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Membership Meeting/

June 10

10am



Unit Leader—Harold Buchler

Greetings!

Summer has finally arrived. With the beginning of summer and the hot weather ahead, the Big Easy Wing is starting to heat up. Remember, our June meeting is Saturday June 10th at 10:00 a.m. Glenn Metzger will give a presentation about Gold Star Families and the “Missing Man

Table”. Here he is with Diane Moore, Gold Star daughter.

In May we had Mother’s Day Flights. Several “Moms” flew in the Stearman and thoroughly enjoyed the flight. The hangar was abuzz with activity on that day, including members of the Lakefront EAA along with their families. Everyone had the chance to enjoy the hangar and have lunch with us.



The hangar hosted the a party for “Ex-Cons”. No, not the ones fresh from prison, but retired personnel from **Continental Airlines**. Our own Kevin Duxworth is an “Ex-Con” who hosted the event. Over 80 individuals graced our presence, they brought everything a good party should have. Your Wing Leader grilled the hamburgers while everyone enjoyed themselves.



Tommy DiSalvo & Kevin Duxworth



The “Ex-Cons”

On the next day, the hangar hosted the Mount Carmel Academy Golf Team and their families. I have had the privilege of being the Assistant Golf coach for the past 15 years.



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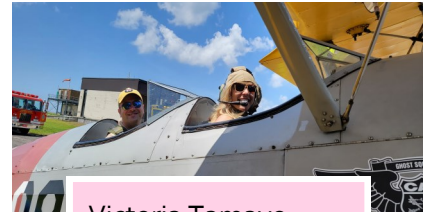


Chief Pilot—Mike Scott



Greetings Big Easy Wing!

The month of May had mostly good weather and allowed us to get several flights in. Our Mother's Day weekend ride event was a great success, I ended up flying 5 ladies on tours around New Orleans. Some of them were more hesitant than others to go up for the first time, but all seemed very happy with the experience! I also had the chance to take up a friend who is a Navy F-35C Instructor Pilot based in Lemoore, CA, who was in town flying out of Belle Chasse for a couple weeks. Terry has been working the installation of a new ELT since we were having issues with our old one.



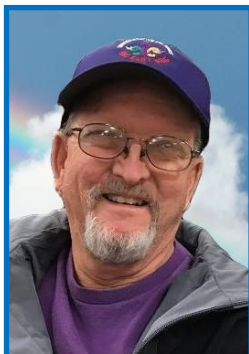
Victoria Tamayo

June 1st marks the start of hurricane season, so make sure you and your family are prepared. We have a good plan in place to move the aircraft if needed, but hopefully we will not need to use it again this year. Our next ride event will be just after Father's Day, on Monday June 19th. Please invite your family and friends to come out and buy a ride! There will also be other opportunities to buy rides in June, so please reach out to Shirley if you are interested.

Fly safe!

Mike

Safety Officer—Rick Wood



Hello Big Easy Wing,

June is here and Hurricane season has started, and already we have a depression in the Gulf. As we continue in the summer and if anything is in the Gulf, I will keep the wing posted on what is going on.

June 19th is a flying day. Remember that others will be at the hangar, so I ask if you see something wrong, **Say Something**. The plane will be taxiing in front of the hangar, so please keep an eye on kids and parents while

Just a reminder to use sun screen and hydrate. I hope to see everyone on the 10th and 19th. Keep them flying

Thanks,

Rick



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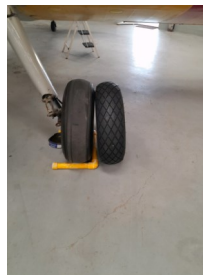


Greetings:

N'Awlins Lady is getting new shoes! I ordered new tires and have just received them. I will be working with Harold to get the tires mounted and then the old tires will be replaced. At this same time, we decided that it would look better if we updated the hubcaps. Shirley thought that putting the navy star on the caps would be impressive. So, we will be working on painting the hubcaps and placing the white star with the red dot like you see on the wings. We

will either get a decal or we will have one of our talented members paint a white star using a template. Bill Triay is going to help with this project by getting us a template.

Also, a new ELT (emergency locator transponder) was ordered but was lost in the mail. So, now I am waiting for my reorder to come it. As soon as these jobs are done she will be ready for flight day on June 19th.



Wing Leader report—continued

As you may recall, the film crew from the Smithsonian Channel spent the day with us a while back, filming our Stuka. It appears that original episodes of **Air Warriors** Season 11 are airing Sunday nights at 9:00 p.m. The first two (of 10) having aired so far. **Episode 9 is about the Stuka**, and will premiere Sunday July 16th on the Smithsonian Channel at 9:00 p.m. Keep an eye out for them here:

<https://www.smithsonianchannel.com/shows/air-warriors>

Upcoming, we plan on having another Father's Day Flight program this year. It will be held on Monday, June 19th. There are plans to have 10-15 British cars from the **British Motoring Club New Orleans** on display at the event. Please share the flyer included on the last page of this newsletter.

