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SCOTT VALLEY PILOTS ASSOCIATION P.O. Box 1136, Fort Jones, CA

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It's Christmas Party time and you're invited to both in our area!

Scott Valley Pilots Association invites you and your families to A30, Scott Valley Airport, for our annual Christmas Potluck.

Nelson and Mindy Harding are hosting us in their fabulous heated hangar! That means plenty of room and comfort for all!

FEATURING

- TURKEY ON THE HOUSE PREPARED BY NELSON HARDING**
- RIBS ON THE HOUSE PREPARED BY MARK JOHNSON**
- SOFT DRINKS ON THE HOUSE BY SCOTT VALLEY PILOTS**

DATE: DECEMBER 3, 2017
 TIME: ARRIVE ANY TIME AFTER NOON
 DINE: 2 PM
 HAVE FUN: ALL AFTERNOON

We wish to have a balanced menu and plenty of seating.

Therefore, we ask that you RSVP with your desired side-dish and number of people. Late birds may be asked to bring an alternative dish. Please bring a place setting for each person.

RSVP: NELSON HARDING
nels@calbroadband.net or 468-2498

BYOB: WINE IS GOOD

(Thanks to Chuck Kittle for this invitation.) - Ed/

EAA Chapter 654 (Siskiyou County) invites you and yours to its annual annual meeting and holiday party will take place at the Montague Community Center starting at 6:00 pm on Friday, December 8, 2017. (The email from Dave stating the date as December 9 was in error.)

Members are asked to bring a main dish or side dish or dessert to share.

Also members should bring their own beverages and a wrapped gift for the traditional random gift exchange.

{Thanks to Nina (Ortega) Whitehurst for this invitation). -Rd.

November Elections yield zero changes

The November 2017 annual business meeting of the Scott Valley Pilots Association included the opportunity for election of officers.

There was no clamor among the membership for changes, nor was there a rush of volunteers to serve. Fortunately all current officers agreed to continue with their responsibilities.

Accordingly, the masthead on page 2 remains unchanged. - Ed.

Pres Sez
SVPA President Chuck Jopson

With the winter weather comes more fly/drive decisions that tilt in the 'drive' direction. I wanted to fly to Cloverdale for the Thanksgiving holiday but the forecast for the following Saturday and Sunday indicated that I would be unable to make it back home. So I drove and Murphy's Law prevailed. By the time I had arrived at my destination, the weather forecast had changed, indicating a clear Saturday. We drove home under nearly clear skies with high ceilings. I was partly mollified when Sunday brought a storm with the clouds down on the deck. One of my coworkers reported passing semi trucks flipped by the wind east of the Sierra Nevada.

In the case of ADS-b, I think procrastination remains a good strategy for most of us. As I fly with my \$10 ADS-b 'In' solution, there are more 'In' solutions coming into the market that are below \$250. Some of these include AHRS (attitude heading reference system), which can feed a backup attitude indicator. One company is working on getting approval for an ADS-b 'Out' solution which replaces the left wingtip light, cutting installation cost to almost zero. The included replacement lamp is LED so the entire unit will draw less current than the old light. I am not sure if they will have a solution for the wingtip lights that are mated with a strobe.

Many thanks to the Hardings for supplying the location (their hangar) and the turkey for the SVPA Christmas party. You can head to the airport around noon with the meal starting at 2 PM. With much remorse, I will be unable to attend this year since I have to be at COS singing in the choir and playing in the concert band. So to all, have a merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

- Chuck

The **Scott Valley Pilots Association** is organized as a chapter of the **California Pilots Association**

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