



STRAIGHT SCOOP

PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

Charles M. Schulz Sonoma County Airport Opens New Terminal

Many of you may be aware that a new passenger terminal has been opened at the Charles M. Schulz Sonoma County Airport (STS). The opening ceremony occurred on Nov. 15, attended by local dignitaries and lawmakers representing the Sonoma County area. Many details are available in the airport's newsletter "The Red Baron Flyer." If you do not receive it, I highly recommend that you sign up for it (just type the name red baron flyer into your search engine to find it).

What you might not know is that the Pacific Coast Air Museum played a significant role in decorating the new terminal. We intend to provide a complete story in the Spring 2023 edition of *Straight Scoop*.

Congratulations STS!



PCAM member Craig Schulz cuts the ribbon at the Opening Ceremony

President's Message

Greetings,

Another year has ended. It was a busy one to say the least. We had numerous record-setting events and received a long-awaited aircraft from our wish list. We managed to repaint two aircraft, with more on the books for the spring.

2023 will be another exciting year for PCAM. Ground improvements and construction plans for our new gift shop will continue. New aircraft information signs are in the works, along with preparations for resuming Hog Dog Thursdays and the Wheels & Wings Car Show.

Chris Brown
President

Editor's Note

The three of us - Kathie, Prisca and I - wish to thank all the folks who contribute articles for this newsletter. This is vital to the continued health of this publication. We do not have a staff of reporters to seek out stories, so those must be provided by the membership, all of the membership. We publish the first week of every quarter: 1st Quarter, Winter; 2nd Quarter, Spring; 3rd Quarter, Summer; and 4th Quarter, Fall. Articles must be submitted at least two weeks before the publication, because we must proof and format the articles.

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PCAM Value Statements

Integrity: Demonstrate daily the highest levels of honesty and strong moral principles.
Accountability: Be accountable to our members, our patrons and our community.
Customer Service: Strive to achieve the highest levels of service and satisfaction.
Achievement: Become a recognized and valued asset to our community.
Education: Complement local institutions with unique learning opportunities.
Innovation: Constantly evolve the museum, the stories it tells and how it tells them.
Diversity: Create a climate of respect that is supportive of a diverse organization.

PCAM Mission Statement

"To educate and inspire both young and old about our aviation heritage and aerospace technology, to preserve historic aircraft and artifacts, and to honor veterans."

Editor's Note (continued)

We seek a story from everyone who provides a presentation at the monthly member meetings. Just attach a file to an email and send it to davidacarlson62@hotmail.com. Don't worry about size. My Outlook mail automatically uploads to the "cloud" or some such if the file is too big. Hopefully, yours will do the same.

As this appears in January 2023, Kathie, Prisca, and I hope your 2022 holiday season was delightful. We hope that 2023 will prove pleasing and successful for you. May all your flights be safe, and all your landings be perfect!

Member Meetings

November Elections

By Kathie Morgan

At the Nov. 16 membership meeting, Vice President Dana Hunt announced the results of the 2022 election. Winners are Fred Guymer and Billy Kerkhof. Few votes were cast, probably because only three candidates applied to serve in the three open seats. At the December board meeting, the new board voted for the third director and assigned officer positions. Since only one candidate remained unseated, Joyce was a shoo-in.

These three replace outgoing directors Janet Doto, Brent Monet, and Mark Fajardin. PCAM thanks these three for their service and wishes them well in the future.

Guymer, Kerkhof, and Joyce join ongoing directors Tony Bassignani, Chris Brown, Greg Ervice, Gary Greenough, Dana Hunt, and Sarah Kerkhof.

Directors serve a three-year term and are limited to two consecutive terms. Terms begin on Jan. 1 and end on Dec. 31 three years later.

