

# CASCADE FLYER



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Welcome back all to our new CO-OPA monthly newsletter. Mike Bond has generously volunteered to take over our monthly newsletter. All our members will be emailed a copy and it will also be posted on our website.

Next time you see Mike be sure to give him a hearty Thank You. Better yet, give him something to put in the newsletter. As any editor knows, the hardest thing about publishing is getting lot's of compelling new content. If you have any stories, photos, or general news, be sure to send it along to Mike to help punch up the newsletter.

While I am doing the begging, if anyone has any suggestions for speakers at our meetings, please bring them to my attention. Good speakers are always in demand.

The Bend Airport Ad Hoc committee is just winding down. They have had their final meeting and will be giving their final reports to the City Council this month. The positive results of the hard work of the committee are already showing. The City has already hired a new Airport Manager and committed to funding the safety improvements the FAA wants at S07.

Three of the committee members come from our membership: Ed Endsley, Dale Evans and Ken Sandine. When you see them, be sure to thank them for all their hard work. The squeaky wheel gets the grease and they have been squeaking overtime for us.

If you have been around the Bend Airport recently you will have noticed our newest addition to the airport: Greg Phillips. Greg is the new part time Bend Airport manager. He brings a great background to the job and has hit the ground running. Do to Greg's hard work the Nelson Road realignment should be breaking ground any day now. He is working on finally getting an AWOS for us, and a host of other long delayed projects.

You can see Greg in his new office, the old pilots sleeping room. He can also be reached by phone at 389-0258, or by email at: <mailto:gphillips@ci.bend.or.us>.

Another of our members, Amy Prutzman, has been appointed to the Oregon State Aviation Board.

Her appointment is still awaiting Senate confirmation but how could they turn her down? With Amy and Cary Novick on the Board we are sure to be heard well at the State level.

Other good things could be happening soon at the airport. They City is negotiating to put large hangars where the North tie-downs now sit. The parking spots lost to the new buildings would be replaced by paving over the dirt area where the gliders now tie down.

Epic Aircraft of Redmond is negotiating to move to S07. They have committed to send a speaker to one of our upcoming meetings ... the exact date is still being worked out. You can see more about their company and airplane on their website: <http://www.epicaircraft.com/>

## Calendar:

16 September - Monthly Meeting

18 September - Monthly Flyout

21 October - Monthly Meeting

Topics will include discussion of 2005 officers.

23 October - Monthly Flyout

18 November - Monthly Meeting

Election of 2005 Officers.

20 November - Monthly Flyout

16 December - Monthly Meeting

Xmas Party

18 December - Monthly Flyout

## Website:

The web site is getting a bit outdated, but there should be at least monthly updates to the home page, now that Mike Bond is getting the newsletter back on it's feet. If you have anything for the web site, send it along to me at: <http://co-opa.rellim.com/>

There are two popular links in the left menu bar. "Membership List" will take you to a recent copy of the CO-OPA membership list that is so well maintained by Don Wilfong. To keep it from the eyes of the spammers it has a username (S07) and a password (123.0).

Any active local pilot should be able to remember those!

### **Last Months Flyout:**

With so many fantastic things to fly out to in August we always have a hard time getting a large group together. On 21 August, Jack Kohler, Dale and Ginny Evans, Ed Endsley and myself flew out to the Baker City pancake breakfast, fly-in, airshor and steak feed. The supply of Huckleberries was limited ...still breakfast was great. The show opened with skydivers, but six Ospreys stole the show when they flew in formation circles over the ramp. After the formal airshow, Jack Kohler joined in and gave one of the locals a ride. Ed Endsley flew with me in my plane down the Oregon Trail to Ontario and Vale. Dragging a wagon up that trail must have been pretty hard.

Dale, Ginny and Jack stayed over night to partake of the local hospitality. Then stayed over another night due to weather.

### **New mailing list:**

The co-opa mailing list is intended to convey general club notices to the general membership. There has always been a dynamic tension between those that want to keep the email to a minimum and between those that want to reach out and touch their fellow pilots on a daily basis. Now we can have it both ways ....

We have a new mailing list:

<mailto:co-opa-gab@rellim.com>. Its purpose is to provide a means to just gab about flying in Central Oregon. Need a ride? Got an extra seat? Questions about an airport? Want to brag about a newfound flying destination? This is the place!

