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Christmas Party

Penelope has informed me that we will be meeting at the usual spot this year, the Mission Viejo Swim and Racquet Club. If you haven't been there before, there is a map on the back of this issue.

Hope fully you have received your invitation by mail or email and have RSVP to Penelope at phone: **949.951.6784** or **plhecker@academy-aeronautique.com**.

Member who are paid up for 2008 will attend for free. Those who are not paid members of Chapter 92 will pay a fee.

We are asking that you bring a dessert to share. The rest of the food will be provided. In addition, we ask you to bring a new unwrapped child's toy to donate to Toys for Tots. There will Marine in attendance to talk to us and accept the donations. See you there. *Rich Newell, editor*



At The Dec. 6th Meeting

Annual Christmas and Volunteer Recognition Party. This Year's Party will be held at the Mission Viejo Swim and Racquet Club (see map on back)

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President's Message

The Holidays are upon us and we have completed another year. As I look back, we as Chapter 92 had a great year in 2008. Some of our principal accomplishments include:

- An increase in general membership and camaraderie
- Three projects completed and signed off
- A great time at AirVenture 2008
- We flew a great Young Eagles program with Harrison Ford participating and taking center stage at our April event
- We re-grouped our General Meeting location at the Irvine Ranch Water District
- Improved our general meeting content with great training programs and presentations
- Established our relationship with the Yanks Museum and volunteered our time on the Ercoupe 415 C/D project
- Extended an invitation to all Orange County EAA general members to join our ranks



Most of all, I have to thank all of our active members for making this a great year for EAA Chapter 92. In particular, I want to thank the following individuals for their extraordinary contribution:

- **Jay Steffenhagen** – VP and Flight Advisor for the past two years for his organization and training content
- **Cliff Carpenter** – Young Eagles Coordinator for as many years as I have been a member of the Chapter, as well as our Aircraft Spruce Coordinator
- **Roland Koluvek** – Treasurer, Technical Counselor and Chapter A & P for his unending support of many of our projects

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- **Birch Parker** – Young Eagles Volunteer
- **Vince Orton** – Young Eagles Web Master
- **Dave Prizio** – Technical Counselor, Boy Scout Coordinator and prolific builder
- **Bob Dougherty** – Secretary and Veterans Day Coordinator
- **Penelope Hecker** – Christmas/Recognition Party and 2009 Young Eagles Coordinator
- **Rich Newell** – Newsletter Editor
- **Ernie Julian** – Base Ops Coordinator and Chief Chef at our fund raising events
- **Bill Moyle** – EAA Liaison and 2009 Vice President
- All of the pilots and ground crew volunteers who supported our programs

Our goals for next year include a ramp-up of our communications including the web site, newsletter and PR, so stay tuned. I also look forward to seeing all of you at our annual Christmas/Recognition party.

Keep 'em Flying!

Ray Hecker

President and Flight Advisor, EAA Chapter 92



My Day with Harrison Ford

*My son wrote this for his teachers at Yucaipa middle school. He shared his experience with them and still talks about that great day he had with Harrison Ford at the Young Eagles event at Chino Airport. He really made an enormous impact on my son Andrew. **Richard Wigfield***

Every month I go to Chino Airport but this time there was something special. When I got there I noticed a familiar face. It was HARRISON FORD from Indiana Jones. It was a wondrous experience.

I walked up to him and told him about myself and he asked me to fly with him So I did. When we got in the air I looked around the plane it was beautiful. I felt like I was king of the world. It was an awesome experience.

When we landed in the plane and got out and I got his signature in my log book (where I keep all of my flights in so I know how many hours of flying I have) and then he left in his plane to go to his son's baseball game. Before he left I asked him if he will be at the air academy this summer and he said he would and then asked me if I was going to be there so I said yes and a minute before he left he told me hill see me at the air academy I went home in awe . I was still excited about the fact that I got to fly with HARRISON FORD. When I got home I told the same story to my family. My family is still asking me questions about that day and what it was like. This was my favorite day and my, Dad still thinks it was awesome that I got to fly with him. That is why my day with Harrison Ford is now the best day of my life. If I could do this day over again I would.

Today is the best day of all and I know that I probably won't get another chance like that again in my life but I can't be sure about that

Harrison Ford explains brake system on his DeHavilland to children during a Young Eagles Event



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so I'm going to be positive about it. The next time I get a chance like that I'm definitely going to take it no matter what happens.

