

# EAA CHAPTER 319

## JULY 2006 NEWSLETTER

EAA chapter 319 meets the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Thursday of each month at the  
Aerospace Center, 5060 Cirrus  
Dr. Medford, Join us!

**NEXT MEETING**  
**NO BOARD MEETING**  
**POT LUCK**  
**THURSDAY JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
**7:00 PM**

### WHEELS UP!

Greetings Chapter 319,

**PHEW IS IT HOT!** The month of June heated up with an exponential rise of activity along with the thermometer all over the place. No wonder I am feeling like a vacation!

It was a busy month right from the start and I have many to thank for their contributions for the benefit of the Chapter and the community. I regret I will not be in attendance at the July meeting to speak these words of gratitude. All of those who gave of their time and talents deserve a standing ovation for a

job well done. I am continually impressed with the dedication that a small group of people put forth for the benefit of others.

First and foremost, I must thank Lyle Heigl for his hard work and time in getting the Link trainer to the shows, for making the necessary and timely repairs, and for the many hours that he gave so that scores of youngsters could have a few minutes of airplane fun. Hundreds of kids enjoyed the results of Lyle's good work. Way to go Lyle! Equally impressive was the time and financial support given by non-member Warren Dunning who selflessly allowed his machine to be used for our benefit, gave our Chapter a share of the proceeds and took nothing for himself. Alongside Lyle, Warren displayed the qualities that make me thankful to be a part of this fine organization and to be associated with such quality, aviation-minded people.

Thanks also to Joe Kleeman for all the preparations and time spent on the foam and glass demonstration. Hopefully Joe's efforts will not go unrewarded. Thanks to Linda Ross for her organizational talents in getting an updated flyer and summer schedule together. Thanks to Glen Finley for getting the county Health Department off my back. Thanks to Chuck McGilvray for heading-up the cooking crew and updating his food handlers' license in time for the Medford Air Open House. Thanks to Paul Martin for a superb job as Young Eagles Coordinator. Thanks to Mardell Day for his expertise and time on the pancake breakfast. Huge thanks to (non-member John Barten), Joan Pankonin and Steve Douglas for helping to clean out the storage cabinet prior to the breakfast. (We hate rats!). Join me in thanking all those not mentioned here who contributed their time to bolster the service and reputation of our Chapter. You all have done outstanding work and I sincerely thank you.

I am open to suggestions on how we might improve the organization and delivery of our programs. Ever the greenhorn, I am unsure at times what, how, where, etc. to accomplish this or that. Relying on the "veterans" gives me much comfort and I thank them very much for their support and encouragement.

Speaking of suggestions...

1. In a conversation with Warren Dunning regarding his liability with the Link trainer, I suggested to him that he and his partner consider selling it to Chapter 319. Warren responded positively to this idea. Of primary importance should we vote on acquiring the trainer is who is going to maintain it, where is it to be stored and whether our insurance would cover this piece? Warren proposed \$1000, which we could recoup in a few years as it draws a fair income. I can check with EAA National legal department when I return from vacation.
2. Having gone completely through the storage cabinet in the CAP hangar, I suggest that the board approve the purchase of suitable containers to avoid the troublesome mice and rat damage and waste. We threw out a lot of damaged supplies that could have been used at the recent breakfast. Obviously, someone needs to take this bull by the horns.

3. A potluck supper immediately preceding the July meeting. (Damn, I'm gonna miss another meal).  
**ED.NOTE Our July meeting will be a potluck at the CAP Hanger. JoAnn will serve as "Munchies Coordinator". Please call her 535-7210 so she can coordinate those MUNCHIES!!**
4. A hangar dance this fall, before the year-end Christmas gathering. Wouldn't it be cool to dine and dance to a band (what about the guys that played at Medford Air's event)? We might be able to use that space or another of suitable size. Perhaps we might sponsor such an event, open to the airport community or to the general public. Food can be catered, a full course meal or just snacks, although, I'd eat Chuck and Mardell's biscuits and gravy anytime, anywhere. Could be a moneymaker.
5. A suggestion from Buzz Florip, CAP Commander, to have a joint Open House with our Chapter. I think if our members who own aircraft are willing to display their machines this might be a good promotional concept.
6. What's your idea?

I promised Joan, our illustrious newsletter editor, that I would have this article to her before I take-off for distant shores, wine and pasta. And so it is done. I will be back home July 18<sup>th</sup> with a few stories to tell, some unforgettable memories and an itch to go flying. I'll look forward to seeing all at the Mucky Flat, August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, fly-in and potluck.

**Arrivederci and Shalom,  
Bud**

## **Young Eagles Event Goes Smoothly**

I want to thank our members for doing a great job with the Young Eagles Rally at the big event in June. We had seven pilots (Bud, Charlie, Doug, Glen, Paul, Richard, and Tom) and at least five ground crew (Donald, Joan, Owen, Sam, and Lyle when he wasn't running the link trainer), join in the fun on Saturday and Sunday. It was nice to have one of our member's escort the parents back from the airplane after the kids had climbed aboard. Without an escort the parents had to wait back in the "Secure Area". It was also very nice of Bud to rent an airplane so he could fly the kids.