Fred Guymer

Guymer brings a wealth of experience, having owned his own business for over thirty years. His community service includes five years on the Wright School District site council and seven years on the board of the Santa Rosa Wednesday Night Market. He is currently a director of Hearts for Veterans, a non-profit that helps veterans after open heart surgery and veterans in need of financial assistance. Here at PCAM he works on the Tuesday/Thursday crew and has worked with Tony Bassignani on many projects, and with Janet Doto on Hot Dog Thursdays. His main goal is to help preserve the history of the aircraft at the museum for future generations.

Michael Joyce

Joyce began volunteering at PCAM when he first joined in 2013. A first officer at Skywest Airlines, he nevertheless finds time to work with many of the PCAM directors on a daily basis. This has taught him the shared vision for PCAM's future, showed him the goals to be met, and encouraged him to suggest new ideas that will introduce other young people to aviation and positively affect their lives as his has been.

Billy Kerkhof

Kerkhof's goal is to inspire the next generation of aviators. The fact that his wife Sarah Kerkhof has already served for a year has given him an inkling of how much time and energy will be needed. The Kerkhofs have been members since 2001, during which time Billy has served as crew chief of the F-5, joined the crew of the F-14 and C-1A, and been involved with numerous aircraft re-painting and reassembly projects. He helped with the remodel of Hangar 2 and several other improvement projects. He also pitches in to help with PCAM events.

2023 PCAM Board Positions

By Kathie Morgan

At its December meeting, the PCAM board chose its officers for Year 2023. Chris Brown was unanimously voted in as president for another year, and Dana Hunt was again elected vice president.

It would have been a clean sweep except that the energetic, efficient and popular Janet Doto was getting off the board, leaving a hard-to-fill vacancy for the secretary position. Finally after several nominations were declined and after considerable conversation as to what exactly was needed, Sarah Kerkhof bravely stepped into the gap.

PCAM appreciates the commitment made by its officers and other board members.

Member Meetings (continued)

Volunteer Awards

At the last Member's Meeting of the year, outstanding volunteers were honored for their exemplary contributions to PCAM. Seven members were honored at the December 21 meeting.

The "Rented Mule Award" for the hardest working jack-of-all-trades volunteer was awarded to Fred Guymer.

Kellie Lennon was honored as the "Most Spirited Newcomer" for her exuberant enthusiasm, especially concerning the Albatross.

"To educate and inspire" is the first line of PCAM's Mission Statement. The "Unsung Heroes Award" was earned by the Education Committee.

"Best Haggler Award" went to Ken Clark. Ken's friendly persuasion has enticed many a museum visitor to becoming museum members.

Life Membership was awarded to Lynn Hunt. Those in the know are aware of his many contributions to the success of the museum over the years.

The "President's Award" was well deserved by Alan Chensvold for keeping the gift shop in good order.

PCAM's "Volunteer of the Year" was earned by Bob "Bear" George for his dedication to keeping PCAM's varied assortment of equipment operational.

The "2022 Special Award" was given Gary Greenough for his creation of the Recognition of Vietnam Era Veterans Event (LZ PCAM.) The event recognized all military personnel that served during the conflict.

Special Recognition

PCAM is an all-volunteer organization. The Board took a moment to give special recognition to the following individuals and teams that have been instrumental in keeping all the moving parts operational.

Jim Cook: Aircraft body restoration

Janet Doto: Events coordination

Mark Fajardin: Aircraft acquisition

Kerkhof Family: Extraordinary volunteers

David Kinzie: King of the Office

Jim Mattison: Aircraft restoration

Gift Shop Staff: for welcoming visitors and making a great first impression.

Tuesday/Thursday Crew: for showing up regularly to do whatever is needed on the field.

Hot Dog Thursday Team: for serving enough hot dogs to have a net profit of \$27,000.

Straight Scoop Team: for producing a quarterly newsletter.

