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By Doug McDougall

hey are often

overlooked, are by definition underpaid, and are frequently taken for granted, but literally thousands of organizations in this country depend on them. April 21-27 is National Volunteer Week and I want to take this opportunity to thank all volunteers, especially our volunteers who make the AAA, the wonderful organization that it is.

In the United States, about 25% of adults report performing volunteer work in a

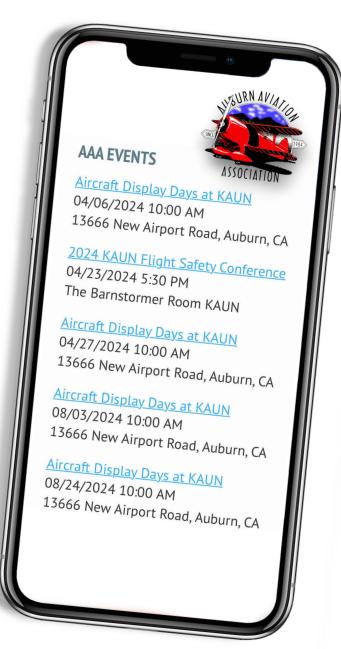
given year. They are estimated to contribute 4.1 billion (yes billion) hours of work per year worth an estimated \$123 billion. Those are staggering numbers.

The AAA has a need for more volunteers. I would like to add 10 new names to our list of go to people to call when AAA needs something done. If you'd like to become more involved, come to our monthly meeting and enjoy being around people who love flying. Pull me aside, and let me know you're willing to land to hand. We'll both be glad you did!

# Events









# AUBURN AVIATION FLIGHT SAFETY CONFERENCE

### FOR PILOTS

APRIL 23, 2024 | 6:00PM KAUN | BARNSTORMER ROOM | FREE PIZZA 5:30PM

# AERONAUTICAL DECISION MAKING "ADM"

FREE PIZZA AND DOOR PRIZE GIVEAWAYS INCLUDING HEADSET, RADIOS, & MORE!

### Presentations

Controlled Flight into

**Terrain CFIT** 

City of Auburn
Placer County Sheriff
CHP
Local CFIs
Juan Browne



## THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

# The April meeting is Aviation Story and Joke night!

Everybody bring your aviation stories and jokes. Aviation stories must be based (somewhat) in truth.

Jokes must be wholesome.

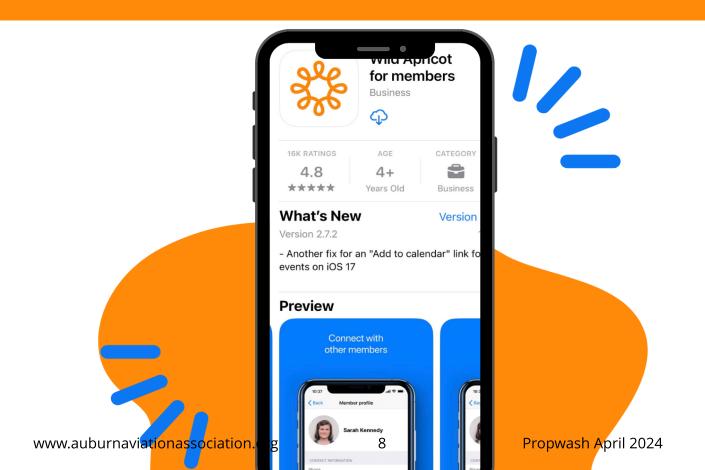


Our membership directory is online! Download the Wild Apricot Member App and then login with the same user name and password you use on the website.

Members in good standing can access four tabs:

- Members directory
- Events listings, including Zoom links and MENU for the potlucks
- My Tickets, where you can view events for which you have registered (Safety Conference, Career Day)
  - My Profile

<u>Click here</u> if you need to join or renew your membership so you can access this convenient information.



### An Update from the Manager's Desk at KAUN

by Tyghe Richardson

### Airport owned hangar update!

This month the City Council approved a standardized lease agreement for the Airport owned hangars. In preparation and expectation of this we reorganized and cleared up the area behind the terminal building. This was to clear the Taxi Obstruction Free Area (TOFA). The goal for a TOFA on a field our size is 89 total or 44.5 feet each side of the centerline. Please keep this in mind when operating on the field especially when parking



We are currently offering the 9 vacant airport owned tee hangars to our hangar waitlist. This will increase the taxiway usage next to the terminal

cars.

building. When driving on the field please keep this new taxi pattern in mind.

### The airport survey.

The airport and surrounding areas were surveyed this month by NV5. NV5 is a company that specializes in surveying airports. This survey was in-conjunction with the master plan update project. The surveyor that performed the task was able to find many interesting and valuable points both on and off the field. The most interesting points to pilots are the ones he found on the runway.