To this day I have been thinking about that day and now I'm even more determined to be an even better pilot. Now every day I look in my log book and read what HARRISON wrote "Fly safe and often." That is so awesome. I think its pretty cool that I actually have a friendship with one of Hollywood's biggest stars and to fly in his airplane side by side with him and even though he didn't let me steer the plane it was still the most awesome experience in my life.

This day I hope I will remember for the rest of my life. Now I will never think of HARRISON the same anymore to you and me, we all have a lot in common with him and that no matter what we are all human. To some people being famous is just being greedy and wanting as much money as you can get but to HARRISON FORD its all different he is kind funny and he doesn't act like he is better than everyone else he cares about all the people in the world and he is also very cautious about what he does especially when he's with kids

Andrew Wisfield

Zenith 701(A) Amphibian Kit with updated CAD plans

STOL CH 701 Airframe Kit:	10,795.00
STOL CH 701 Finishing Kit (wheels, brakes, doors, belts etc.)	3195.00
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FOLDING WINGS KIT	560.00
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ZENAIRTM 1150 AMPHIB FLOATS KIT, WITH RIGGING	5370.00
FLOAT RUDDER KITS (\$195 ea.)	390.00
	\$21,275.00

Rudder, rear fuselage, firewall and some stabilizer and elevator completed.

Must sell, no longer plan flights to Alaska. **Will sacrifice for \$11,900.**

See: <http://www.zenithair.com/stolch701/7-photo5.htm>

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Able Flight Congratulates

Jessica Cox of Arizona and Paul Brown of Minnesota

Being born without arms didn't keep Jessica Cox of Tucson, AZ from meeting the challenge of earning a Sport Pilot certificate. The Able Flight Scholarship winner passed her checkride Friday October 10th after several months of training with instructor Parrish Traweck in his Ercoupe 415C. With its unique control system, the Ercoupe proved to be the right airplane for her to fly using only her feet (she does not use prosthetic arms).

Jessica's path to becoming the first person born without arms to be certified as a pilot began in Florida when Glen Davis provided her first hours of instruction in his Ercoupe. But since his was not an LSA version, she would have to wait until a suitable LSA model could be located. Enter Parrish Traweck of PC Aircraft Maintenance/Flight Services in the little town of San Manuel to the north of Tucson.

Of her experience in becoming a pilot, Jessica said, "I highly encourage people with disabilities to consider flying. It not only empowers you but also helps others realize that people with disabilities are adept at attaining privileges that a small percentage of society takes part in. It helps reverse the stereotype that people with disabilities are powerless into the belief that they are powerful and capable of setting high goals and achieving them. What is most incredible about Able Flight is the relentless faith and support not only from the board but also from the other pilots who have



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succeeded in the program. The camaraderie is exceptional. Thank you Able Flight for helping me make history as the first licensed pilot to fly with only her feet!” To learn more about Jessica, visit www.rightfooted.com.

Paul Brown comes from a flying family that traces its aviation roots to one of the most famous flights of all time, the crossing of the Atlantic by Charles Lindbergh. Paul’s grandfather was working as a lineboy for Curtiss at Roosevelt Field on Long Island, NY when he was chosen to help prepare Lindbergh’s plane when it departed on the morning of the historic flight.

Paul’s dream of wanting to become a pilot began with his grandfather,” I have had a love of flight since my earliest memories. I can remember flying at the age of five with my grandfather Ray Brown in a rented airplane. I remember sitting in his basement in a “Daphne” which he was home building, and making engine noises pretending to fly.”

Following in the family tradition, Paul was well into his flight training in 2003 when he learned that he would need surgery, radiation and chemotherapy for a large tumor that put his life and his flying dreams on hold. After his recovery, he learned of our scholarship program and applied.

With his Able Flight scholarship, Paul recently completed his training in the Minneapolis area in a Flight Design CT at LSA North, and within hours of passing his checkride, departed for a trip to Oklahoma where he then earned his tailwheel endorsement in a classic Porterfield (an LSA version), and has now completed one of his goals in flying by having his father as one of his first passengers. Reports from his flight school indicate that Paul was one of their most dedicated and hard working students, and he quickly progressed through the training to earn his certificate.

