



PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

STRAIGHT SCOOP

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To promote the acquisition, restoration, safe operation, and display of historical aircraft and provide an educational venue for the community

General George J. Eade

Speaker at PCAM October Member Meeting

General Eade retired from the USAF August 31, 1975. His Last assignment was as Deputy Commander of U.S. European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany. The Pacific Coast Air Museum is privileged and honored to have General Eade address our membership at our monthly meeting on October 18th (See General Eade's full military biography on page 8 of this newsletter).

New Addition to Pacific Coast air Museum Soon to Arrive

Thanks to the generosity of [Hawley's Paints](#), and it's owner, [Jim Cook](#), the Pacific Coast Air Museum will soon have a brand new exhibit. Just as you come out of the Gift Shop you will soon see "[Woodstock, The Pilot](#)", donated by Jim and Hawley's. The Woodstock was done as a pilot called "I am Ready, Snoopy" by Jim for the Summer of Woodstock festival. Jim bought back his own Woodstock, and the day after the other Woodstocks were raffled for charity, Jim contacted the President and Executive Director and offered it to the Pacific Coast Air Museum. The only issue that was in doubt was who could say "yes" faster, Jimmy or Dave. Thank you Jim Cook, for this tremendous donation to our wonderful museum, and for all that you do for the museum day after day after day.



www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org

(707) 575-7900

The Pacific Coast Air Museum

Location: At the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport, North of Santa Rosa, West of Highway 101, at 2230 Becker Blvd, off North Laughlin Road.

Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. 10:00am—4:00pm.

“Climb Aboard”: A selected aircraft is available to “Climb Aboard” the third weekend of each month (weather permitting). Please visit our web site at www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org or call 707-575-7900 for details or further Information.

Member Meetings: Normally held on the third Wednesday of each month, 7:00pm, at the Sonoma County Office of Education, near the airport at the intersection of Airport and Skylane Boulevards. Interesting speakers are featured at each meeting.

“Straight Scoop”: The museum newsletter, “Straight Scoop” is published monthly and is available on line on the museum’s web site. Members are highly encouraged to submit articles for possible publication. The deadline is the 20th of the month prior to publication. All articles in the newsletter are covered by copyright. If you wish to submit articles or use any of the content, please contact:

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Pacific Coast Air Museum Tech Sessions

In what we hope will be the start of something new for our Air Museum, we will hold three Tech Training Sessions on three Thursdays in October.

Our very own, Don Davis, with over 35 years of Master Sheet Metal level experience with the Air Force and United Air Lines, and Jim Cook, who has been in protective coatings his entire professional career, will put on the first three sessions.

Session #1-October 12-Sheet metal work, repair, patches and everything else you always wanted to know about sheet metal work and didn't know who to ask.

Session #2- October 19- Fiberglass work on aircraft surfaces, patches, etc, and more.

Session #3- October 26-Protective coatings, prep work, base coats, finish coats and more.

These sessions are free, no cost to current Pacific Coast Air Museum (PCAM) and EAA Chapter 124 members. These sessions are designed for crew chiefs, crews, homebuilders, pilots, maintainers and all interested parties. Only PCAM and EAA Chapter 124 members please, as we expect a full house. Sessions will be one and one-half hours each, starting at 6:00 pm sharp, in PCAMs big (T-28) Hangar. Let Jim Cook or Dave Pinsky know you are planning to attend. If you do not have a gate card, meet at the museum at 5:45 pm and we will escort you in. These should be some great sessions.

Pacific Coast Air Museum welcomes the following new members.

J. Asera—Rohnert Park

Michael Codling Family—Santa Rosa

Steve Diehl—Santa Rosa

Clayton Engstrom—Petaluma

Ken Guido Family—Santa Rosa

Christine Wells Groff—Windsor

John Miles—Sebastopol

Martin Pena Family—Windsor

Jim Severdia Family—Santa Rosa

Dan Brecciaing—Cloverdale

Mike Craven family—Santa Rosa

Robert & Doris Donegan—Santa Rosa

Steve Green Family—Sebastopol

Dan Hooven—Calistoga

Stanley Lewis—Williamsburg, Virginia

Bill Peila Family—Santa Rosa

Ronald Rice—Petaluma

Tribute to Our Veterans

On Thursday, November 2, 2006, the Santa Rosa Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs are putting on "A Special Luncheon Honoring America's Veterans". It is at 11:30-1:30 at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Auditorium. Last Year, ten Pacific Coast Air Museum (PCAM) members attended as a group, wore Pacific Coast Air Museum polo shirts, and sat at the same table. We would like to do it again this year, with an even larger PCAM contingent. If you want to go, the cost is \$15.00 each. Get your checks to Dave Pinsky and he will get the tickets for the entire group.



The Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs of Santa Rosa
Proudly present the



6th Annual

TRIBUTE TO OUR VETERANS

A Special Luncheon Honoring America's Veterans

Thursday, November 2, 2006

11:30 am - 1:30 pm



Veterans Memorial Auditorium
Santa Rosa, CA

~Keynote Speaker~

MICHAEL PRITCHARD

"Coming Home After You Come Home"

*"What really sets him apart is the humanity
& authenticity of his material"* - The Wall Street Journal

Rotary and Kiwanis members are requested to host a veteran.
Contact your club's representative for tickets and/or the name of a veteran to invite.
Veterans may contact any Rotary or Kiwanis Club to obtain tickets.

Tickets \$15.00 each

East Patio Nears Completion

Thanks to the planning of [Tony Bassagnani](#) and [Dave Pinsky](#), the East Patio landscaping is complete. Tony and Dave designed the landscape plan (well, actually Tony did most of the design and Dave did a lot of head nodding). Tony donated all of the plant material. [Wheeler-Zambaroni](#) donated all the fir bark. Burgess Lumber donated the lodge pine poles. [Barney Hagen](#) donated the battery operated irrigation timer. [Tony, Dave, Jon Henry, Paul Topai, Bill Greene, Barney Hagen, Jim Cook and Steve Hoxie](#) donated sweat equity (Tony more than most).

The pictures below show the progress of the landscaping installation, started two days before the Air Show Survivors BBQ, the first official museum function on the new patio.

Thanks to everyone who helped, but especially to [Tony Bassagnani](#) who gave of himself above and beyond to make this possible. Thanks Tony.

With the plaque in memory of [Fred Zanotto](#) in design, this great addition to our Air Museum is almost complete. Thanks to [Gloria Going](#), who funded the project, to Jim Long who supervised construction, to [Tony Bassagnani](#) who led the landscaping effort and to Board Member [Steve Kwok](#) who took the plaque project and ran with it.

The plaque is ordered and we plan a dedication ceremony for the new East Patio after it arrives.

Thanks to all who played a role! What a great addition to our Pacific Coast Air Museum.



Executive Director's Update

Wow, what a month its been. If you haven't already done so, check out the landscaping around the new East Patio. What a great job! Thanks to Tony Bassagnani and his merry band of helpers. You can see the new landscaping as you drive up Becker Blvd. What an entry statement!

Speaking of entry statements, we will soon have a terrific new addition just outside the Gift Shop, a Summer of Woodstock Pilot named "I Am Ready Snoopy", donated by Jim Cook of Hawley's Paints.

Our Air Museum is looking great these days. The September "Clean Up Our Air Museum" campaign headed by Jim Cook, Dave Pinsky and Duane Coppock has been a huge success. Two 30 yard dumpsters were filled with trash, and one 30 yard dumpster was filled with scrap metal. Check out the area by the Executive Hangar. It looks great and we have much of it back for aircraft display and work area. The shop itself and the area outside the shop have been cleaned up, are more functional and look one heck of a lot better. The big hangar has a lot more room in which to work. The half hangars are now organized into one for the Air Show, one for aircraft parts, and to our knowledge, everything folks wanted kept for good reason was kept. Thanks to all for your cooperation and help on this project. It has been suggested that every September be a "Clean Up Our Museum" month. Not a bad idea.

I know its not strictly Pacific Coast Air Museum business, but speaking of September, did you take note of the Reno Air Races this year? Specifically, the Unlimited Class Silver bracket final race? Of the nine finalists in this elite race, five pilots and/or aircraft were from Nob Hill on our very own airport— C.J. Stevens, Dan Vance, Will Whiteside, "Speedball Alice" and "Lady Jo". Dan won first place in a Sea Fury, closely followed by C.J. in another Sea Fury. Will, in his YAK3U won his Bronze semi-final race and moved up to Silver. Not bad for his first year. They did STS proud. By the way, C.J. was a founding member of the Pacific Coast Air Museum.