As we come upon a very special day to remember our brave service members, June 6th D-Day, we would like to mention two men who were members of BEW and served in WWII, Ubert Terrell and David Oreck. Mr. Terrell parachuted behind enemy lines in a C47. Mr. Oreck flew in the Pacific in B29 bombers. Both of these men are examples of this country's greatest generation. Hoorah! Unfortunately, both men passed away in 2022.

I want everyone to know that the hangar is available for rent to organizations or to our members affiliated with any organization looking for a place to host an outing.

See you at the hangar.... Harold



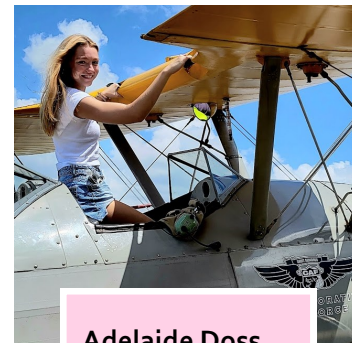
Ubert Terrell & David Oreck

Flight Coordinator—Shirley Colomb

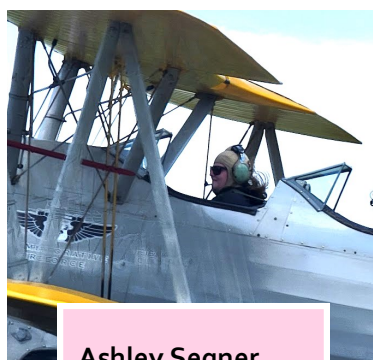


Welcome to the lazy days of Summer!

Are you ready for a fun experience! Obviously, the answer is YES. We had four lovely and adventurous ladies fly on Mother's Day. It was a kick seeing their expression as they boarded the plane and on their exit. They all had different reactions.. There was of course awe and apprehension with some anxiety. While others exhibited anticipation and excitement. But they all came back with a sense of satisfaction. There were smiles and laughter which were great indicators that their "Flight was Awesome!" Thanks to everyone who purchased a flight!



Adelaide Doss



Ashley Segner



Catherine Shearer



Victoria Tamayo

We are hosting another flight day. It is scheduled for June 19th. Please send out flier (located on last page) to your friends and co-workers. We have sold 4 flights and we have several British cars coming out for a small car show. It should be another fun day.

Membership—Shirley Colomb

We welcome our latest member to the Big Easy Wing—**Dayton House** from Belle Chasse. Dayton joined at our Mother's Day event. And Dayton purchased a Mother's Day ride for his lovely wife. Also, Jim Dugan rejoined the Big Easy Wing. Hopefully, we will see him around more often. If you have not rejoined or if you know someone who wants to join, they can pay online (BEW website or on KAStack.) I will be happy to take your dues for 2023 at any meeting or over the phone. Also, **Checks can be mailed to:**

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Greetings!

EAA Young Eagles Visit The Big Easy Wing

May 13, 2023 - The Big Easy Wing hosted the EAA Chapter at Lakefront Airport (KNEW) to assist in their Young Eagles Fly Day. Thanks to Col. Floyd Miles, our unit was able to participate in this amazing event. Some 80+ individuals visited our hangar, ready room, training facilities and even got to sit in some of our CAF aircraft on display. One popular area was our two flight simulators. Thanks to Roger Jeffrey for providing instructions and support to the young flight sim pilots. Many of the young Eagles visited the FAA Tower Cab, flew in local airplanes and then enjoyed lunch provided by our unit with the help of our Leader, Harold Buchler and Kevin Duxworth. A GREAT DAY WAS HAD BY ALL!

We were joined for the first time by a new sponsor, Jefferson Feed and Soil. They set up a nice table demonstrating their wares and even providing an assortment of free goodies including pet snacks, collars and even poop bags for dog owners. The representative for Jefferson Feed was our own Kayl Falgout, a former cadet now grown up. Everyone was so happy to see Kayl in his new position with Jefferson Feed. Thank you Kayl and all of our friends at Jefferson Feed.



Kayl Falgout

A special thanks to our younger member, Kyle Duxworth (yes son of Dawn and Kevin) who assisted in the demonstration of both our flight simulators and our super cool aircraft carrier. Thank you Kyle!

Our very best congratulations to Kevin Duxworth for his EX-CON (former Continental and United Airlines) Ground support team members as they marked their great step into the future of retirement with an amazing retirement party. Congrats guys. The party was superb and you deserved it all. On a personal note, as an AV-Geek, I was so humbled to be among the best in the industry. Thank you for all you for what you have done for aviation.

Until next month, yours in flight, David!



Roger Jeffrey with flight sims



Kyle Duxworth



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