Member Meetings (continued)



PCAM President Chris Brown with "Bear" George
Volunteer of the Year



Most Spirited
Newcomer: Kellie
Lennon



Dana Hunt (son and emcee) with Lifetime Member
Awardee Lynn Hunt



2021: Justin Raines

Rented Mules

2022: Fred Guymer



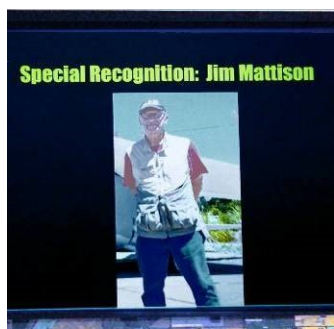
Extraordinary Volunteers



Jim Cook:
Aircraft Restoration



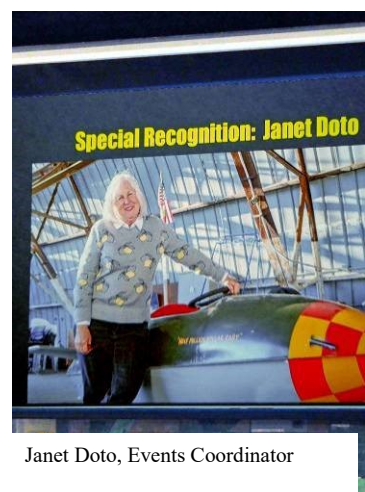
Gary Greenough with Special
Award in Recognition of Vietnam
Era Veterans Event (award carved
by Fred Guymer)



Jim Mattison: Aircraft Restoration



Visitors first contact: PCAM's Gift
Shop Volunteers



Janet Doto, Events Coordinator



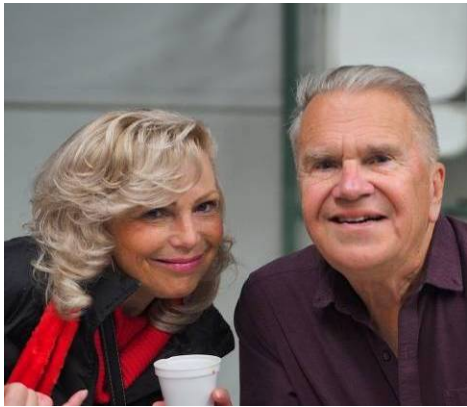
Mark Fajardin: Aircraft Restoration



David Kinzie:
Office Manager

Member Meetings (continued)

After all the awards and recognitions, it was time for pot-luck desserts.



Photos courtesy of Jim Mattison

Display Acquisition and Preservation

PCAM'S LTV A7 Corsair II
BUNO 153241

Much like that broken Christmas toy found in the bottom of the toy box, PCAM's A7 Corsair II has been moved around the facility throughout the years.

Despite its state of disrepair, it has been displayed among the rest of our fleet. Always a bit of an "Ugly Duckling," its time at PCAM has been spent unloved without its own crew or crew chief.



2010



2011



2013



2021

PCAM'S LTV A7 Corsair II (continued)

Preliminary research about the A7 and specifically PCAM's A7 revealed the museum's A7 was in the initial combat deployment of the A7 type. Assigned to VA-147 Argonauts aboard the USS *Ranger* as NE 316, A7 153241 was deployed to Vietnam from 1968 to 1969. In 1970, 153241 was transferred to VA-153 as NM 315. From 1973 to 1977 PCAM's A7 finished its US Navy career as NF 401 with VA-56 aboard the USS *Midway*.

The Ugly Duckling turned out to be quite the swan, being one of the first A7s deployed in combat and serving with distinction aboard the carriers USS *Ranger*, USS *Oriskany*, and USS *Midway*.



PCAM's A7 NE 316 (VA-147)
launching from the waist cat
of USS *Ranger* 1968



A7A NM 315 (VA-153) aboard USS
Oriskany, 1974



NF401 (VA-56) NAF Atsugi
Japan 1976

A proven combat veteran now resides at Pacific Coast Air Museum, waiting patiently for the TLC it rightly deserves.

