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Friends of Bend Airport:

President's Message:

We are back, sort of. After last months smoke out, we can get back to the new normal of socially distant meetings this Third Thursday, 15 October. Mike Robertson has kindly allowed us to use his Bend Builder's Assist hanger at 63030 Powell Butte Road, on the south east corner of the airport.

Meet at 6pm and bring your own dinner. We will have much to discuss at 6:30pm, including the final closure of The Pickled Pig, the forming of Friends of Bend Airport, the continuing mess at KBDN, and last but not least: planning our Fly-out.

The weather forecast for Central and Eastern Oregon is for partly cloundy, light winds and little chance of precipitation. The forecast for the west side hass not been looking good, but the most recent forecasts are trending to OK. And most important, the only TFR left is the one around Mt. Jefferson. Where should we go?

Please note there is only one more regular meeting for 2020. Plans for December are currently up in the air.

Sad News:

Our good friend Mike Bond is at home under hospice care. I'm sure he will appreciate your kind thoughts and words.

Also morn the passing of The Pickled Pig. The city has plans to turn the restaurant space into offices.

Garmin Apollo GX50/55/60/65?

If you have one of these Garmin products then November is your last chance to update your database. Send email, soon, to gem@rellim.com for more information.

A non-profit organization called Friends of Bend Airport is being created. They will become the focal point for Bend Airport users to press their growing issues with the way the Bend Airport is currntly being managed. Visit their web site at friendsofbendairport.com or contact Kim Muinch kmuinch@hotmail.com to get on their mailing list...

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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

Calendar:

15 October – Monthly Meeting

17 October – Monthly Fly-out

21 November - Monthly Meeting

23 November – Monthly Fly-out

?? December – Holiday Party w/ EAA

August Fly-Out:

The August Fly-out was a slightly odd one for us. We flew Sunday, not Saturday, to Troutdale Airport (KTTD). Their EAA and OPA Chapters had a free hamburger lunch for all that attended. Right at their FBO, just like KBDN used to have. Students pilots, old pilots, and even a few bold pilots mingling in the sunshine whie scarfing down the good food.

There was even a firefighting helicopter on display, with nothing else to do. Next time we fly that direction the scenery will be much different due to the extensive wildfire damage.