watched the flybys and we were finished and headed for home. It was a great fun week end.



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Calendar of Events

JUNE

6, 7 & 8: Golden West Airshow @ Marysville Airport
7: 9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast- Yolo Airport
10: 7:30 Board Meeting @ Executive Airport
24: 7:30 General Meeting @ Executive Airport

JULY

8: 7:30 Board Meeting @ Executive Airport
13: 9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast- Yolo Airport
28 – Aug 3 EAA Airventures @ Oshkosh

AUGUST

10: 9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast- Yolo Airport
12: 7:30 Board Meeting @ Executive Airport
26: 7:30 General Meeting @ Executive Airport

SEPTEMBER

6 & 7 California Capital City Airshow @ Mather
9: 7:30 Board Meeting @ Executive Airport
14: 9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast- Yolo Airport
12-16 Reno Air Races
30: 7:30 General Meeting @ Executive Airport

OCTOBER

7: 7:30 Board Meeting @ Executive Airport
12: 9:00 AM, Last Pancake Breakfast- Yolo Airport
28: 6:30 Pot Luck/General Meeting @ Executive Airport/VOTING & Elections
 Mustang Round-up @ Nut Tree??

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