That training paid off on the day of his checkride, “I must have been both lucky and well prepared because the

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examination seemed easy to me. I will always remember the day I received a passing check ride because it is also my wife's birthday. We had much to celebrate on her birthday!

"I would like to thank Able Flight and their sponsors, also King Schools for all the good training materials. I want to thank my training facility LSA North for their patience with me while learning. I would also like to thank Dan Boerner my primary flight instructor at LSA North."

Able Flight's Executive Director Charles Stites said, "The success of Jessica and Paul is a testament to their determination not to let others set limitations on their abilities, and it's a tribute to the instructors who willingly took on the challenge of teaching them to fly. As with all of our scholarship winners who have earned their certificates, they have proven that there are no barriers to flight for those who are willing to trade hard work and dedication for the privilege of becoming an aviator."

Able Flight congratulates Paul and Jessica who have now become our eighth and ninth scholarship winners to earn their pilot certificates.

General Minutes *November 7, 2008*

EAA Chapter 92 General Meeting, November 3, 2008

President Ray Hecker called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with a members' greeting followed by a request for flag salute and pledge of allegiance.

Old Business

An Election Review Committee, consisting of Jay Steffenhagen, Greg Fisher, and Roland Koluvek, was assigned by President Hecker. A ballot listing the names of those nominated for Chapter 92 office was passed out. There was a review of each candidate listed and each office listed. A motion from the floor was made that nominations cease and the

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election proceed those already nominated. It was seconded, discussed, and carried by majority vote. The ballots were collected and tallied by the Committee. The 2009 Chapter 92 officers are: President, Ray Hecker, Vice President, Bill Moyle; Secretary, Thom Steury; Treasurer, Roland Koluvek; Newsletter Editor, Rich Newell; Director, Jay Steffenhagen; and Director, Penelope Hecker.

Last minute details for the Flabob Airport Veterans' Day fundraiser were discussed and finalized.

Penelope Hecker reviewed the details of the annual holiday celebration and appreciation/recognition banquet.

Presentation

At 7:25 p.m., Greg Fisher presented the details of construction, sign-off, and flight testing a Glassair II RG.

There was a five minute break at 8:05 p.m.

At 8:10 p.m., "The Transition to Gliders" was presented by Jay Steffenhagen. It concluded at 8:45 p.m.

An open discussion question and answer period followed; and, a brief update regarding the restoration projects at Yanks Museum. Several chapter members volunteer there.

At 8:50 p.m., the meeting was adjourned

Bob Dougherty, Secretary

Board Minutes *November 12, 2008*

Ray Hecker, chapter president, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. In addition to Ray, those attending were Penelope Hecker, Thom Steury, Cliff Carpenter, Richard Newell, Terry Dowell, Jay Steffenhagen, George Martin, Bill Moyle, Roland Koluvek, and Bob Dougherty .

Discussion

The meeting was opened to general discussion and a review of the meeting agenda. Jay Steffenhagen affirmed that the

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general membership meeting location for the year 2009 would be at the Irvine Ranch Water District Headquarters location, as in 2008.

The board approved the October board meeting minutes and the November general membership meeting minutes as written. Roland Koluvek, treasurer, reported that the total sales from the Flabob Veterans' Day fundraiser event was \$1736.

Roland presented the financial report as follows:

Chapt. Operating Acct. Cash on hand	3683.66
Chapt Operating Acct. Bank Balance	1705.07
Chapt Operating Acct. Certif. of Deposit	5000.00
Total	10388.73
Chapt Young Eagle Operating Acct.	4485.72
Chapt Young Eagle Certif. of Deposit	5000.00
Total	9485.72
Total Chapt 92 Bank Accounts	19874.25

Old Business

Election of the chapter principle officers for 2009 was reviewed.

Status of the annual Christmas/Recognition party was reviewed.

New Business

The events calendar for year 2009 was reviewed and updated.

All Young Eagle events were confirmed.

Future General Membership meeting presentations were discussed.

Additional review of Chapter 92 website will be under way at the first of the year.

A review of the newsletter format is being performed by Richard Newell, Newsletter Editor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Bob Daugherty, Secretary



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Christmas Party

Saturday December 6, 2008 - 6:30 pm

Exit from the 5 Frwy at La Paz Road. Head East to Mosquero Lane. Turn left. Look for the club on the left. Just past Tierra Circle is a driveway for the parking lot at the club.

