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Honoring the Past—Inspiring the Future
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The Prez Sez

By Estrella Warbirds President
 Sherm Smoot

Members, Friends, and Veterans:

Greetings from the 50th Anniversary running of the Reno National Championship Air Races. For those of you who haven't been to this air show, you are really missing quite a spectacle of aviation marvel. I'm sitting here in our pits, having finished qualifying in the top five at a speed of over 465 MPH. As I look across the ramp I see acres of aircraft of the 1940's vintage. It's amazing that these still are the fastest prop driven, piston powered, racers of 2013! Mustangs still rule the races in their V-12 Merlin's, but every once in awhile the Pratt or Wright radials take the day.

'Nough of Air Races..... The Higgins is here, sitting outside the restoration building. She will be cleaned, painted, fitted, and then her final display area will be selected by the Board. We continue to move ahead. The Airshow is upon us this Oct. 5th. I am extremely pleased with the progress of Scott Stelzle and his team of volunteers. Gary Corippo continues to raise money for the event. Lots of warbirds will be here, folks. Lots of warbirds will be flying during the show, too. Clay Lacy and his Lear will perform along with Dennis Sanders in the Hawker Sea Fury. Eddie Andreini will dazzle the crowds with his low level aerobatics. The only Northrop Flying Wing in the world will return to the delight of all of us. Static displays will also provide eye candy for the kids. Tell your friends! They won't want to miss the air show. This major event along with the Spring Car Show helps to fund our museum. Please support these events... REMEMBER, IT'S YOUR MUSEUM!

Get involved! Grab some Air Show posters. Put them up at your favorite business. Tell everyone you come in contact with. BRAG about our air show. It's YOUR air show, too. We continue to strive toward making this the biggest air show on the central coast.

Back in the racing mode...

Bless you all and those in harms way,

John Parkin
 714-335-6999



Sherm

**Wednesday
October 2, 2013**



Beef Enchiladas
Mixed Greens
Spanish Rice
Refried Beans
Flan

Ice Tea & Coffee

\$17.00 pp

(Includes Tip & Gratuity)

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
BY MONDAY, September 25th**

805-227-0440 press *2 when
asked & follow instructions
or

Use our Website Link:

www.ewarbirds.org/dinnersvp.html



SOCIAL HOUR 6:00 PM

DINNER 7:00 PM

714 335 6999

OCTOBER PROGRAM

Lt. Col. Ed Cobleigh

Author of:

“War for the Hell of It, a Fighter
Pilot’s View of Viet Nam”

Available in the Museum

Gift Shop



The Battle of Britain

Why did the Royal Air Force win?

Come with us back to those dark days of the summer of 1940 when 1,100 young men climbed into their Spitfires and Hurricanes to have a go at saving Western Europe from the Nazis. Sir Winston Churchill said of the pilots, “Never in the history of human conflict have so many owed so much to so few.” Why and how did the Royal Air Force defeat the might Luftwaffe?

Ex-Royal Air Force fighter pilot and Estrella Warbirds Museum member Ed Cobleigh will profile the personalities on both sides, break down the tactics, compare the aircraft, and analyze the successes and mistakes of a pivotal air battle of WWII. He will draw on crew room stories told to him by veteran Spitfire pilots and a long history of research to weave the story of, as Sir Winston also said, “A close-run thing.”

Who, second only to Sir Winston himself, was the most influential leader of Britain during preparation for the battle, one that only he and Churchill believed could be won? Come and find out on October 2, 2013 at the Estrella Warbirds Museum in Paso Robles.