Enter PCAM's Tuesday/Thursday crew.

Fresh off a refresh of the T-37 Tweet and a lengthy rework of the "Plane in the Park" F8 Crusader, the Tuesday /Thursday Crew embarked on their next task: the A7 Corsair II.

The crew assembled at their quarry to assess the aircraft's condition. After many walk-arounds, they determined that the first step would be to locate any and all sheet metal panels belonging to the aircraft.

Next step would be to install as many panels as possible, evaluating which panels would need to be fabricated. Fortunately, the crew found approximately 75 percent of the panels in the Johnny Garlic hangar.

They remounted some of the smaller panels and, while mounting the fuselage panels covering the horizontal stabilizer actuators, they decided to free up the rusted mechanisms and secure the stabilizers in a level position. After much coaxing with heavy objects and liberal application of lubricants, they freed up and repositioned the horizontal.

To be continued

Flight Wing

North American T-28

By Lynn Hunt

Recently, while contemplating the scientific phenomenon of how time passes more quickly as one grows older, I allowed myself to consider the rapidly approaching new year and what it might hold in store. My first focus was on specific dates and events and it was then that I became aware that next year would mark the passage of 40 years since I first acquired my beloved N428B, a North American T-28. It also served to help me recall what a blessed association I have had with these amazing airplanes. I owned 428B for 12 years and through our company, Aerocrafters, tacked on another 13 years of T28 recoveries, restorations and pilot training. I've been in my present position for 15 years and still maintain and fly T-28s. It's been a great privilege to enjoy these machines and especially to share them with others. In traveling along this path I have gathered some insights that I would like to share.

It is easy to be intimidated when you walk up to a T-28 for the first time. This is predominantly due to its looming size. It looks every bit the 8000 pounds of airplane it claims to be. Awareness of its size is foremost as you make your way up the built-in ladder that deposits you on its wing, and again when you step down into the roomy cockpit. The cockpit is comfortable with the controls laid out in a sensible manner. Visibility is great, including straight ahead over the nose which is a rarity in many warbirds. That's right – she's a legit warbird having fired enough rockets during wartime to earn that moniker. But for the most part she is a trainer, and it is in this role where she continues to excel.

North American T-28 (continued)

If we first pick up the “good list” and look at her many positive attributes you might first notice Stall Characteristics. This is one of my favorite demonstrations in the T-28. Whether power is on or off, accelerated or just straight ahead, you have to work to get there. The onset of stall buffet shakes the aircraft violently, yet she continues to fly and even maneuver. Of course if you unwisely continue to press the issue and she finally departs, you will be glad that your belts are fastened securely.

This aircraft loves to climb and one look at the Hershey-bar wing shows you why. On several occasions I have raced a P-51 to 3000 feet and come away victorious almost every time. This was made possible by getting my power on faster and out-accelerating the Mustang on the runway. I was usually able to have my gear in the well before the Mustang lifted from the runway. The T-28 quickly accelerates to 130 knots and then, at max-rated power, just stand her on her tail. This aircraft loves to climb.

If you turn the page over and look down the “bad list” you won’t find much there. However, right at the top is “Emergency Procedures, power-off descent.” As much as this baby loves to climb, a total loss of power brings you out of the sky in a most rude and desperate manner. With a 130-knot best L/D the last place you want to be is on a 3-mile final, number 2 behind a Cessna 150 and having to slow for traffic and spacing. At 75 knots, a very comfortable speed for the T-28, from 700 feet you can’t even see where you will hit the ground if an engine fails because it is already under you. This is why God gave us overhead approaches.

North American gave us a winner when they designed the T-28. Her utilitarian qualities combined with her rugged design explain why after thirty-plus years of service, the Navy no less was not able to destroy it. She enjoys a much lighter duty in today’s skies and I encourage every pilot to jump at any chance to get to know her. I think you’ll agree she is pretty special.



