

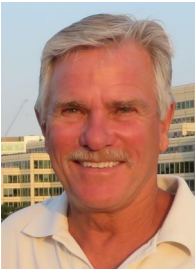


## PREZ SEZ

EWM President John Couch

Thanks to those who covered for me while I was on vacation! It is comforting to be serving on the board with members who step up and cover for each other when necessary.

By the time this letter is published you will have a new board member replacing Bob Burgess. Many, many thanks to Bob for your service to the Estrella Warbirds Museum.



Activity at Estrella has picked up for the summer. We are looking forward to a few events planned for our 30th Anniversary year. One will be a half price day for the community in August, a VIP open house event in September and a gala dinner fundraiser in October. The plans are coming together thanks to Ren Stelloh's leadership. We'll have more to share as the dates get closer.

Our museum is a great place to bring your friends when they visit. Also keep in mind: encouraging your friends to consider *volunteering at Estrella Warbirds or Woodland Auto Display* in any capacity they can. Any help is greatly appreciated. I hope you all have a great summer! —John Couch

## Betsy's New Legs To Take Her, Crew To East Coast, Midwest and Beyond for 2-Month tour Of Duty

**Betsy's Biscuit Bomber** has bid adieu to Estrella for at least 2 months. Scott Stelzle, Shane Wallace and Sherman Smoot will escort her to events involving sister C-47/DC-3s, EAA in Oshkosh Wisconsin and even a rendezvous with DOC, the newly restored and flying B-29. **Per Scott's dispatch on June 12, 2022:**

"She sits in a hangar today (June 12) in Bridgewater VA , with two other DC-3s. Sherman and I will fly back on June 17 and move her to the Smithsonian for the premier release of the movie about our trip to Normandy "Into Flight Once More". We will take her back to Bridgewater on June 19. We then return on July 20 and move her from Virginia to Rock Falls, Illinois for the Wings over Whiteside Airshow on July 22-24 . Then it's off to Oshkosh for the National EAA Airventure. We will fly that show July 25 - August 1. Then it's off to Gardner, Kansas and Benton, Kansas. From there we have a possible joint event with DOC, the B-29, in Wichita. Heading home after that"

Anyone You Know Planning A Trip To Include The Central Coast? Inform Them ASAP To... Go to [Wanderlog.com](http://Wanderlog.com) (tm) For #1 Rated EWM/WAD!



Military aviation museum featuring aircraft, objects & memorabilia, plus military vehicles:

#1 of 11: "The Estrella Warbirds Museum is an aviation museum located on more than 13 acres of land at the Paso Robles Municipal Airport. The museum is named after the Estrella Army Air Field, which was built in 1943 and eventually became the city's municipal airport. The focus of the museum is on restoring and preserving military aircraft, memorabilia, and vehicles."

GOOD NEWS INFO courtesy Ren Stelloh.

This site is for History Buffs. Right up our alley!

Monthly Dinner/Meeting  
 Wednesday July 6, 2022  
 Thomson Hall 5:30 Social, 6:30 Dinner  
 \$25 At The Door  
 Reservations:  
 Phone: 805-296-1935  
 Online: [ewarbirds.org](http://ewarbirds.org)  
 Drop Down To *Dinner Reservations*

MENU  
 BBQ PORK LOIN  
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 DESSERT  
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 After Dinner

**George Marrett Presents...**  
 Former Hunter/"Killer", Author and EWM Member **Ed Cobleigh**...  
 A Fighter Pilot's Take Of A Local Treasure:  
*The Morro Rock Peregrine Falcons*



Ed Cobleigh



200 mph+ Peregrine



The Peregrine falcons of Morro Rock are the fastest animals who have ever lived on planet Earth. These apex predators' aerial maneuvers mirror those of human aviators. Or is it vice-versa? Veteran fighter pilot Ed Cobleigh will break down Peregrine tactics and analyze their strategies from the viewpoint of a veteran fighter weapons instructor. Find out how many Gs a falcon can pull? We may find out! A brief clip from a book review:

"Lt Col Ed "Fast Eddie" Cobleigh has been a fighter pilot with the USAF, US Navy (TOPGUN), Royal Air Force, Iranian Air Force, and the French Air Force. He served two tours of duty during the Vietnam air war, logging 375 combat sorties in the F-4 Phantom."

