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*Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association
Next Meeting / Catered Dinner
Community Airport Day*

Saturday October 5, 2024

Time: 6:00 pm

*Place: Kay Meermans Hangar
20850 Elderberry Way*

President's Message

By Bob Mackey

After our September meeting with guest Paul Marshall from CalDART, the Pine Mountain Lake Airport Association hosted the first CalDART simulated emergency exercise at E45. Sunday morning, immediately after the hangar cleanup, we performed a successful CalDART practice mission with 7 pilots, 3 aircraft, and 11 total volunteers. The mission delivered 7 humanitarian aid packages to the disaster-stricken neighbors at Columbia Airport, along with a team of volunteers.

A successful mission includes an honest debrief to understand what we did, how we did it, and what we would do differently next time. In this debrief, one key question is whether we achieved the critical mass needed to make this an ongoing successful organization able to support future airlift missions. We agreed that we have in fact achieved critical mass, and will move forward as the new "Tuolumne DART" with Bob Mackey and Lionel Hunt as the initial contact points and training leaders. This organization is separate from PMLAA and from EAA 1337, but expect to hear more about it here and on the [CalDART website](#). Thanks to Paul Marshall, Darren Jarvis, Ralph McLaughlin, Lionel Hunt, Steve Griefer, Nora Feddal, Phil Boortz, Rich McGlashen, Juan Barrios, Karen Reyes, Jason Johanson, and Krystall Johanson for all your contributions to this successful launch.

Next month, Saturday October 5th, Airport Appreciation Day is the big item on the agenda. We still need several volunteers for various jobs in preparation for and on the day of Airport Day. Contact Rob Compton to see how you can help. The catered steak dinner will be at Kay Meerman's hangar on the south taxiway (20858 Elderberry). Get your meal tickets now from the link in this newsletter, \$30/each by check to PMLAA, PO Box 131, Groveland CA 95321.

The November membership meeting will be at Marie and Randy Barber's hangar on the back taxiway (20944 Woodside Way). Our guest speaker will be Taigh Ramey of [Vintage Aircraft Inc](#) and the Stockton Field Aviation Museum in Stockton. They are famous for their restorations of Beech 18 twins, and related warbird aircraft like the [RC-45J or SNB-5P](#). Taigh has also been involved in historical remembrance and reenactments, including the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII. Recently, he was a technical advisor in the making of [Masters of the Air](#), an Apple TV+ production covering the life of a B17 bomber group operating out of England. It was Taigh's work that made so many of the scenes realistic and accurate. If you haven't seen the series already, [consider watching it](#) before the November meeting so you can ask great questions of the experts.

-bob

VP Social

By Gabe Coelho

Hello PMLAA members. Days are getting shorter and Fall is fast approaching and so is our annual Airport Day event and PMLAA Airport Day dinner.

First, I would like to thank Jason & Krystall Johanson for hosting our September meeting in their hangar, the weather was perfect, food was delicious and the presentation was interesting.

Airport Day is October 5th and we are still in need of volunteers to help out with the food booth. There are two 1 1/2 hour shifts, late and early. It's a fun job with many perks. If you wish to volunteer contact me, VP Social, and I'll get you on the list.

In the evening after a long day on the ramp, we will be having a BBQ dinner at Kay Meermans hangar for PMLAA members and their guest. See the flyer for information and tickets. "PLEASE" RSVP by September 29th. Contact Gabe Coelho (VP Social) for more information.

PMLAA AIRPORT DAY DINNER

RSVP

Its time for our annual Airport Day Dinner on October 5th. Location is at Kay Meermans hangar, 20850 Elderberry Way. Social Hour begins at 6pm, dinner served at 7pm. On the menu is BBQ NY steak, potato salad, green salad, dinner roll and Ice Cream for desert. One beverage included with dinner (wine not included). Get your RSVP's in by September 29th. PLEASE!

Contact Gabe Coelho for information or tickets

Number of tickets _____ x \$30 = _____

Name _____

Mail to PMLAA P O Box 131, Groveland CA 95321



AIRPORT DAY DINNER

COMMUNITY AIRPORT DAY

Julie Anema

PML Community Airport Day will be on Saturday, October 5th, from noon until 3:00 pm. The event is a terrific opportunity to gain community support and appreciation for our airport. Visitors will enjoy viewing airplanes that include certified, vintage, and experimental during the event. Planned demonstrations include formation flying and special aerial exhibitions. The gyrocopters will be back this year. Spot landings and flour drop events need participants. We'll need help at the refreshment stand and controlling activity on the ramp too.

This is when all members of PMLAA can get involved. Do you have a cool car to show, bring it out. Of course, all airplanes are meant to be seen! The RC model airplane performance was impressive last year! Please invite your PML friends and neighbors and let them see what a great asset our airport is to the whole community! Note that this is not a fly-in event.

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-Julie Anema

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COMMUNITY AIRPORT DAY
OCTOBER 5, 2024
FREE ADMISSION!
PML AIRPORT
NOON - 3:00 PM

FORMATION FLIGHTS • RC PLANES • HELICOPTERS
FLYING SKILLS CONTESTS • SPECIAL AERO SURPRISES!
AIRPLANE/CAR DEMONSTRATIONS
AIRPLANES & CARS DISPLAY • REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

Bring a chair and enjoy the entertainment!
At the PML Airport - Our Community Resource!

Organized by Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association
For more information, call 1 (925) 989-5186

This will be a special event for our neighbors. There is a great line up including flying demonstrations, high speed and low speed demos and formation flying. Spot landings and flour drop contests will test the skills of the contestants. We expect a nice turn out for the car and airplanes on display. The food for sale at the refreshment stand is pretty darn good. This is when all members of PMLAA can get involved. We will need help from all members to ensure that the event is successful.

To help with set-up, safety, traffic control, airplane movements, and car/airplane displays contact Mike Gustafson at MLGpilot@yahoo.com or 962-6336.

Or Leon Liebster at leon.liebster@gmail.com.

Set-up starts at 9:00 am on October 5.

Spot landing and floor drop contests contact Phil Boortz at philboortz@gmail.com or 805-944-0148.

Refreshment stand contact is Gabe Coelho at Skylaneav8or@gmail.com or 209-617-4384.

The set-up for the dinner will be on Friday, October 4th at 3:00 pm. At Kay Meerman's hanger.

Please invite your PML friends and neighbors and let them see what a great asset our airport is to the whole community! Note that this is not a fly-in event.

Airport Manager

Coffee &



Conversation

**First Thursday
of the month**

10:00 am—11:00 am

**Yosemite Flights
Pine Mountain Lake
Airport**



Safety Corner

Will Return



Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association

Membership Application, Renewal and Update



() New Member Date: _____
 () Renewal – no changes
 () Renewal – with changes

	<u>Order Badge</u>	<u>Publish on Member List</u>
Name 1: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes \$15 ea. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Name 2: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes \$15 ea. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Child Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes \$15 ea. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Child Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes \$15 ea. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Mailing Address: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____		
Phone 1: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Phone 2: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Email 1: _____ (Required)		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Email 2: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

PMLAA Mission: To promote aviation interests and ensure the welfare and safety of its members, Pine Mountain Lake Airport, and the general community, through aviation-oriented recreational and educational activities.

Monthly Meetings: Held the first Saturday of each month (no meeting in January or July), usually at 6:00, check the PMLAA Newsletter or website www.pmlaa.org for details.

- Annual membership dues are \$25.00 per household.
- Please make check payable to: **PMLAA**.
- Bring to monthly meeting or remit to: **PMLAA, PO Box 131, Groveland, CA 95321**
- Membership includes:
 - Monthly electronic newsletter.
 - Access to member directory (available *only* to members).
 - Invitation events to monthly meetings and airport events.

Annual dues \$25.00 per year	\$ _____
Badges @ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
Donation (\$25-\$100 suggested)	\$ _____
Scholarship Fund Donation	\$ _____
TOTAL enclosed	\$ _____

2024 Meeting Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Program</i>	<i>Time & Location</i>

2024 Aviation Calendar

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