The formation flying - Lynn Hunt pilots his T-28B joined by Steve Penning in the T-28C and Art Vance in the P-51D Mustang "Million Dollar Baby"



The 3/4 front view, on the ground



Cockpit View - Lynn Hunt shoots a short approach for runway 14. It's one of his favorite maneuvers and the T-28 does it so well that it astounds people.

Education and Youth News

PCAM Education Committee

The PCAM Education Committee has completed a successful year of its outstanding Boy Scout Aviation Merit Badge program in 2022. As in past years, we scheduled three dates for classes: one in January, the second in June, and the third in October. In the two prior years we had to cloister the class due to the Covid 19 pandemic closure.

In 2021, Charley Taylor and Art Hayssen developed a program for virtual classes that were fairly well attended by Scouts throughout the North Bay. While the virtual classes were successful and kept the program alive, they left a lot to be desired compared to a hands-on class room program.

With the completion of the remodel of Hangar 2, we now have a perfect class-room in which to present the necessary data and hands-on riveting presented by Kevin Quirk. We were able to assist a total of 40 scouts to receive their Aviation Merit Badge in 2022.

The Education Committee is in discussion stage for the new year of 2023. Following is an outline of what is in the works.

Merit Badge class dates: Jan. 15, May 21, Oct. 15.

North Bay Science Discovery Day: March 18.

Sonoma State University Excel Summer Class.

Mike Hauser Academy with Sonoma Jet

With the shutdown brought on by the Covid 19 pandemic, we were unable to provide the Scouts with end of class flights during both the virtual classes and two of our three classes in 2022. The most recent class was flightless due to weather. We are in the discussion stage on when to offer make-up flights to those Scouts who missed flights and want to come back for theirs. We are looking for at least three possible dates for those flights.

Veterans and Oral History

The Oral History Team resumed interviews in December, interviewing two Vietnam veterans.



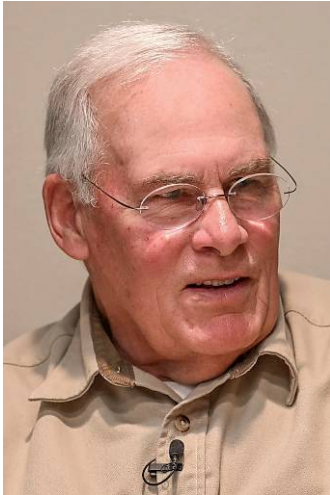
CJ Stephens:

We interviewed Lt Col **CJ Stephens** (ret) on December 2. He served 20 years in the US Air Force as both a navigator and a pilot. He flew over 230 missions in Vietnam, mostly in the F4 Phantom. However, before reporting overseas, CJ participated in the "Plowshare" nuclear program, flying missions through many of the 27 tests conducted in the States. Of particular note was his flight through the fallout of the "Sedan" test, a 104-kiloton explosion in the Nevada desert, the largest in US history. Many years later the radiation exposure caused several bouts of cancer, one resulting in the amputation of his right leg.

CJ also gave a vivid account of the mission he flew in Vietnam that earned him the Distinguished Flying Cross. His description of the flight is definitely worth watching. Since John Nelson, the team leader and videographer, maintains a library of all interviews, it may be possible to establish a drop box link to CJ's interview if there is sufficient interest. Convey interest to newsletter Editor David Carlson.



James Comstock:



In December (12/9) we also interviewed **James “Jim” Comstock**, born in Napa County but raised on the same ranch where he currently lives in Lake County. Jim is a Vietnam Veteran who served in the US Navy Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron 1 (VQ1) as an Electronic Countermeasure (ECM) Technician (AT2) and radar operator from 1969 until 1973. He was based out of Atsugi, Japan and Da Nang, Vietnam, and flew missions in A3 jets, P3 Orions, and C-121 Super Constellations over the Gulf of Tonkin, the Sea of Japan, and off the coast of North Korea and Russia. He had a “Top Secret Special Intelligence” clearance working in Electronic Countermeasures. They intercepted electronic transmissions from French, Vietnamese, Chinese and Russian language sources.

