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Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Meeting

Saturday, September 1 – 6pm

*“From R/C to Air Racing,
010101 at a Time”
with
Michael Luvara*



Michael Luvara

Michael Luvara is a Bay Area resident who enjoys spending time away from the busy Silicon Valley life on weekends at Pine Mountain Lake.

Since 2011, he has worked as an avionics and flight test engineer on revolutionary electric aircraft at Kitty Hawk Corporation. Prior to joining Kitty Hawk, he founded and ran his own company, RCAT Systems, devoted to developing telemetry for unmanned and experimental aircraft.

He'll share about how tinkering with radio controlled aircraft since he was eight led him to participating in Air Racing at Reno as a crew member and telemetry supplier to numerous winning aircraft. As part of his talk, he'll dive into the unique perspective of crewing on two Gold-winning unlimited air racing teams at Reno and share insight into some of his fun experiences.

When not busy with engineering, he enjoys pondering the most important question - "Should I fly the Citabria or the Cessna?"

President's Message – by Joe Sobczak

The Prez Sez...

Joe Sobczak, President, PMLAA

It was the mother of all parties, the big kahuna, the grand poohbah – it was Hot August Nights! Our hosts Marie and Randy Barber put on the party to end all parties. The smoke stayed away and everyone had a great time. The Poker Run was a hit, and we were able to celebrate some new aeronautical achievements: Roxie Compton's exciting first solo and Danielle Coelho's stupendous Private Pilot checkride.

President's Message continued

Special thanks to the Barbers and all of you who helped with the activities. Here are a few glimpses of the action.



Don't forget our monthly Aircraft of Historical Significance event – you can get two days credit (towards the 12 needed to escape property tax on your qualifying airplane) if you display your aircraft on our PMLAA meeting weekend. This is a great opportunity to invite your aircraft owner friends to visit for the weekend and display their aircraft while you show them a good time at Pine Mountain Lake. This program is available for aircraft registered in any county in California. Check out our website for more information.

The fun continues in September as we gear up for Airport Appreciation Day at E45. This year, Airport Day is on 29 September which allows us to promote the Young Eagles Rally to be held the following weekend. Look for more information in this newsletter and volunteer to help at these two exciting events. You will soon receive an email invitation where you can RSVP for our membership dinner. Thanks in advance to Kay Meermans for letting us use her hangar for dinner on the 29th.

In the meantime, be sure to attend our regular meeting on September 1st at Tristan's hangar. Our very own Michael Luvara will be recounting a fascinating career in a presentation entitled **"From R/C to Air Racing, 010101 at a Time."** Rumor has it that he will be divulging tons of heretofore unknown secrets for the first time ever. DON'T MISS IT!

President's Message continued

As a convenience for our members, PMLAA now has a Square account, which allows us to accept your dues, donations, and event payments using your credit card. Just think how easy it will now be to get your 50-50 raffle tickets every month! Thanks to Greg for setting this up -- he will have more details for you soon.

Fly Safe!

Joe

PML Community Airport Day Sept. 29 – by Virginia Richmond

The Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association is again inviting the greater Groveland community to Community Airport Day on September 29th from 12:00 – 3:00pm. This fun and free event is one of the ways we ensure appreciation and support from the local community for our airport.



Air boss Wayne Handley is developing a great line-up, including skydivers, helicopters, radio controlled model airplane demonstrations, fly-overs, flying demonstrations, and formation flying. There will also be pilot skills contests featuring flour bombing and precision landing.

Ramp boss Mike Gustafson is arranging great displays and exciting races between airplanes and cars. We will offer a yummy refreshment stand as well.

This is an all-hands event for PMLAA members. Get involved; see where you can help! You can sell refreshments, display your aircraft, participate in the flying contests, race a plane or car, recruit performers, help with set-up, traffic control and safety, and much more.