We flew a total of 65 Young Eagles and we saw lots of smiling faces. Two kids even came in from Arkansas to participate in our event, well okay...maybe they were here for something else but they did get to fly an airplane in Medford. There weren't as many kids as last year so it was easy to get each of them a ride without much of a wait. I'm sure the parents really appreciated not having to wait around for an hour or two. The air was pretty calm and made the flying very smooth until about 11 o'clock. The kids didn't even seem to mind the warm temperatures later in the day. I thought that starting earlier in the morning would be a better idea but it actually worked out okay to start at 9 o'clock because our sign-up table was in the shade by then.

Again, a very big "Thank You" to all of you who made this such a nice event for the kids who may become the next generation of Rogue Valley pilots.

**Paul Martin**

# Minutes

EAA Chapter 319 June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM by our President, Mr. Bud Liberatore. Introductions were made all around. Tom Sherrill brought a guest who is now our latest new member, Mr. Edward McDowell. Bud gave us a report on the 1<sup>st</sup> Central Oregon Fly-Safe Clinic. This was an effort by the FAA and the Bend Chapter EAA 1345. Bud said the event was well organized with lots of sponsors and clinics to attend. It sounds like a definite goal for those who missed it this year to mark it on your list of must do's for next spring. Check out [www.coflysafe.org](http://www.coflysafe.org) on the web, you will be impressed.

Allan Sandler reviewed the progress that has been made on our lease agreement for building the hanger. Allan is stepping out of the project at this point and we will be waiting for the other parties involved to complete their steps before the finalized lease can be done and we can proceed with the next steps in pursuing the EAA hanger development. We thank Allan for the time he has devoted to this project. We recognize that due to his efforts, more progress has been made than ever before as far as our goal for a hanger for our club.

The plans for June 10<sup>th</sup> are shaping up. Lyle will bring the Link trainer to the Rogue Valley Air Festival and Joe Kleeman will hold his workshop at Jet Center North.

June 10<sup>th</sup> is also the day that Short Wing Pipers will fly into Medford for their monthly meeting, hosted by Don and Linda Ross at the Medford Air facility.

June 24 and 25<sup>th</sup> is the weekend that our club will participate in the Medford Air Service Open House. Paul Martin spoke briefly and handed out signup lists for both Pilot and ground crew participation at Young Eagle flights for both days. Paul also had applications from Bill Warren for the World Flour Bombing Championships to be held that same weekend..

There were some **corrections** that needed to be made on last month's list and coming events, so Linda Ross brought a flyer covering the local June and July events. Those members with email received an email flyer and Linda passed out more flyers at the meeting. The primary corrections included the meeting of the Short Wing Piper club which is at Medford Air Service, not Jet Center and the Medford Air Open House which is June 24,25 not June 23,24<sup>th</sup>. Another very important correction is to note that the Fly Out to Johnson Creek on June 16,17,18<sup>th</sup> is NOT an EAA sponsored event. This type of Fly Out could never be covered by insurance and must be not be construed to be a sponsored event.

Our **August** meeting will be **Saturday** August 12 at Mucky Flat airstrip at Joe Kleeman's workshop. I will include a flyer about the Mucky Flat Event as an attachment to this newsletter. Our EAA meeting will be held at 11**AM** on Saturday, but Joe has invited us to join in the other activities he is hosting on that weekend. Check out the information on the flyer to find instructions on going to Mucky Flat. If you are still not sure after checking out the website [www.muckyflats.com](http://www.muckyflats.com) (click on contacts to find the maps), you can call Joe at **830-0206** for more detailed directions. Linda passed around a new flyer that gives information and contacts for our Chapter. Call her if you would have a use for any of these flyers. 858-1093.

Bud had a flyer stating that the Collings Foundation Wings of Freedom Tour will be bringing an airplane to Medford on June 12,13,14<sup>th</sup>.

Art reminded everyone of the Music and Art Festival in Gold Hill on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Joan opened a discussion on possible involvement in the Central Point Fourth of July Parade, possibly for next year's parade. We could have some positive exposure for our group by providing a float to exhibit some kind of small airplane, toss paper airplanes to the crowd and have a place to hang our banner.

Carole reminded us again that the Christmas party is the First Friday in December and we already have over \$100.00 going into the Drawing for a lucky member to win, plus many gifts and fun.

Bud asked that we think of interesting speakers for coming meetings. Please contact him or any of the board members. All numbers are on the back page of this newsletter.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM and 50/50 drawing was held. The winner was Allan Sandler.

Minutes submitted by substitute secretary –Joan Pankonin

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Please call if you want to help out on either a one time or regular basis.

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# *Mucky Flats*

Camping Friday night  
Saturday morning pancake breakfast  
Saturday 4:00 pm, "Pot Luck Dinner"  
Chicken, Hamburger, Wieners, Corn  
and Soda will be supplied.  
Bring a casserdles, dessert or whatever !

## *Fly In*

August 11-12, 2006

**Traffic 123.4 alt. 2000**

**Landing 2-20**

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