Jim is the nephew of the late Harrison “Bunny” Comstock who entered the US Army Corps at the end of WWII and flew 100 missions in Korea. The Oral History Team also interviewed Bunny, who attended numerous veteran and Hot Dog Thursday events over the years.

Introducing the Oral History Team’s Newest Member



The Oral History Team is delighted to welcome its newest member, **Tom Berto**. Tom joined the team as one of the interviewers because of his extensive knowledge of military history.

Tom is an aviation enthusiast who has organized pilot luncheons for military pilots and crews over the years. He is also an accomplished model builder and has made custom airplanes (B-17, C-47, F4U, P-47, P-51, etc) for numerous pilots who flew during WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. He is a graduate of Cal Tech with a Bachelor’s degree in Applied Science, and UC Berkeley with a Masters Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Tom works at Keysight Technologies on the automated test systems weapons project (Patriot missiles, airborne radar, etc) for Raytheon.

Welcome to the team, Tom!

Oral History Team Presents American Flag to WWII Veteran Ted Moneymaker



On Thurs., Dec. 8, 2022, we presented WWII veteran **Ted Moneymaker** with an American flag flown over the US Capitol in his honor. The flag and certificate were acquired with the invaluable assistance of former US Capitol Police Chief Steve Sund. Ted was interviewed by Marilyn Pair in July 2022. He served in the US Army 32nd Infantry “Red Arrow” Division during WWII, fighting in New Guinea and Leyte. Ted received a purple heart for an injury sustained while fighting on Leyte. He is an active participant in every HDT and most PCAM veteran events. Tom Berto and Nancy Sandborn of the Oral History Team presented the flag. Congratulations, Ted!

PCAM Contributions to the Library of Congress Archives

To date the Oral History Team has contributed more than 250 veteran interviews to the Library of Congress Veteran History Project. Seventy-four (74) of these interviews can be accessed at the link below by typing **Pacific Coast Air** in the search box, then clicking on the search icon. You can also search by typing the name of the veteran in the same search box and selecting the search icon (e.g. type Darrel Shumard, then click the search icon, and it will bring up Darrel’s interview)

<https://www.loc.gov/programs/veterans-history-project/about-this-program/>

Clarence “Bud” Anderson Receives Honorary Promotion to Brigadier General

On Dec. 2, 2022, US Air Force Chief of Staff 4 Star General Charles Brown, Jr. presented Col **Bud Anderson** (retired) an honorary promotion to Brigadier General. Bud’s son, Lt Col Jim Anderson (retired), notified the Oral History Team of Bud’s promotion celebration which took place at the Aerospace Museum of California. The son also provided the links (below) that described and captured the ceremony.

Bud holds the double distinction of being the oldest living Brigadier General and the last living American triple ace pilot. PCAM congratulates Bud on this well-deserved honor.

<https://www.travis.af.mil/News/Display/Article/3237276/csaf-promotes-retired-wwii-triple-ace-fighter-pilot-to-brigadier-general/>

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=5zFBtzRXHhE&feature=youtu.be>



Bud with his great smile



Bud and General Brown drinking “Old Crow”

In Memoriam

In Memory of WWII Veteran Roy Ricci

On Sat., Oct. 15, a “celebration of life” was held for lifelong Santa Rosa resident Roy Ricci. Roy died just days before his 101st birthday. He enthusiastically attended several PCAM veteran events and luncheons over the years.

Roy served in WWII from 1942 until 1945 as a Staff Sergeant for the United States Army Air Corps. He was involved in the China, Burma and India (CBI) Campaigns and also served on Tinian, reportedly working on the B-29 Superfortress, the Enola Gay, before it dropped the bomb on Hiroshima.