Lt. Col. Cobleigh shares in his works his perspectives with deeply personal accounts of a fighter pilot's life, life filled with moral ambiguity and military absurdities offset by the undeniable thrill of flying a fighter aircraft. "Hence the interest in the Peregrine."

# MORE FROM WWW13

EWM Staffer Mike Kelley fiddles around under the watchful eye of Monte Mills on May 6 in Hangar 1, kicking off WWW13. Nashville is Mike's next stop for studio gigs? We need you here! Anyway: YEEHAAA!!



WWW Overseers, Dancing Dan and Carol Verstuyft. "In The Mood"? .... a timeless classic.



Dennis Gage Of My Classic Car engages Barbara Newton regarding her rare UK 1967 Jaguar 420G with RIGHT HAND DRIVE! What?!



Wings Everywhere



Funky Stu



John Galiher Posin' with my Baby



Betsy horizontally stabilizes the nest from the sun's blaze



"Uh...sometime today maybe??"



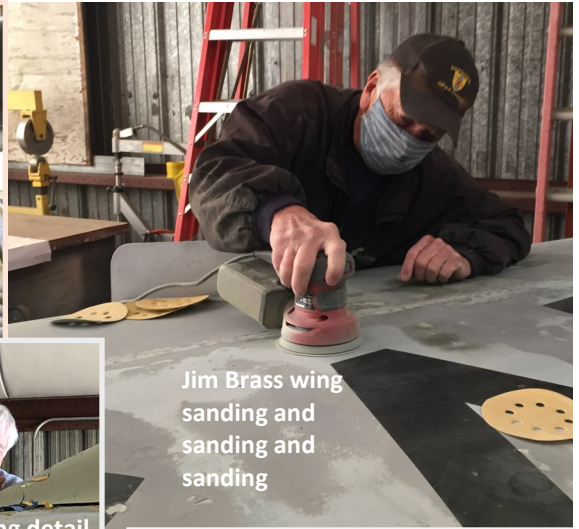
Mucho, Macho Vettes



John Everett escorts gurney into the OR



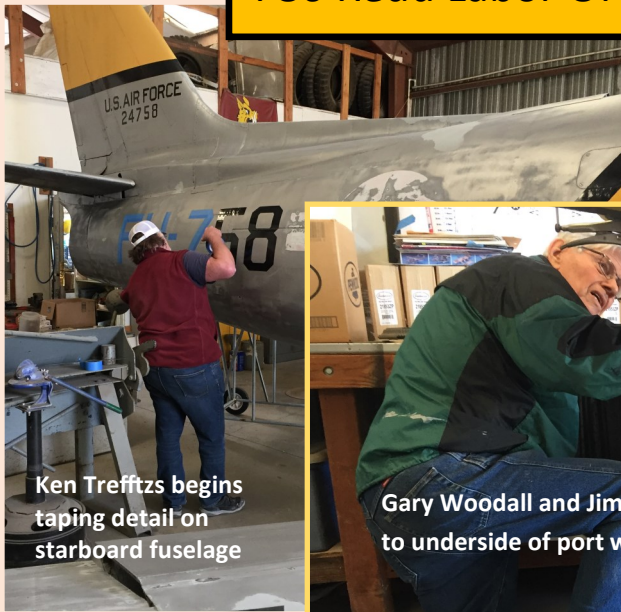
Dennis Johansen tends to stencil loose thread



