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President's Message:

OMG! November is the last monthly meeting of the year for the CO-OPA. So you better attend it, on November 17th, the usual Third Thursday of the month. We'll gather in the Bend Builders Assist hanger, 63030 Powell Butte Road, on the south west corner of KBDN, at 6pm. Bring your own dinner, and we'll eat right away before food get cold. As always, many thanks go out to Mike Robertson, and Mike Wissing, for letting us use their space.

Thee weather today (17th) has been terrible. Awbrey Butte is one big sheet of black ice. But Saturday, our Fly-out Day, is forecast Clear, high of 40F, and light winds! Should be nice Fly-out weather.

No meeting in December, instead we'll gather with our EAA friends at their holiday party on December 14th. Details TBD.

OPA Annual Conference:

There was typical Willamette Valley weather for the 2022 OPA Conference. Almost an inch of rain fell in just one hour, but it was nice inside the Columbia Aviation Association clubhouse next to the Aurora tower. Quite the digs. Attendees in the morning received the ground portion of a BFR from AOPA's Rusty Pilot program. After a nice lunch, there were 3 WINGS programs, and more. The presenters were all top notch.

Book: Central Oregon Aviation:

The book "Images of Aviation: Central Oregon Aviation" by Tor Hansen is for sale at the Bend WinCo on 3rd street. Just before the checkout registers. Cheaper online at Walmart.com. It has a lot of classic, and recent photos of local aviation. Compiled with help from many local sources. I have a copy and am enjoying it.

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Devotion:

Devotion is a big budget movie about Navy Corsair pilots during the Korean War. Featuring planes from the Erickson Aircraft Collection (EAC). The planes were flown by EAC pilots Michael Oliver and Bill Martinelli. It opens locally on November 22nd. Rotten Tomatoes critics give is an 85%. Probably worth watching.

Calendar:

17 November – Monthly Meeting

18 November – Monthly Fly-out

14 December – EAA Holiday Party TBD

19 January – Monthly Meeting

21 January – Monthly Fly-out

Newsletter Inputs:

Current and past CO-OPA newsletters, are on our website at: https://co-opa.com

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

KBDN Runway Closure:

The final (scheduled) KBDN runway closure of 2022 will be include Tuesday November 29 to Thursday December 1st. Weather permitting. If you fly away for Turkey Day, be sure to be back by Monday.

Fly-out (not):

Our October Fly-out was similar to our October one. The forecast was iffy, and early on Bend was in the Blue Bowl, but surrounded by ugly clouds. And it only got worse. Palmers Cafe, on Greenwood, become our Drive-In destination. Seven members showed up, and we hogged a big table in the back. I'd rather be flying, but this was a nice alternative.