Roy had a 42-year career with Coddling Construction. An avid hunter and fisherman, he often accompanied Hugh Coddling on outdoor trips. He also loved gardening and maintained his beautifully landscaped yard and prolific garden well into his 90s.

Thanks to the continuing support of former US Capitol Police Chief Steven Sund, PCAM was proud to honor Roy with an American Flag flown over the US Capitol Building. Former PCAM Board President Dave Ford presented the flag and certificate of appreciation to Roy shortly after Roy’s 100th birthday.

Roy represented the very best of Sonoma County throughout his life. Thank you, Roy, for your service to our community and to the nation.



In Memory of WWII Veteran George Jacovides



WWII veteran **George Jacovides** died in November, 2022. George was a Merchant Marine who delivered ammunition in support of the Normandy invasion troops at Omaha and Utah Beaches. He was responsible for maneuvering the Liberty Ship “John S Mosby” into port and also worked as an Assistant Engineer and Fireman in the engine room.

PCAM had the good fortune of presenting George with a flag flown over the US Capitol Building in February 2022 in his honor. The flag and certificate of appreciation were acquired by former US Capitol Police Chief Steve Sund and were signed by current Police Chief J. Thomas Manger. Unfortunately, the Oral History Team lost the opportunity to interview George when the pandemic forced the cancellation of his scheduled date and his declining health made it impossible to reschedule. However, the Oral History Team was pleased to be able to express our appreciation for his dedication and service to our nation via the flag presentation.

In Memory of WWII Veteran William Stiles



In November 2022, US Navy veteran William E Stiles passed away. He served as a Combat Signalman on the USS *Hinsdale* (APA-120) and the USS *Charleston* (LCS-18) in the Pacific Theater during WWII. While on the *Hinsdale*, William participated in the Iwo Jima Campaign and witnessed the American flag raising on Mt Suribachi. Later, while investigating one of the caves on the island, he stepped on a booby trapped hand grenade.

William was interviewed for the Library of Congress Veteran History Project by Marilyn Pahr in November 2021. He told Marilyn that he was happy to have served his country and “wouldn’t have missed it for the world.” Later he was honored by the Oral History Team with a US flag flown over the US Capitol Building thanks to former US Capitol Police Chief Steven Sund.

William remained active in the American Legion in Healdsburg for many years, proudly continuing to participate in many veteran activities.
William Stiles

Recent Events

Hot Dog Thursday

Thursday, Oct. 6, marked the last Hot Dog Thursday for 2022 at the museum. Just like all the rest this year, this one was packed with patrons. Well, why not? Our meal of a quarter-pound hot dog on a large bun, with chips and a soda, for \$7, has got to be the best lunch around for the money.

The venue has evolved into a very efficient operation, thanks to the dedication and experience of the volunteer crews who buy the stock, set up and take down the seating, and cook and serve the meal. We probably averaged around 600 patrons every serving, and I never saw any untoward wait time for the meal. Many of us remember serving under the old awning and setting up shade tents on the field of our old display area. What a difference it has made to be able to serve in the Butler Hangar! It is hard to imagine getting better at this. From all who attend, and from the entire membership, a huge “thank you” is owed to all the volunteers who made this event such a success in 2022.

The Hot Dog Thursday event has also increased in financial importance to the continued operation of the museum. In 2022, this event alone raised more than \$20,000 for the museum. We served some 3,800 lunches with speed and efficiency. The addition of many beautiful flying aircraft, brought to the event by vitally interested patrons, lent a fair-like atmosphere and enhanced aviation interest. This year also marked the entrance of the beautifully-restored FA-18 to our display collection. We have every reason to be optimistic when Hot Dog Thursday returns on the first Thursday of April 2023.



Barbara, Stan, Ruthie and Jack keep the hot dog side running smoothly.



Aviation Flea Market

The Butler Hangar bustled with activity for hours on Saturday, November 12, as countless volunteers set up PCAM’s Aviation Flea Market, manned it, and then cleaned up afterward.