The runway section of the survey verifies the runway data that the FAA uses. The most interesting off field point he found was the old Auburn weather station and original Beacon location. This dates to the 1930's and is located on a property adjacent to the airport and about 900 feet southeast of the current beacon location. It is not much to

look at and not photogenic, but it is a very interesting and great piece of history. In addition to using many

tried and true survey techniques, the surveyor utilized some very modern ones. One of the most interesting was his use of radio beacons and GPS receivers shown here. These beacons helped expedite his identification of locations and increased the accuracy of the overall survey.



### Almost an accident.

As I was preparing to write this month's propwash article, I had the unfortunate opportunity to witness a near miss. This near miss was the result of a line up and wait. The pilot that lined up to wait, was delayed in their departure causing the helicopter traffic on final to execute a 360 to avoid an accident. This was very unsettling to watch, and very dangerous. The AOPA has mentioned this activity in its SAFETY ADVISOR on operations & proficiency no. 3 on page 3.

The AOPA safety advisor provides valuable information for the continued safe operation of aircraft. Please review the safety advisor, it can be found at this link

### **Land Use**

In the coming weeks and months Placer County will be evaluating the proposed rezone of several properties in the airport influence area. It is important for your opinion to be heard for the future of the airport, the over-flight, and housing located near the airport. For more information please visit, https://www.placer.ca.gov/9455/Housing-Element-Sites Rezone

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions. The door is always open!

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## As the Prop Turns

by Mike Duncan

April showers bring May flowers. Yes, it is that time of year for those light rains and a sky full of rainbows. All

of the valley will be covered with green grass, purple lupine, and yellow poppies. All of them will be in full bloom at the same time. With the flowers blooming, so will the birds, bugs, and snakes. Be on the lookout for those birds nests in and around your airplane and don't forget those snakes. Those pesky snakes like to hide around



wheels and chocks and hanger doors. Be sure to to use that pitot cover for bugs in the pitot and static system. As far as the flying is concerned, it will only get better now that spring has arrived. So now is the time to plan your flying vacation and take advantage of the spring weather.

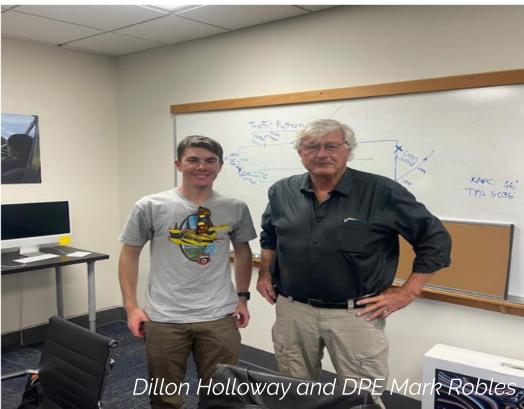
The following folks will have taken advantage of the few days this past month to achieve a few new flying benchmarks. **Lucas Wherry** flew his first solo in C-172 with **Corbin Kunst** as his instructor. Lucas had earned a scholarship through the Sacramento State University ROTC program and he is now on his way to private life. Once he has earned that he will be on his way to Air Force flight training. **Patrick Hadley** was also able to solo in a C-172 with **David Longo** as his instructor. **Josh Saint** was also able to do his first solo in his C-182 thanks to David Longo.

Rachel Randall earned her Private Pilots License with Corbin Kunst as her instructor. Mark Robles was the Designated Pilot Examiner. Mark was not there yet. That same day he flew with Dillon Holloway in his Cessna 185. His dad, David Holloway, was Dillons instructor and David's first student as a CFI. Congratulations David on 100% pass rate. Dillon was hoping to have done his ride on his 17th birthday but









could not due to weather and examiner availability. Despite the delays he passed with "flying" colors.

Last but not least, **Brooklyn Irvine** earned her Commercial Pilots License. Corbin Kunst was her instructor and Mark Montague was the pilot examiner. After a brief break to enjoy her new rating she will work toward her Flight

Instructor Rating.
Additionally Brooklyn is an award winner of one of the many grants through AAA. Congratulations to



While on the subject of

all on a job well done.

scholarships, our scholarship board met this past week and conducted the applicant interviews. A final list of all the scholarship recipients will be published next month.

**Don Wolfe** has set up another Aviation Stand Down day. It will be on April 23 at 6 pm. In the Barnstormer Room. It will be open to all to attend. Don says there will be free pizza and beer. Ok, only free pizza. There should be something for everyone. Check out the announcement elsewhere in the newsletter. The primary subject will be Aeronautical Decision Making (ADM). The best way to make good decisions is to know as much as you can about flying. Only through knowledge can you make a good decision. This will be your opportunity to become a better pilot and improve your flying techniques and procedures. Thanks Don for doing all that you do for the association and the airport.

This is the year for Auburn Airport Birthday. The airport will be ninety years old this year. From a fledgling dirt runway to what we have today. What it is today is the result of five generations of aviators promoting aviation and its valve to the community. Let's keep up the good work.

Well that is all for this month. Good Night Miss Daisy.