- To perform or to participate in the flour bombing and spot landing contests, contact Wayne Handley at 962-7868 by September 15. Note there are only ten slots available for the contests.
- Please contact Danielle Coelho by email at ciaochilla@earthlink.net if you can help serve drinks for our dinner that evening. We also need people to help prepare condiments on Friday afternoon and clean the grill for our steak dinner. Contact Danielle.



Invite your friends and neighbors and let them see what a great asset our airport is to the whole community!

Patriots Jet Team Afterburner Party

A special evening out. Treat yourself to the Patriots Jet Team Afterburner party. You will enjoy a Patriots Jet Team flight performance, music, cocktail reception, and a delicious dinner with drinks. It's also the sixth annual Patriots Jet Team Gala and fund raiser for the foundation that promotes aviation education and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).



Saturday, September 22nd from 5:00p – 10:00p. This truly unique event takes place at the Byron Airport. The evening features **Sean D. Tucker** as the keynote speaker. Sean is Team Oracle's high energy airshow pilot, a member of the National Aviation Hall of Fame, and one of the Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum's 25 Living Legends of Flight. Tickets are a tax deductible \$175 each. Go to <http://bit.ly/2018PJTFGala> to register and for more information.



Rental Car Available at PML Airport!

Reservations
Contact Air Galore
707-972-4498 → c3458j@gmail.com

The advertisement features a red sedan car parked on a paved surface. Above the car is a black banner with yellow text and icons. On either side of the banner are yellow icons of a car and a key. Below the car, the contact information is provided in black text.

PML Aero Club Press Release - by Catherine Santa Maria

August 2018

PML Aero Club has more news on our growing club. Danielle Coelho received her Private Pilot's License in July and three of our new members soloed: Roxie Compton, Anthony Felts and Joshua Skelley. It turns out that all four of these members are students of Larry Jobe. Our membership is very proud of all of them.

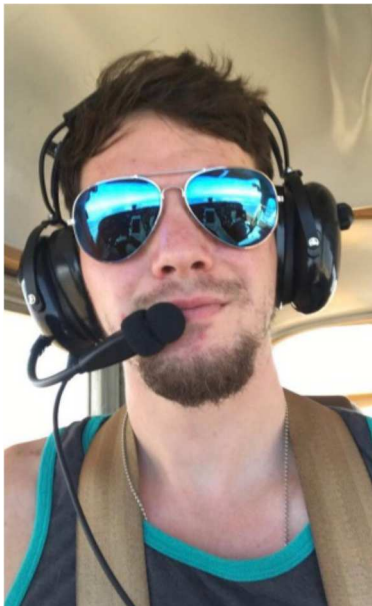
If you are interested in becoming a Pilot then this is the Club for you! Contact our President, Dennis Smith @ 962-4950 or Jim Goodrich @ 962-4660 or visit our website at pmlaeroclub.com for more information. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 11:00 am at the Jobe hangar.



Danielle Coelho (in Ford Tri Motor)



Anthony Felts



Joshua Skelley



Roxie Compton

Social Article – by Danielle Coelho

First off, a huge THANK YOU to Marie Barber and her neighbors for volunteering their time and hangars to make this a really fun Hot August Nights taxiway party! Loved seeing everyone's planes, cars, and golf carts, playing in the poker run, dancing, and hangar games!

For our September 1 pot luck:

if your last name starts with A-K, bring main dish or salad

if your last name starts with L-Z, bring an appetizer or dessert

Everyone has been so generous with the food they bring. I am so thankful we always have enough for all to enjoy each other's favorite dishes.

This month our meeting will be back at Tristan Duplan's hangar, September 1, 6 p.m. Please see penultimate page of newsletter if you need directions to Tristan's hangar.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

An early reminder about Airport day dinner event on Sept 29:

Our Airport day evening event will be held at Kay Meerman's hangar. Dinner tickets will be sold at the door. Cost \$10 per person. Cash or Square Up (credit card) will be accepted as payment. This includes a bbq steak dinner along with several side dishes and ice cream dessert. You must RSVP to reserve your steaks. Members will receive an E-vite email to RSVP to reserve steaks.

