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President's Message:

What a difference a month makes! Most of us have our shots. Anyone that wants them can get them without a wait. The mask mandates are going away. And Summer like weather has been teasing us!

So, time for on in person CO-OPA Meeting, on this Third Thursday, May 19th. Let's meet at 6pm in the Bend Builders Assist hanger 63030 Powell Butte Road on the south west corner of KBDN. Bringing our own dinner, and we'll eat right away before food get cold. Maybe we can get the pot luck going this summer.

Mike Roberson is happy to have us back, and says he has some cool new planes under construction for us to see on Thursday. Many thanks go out to Mike for letting us use his space.

Around 6:30pm we can get on to open discussion, and plan our Monthly Fly-out for this Saturday. Or not. Weather.gov forecasts 80% chance of precipitation after noon. Weather Underground guesses cloudy all day, 30% chance of precip most of the day. Maybe the forecast changes, but a local breakfast seems more likely...

CO Aviation Weather Cameras:

Jay Bunning has collected, and annotated, a number of Central Oregon Web cameras for aviation use. He has provided annotated the images with range and distance to many landmarks. That makes it easy to check what you can expect for flight conditions in the area:

<https://www.helicoptertrainingvideos.com/central-oregon-aviation-weather-webcams/>

Calendar:

20 May -- Monthly Meeting
22 May -- Month Fly-out

17 June -- Monthly Meeting
19 June -- Monthly Fly-out

15 July – Monthly Meeting
17 July – Monthly Fly-out

Newsletter Inputs:

Check out current and past CO-OPA newsletters, view our membership list and view hot aviation links on our website at: <http://co-opa.com>

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

Fly-outs():

Our April Fly-out took advantage of Severe Clear throughout Oregon to head to Independence Airport (7S9). The Starduster Cafe there had outside seating for us so we could appreciate an early taste of Spring while scoring the landings. After lunch we strolled around the airport, ignoring the Private Property signs and were invited into many unique hangers. I asked about the signs, and was told that was just to keep out the kiwis.

May saw a Bonus Fly-out to join “The Grumman Gang” at the Flight Deck Restaurant on Salem Airport (SLE). Just a little haze, but a smooth flight over. Neil Chase, Past President of OPA also joined for an update on what OPA and the Oregon International Airshow are doing. On the way back, Seattle Center casually dropped that the Skydive Awesome jump plane just reported Extreme Turbulence of Madras. Luckily there was only Continuous Light Chop from the ridge line into Bend.

Bend Airport Master Plan:

The Bend Airport Master Plan is converging on a “Preferred Alternative”. No surprises, and a lot of little details still to work.

Good news is they want to start construction planning for a control tower in 2022. Bad news is that there is no money for it.

Bend Airport Master Plan (Cont.)::

Check it the planning materials so far:

<https://www.bendoregon.gov/government/departments/economic-development/bend-municipal-airport/airport-master-plan>

