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Next Meeting:

December 4, 2021

NO MEETING IN NOVEMBER

Community Airport Day A Big Success!

Virginia Richmond

October 2 was a special day for the Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association and our Groveland neighbors. Hundreds of people turned out to enjoy an afternoon of aviation magic and gain an appreciation of the benefits our airport brings to the local community. Many, many volunteers helped make the day a success. Thank you all!

Air boss, Bonnie Ritchey, put together an exciting program featuring local and visiting performers and she precisely managed the airspace for everyone's safety.

We had terrific performers including sky diver Rex Pemberton and the PML pilots. The visiting Beech Boys and the Red Star warbirds really wowed the crowd with their precise formations. Our local pilots also did a great job in the demos and flying skills contests.

Ramp boss, Mike Gustafson, and his team kept everyone safe on the ground, Mike also organized three fun plane vs. car races, including his own "grudge match" against Michael Thoben's Waco.

Social chair Gabe Coelho managed the food booth at the event and the evening dinner. Special thanks to all the food booth volunteers.

We also appreciate Groveland 4-H and the Merced Sheriff's participation and everyone who displayed cars or planes.

We certainly accomplished our purpose to create favorable opinions about the airport in our local community.

President's Message – Danielle Coelho

Hello PMLAA Friends & Members.

Airport Day 2021 was a huge success! By all accounts, it appears we had record attendance. We sold more hamburgers and hot dogs than ever before. We printed out a good supply of programs and ran out of them an hour before the air show was over. Granted, it's not good to run out of things but when it reflects how many people came out to enjoy the air show, it's not all bad either.



The air show was followed by a delicious dinner at Kay's hangar, and we thank her for allowing the event to be held there. Also, a HUGE thank you to all of the performers, ramp crew, and all the volunteers who helped make this a success.

Mark your calendars for next year (10-1-22) so you can plan to attend. Ideally, we can get a few new people to volunteer too. It would be nice if some of the newer people could help out and we can let those who have been doing all the work for years, or decades, take a little break.

I have enjoyed serving on the PMLAA board for six years, the last two as President. It's time I step away and make room for someone new. Besides President there are several positions available: President, Vice President of Social Affairs, Vice President of Airport Day, and Treasurer. We will also need a new newsletter editor next year. Please contact me, or any board member if you would like to volunteer. Contact info on last page of newsletter (before membership list).

First Saturday in December is our annual PMLAA Holiday Party. Seating is limited so be sure to reserve your spot. It will be a fun night with a delicious catered dinner along with a live band. Keep an eye out for more info on this.

I look forward to seeing everyone in December.

E45 HISTORIC AIRCRAFT DISPLAY DAY:

Display Day is back on the ramp the first weekend of each month, Saturday AND Sunday. Sign-offs will occur at noon on the ramp each display day. Email airport@pmlaa.org if you have a mechanical issue preventing you from moving your aircraft to the ramp.

Kurt Howerton

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VP SOCIAL REPORT – Gabe Coelho

Hello PMLAA members. Another successful Community Airport Day has come and gone.

We had a large turnout this year for our event and the performers and volunteers did not disappoint.

The Hot Dog/Hamburger booth sold 400 meals before we ran out of food and the dinner that evening was a sellout. It was nice seeing everyone enjoying themselves that evening. Thanks again to all the volunteers who helped make Airport Day a success.

Our next event is the Annual PMLAA Christmas party being held at the Johanson's hangar on December 4th with dinner and a live band. Invitations will be sent out next month.



Michael Thoben's Waco

photo courtesy of Frank Leung



“Warbirds” entertain!

photo courtesy of Frank Leung



Airboss Bonnie Ritchey vs. Rob Johnson...and the Pitts wins

photo courtesy of Frank Leung



Beech Boys formation over PML Airport

photo courtesy of Frank Leung

MEMBERSHIP:

We have had several new members join PMLAA recently, bringing our current membership to 163. We look forward to getting to know them at our future events.

If any of you are interested in assisting with future events, please contact any board member. Contact info on last page of newsletter.

The current membership list will be sent via separate email. Please check your information and if anything needs to be corrected, please email me the correction.

Thanks,
Nancy Mora
PMLAA Secretary

E45 Rental Car

Hyundai Sonata 4-door automatic. Rental rate is \$70 a day, out-the-door, no hidden fees! To make rental car reservations call Air Galore at 707-972-4498 or email at c3458j@gmail.com. There is only one rental car, so get your reservations in early!

Some car renter perks... If a renter joins the Air Galore Club, they receive a daily discount on car rental.

Big thanks go to PMLAA members Mary and Mike Wich for bringing the rental car to E45. This car rental information is also available on Air Nav and Foreflight.

2021 Meeting Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Time & Location</u>
Nov 6, 2021	No meeting	No meeting
Dec 4, 2021	Holiday Party	Johanson's hangar
Jan 2022	No meeting	No meeting

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