If you don't want any more email, then just do nothing. If you have an unfulfilled need to talk or listen to other local pilots, then you need to subscribe. Just send an empty email to this address and you are in:

<mailto:co-opa-gab@rellim.com>

### **Oregon Airport Directories:**

The club has purchased 10 copies of the new Oregon Airport Directory. They will be available for purchase at the next meeting. If you have not seen these new books then take the time to check one out. There are two pages for each public airport in the state. One page has a nice aerial photo of the airport and the other an airport diagram.

Regards,  
GARY

### **Editor's Note:**

I thank Gary for the kind words and echo his plea (at least it's a plea when it comes from me!) ... the newsletter can only be as good as the inputs we receive.

Continuing a feature from the previous editor, just click on any colored web address in the newsletter and, if you're already connected, that's where you will be taken. I must give credit to Jack Kohler for the picture I chose for the newsletter banner ... if you would like something different, just let me know. Am I cheating by starting at Issue 9??

Remember to take a camera when you go on a flyout or at any aviation event ... and take photos ... at the McCall Family Fly-in last month we had cameras but all forgot to use them ... I guess we were enjoying ourselves too much!

However many photos *were* taken at the Madras Air show, as Don Wilfong will show below ...

### **Madras Air Show:**

Quite a few of us flew to Madras and some of us even camped overnight. There was a lot of planes on display, a bunch of cars on display, and there was a great air show that lasted into the evening and included a sailplane carrying pyrotechnics

There was plenty to do all day; they served breakfast; there were food and drink vendors all over the place; they even had a great potroast dinner a hangar dance with a rock band ... this event gets better every year so be sure and plan for it next year...

This fly-in deserved a lot more of a write-up but I started too late and ran out of time ... I did manage to take a few pictures this time ... maybe they will help tell you how great it was.

Don Wilfong





## McCALL FAMILY MOUNTAIN FLY-IN:

We had a bunch of people from Central Oregon show up at McCall, Idaho for the fly-in; .Mike & Ann Bond, Bob & Nancy Lecklider, Steve & Bobbie Wright & their Grandson Cole, Richard Benson, Arnie & Carol Vetterick and Don & Norma Wilfong. With "Senior Moments" being what they are .... I may have forgotten someone or made a mistake or two...but there were quite a few from Central Oregon.

It was well worth the trip with lots to look at in the way of planes on display (and many that were not on display but were just great to look at), good food and good seminars.

Quite a few Instructors volunteered their time for the Wings Program. You flew one hour with each of three instructors and if you attended just one seminar too, it qualified under the Wings Program to replace your biennial.

The Pace Program allowed you to have the FAA check both you and your plane out. If there were problems they would take no action and if your plane had a problem but could still fly okay they would give you a ferry permit to take it home to have the problem corrected."The Friendly FAA".

The FAA, the State of Idaho Aeronautics, the local FBOs, the City of McCall, the Smoke Jumpers and everyone else that had a part in this great fly-in went out of their way to make it a really spectacular weekend.

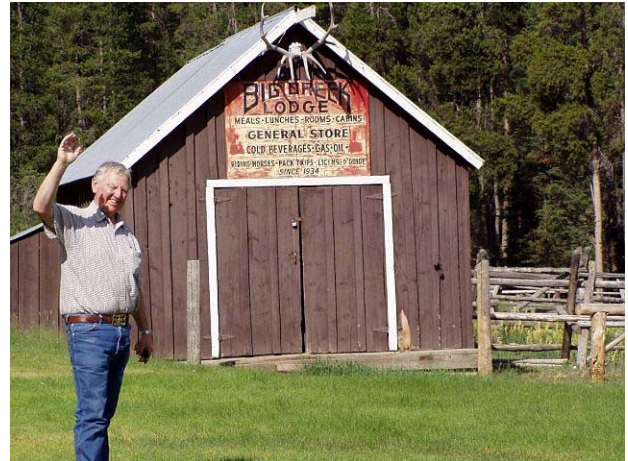
Be sure to plan for the McCall Fly-In next year and make your reservations for your Motel a couple of months early. We stayed at the Super 8, which is just across the street from the airport

Don Wilfong



**Non-COOPA visitor at the Big Creek Lodge**

The Leckliders and the Wilfongs went over a day early and flew into Big Creek and spent the night ... what a beautiful place it was ... very relaxing, the food was good and we really enjoyed ourselves. I did take a few photos at Big Creek to let you see how nice it is.



**More of the attractions at Big Creek**

**BIG CREEK (U60)** is a beautiful spot on the edge of Idaho's Frank Church Wilderness and it is just minutes East of McCall, Idaho.

The airport is big, wide, long and has a big swail in the middle. It is no problem to land from either direction....but....the recommended direction is to land to the South on runway 19 (always consider density altitude as the elevation is 5743 ft).