The Air Show Survivors BBQ was the first official Pacific Coast Air Museum function on the new East Patio, and was very well attended. The food was delicious and many commented that it was the best ever. As President Jim Long said to the assembled throng; "did we have a great air show, or what?" We are already planning next year's air show. The C-17 crew has threatened me with bodily harm if we don't invite them back. Have no fear, they will be back. We are going to need a lot more volunteers next year, so talk to your friends and neighbors now and ask them to volunteer.

If you are interested in running for the Board of Directors, there are three seats up for election. Let President Jim Long, Duane Coppock or me know if you are interested. Being on the Board is a great way to learn the business end of our Air Museum, make a significant contribution and become really involved in our museum.

We are planning some "Tech Sessions" in October, on Thursday nights 6-7:30 pm, big hangar (T-28 Hangar). These sessions will cover sheet metal, fiberglass and protective coatings. It is for our Crew Chiefs, Crews and homebuilders, pilots, maintainers, and all interested parties. Dates and more details are elsewhere in this newsletter and will be announced again in an E-SCOOP.

What's in store for the winter? Well, the October "Climb Aboard" is our Vietnam era aircraft. Rumor has it that our CDF S-2 could be here in October or November. Of course we are continuing our work with Sonoma County on a prime piece of property on which to locate our new Pacific Coast Air Museum.

Our Pacific Coast Air Museum is really looking good. We have raised revenues while keeping close tabs on expenses. All in all, we are in good shape. The main reason we are in such good shape is you, your great attitude, and your willingness to come out and help. It is an honor to work alongside you.

Dave

Below are pictures of the Vietnam era aircraft on display at the Pacific Coast Air Museum . Many will be "Open Cockpit" on October 21st and 22nd.



F-8C Crusader



A-4E Skyhawk



F-105F Thunderchief



UH-1H Iroquois
"HUEY"



F-4C Phantom II



A-6E Intruder



H-34 Choctaw

General George J. Eade

General Eade was born in Lockney, Texas in 1921. He graduated from York High School in Elmhurst, Illinois and attended the Illinois Institute of Technology. He entered military service as an aviation cadet in January 1942 from Chicago, Illinois and that September was awarded his Pilot Wings and a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps.

He flew 37 combat missions in the European Theater of operations where he served almost four years as a pilot, flight commander and operations officer.

General Eade began a long tour of duty with the Strategic Air Command in August 1946 when he joined the 43rd Bombardment Wing at Davis-Monthan Army Air Field, Arizona, as a pilot of a B-29 aircraft. In September 1947 he was assigned as operations officer and later commander of the 1st Strategic Support Squadron, which provided SAC with close airlift support for its global operations.

In May 1952, he went to SAC Headquarters, where he was Chief of Current Operations Branch, Directorate of Operations. From 1956 through 1958, he was the Deputy Director of Operations at SAC's 7th Air Division in England.

After returning to the United States in November 1958, he served as deputy Commander for Operations and then Commander of the 4238th Strategic Wing (redesignated 2nd Bombardment Wing) at Barksdale Air Force Base, La. From June 1961 to July 1963, he commanded the 7th Bombardment Wing at Carswell AFB, Texas.

In July 1963, General Eade returned to SAC Headquarters as Chief of the Safety Division. It was during this assignment that SAC was awarded the Daedalian Flying Safety Trophy for 1964. In January 1965, he was assigned as Chief of the Control Division and in July 1967 he assumed duties as Director of Operations Plans, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations with additional duties as Chief Single Integrated Operational Plans Division, Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

General Eade was assigned to Headquarters U.S. Air Force in February 1970 as Director of Plans, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations. In January 1971 he assumed duties as the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations and in April he became the Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations. He assumed duties as Deputy Commander in Chief of the U.S. European Command in April 1973.

His military decorations and awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Air Force Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Army Commendation Medal.

General Eade is a Command Pilot. He was promoted to the grade of General effective April 1973 with a date of rank of April 18, 1973.

General Eade retired from the United States Air Force on August 31, 1975.