Members: As always appetizers and desserts are appreciated.

Happy Landings.



Smoke? What smoke?

Radio Rumors “Say Again”

- **Homebuilder Hooray:** Leon Liebster has completed building a Van’s RV-12 aircraft. He has successfully made his first flight and several others. He has currently logged over 10 “uneventful” hours in the aircraft. Way to go, Leon!
- **Interesting (and Useless) Aviation Facts:** An aircraft takes off or lands every 37 seconds at Chicago O’Hare’s International Airport. The wing-span of a Boeing 747 (195 feet) is longer than the Wright Brothers first flight (120 feet).
- **Aviation Acronym Decoder:** PARE or PARENT = Mnemonic for spin recovery. Power (idle) – Aileron (neutral) – Rudder (opposite rotation) – Elevator (full forward to break stall) – Neutralize rudder (when rotation stops) – Take it out of dive.
- **Neighbor (but not aviation):** Hanna Bodle has written her autobiography “Hanna’s Story” which you can find at the Groveland Library and on Amazon in print and Kindle. Hanna, a 37-year PML resident and founder of Helping Hands, will talk about her book August 30th, 4:00pm, at the Groveland Library Book Nook. <https://www.amazon.com/Hannas-Story-Perseverance-Escaping-Homesteading/dp/1985730634>
- **Fun Find at Oshkosh AirVenture:** Clothing and gifts printed with your choice of sectional charts at www.chartitall.com. Trevor Simoneau started this business at age 11, he is 15 now, and will use the money to finance college at Embry-Riddle. I met and talked with him at length, what a cool young man and the company offers some really interesting one-of-a-kind items.

Aviation Calendar

AUGUST	18-19 – Vicky Benzing @ Wings over Camarillo Airshow 19 – National Aviation Day
SEPTEMBER	1 – PMLAA Meeting – 6:00 Potluck & Speaker 1-2 - E45 Airport Display Day , 8:00-4:00, sign off at 12:00 8-15 – Vicky Benzing & Patriots Jet Team @ Reno Air Races 16 – Patriots Jet Team @ GO PRO Grand Prix, Sonoma 22 – Patriots Jet Team Annual Gala 22-23 – Vicky Benzing @ Wings over Wine Country Airshow, Santa Rosa 23 – Autumnal (Fall) Equinox 28-30 – Patriots Jet Team @ MCAS Miramar Airshow 29 – E45 Community Airport Day 29 – PMLAA Meeting – 6:00 Potluck (October Meeting) 29-30 – Vicky Benzing @ California International Airshow
OCTOBER	6 – Young Eagles at PML Airport – 9:00 - Noon 6 – Vicky Benzing @ Livermore Airshow 6-7 – Patriots Jet Team @ Fleet Week in San Francisco 13 – Vicky Benzing @ Apple Valley Airshow 27-28 – Vicky Benzing @ Hangar 24 Lake Havasu Air Fest

2018 Meeting Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time & Location</u>
September 1	Michael Luvara	6pm – Tristan Duplan hangar
September 29 (replaces Oct mtg)	Airport Day Recovery Dinner	6pm – Kay Meerman’s hangar
November	To be announced	To be announced

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The Duplan hangar is on the west end of the north taxiway off Woodside Way. Behind the house Unit 12/Lot 6, 20919 Woodside Way. Be sure to park so you are not blocking any airplane access. Buchanan's and Orloff's have given permission to park on their ramps.



Duplan hangar



map to Duplan hangar

PML COMMUNITY AIRPORT DAY

SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

FREE ADMISSION!

PML AIRPORT
NOON – 3:00 PM



**AIRPLANES & CARS DISPLAY • MODEL AIRPLANE DEMO
FORMATION FLIGHTS • SKY DIVERS • PLANES VS. CARS
FLYING SKILLS CONTESTS • SPECIAL AERO SURPRISES!
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Bring a chair and enjoy the entertainment!

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