

MOJAVE TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM FOUNDATION

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After Action Report

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Plane Crazy Saturday

Is this really February? Wow! It was warm and lovely until the wind came up around 1:30 p.m.! It was still warm, but the wind kept blowing our papers and shirts away! 77-degree weather brought lots of people to Mojave Air and Spaceport to enjoy Plane Crazy Saturday. Thank you to everyone who came out to visit and appreciate this warm winter day!



We especially enjoy all of the little kids, our future aviators, flight test engineers and aerospace design engineers! We love to encourage our youngsters to love airplanes and have a desire to learn to fly! They are the future of General Aviation!

Dear friends of Plane Crazy Saturday, be sure to be encouraging to all of the kids at this FREE family event – we, at the Mojave Transportation Museum Foundation want all of the

youngsters and their parents to have an enjoyable and memorable time each month!

Didn't get the name of this little guy, but his expression says it all – he wants to fly jets! Thanks to his Dad for being positive and turning this fun day into a learning experience!

Ronny Alldredge flew his beautiful Beech T-34 to Mojave from Tehachapi today. Always a pleasure to see this colorful aircraft on the ramp!

Such a surprise to see T-18 pilot/owners, Howard and Elaine Ginn today! They were in town for a sad occasion, a funeral, but we were so glad to see them at MHV again.

Their son, Tony often visits PCS with his family, but today it was Elaine and Howard. Come and see us more often! We miss you!





Heather Benes was super with the display of our new Mojave Mural tee-shirts and sweatshirts!

Thank you Heather!

Ladies shirts come in two colors; light blue and ash and the men's shirts with pocket come in black or ash. All sweatshirts are ash color.

Thank you Bill Deaver, Riitta & Chris Martin and Steve Rushford for working

at the MTM promotions table!

JoAnn Painter models a light blue shirt for the camera. Wen Painter signed in pilots and historic aircraft throughout the day. Thanks Wen!

The Mojave Mural is on display at the Mission Bank in downtown Mojave. Local artist Art Siordia was on hand



to sign posters and shirts at Plane Crazy.

The mural was painted for Mojave Desert Bank, now Mission Bank and they donated it to the Mojave Transportation Museum Foundation last year.

Thank you Art for spending time with us today and thank you for capturing our transportation history.

We believe this painting tells the Mojave transportation story from the railroad that established Mojave in 1876; the 20-Mule-Team that carried



borax 165-miles, from Death Valley to the railhead in Mojave from 1883 to 1889; the Corsairs that flew from USMC Air Station Mojave during World War II; the truck traffic on the two major highways, SR-58 and SR-14; all the way up to the flying machines, designed by Burt Rutan, White Knight One and SpaceShipOne! A picture truly is worth a thousand words!

Al Hansen's Canadair Mk-VI Sabre or F-86E is very photogenic and aviation photographers seem to like to capture artsy shots of the Korean War era fighter jet.

The North American F-86 Sabre was a trusted fighter. Its reputation as a MiG killer, earned during the Korean War, made flying the Sabrejet a young airman's dream. Many F-86 pilots were World War II veterans with combat experience.

One of our favorite airplane movies from 1958 is The Hunters with Robert Mitchum and Robert Wagner. Lots of F86 flying!



Roy Martin is ever faithful to display his 1964 Cessna 206 and Doug Triplat flew his Bonanza over from Rosamond Skypark.

Another visitor from the

Skypark was Steve Rainey is his polished aluminum RV-4! Thanks for flying over to MHV Steve!





Aviation Artist Doug Castleman and Usborne Children's Books distributor, Maggie Geimke, enjoyed a warm day at Mojave Air and Spaceport. Doug had some new paintings inspired by a trip to Washington D.C.

Thank you Cam Martin for suggesting we invite Dr. Robert Ferguson to speak. His presentation on NASA's first A



Our good friend Rick with some very unusual model airplanes!

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(for aeronautics) was informative and focused on the importance of wind tunnel testing. Before 1958, NASA was known as NACA National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, which was formed in 1915. NASA is run by the Federal Government and control is in the form of money appropriated from Congress with tax dollars.

While it is true that NASA has done wonderful things

that has benefitted the world of aeronautics, we are especially proud of the streamlined 'can-do, 'get-'er-done' spirit of private business accomplished here at Mojave Air & Spaceport.

Thank you Ron Langford, MASP fueler, for all of your help with tables and chairs. We appreciate you so much! Hope to see everyone on March 15th for the next Plane Crazy Saturday! Thank you to the pilots who flew in to display aircraft and to all of the visitors who stopped in to have a good time with the aircraft and pilots. Everyone appreciates the spirit of community goodwill!