# Mach 5 Aerochronicles

by Shayden Eagleheart

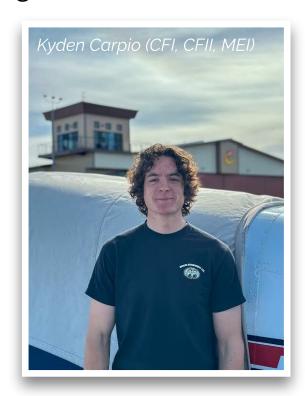
As we transition away from the unpredictable weather of March, here at Mach 5 Aviation we are gearing up for some sunny flying days ahead! In March we had some fun,

welcomed a new instructor, and participated in the EAA Young Eagles event. In the spirit of keeping things lively, we had some good laughs with "Mustache March" started by one of our instructors, and enjoyed seeing students and staff alike adorning fake



mustaches around the airport. We look forward to more students meeting their goals, amusing staff shenanigans, and event participation in April! While March was rife with no-fly days, our students and instructors were still able to get out and enjoy the sporadic good days and progress towards their ratings. One such student was **Brad P.**, who accomplished his first solo with the dutiful instruction of his CFI: **Sarah Reese**.

This month, we are excited to announce a new flight instructor who has joined our team. **Kyden** 



Carpio brings us his experience as a CFI, CFII and MEI and is excited to start teaching! Whether you're just starting your aviation journey or seeking advanced instruction, Kyden is here to guide you on your way. As we welcome the warmer

weather and longer days, now is the perfect time to take to the skies and pursue your aviation dreams. Whether you're aiming for your first solo flight, advancing to a new rating, or simply seeking to brush up on your skills, Mach 5 is here to support you every step of the way.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for upcoming EAA Young Eagles Day on April 13th, where we'll be proudly donating a plane and pilot to inspire the next generation of aviators, as well as volunteering on ground crew to keep things rolling. It's a wonderful chance to share the magic of flight with these eager young pilots and help to ignite a passion for aviation that will last a lifetime.

As we go into Spring, we want to make known that Mach 5 Aviation is more than just a flight school - we're a community united by a shared love of aviation. Whether you're a seasoned pilot or a novice enthusiast, we invite you to join us on your journey. If you enjoyed this month's newsletter, we invite you to take a look at our website www.mach5aviation.com or our social media @mach5aviation for up-to-date news on life at Mach 5. Wishing everyone clear skies, and happy April!



Delta Airlines Captain Tierra Bickford and SkyWest Airlines First Officer Camile Tricomo severed on the airline panel at the 35th Annual Women in Aviation International Conference in Orlando, Florida on March 21-23, 2024.

Some children were e

easily.

WAI is the largest organization in the world dedicated to increasing the number of women involved in all aspects of aviation and aerospace. More information can be found at :www.wai.org

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

#### **Airline Pilot Panel**

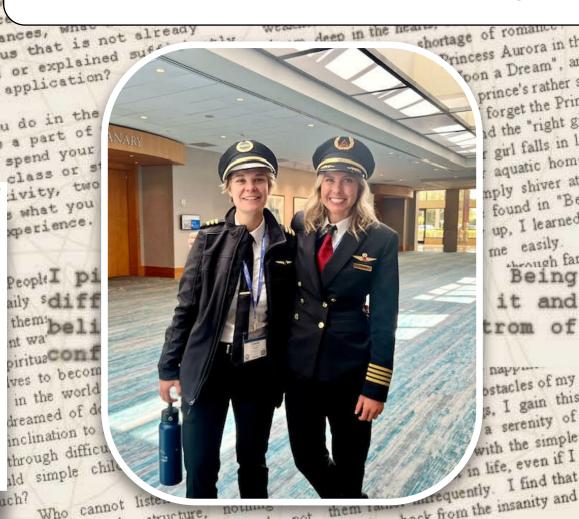
1:45-2:45 p.m.

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Panelists: Tierra Bickford, Jennifer Meiners,

Ann Marie Nicholas, Camile Tricomo

Each female pilot representing regional, cargo, and major airlines share her personal journey to her current position. Attendees can then ask questions. The goal of this session is to encourage, as well as inspire, other female pilots and help them realize they, too, can achieve their dream career.





# Photos



Views above Lake Almanor area and Gansner Field Airport (201) courtesy of Jordan Brown





#### Auburn Aviation Association December 16, 2023 9am Auburn New Cemetery

#### **Wreath Sponsorship Form**

Sponsored wreaths are placed on grave markers at state and national veterans' cemeteries, as well as at local, community cemeteries each December. Wreaths may also be sponsored online at <a href="www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org">www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org</a>. If you wish to make your sponsorship with a credit card, please visit our website for a secure online transaction.

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### Col. C.E. 'Bud' Anderson Fundraiser BRICK ORDER FORM

Bronze monument of Col. Bud Anderson and his P-51 Mustang "Old Crow" created by Douglas Van Howd and installed at the Auburn Airport

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Honor a loved one – Advertise a business – Share another message

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