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Calendar - January 2014

January 4	9:00 AM	Safety Forum
January 4	11:00 AM	Flyout TBA
January 18	6:30 PM	MDPA Meeting and Dinner

MDPA Safety Forum --- Saturday, 12/7/13

The safety presentation was given by Duane Allen who started out with a video clip of the ship board test flight on the aircraft carrier George W Bush of the X48B UAV (Unmanned Aerial Vehicle), but the main presentation and discussion was of the crash of a TBM700.

He also shared his experience with ice on his Cardinal and related an event in Australia of flying in a cyclone where the dump valve on the DC8 iced up and required an emergency decent to melt the ice and re pressurize the cabin. It rained in the cabin as the ice melted from the interior of the skin of the airplane after descending to 25Kft to get below the freezing level. (They did go back up to 39Kft and made a couple more passes through the cyclone before giving up and returning to base. Note: in the southern hemisphere hurricanes are called cyclones because of the clockwise direction of rotation.)

Ice this time of year is not something to take lightly. The best way to avoid ice is just don't go there.

Link to Article: http://www.aopa.org/AOPA-Live.aspx?watch=9CC22A1C-9960-43A5-AC03-3757498BE36C&WT.mc_sect=tts&WT.mc_id=131108epilot

Tour of Travis AFB --- Wednesday December 11, 2013









Flyout December 7, 2013 to Watsonville Airport (WVI)











MDPA Meeting and Dinner December 20, 2013

















The Mount Diablo Pilots Association is a non-profit organization based at Buchanan Field in Concord, California (KCCR)

The purposes of the Mount Diablo Pilots' Association are:

- To promote good public relations between general aviation enthusiasts and the local community
- To encourage participation in fly-ins and other aviation activities
- To promote safety and educational activities for pilots
- To provide mutual resources of information on flying for members
- To furnish information and support to the Contra Costa Airport Advisory Committee and other governmental agencies concerned with aviation
- To be a proxy on aviation matters of community concern for its membership

**The MDPA clubhouse is located at 200 Sally Ride Drive in Concord, California,
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