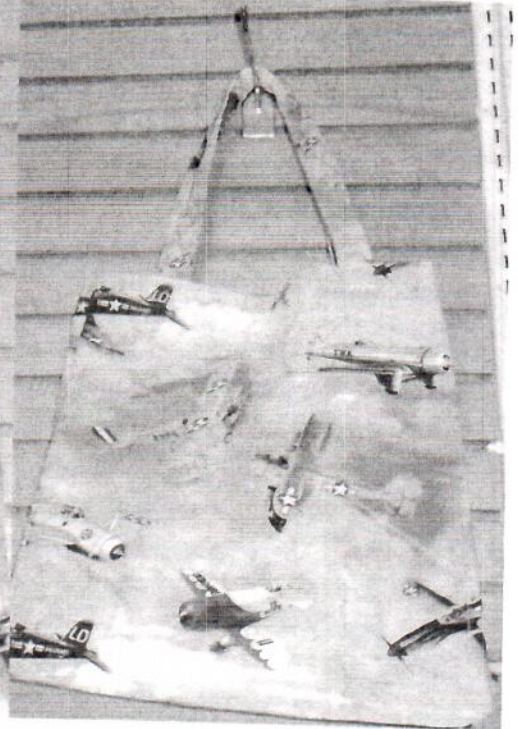
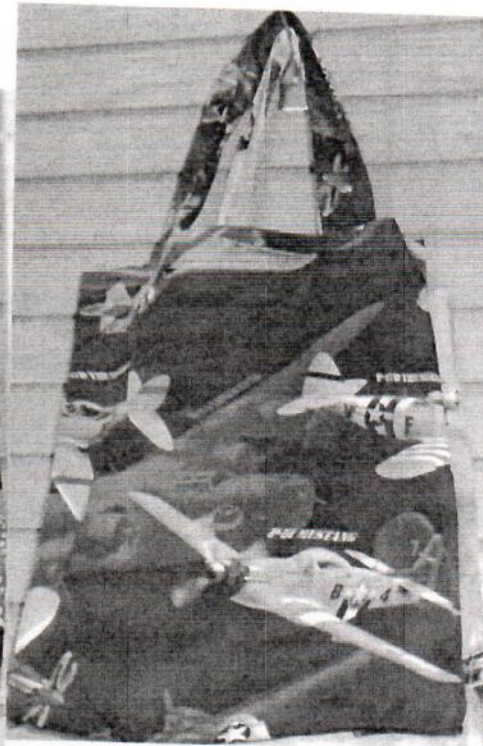
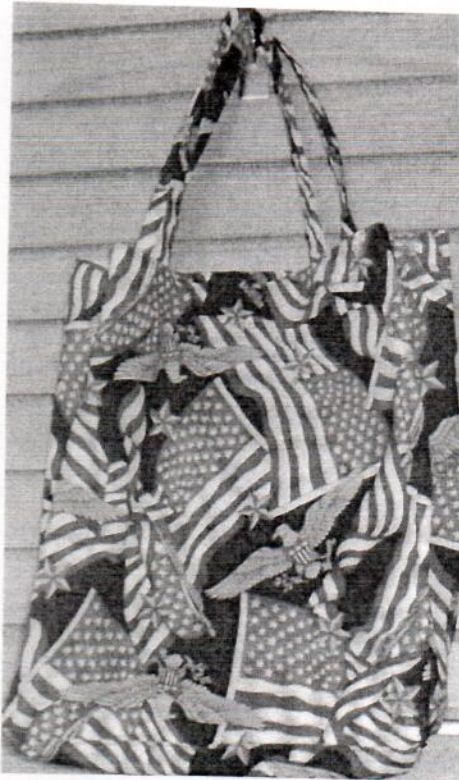
Lt. Col. Cobleigh, USAF (Ret) has been a fighter weapons instructor pilot with the USAF, USN, RAF, French Air Force and Imperial Iranian Air Force.

Be sure to check out his book in our Museum Gift Shop.

George Marrett

GIFT SHOP GAB

Jackie Brooks, Manager



These beautiful bags are in the Gift Shop and made by Ronda, daughter of Jackie and Ron Brooks. They are completely lined and limited in number!



We have models on sale.....let the Grandkids start out their modeling skills on one of these sale items.

Don't forget we have many logo items available now in our Gift Shop.

Books authored by our own members are always available too. Some of them even have the authors signature inside of them.

**REMEMBER: We are "OPEN" from 5:45 to 6:45 PM before our dinner meetings.
FOR INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN HELP AS A GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEER**

Contact the Gift Shop any Thursday—Sunday, 10 AM to 4 PM

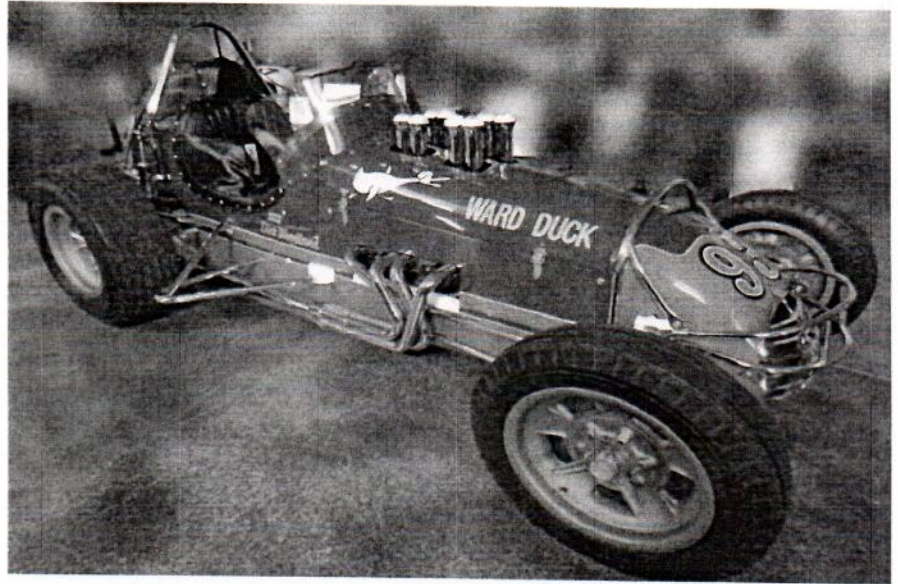
Phone 238-9317 or Jackie 703-0028

We look forward to hearing from you!

PAPA DUCKS POND

Woodland Family Collection

1965 Sprint Car purchased in 1966 by Dick Woodland upon returning home from the service. He drove it beginning in late 1966 in the racing circuits. He later decided to let others do the driving and just become an owner. Drivers were Jim Eiland, Frank Secrist and Ken Van Blargan. The car was sold and later destroyed in a crash in northern CA.