September “Clean Up Our Museum” Month a Huge Success (in more ways than one)

The September “Clean Up Our Museum” campaign headed by Jim Cook, Dave Pinsky and Duane Coppock has been a huge success. Two 30 yard dumpsters were filled with trash—by actual weight, we got rid of almost 12,000 pounds of trash. Another 30 yard dumpster was filled with scrap metal (with thanks to Mike Fenn and Seth Dempsey for saving us from having to order another scrap metal bin!). The area by the Executive Hangar looks great. The shop and area outside the shop have been cleaned up. The big hangar has a lot more room in which to work. The half hangars are now organized into one for the Air Show and one for aircraft parts. To our knowledge, everything anyone wanted to keep for a good reason was kept. Thanks to all for your cooperation and help with this project.

Here’s hoping we don’t miss anyone. The following folks worked hard to help make this clean up a great success.

Jim Cook	Ron Stout	Mike Fenn	Rose Pattenaude
Dave Pinsky	Jack Caldwell	Seth Dempsey	Michael Callen
Duane Coppock	Terry Lorenz	Paul Topai	Bob Matreci
Bob Eldredge	Rachel Lorenz	Mary Jane Brown	Richard Stout
Barney Hagen	Don Davis	Al Cathcart	Jeannie Claire
Bill Greene	Larry Rengsdorf	Bryan Lee	Mark Nasse

To the cast of others who helped in so many ways——thank you, thank you, thank you.



Can you name this aircraft? If you can, also try to recall how many versions have been produced.

Air Show Survivor's BBQ

The survivors from the Air Show, the Air Museum members who planned, brought off and cleaned up from the Air Show, came out from hiding and celebrated on Saturday, September 23rd. Surrounded by the terrific new landscaping of the museum's new East Patio, the crowd regaled stories of the Air Show, (some of them actually true), and gazed upon the new East Patio landscaping and cleaned up aircraft display and storage area.

Many thanks to Steve Hoxie, Duane Coppock and their merry band of volunteers for making this the best Survivor's BBQ ever. The chicken and tri-tip were absolutely scrumptious. Thanks to all of you who brought the delicious hors d'oeuvres, side dishes and desserts. Yummy, the best ever (but now its off to the gym). Thanks too to Eagle Distributing for the donated beer, and to Chalk Hill, Kendall Jackson and others for the wine.

What a great party. Thanks everyone.



Sad News: On Thursday, September 28th, we learned that Larry Rengstorf's step-son Ernie passed away a day earlier in Kaiser Hospital due to heart failure.

Everyone in the Pacific Coast Air Museum family joins in expressing our sincere condolences to Larry and his family.

Annual Election Alert

Each year, Pacific Coast Air Museum members elect three of the nine directors for three-year terms to the Board of Directors. This occurs during the annual general meeting in December of each year. The terms of Don Doherty, Larry Rengsdorf and Steve Kwok expire at the end of 2006 and three directors must be elected to fill those vacancies.

A nominating committee of Bill Greene and Duane Coppock encourages and welcomes any nominations from you, the members, including nominations from the incumbents. Please remember the one and only qualification for a board member-he or she must have been a member of the Pacific Coast Air Museum for at least one year, and of course, it's probably a good idea to check with the person you plan to nominate to ensure they agree to run and serve if elected.

Anyone who wants to find out more about what Board members do can contact any current Board member, Dave Pinsky or Duane Coppock, who will be happy to fill them in. Candidates will make their official candidate statements at the member meeting on November 15th and the nominations will be closed at that meeting. Candidate profiles will be published in the December issue of the Straight Scoop and the official ballots mailed by December 4th.

If you wish to be a candidate, or know someone who would, please contact any member of the nominating committee, the Executive Director, or any Director.

Answer from Page #9

Lockheed C-130 There are more than 27 variants of this remarkable aircraft



Visit PCAM
October 21st-22nd
Vietnam Era Weekend
Featuring the F-4 Phantom
A-4 Skyhawk, A6E Intruder
UH-1 Huey, F-105 Thunderchief

REMEMBER THESE DATES

October 4th @ 8:30 AM—Board of Director's Meeting at the Air Museum.

October 17th @ 12:00 Noon—Executive Director's Staff Meeting at the Air Museum.

October 18th @ 7:00 PM— Member Meeting at the S.C.O.E.

October 21st @ 11:00 AM— New Member Orientation.
Learn the ins and outs of your air museum's operations and programs.

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