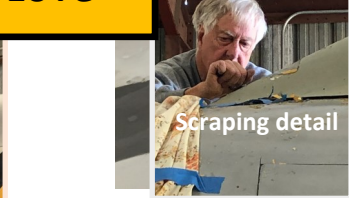
Jim Brass wing sanding and sanding and sanding

# Restoration Corner

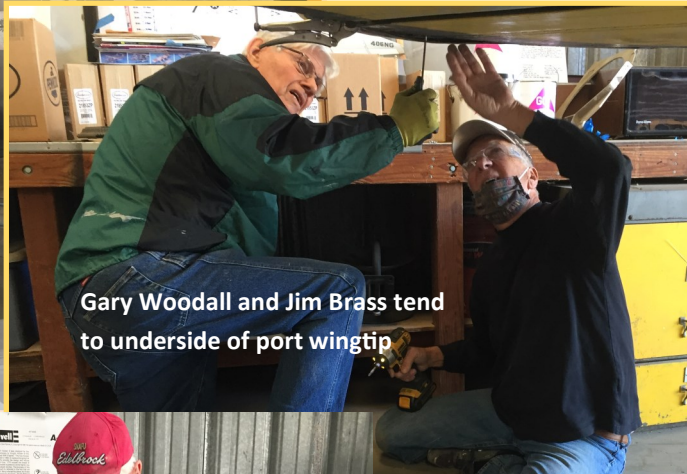
## F86 Redu Labor Of Love



Ken Trefftz begins taping detail on starboard fuselage



Scraping detail



Gary Woodall and Jim Brass tend to underside of port wingtip



Carl Robbins mans the paint sprayer for vertical stabilizer



Mr. Woodall gets "dope" to the topside of port wing



Steve Foss applies paint mask for star on upper port wing



Rob Kinear tows her out into sunshine



After nearly 4 months in the Restoration Hangar, rollout was May 5, 2022. Ready for closeup duty at WWW13 on May 7, 2022 as center-stage showpiece at the registrant photo station. Bomb Truck is next!

**ESTRELLA WARBIRDS MUSEUM/  
WOODLAND AUTO DISPLAY**

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**VISITORS FROM OUTSIDE THE WIRE. . .  
GOLDEN STATES CLASSIC CAR CLUB  
May 28, 2022 Dinner at EWM/WAD  
To kick off annual Paso Robles Car Show. . .**



Hidden  
Amongst  
the gems:....

Recognize anyone?  
Think **WWW13**  
Choice Of Show



May 28 gala inside Hangar 1 for Golden States Car Club private party , one of many Clubs and owners to grace Downtown Paso with the shiny iron.



**CURATOR  
FINDS** with  
Dr. Jill



**EWM May 6, 2022** - We just installed our signage for the Engine Display at Estrella Warbirds Museum. Thanks EWM Facilities Manager **Ron Brooks** for positioning them just right. The signs feature aircraft and narrative on the piston and rotary engines from WWII to Gulf War conflicts. The museum staff built the overhang structure on the east wall of Hangar One last year to showcase the collection. **Photo of EWM Curator Dr. Jill Thayer and Ron Brooks by Rob Kinnear**



**...AND THESE GENTLEMEN (VETERANS EACH)**



**Trio intercepted by Curator Dr. Jill Thayer on June 4:...**

**L To R:**

**Kirk Adams: Machinist Mate DD6154 US Navy.**

**Carl Trygstad: Captain USAF (flew T-37, 38)**

**Wallace Graves: Sergeant, US Army Military Police.**

**Gentlemen, thank you for your service!**

1. Curious about the possibility of man powered flight, **Leonardo da Vinci** studied the flight of birds. His hang glider design was deemed flight worthy in principle by aerodynamics experts.  
True or False



2. In 1507, **John Damian** strapped on a set of wings covered with chicken feathers and leaped from the battlements of Sterling Castle in Scotland. He was not successful because:
- The wings fell off.
  - He had a serious tail wind.
  - Clearly, eagle feathers would have worked.
  - Did not consider need for "soft" landing.



