CASCADE FLYER

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_____<u>August</u> 2015, Vol. 15, Issue 7 Random Thoughts:

President's Message:

Grr, smoke here and there, and occasionally everywhere. Visibility sometimes down to under three miles. Even the ducks are IFR. Come join us at our July meeting to swap fire tales. We meet in the KBDN Flight Services Building this Thursday, the Third Thursday, 16 July 2015, around 6pm. Pot luck at 6:30pm, and the usual 'formal' meeting at 7pm.

With luck we may be able to plan a fly-out that avoids the smoke and TFR's.

And don't forget about the the Airshow of the Cascades on Friday night and Saturday the 28th and 29th of August. Manfred Radius in his glider, Greg Colyer in his T-33 jet, Justin Homan on his morotcycles, and a whole lot more.

More info, and adavnce ticket sales, on their web site:

Calendar:

20 August – Monthly Meeting

22 August – Monthly Fly-out

28-29 August – Airshow of the Cascades (S33)

17 September – Monthly Meeting

19 September – Monthly Fly-out

15 October - Monthly Meeting

17 October – Monthly Fly-out

19 November – Monthly Meeting

21 November – Monthly Fly-out

If you are, like I am, an AOPA member, then you received an email from them about the new AOPA Go app. This replaces their previous FlyQ app, which in turn replaced their Palm app.

Seeing that the app if free, after paying my annual dues, I grabbed a copy from the Google Play Store. The app is also available for iOS.

Finally AOPA partnered with someone that should know a bit about aviation software: Jeppesen. Which makes AOPA Go an even bigger disappointment than their two previous aweful apps.

Just for starters: the app is incredibly slow; moving around in the app requires you to flip around tediously; screen space is mostly wasted; searching is hard; etc. And to make it almost pointless, it has no charts.

Take a pass on this turkey.

If you are looking for a good aviation app, then check out Avare. Pronounced "Av Air". It downloads geo-referenced VFR, IFR Charts Airport Diagrams and Approach Plates. Best of all it is free. Jeppesen should be worried.

My favorite app is AviationMaps. Recently renamed to FlightPro and then renamed to DroidEFB. The annual cost is less than I was spending on paper charts that were always out of date. Plus it gives me real-time inflight NEXRAD radar and METARS using my ADS-B receiver.

July Fly-out:

Our July Fly-out was actually a fly-in. Leading Edge Aviation celebrated their 10th anniversary with free food, airplane rides, and an open house. Congrats to LEA for all their success.

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"

Newsletter Inputs:

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