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President's Message:

Happy New Year! Many thanks to our friends at EAA 13345 for inviting us to their Holiday Party. Due to the sudden and unexpected closing of CJ's @ The Airport, the EAA party venue move tom where else, Bend Builders Assist hanger. Which turned out great.

Now it is time to get back to our regular schedule. We'll gather in the Bend Builders Assist hanger, 63030 Powell Butte Road, on the south west corner of KBDN, on January 19th (the Third Thursday) at 6pm. Bring your own dinner, and we'll eat right away before food get cold. As always, many thanks go out to Mike Robertson, and Mike Wissing, for letting us use their space.

Saturday, our Fly-out Day, is forecast Partly Cloudy, high of 47F, and winds 7 to 8 mph Should be nice Fly-out weather.

Newsletter Inputs:

Current and past CO-OPA newsletters, are on our website at:

https://co-opa.com

Please send comments and story ideas to: gem@rellim.com

Fly-outs (not):

The weather for our November Fly-out was fine, but for some reason pilots did not want to walk almost two miles at 0F to get to our dining destination in Christmas valley. So, like October, we took Plan B and at Palmer's Cafe, on Greenwood,

The weather for our December Fly-out was a little better, but lack of interest had us head to Sheri's North for breakfast.

Movie Review: Devotion:

Devotion is a big budget (\$90M) holiday release movie about Navy Corsair pilots during the Korean War. Featuring a few planes from the Erickson Aircraft Collection (EAC). Those planes were flown by EAC pilots Michael Oliver and Bill Martinelli. Plus vintage aircraft from other museums. Rotten Tomatoes critics gave it an 85%. IMDB gave it a 67 out of 100. Box office was a dismal \$20M. The basic premise is compelling, even if changed and embellished a bit from the true story. The Marines felt the need to issue a statement that they were not so stupid as to bomb bridges the way shown in the movie.

I found the cinematography not up to the big screen. It had a photoshopped feel. Streaming it on your home TV will be fine. Somehow the acting never grabbed me. The biggest sin was having Georgia stand-in for Rhode Island. Still, worth seeing just for the local angle and historical value.

Deschutes Flying Club:

A new local flying club is happening. The club is starting with a 1978 Cessna 172N, N738MR. It has been newly-updated with new paint, updated avionics, dual Garmin G5s, 4-place intercom, and has a more powerful 180 HP Lycoming engine STC with increased gross weight. Useful load is 986 lbs.; a true 4 place airplane. See: https://deschutesflyingclub.org/

Calendar:

19 January – Monthly Meeting

21 January – Monthly Fly-out

16 February-- Monthly Meeting

18 February – Monthly Fly-out

16 March – Monthly Meeting

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