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May Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on May 4, 1993 at the Hangar. Social Hour commencing at 6:00pm and Dinner at 7:00pm. As of this writing we are informed that Cliff and Carol Thurber will be providing the dinner which will consist of Cliff's special recipe for Chili Beans and Corn Bread!! It should be super!!

There will not be a formal program but there will be an extended discussion of the preparations for the Air Show. This may not be the most exciting meeting subject of the year but you can bet your bippy it will be one of the MOST IMPORTANT.

Fighters! Air Show '93

The May meeting will be the last FULL gathering of the troops before the Show. It is vital

that EVERY MEMBER WHO CAN POSSIBLY GET THERE, BE THERE. This will be the last chance for personal regarding committee assignments and without the participation of each member, the Show will simply be a tremendous burden for those who have already been so unselfishly involved. Please do your part. Its just so little to ask, a few hours of your time for one and a half days to help those who have been spending whole WEEKS on getting everything together. 'Nuff said!

The L-17

The WHAT? Yes you heard right! An L-17, which is what the trailer load of miscellaneous pieces which arrived here on Saturday will become! Otherwise known as a North American built Navion, the airplane was disassembled at its former

location and trucked over here where it now reposes in the small hangar. We have all heard that this was in the wind and it is now an accomplished fact. It is to be hoped that we can all sneak a look at it during the meeting and we congratulate all those involved in getting this good looking bird over here!

Dues

Just another reminder that Squadron dues are due and payable on the first of May. Please send them in or bring your checkbook to the meeting. Getting them in on time really helps our financial officer and, for that matter, the whole Squadron since we have plenty of expenses coming up before. hopefully, getting a chance to recoup them at the Airshow.





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We continue to receive applications and checks from those wishing become to corporate sponsors. Those members who have been involved in this effort have done a tremendous job and deserve a great deal of credit. This was an idea that some of us were not sure would work, but thanks to Obbie Atkinson and a NUMBER of others who have put in a LOT of effort it has become a major source of up-front income!!

Raffle Tickets

It is presumed that everyone is working diligently on selling their assigned raffle tickets. At two bucks each it really shouldn't hurt anyone too badly so give it your best. Be sure to keep track of them in any case because they have all be assigned by number and some outside group or groups will also be selling some for a small cut so we must account for them carefully.

1st Annual Airport Bum Bar-B-Que

Last Sunday's gathering of the local airport faithful was, by all accounts, a great feed and a lot of fun. In spite of half a dozen conflicts like Shafter, Sheriff's Aero Squadron barbecue and a few others, more than 70 people showed up and had a marvelous chicken & beef feast prepared by Amelia's Airport Restaurant, i.e., Marguerite and crew. Everyone raved about the chicken especially and, as usual there were tons of other goodies. From what we can gather there were few, if CAF any, members present they and definitely missed a great time.

Shafter Show

Speaking of Shafter/Minter etc., the Estrella Squadron was well represented by Glen & crew in the S-2 followed by a flock of smaller creatures, the L Birds. Sadly enough our beloved T-28 was not among the attendees as most of you know. The big bird managed to lunch a few cylinders

last week as it was headed for Formation School with our own Glen Thomson at controls. Anyone who was at the airport at the moment this all happened was able to witness a mighty professional job of aircraft handling as brought a very reluctant airplane back from a fair distance away to a safe and smooth landing on 31.

The End

This is it folks, a short letter this month so even your Ed. can get with some of his chores for the Airshow. Let's pitch in everyone. A lot of people are working overtime on this and richly deserve some real help.

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