In 2000, this Don Thomas/Hank Henry twin car was located and purchased. It was restored to the 1966 Hank Henry specifications of the #93 Dick Woodland sprint car. This restoration was performed by former two time CRA Champion, and member of the National Sprint Car Hall of Fame, Billy Wilkerson.

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MUSEUM MUSINGS
with **Alexandrea Helms**



On August 31st the Marino family from Pueblo, CO let their daughter, Alyssa, take a SIM ride with operator, Jerry Takier. They said they wouldn't be giving her flying lessons anytime soon. However, their son, Parker, who plays a lot of video games is ready for flight school now.

This family was just 4 of the 68 visitors we had that day. We had a couple from Australia that loved all of it. Another visitor was from London, England and very impressed with the collection of aircraft.

THAT SAME DAY OUR DOCENT MET A MAN FROM HER HOMETOWN! WAY COOL!

EWM Member:
Jack McLaughlin
& daughter, Sandee
Honor Flight
Participant
August 22—24, 2013



Jack's history is already a part of our museum for all to enjoy. Now, with the Honor Flight program, as a WWII veteran, he made the trip to Washington, DC to see the memorial that has been put up in their honor.

Jack was forced out of a crippled B17 in WWII when his parachute pull-ring broke off as he fell. With his own resourcefulness, he got the chute to open!

ILLNESS AND CONCERN:

Richard Campbell has had surgery. He is home but needs our prayers and support.

Ruth Dickey is steadily improving and hopes to return to the Museum soon.

Charmaine Peckinpugh had surgery for cancer and is recovering at home. She gets stronger every day.

Jeanne Thiebaud had a new procedure for liver cancer. She says she is feeling great.

To publish names of members, call Judy Corippo at 238-2090 prior to the 15th of the month if you want your information shared in the newsletter. Thank you.

LIBRARY BOOKNOTES from the PECKINPAUGH LIBRARY



Tom Gorham

The library is now open—planned hours of operation are:

Thursdays 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Saturdays 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Dinner Meeting Evenings—5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

(Note—these hours may be changed or expanded)

The library is now open for members and visitors. We have spent our time continuing to organize current materials and processing new materials. We are continuing to add new materials to the shelves. Thanks to a couple of generous folks, we have almost 250 new items.

We are still looking for **VOLUNTEERS**, willing to donate a few hours a month to help operate the library. We need you to work either the morning (10:00 AM—1:00 PM) or afternoon (1:00—4:00 PM) shift on Fridays. Also, someone willing to work the Sunday afternoon (1:00—4:00 PM) shift and someone willing to work either morning (10:00 AM—1:00 PM) or afternoon (1:00—4:00 PM) shift on the first Saturday of each month. If you have the time and want to volunteer, we would love to have you consider the library. Please stop by and see us on either Thursdays or Saturdays, if you have questions or want more information, about library volunteering.

WANTED:

Atascadero Veterans Memorial Foundation is looking for a Secretary and a Treasurer.

In the past two months, people in both positions have been lost. There is no pay, no fame but LOTS of satisfaction. It is a great cause to work for!

For more information, please call

466-1088 or 462-1267

Or email REAAnnH@msn.com

CONTRIBUTION CORNER



We often hear the question, "How can I help or donate?" Here are a couple of ideas that cost little monetarily, but provide huge dividends for your museum.

LABOR DONATIONS:

Saturdays are a normal workday for any volunteer. Just show up and come prepared to work. **OR**, the crew working on Saturdays likes to have lunch in the dining hall. We ask for volunteers to cook lunch for our workers on that day. It is at no cost to the cooks. You are reimbursed for the supplies you need to make the meal happen. Salads, soups and sandwiches are all welcomed. The sign-up sheet hangs in the kitchen. In addition, there are currently multiple projects that continue during the week.

VOLUNTEER DOCENTS:

We continually need docents and Gift Shop workers, flight simulator instructors and staff for our new Library. Come visit us in the museum Gift Shop during our regular hours or contact Alexandria. We just need a good attitude. We can train you. You are guaranteed to meet some wonderful people and make new friends.

CONTACTS: Alexandria 238-9317/Library volunteers—Tom Gorham at tag2878@cox.net

Your museum lives and breathes only through the contributions of its members and the public. Please consider a donation to your museum today. Keep the top portion of this page for your records and tear off the bottom portion to accompany your tax deductible gift. Make a check payable to THE ESTRELLA WARBIRDS MUSEUM.

Send it to: 4251 Dry Creek Road, Paso Robles, CA 93446

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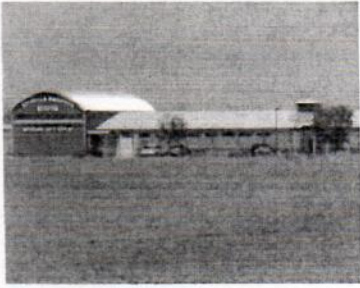
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DATES TO REMEMBER!

Wednesday, October 2	Dinner Meeting	6:00pm Social/7:00pm Dinner
Wednesday, October 16	Board Meeting	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm