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Sacramento County Sheriff's Air Squadron Newsletter

JULY MEETING

Julie Clark:

Confirmed as November banquet speaker

Nationally recognized aerobatic performer Julie Clark will be featured speaker at our Squadron's Annual November 20 Banquet slated to be held at Scott's Seafood Restaurant, Westin Sacramento.

This is a special year for Julie – she is retiring. But before she does, Clark is conducting a "Farewell Tour" celebrating more than 40 years of airshow performing.

Virtually every Squadron member has seen Julie's stunning T-34A thrill millions of people – her act has been seen in all 48 states, Alaska, Canada, Mexico and the Island of Bermuda.



Over her career, Clark has amassed more than 34,000 hours of accident-free flying with 11,000 hours in the same T-34A aircraft.

Her Farewell Tour includes airshows across the country, promotional events and interviews. Last stop on her tour is a final show on October 19 at Rancho Marietta Airport, Sacramento.

At our banquet, Julie will speak about her flying career and talk about her future activities.

Clark's book, **Nothing Stood in Her Way**, may offer a glimpse at how she could reach out to those who need encouragement and support as they face some of the same challenges and tragedies Julie overcame in her life.

In July Clark will be performing at EAA AirVenture. Then it's on to Cleveland National Air Show in August. She arrives at Robbins AFB for Thunder over Georgia Air Show in September.

Julie retired from commercial aviation as a Northwest Airlines Captain and is rated in more than 66 types of aircraft.



"SMF Airport Update"

July, 17, 5:30 pm,
Aviator's Restaurant

Executive Airport Terminal

Joining us at our July meeting will be Cynthia Nichol, Director of the Sacramento County Airport System. She will be accompanied by Lt. Tim Curran, SSD Airport Bureau Commander.

Cindy became the Director in October 2018 having previously served as CFO for the Port of Portland and prior at SFO.

Lt. Curran leads the Sheriff's Airport Bureau and works with airport staff, airlines, firefighters, Department of Homeland Security, TSA, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, FAA as well as other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.

AROUND THE SQUADRON

By Ron Richey

Ken Lux traveled to Washington, DC, in March to attend the Bob Hoover Trophy Reception honoring Clay Lacy for his contributions to aviation and his support of young people in aviation careers.

The trip was especially noteworthy for Ken since he was able to fly east on actor Harrison Ford's private jet. Talk about networking!



Here's the cabin view of Harrison in right seat and below are the aircraft vitals.



Congratulations are in order for **Doug Hunting** on passing his private pilot check ride last month. His is now a licensed pilot!

Ron Galindo who has been flying anything with a tailwheel (Super Cub, C-180, Wilgo, Beaver, P-51) has been seen taking helicopter lessons in an Enstrom 280F. Rumor has it there might be an Enstrom 480 added to Ron's fleet of flying machines. Just what we needed, another RotorHead.



AOPA 80th anniversary: Over 9,700 in attendance

Air Squadron members attended the 80th Anniversary Fly-in at Livermore Airport, June 21 & 22. Joining a packed crowd, attendees were awed by the STOL competition including the one-of-a-kind Draco bush plane (picture above). This airplane stole the show at the 2018 Oshkosh AirVenture.

Mark Baker, AOPA President met privately with Squadron members and reviewed California issues of interest. **Ken Lux** arranged the Baker meeting.

Workshops, exhibits, aircraft displays and good food were enjoyed by all.

A scheduled drone display planned for Friday evening was cancelled due to a software issue after 5 drones crashed at a practice session.

Weather was fantastic both days and there were incredible opportunities for education and networking.

Presenters included **Barry Schiff**, longtime AOPA Pilot columnist and contributor, who shared his "Nifty Tips for Safe Flying" with an overflow audience filling the Main Stage.



Mark Baker said in his Pilot Town Hall that "We're starting to see a turnaround in aviation numbers – student starts are up 18% and private certificate numbers are up 17 percent."

As a graduate of Sac State it is thrilling to visit today's campus and see a multitude of new buildings popping up. The school has grown to include over 30,000 students and is the eleventh oldest school in the 23-campus system.



Commander's Column: ROTC students commissioned as officers upon graduation

On Friday, June 21st, military officials honored 25 cadets for competing the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program during their studies at California State University, Sacramento.

This group of graduates – AFOTC Detachment 088 -- were students who participated in a Squadron mission earlier this year. Our members provided orientation flights and navigation experience to these newly commissioned officers who will continue their training and disperse throughout the country and the world to various bases.

Proud parents and sponsors proudly pinned 2nd Lt. bars on each Cadets shoulders.

Col. William "Doug" Hall, Director, Congressional and Interagency Affairs, U.S. Transportation Command, Washington, DC was the featured speaker. At the ceremony, Lt. Col.

Kenneth "Dash" Morse, Detachment 88 Commander, introduced me, and our Squadron, as participants in the Cadet's training program.

President Woodrow Wilson established the ROTC program with the passage of the National Defense Act of 1916. Although military training had taken place at colleges around the country well before 1916, the nationalized the process into one centralized entity.

ROTC produces more officers than any other organization within the United States military.



Our Squadron was pleased to participate in this year's ROTC training.

Dale Terry, Commander

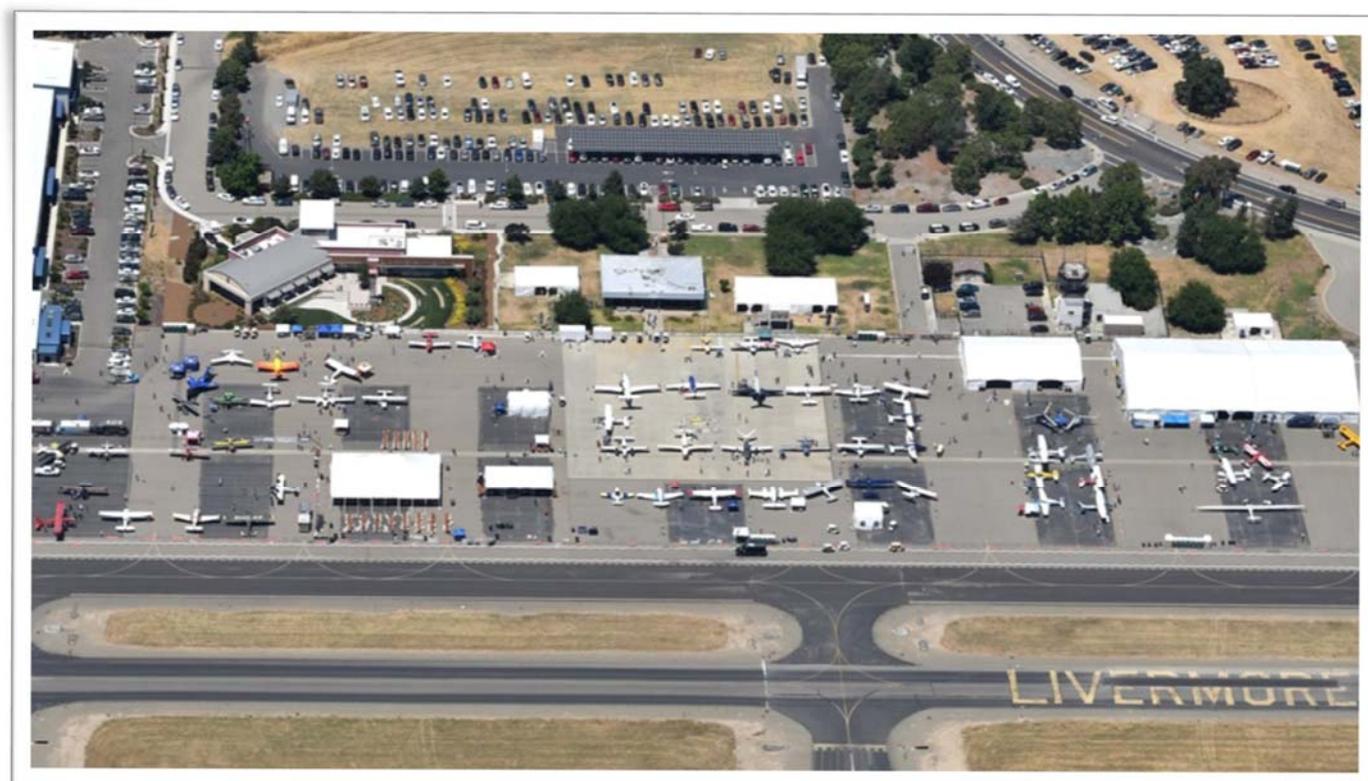




More from AOPA

Livermore fly-in





Steve Downing:

1943 - 2019

Long time Squadron member and past Commander, Steven Downing, passed away on June 18, 2019 following a lengthy hospitalization.

Steve joined the Air Squadron in 1987 and served as our 1992 Commander. His aircraft partnership with Allen Farris involved a Beechcraft Bonanza S35. .

As owner of Yuba City Toyota, Steve was well known to the Northern California community – having grown up on a local ranch.

Most recently, Steve served on the Squadron's Membership Committee reviewing new member applications and participating in the on-boarding process.

The Squadron has made a contribution to the California Aerospace Museum in honor of Steve's community service.