3. The **Wright brothers**, famous for the first powered flight; experimented with gliders to develop which crucial controls?

- pitch control
- roll control
- yaw control
- all of the above



4. The sporting use of gliders was widespread in Germany after WWI. These sporting clubs soon developed as flight training programs for the fledgling Luftwaffe.  
True or False

5. Gliders were used throughout WWII by both the Axis and the Allies. They were critical to the Normandy invasion. The British "Horsa" glider carried \_\_\_\_\_ infantry?

- 10
- 30
- 28



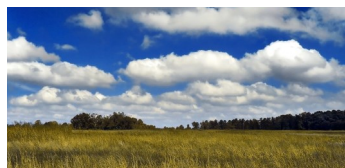
6. Sport sailplanes developed rapidly with advances in materials and aerodynamic design. Modern sailplanes such as the **ASG 29** can have a glide ratio of up to:

- 30:1
- 17:1
- 70:1



7. Sailplanes stay aloft and climb using thermals, which are rising currents of warm air. They can be visually located by the presence of:

- Cumulus clouds
- Lenticular Clouds
- Thunder heads



8. The **Perlan II**, a specially designed sailplane, holds the world altitude record of 76,000 ft.

True or False



Complete the quiz and find most answers on back page 8

## Newbie In The Duckpond



Human-powered Delivery Bike. Early 20th Century. Unibody Construction, backup camera, nice horn. Lucky to get it due to chip shortage.

## Estrella Vehicles On Parade at Santa Margarita Ranch Memorial Day



Dodge M-37, 2 Jeeps and the Gun Truck graced the annual Santa Margarita Ranch Memorial Day gathering of antique tractors and heavy equipment.



## More Visitors From "NOT-SO-OUTSIDE-THE WIRE" Famous SLO 'Vettes Corvette Club



On May 21, 2022, our Museum had a visit from 30 members of The Famous **SLO Vettes Corvette Club** (no pun whatsoever), of which I am a member. Ken Neuman was kind enough to allow me to provide a personal tour of both the aviation and automotive aspects of our facility.

This was a particularly fortuitous date, since it also enabled the club to get the opportunity to not only view, but also enter, our Betsy's Biscuit Bomber that had just returned from its monthly flight. Several members expressed an interest in obtaining a ride, the first opportunity they could.

The whole is shown posing next to some of their cars in front of Hanger #1. The club indicated that, although some had visited before, they enjoyed the additional information they received and wished to return. They wanted me to thank Estrella for giving them the opportunity to view our great facility. — Joel Chesler, EWM Local Merchant Liaison and Member of the SLO 'Vettes Club!

**Estrella Warbirds Museum**  
**Woodland Auto Display**  
**4251 Dry Creek Road**  
**Paso Robles, CA 93446**  
**805-238-9317**  
**Thursday—Sunday**  
**10am till 4pm**



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**HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!**

## Quiz, Continued from Page 4

9. The contemporary sport of hang gliding involves a human-directed airfoil launched by:

- a) *Leaping* off hills or cliffs. . . or
- b) *Leaping* out of balloons
- c) Being pulled into the air by cars
- d) All of the above



10. The world record for a straight distance hang glider flight is held by **Dustin Martin**, with a distance of 475 miles! He flew from:

- a) Mt. McKinley in Alaska
- b) Owen's Lake in California
- c) Zapata, Texas



475 miles = NYC to Detroit

**Bonus:** Where did Mr. Martin finally land his hang glider after 11 hours+ in the air?

- a) LAX
- b) PRB
- c) DFW
- d) Lorenzo NE of Lubbock



Mr. Martin in flight suit

**Watch For WWW14**  
**May 6th, 2023!**



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**LIKE MECHANICS, PHYSICS, ENGINES?**  
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**ANSWERS: 1-10: 1-True, 2-c, 3-d, 4-True, 5-c, 6-c, 7-d, 8-True, 9-d, 10-c Bonus: take wild guess**