Members of the public who arrived before 1 p.m. got a good deal on museum access by paying the \$3 Flea Market fee instead of the usual \$10 price of admission. Clearly it was the “flea” sales and not the admission that netted the museum \$2,400.

Because of its success, we were able to donate \$3000 in sleeping bags, sweatshirts and other clothing to the homeless. We plan to make this an annual event.

Dates to Remember

Member Meetings

January 18, 2023
February 15, 2023
March 15, 2023

Hangar 2 Third Wednesday of the month 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Entrance is near the old Dragonfly building. The first portion of the meeting is informational. Get the scoop on the latest happenings at the museum. Catch up with fellow members during the break, followed by a guest speaker presentation.

Open Cockpit Saturdays

Open Cockpit Saturdays at the Pacific Coast Air Museum are a great activity for kids and family. We raise the canopies and open the doors to give you an unobstructed view inside a genuine fighter plane, attack plane, transport, or helicopter.

You can even sit inside some of our planes and see what it was like to be the pilot or crew! On some planes, the controls are still hooked up to the control surfaces. So if you move the stick or wheel, you can see the ailerons or elevator move! It's a great way to learn about how a plane is controlled.

Some of the docents who guide you into the planes actually flew these very same aircraft. They'll be happy to tell you all about it.

We have Open Cockpit on select Saturdays except January (because of the weather.) Check www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org for information regarding dates and which aircraft will be open.



Jim Mattison, crew chief and docent

The Pacific Coast Air Museum's Platinum Sponsors

The Pacific Coast Air Museum thanks its Platinum Level Sponsors whose contributions help make our museum the thriving community resource it is! If you would like to find out about sponsorship opportunities with the Pacific Coast Air Museum, contact Doug Clay, PCAM Development Chair, 925-997-2774 or dougclay@gmail.com.



Sonoma County
Office of Education



Sonoma
JET CENTER



SNOOPY'S HOME ICE
REDWOOD EMPIRE ICE ARENA



PLATINUM
CHEVROLET
Santa Rosa

Pacific Coast Air Museum

Location

One Air Museum Way, Santa Rosa, CA, 95403 www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org 707-575-7900

Directions

Hwy 101 north to Airport Blvd. and go west. Turn left on North Laughlin Rd, right on Becker Blvd., then right on Air Museum Way.

Hours

Visit our web site at www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org or call 707-575-7900 for more information.

Open Cockpit Weekends

One or more aircraft are open for close examination on the third weekend of each month (weather permitting) and you can climb aboard some of them! For more info, phone 707-575-7900 or visit www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org.

Member Meetings

Third Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Hangar 2 on museum property.

“Straight Scoop” Newsletter

The PCAM newsletter, “Straight Scoop,” is published quarterly and is available online on the museum’s web site. Members are encouraged to submit articles for possible publication. Deadline for article submission is the 10th 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 Dave Carlson at pcamnewsletter@gmail.com or 707-575-7900.

Be sure to advise the museum of any updates to your contact information by calling 707-575-7900 or email admin@pacificcoastairmuseum.org

Membership Renewals Send renewals to Pacific Coast Air Museum, One Air Museum Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95403

\$50	Individual	\$250	Silver
\$100	Family	\$500	Gold
\$40	Seniors, Teachers, Students	\$750	Platinum
\$25	Veterans and Active Duty Military	\$1,000	Lifetime

The Pacific Coast Air Museum hosts many family-friendly and child-friendly events all year 'round. We host monthly member meetings, monthly Hot Dog Thursday lunches from April through October, and special events like car shows, guest lecturers and more!

Most events focus upon aviation and our collection of over 35 historic aircraft including military jets, helicopters, and other classic airplanes.

Members are encouraged to read the “Red Baron Flyer,” the quarterly newsletter of the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport: <http://www.sonomacountyairport.org/red-baron-flyer>





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