

CASCADE FLYER



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President's Message:

Happy New Year 2018! So far it already looks different than 2017. In the last newsletter, I mentioned that Winter is coming. Most of us are still waiting...

Come share your disappointment, or happiness, in the current lack of snow on this Third Thursday (January 18) at our monthly CO-OPA meeting. Let's gather in the Professional Air waiting room, inside the big green building on Bend Municipal Airport (KBDN). Oh, wait., Gabe Daniel tells me that Leading Edge bought out Professional Air.. No details yet. Care to guess whether our AvGas price goes up, or down?

CO-OPA meet and greet starts at 6pm. Chow down with our scrumptious potluck at 6:30pm, and finish up with a short formal meeting at 7pm. Kim Muinch, OPA regional coordinator, has a PowerPoint presentation for us this time.

Also for discussion, OPA has lent us a GoPro and would like someone to shoot a low level video up Hwy 97 from Sunriver to Madras. Sounds like fun, except they want it flown at 80 mph. The camera is also available for any other OPA related projects we can think of.

The weather for this weekend looks iffy. KTVZ (<http://www.ktvz.com>) says today is 'partly cloudy' with 10 mile visibility, and snow on Santiam Pass. Their forecast for Saturday is similar to today's, and I don't see today as nice fly-out weather. A similar forecast 'optimistic' forecast is shown on Intellicast (<http://www.intellicast.com>).

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Calendar:

18 January – Monthly Meeting

20 January – Monthly Fly-out

15 February – Monthly Meeting

17 February – Monthly Fly-out

15 March – Monthly Meeting

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Think Summer:

The Airshow of the Cascades will be shaking up their program this year. They have already signed up a new Air Boss, Jim Smutny, and some nice new acts. One of the headliners will be the Black Daggers. The Airshow is also opening up on-site camping as well.

Ok, I had to look them up too: the official U.S. Army Special Operations Command Parachute Demonstration Team. Wow, Special Ops, this is gonna be cool! March your calendars now: August 24 and 25.

Sick Call:

I'm sure by now everyone knows someone that had this year's flu. It is very contagious, the fly shots don't help and you really do not want it. If you feel at all sick, please go and hide yourself away until it passes.

In other, sad, news, Thomas Phy, long time EAA President has been at St. Charles for cancer surgery. The word is that he is now improving, but for now no visitors.

Whoops:

I'm sure by now that all of you now have Yaktrax on your walking shoes, and all season or winter tires on your car. Maybe booties for your dog. But what do you do for your airplane?

Last Wednesday Bend saw a very light freezing fog. Nothing to see, but boy was it slippery. This charter jet found that out the hard way at KBDN. Looks to me he slipped off the north taxiway, just before the north run-up area.

Another interesting aspect of the accident. When does the FAA allow us to cover up our N-number? Maybe I should start carrying some tape and paper on the off chance I have an accident? And, just in case you were wondering: Embraer EMB-505 Phenom 300, N354FX, operated by Flight Options LLC. Six people on board a Part 135 flight.



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