The lodge is old, quaint, clean as a pin, the food is good and the service is friendly .... the couple who were managing the place have now left and there are new owners.... so .... can't vouch for what things will be like.

Put Big Creek on your list of great places to fly .... they do have a camp ground adjacent to the airport if you choose to camp... Don Wilfong



**Taking off from U60**

## WHAT A GREAT SUMMER FOR FLY-OUTS ....

### PROSPECT STATE (64S)



... almost forgot ... this was great also. I think we (Steve & family, Ed, Mike and Ann) were the only ones from Bend but some flew in from Southern California for a total of over 40 visiting planes. Went on an organized visit to a vineyard (free transport!), camped overnight, had a great barbecue and breakfast next morning.

(Editor)



**And how about this record breaking CO-OPA line-up at Joseph ( ) ?**

### RENO AIR RACES

Anybody going to the Reno Air Races? I'm landing at Carson City (CXP) Saturday afternoon, Sept. 18, picking up a car at the airport, and driving to Stead Sunday morning. The unlimiteds race Sunday afternoon. Rooms and cars are scarce, but I have some info on both if anybody's interested.

Robert Nash 382 9885 or 390 7300.

## GREY MATTER

I just read an e-mail from Gary Miller that Mike Bond has been kind enough to put together a newsletter for our Club. A big thank you goes to Mike Bond for taking this endeavor on.

My message to our club members includes ramblings about a few things that have been rolling around in my head. I have about 20 minutes to write this before I am to leave on a 650-mile bike trip through Southern Oregon for a week (unfortunately, it looks like we will have IFR weather through-out the week).

One of my requests are that when our members are attending an air show/fly-in if you see an interesting airplane or display, please tell them about our event next June 11<sup>th</sup>. If possible, get a contact name and phone number/e-mail address. Staying with that thought, it is not too early to think about what we want to do as a club for our event next June. My feelings have changed a bit after what captured the public's attention at our last Flying Festival. As pilots we tend to think just about aircraft that we would like to see. The uninformed public will tend to migrate towards things that they can identify with ie: Coast Guard helicopter, Hot air balloons, and military aircraft.

Many thanks go out to Don Wilfong for collecting dues from our membership. Don made some phone calls and sent out e-mails that reminded folks that their dues are due. From the number of checks that I have received, I believe that folks like to pay two years at a time. We might consider collecting two years dues from now on. Great job Don.

My last rambling is a question. Is anyone from Bend going to attend the AOPA Expo that will be held in Long Beach, October 21<sup>st</sup>? It would be fun to put a group together and go.

David Sailors  
CO-OPA Treasurer



**Don Moberley saved money on mowing when the T-6 bombing run set the west side of S33 on fire**



**More photos from the Madras (S33) Air Show:**



**Lotsa planes and classic cars at S33**



**Cessna C-195 'twins' ... one is Jerry's**



**..... and this one's mine (I wish!)**

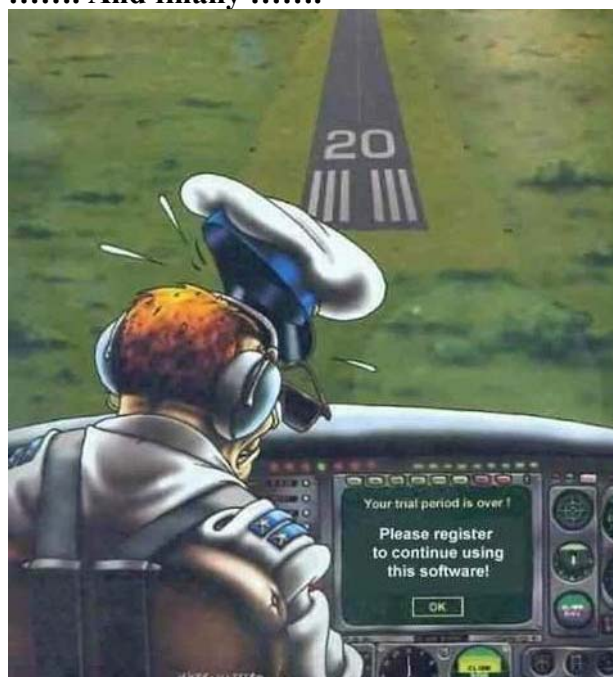


**Don Moberley after the 'crazy student' act**

**..... And finally .....**



**Beech Staggerwing?**



**Think I'll stay with steam gauges ... these glass panels are scary!**