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President's Message:

Weather dampened last month's Bend Airport Day. Still, those that showed up found out that any day at the airport is a good day. Breakfast and lunch were good and the people were the best

Sunriver will have their annual Whings and Wheels flyin and breakfast July 28th. That will be followed by the Prineville EAA flyin and breakfast August 11th. The weather can't be bad for every summer flyin can it?

As always we'll have the usual 6:00pm hanger flying, chow down at the 6:30pm pot luck and 7:00pm meeting. All taking place downstairs in the KBDN Flight Services Building.

Calendar:

19 July – Monthly Meeting

21 July – Monthly Flyout – Prospect?

28 July – Wings and Wheels – Sunriver

11 August – EAA Flyin Prineville

16 August – Monthly Meeting

18 August - Monthly Flyout

24-25 August – Airshow of the Cascades (S33)

7-9 September – WAAAM Fly-In (4S2)

20 September – Monthly Meeting

22 September – Monthly Flyout

18 October – Monthly Meeting

20 October - Monthly Flyout

Web doings:

Check out current and past CO-OPA newsletters, view our membership list and view hot aviation links on our website at:

co-opa.com

To access the members only areas the username is "BDN" and the password is "123.0"

My INBOX:

The West Taxiway project just keeps chugging along. All the work to the north of the Gas Pumps is now complete. Now it is the turn for the south end to be ripped up. That means tenants in the south hangers will need to taxi on the ramp to the FBO before getting to the runway. Access will be tight so be carfull on the south ramp for traffic.

Our hearts were with Kent Couch on his recent cluster balloon trip, but the weather was not. First the winds pushed him almost up to Madras, and then most of the back to Bend. Then hail broke 35 of his 300 helium balloons.

Kent still plans another cluster balloon trip this fall. The trip will be in Iraq to raise awareness about the plight of Iraqi orphans.

You can read up a bit more on the flgith on Kent's web site:

http://www.couchballoons.com/

Random Thoughts:

Very sad news this month. One of our own, Norma Wilfong, has passed on after a long fight with cancer. Norma will be missed by all that knew her.

Don has requested that in lieu of flowers that a donation be made in her name to the CO-OPA Christmas Charity fund. Make checks out to "Central Oregon Chapter of the Oregon Pilots Association".

Norma spearheaded the fund for many years and through it really made a difference in many deserving childrens lives. May she continue to serve as a guiding spirit for us and the charity for many years to come.

Newsletter Inputs:

Send your newsletter tidbits to: gem@rellim.com

