

Thank you Bob Meyer and Florence Kailiwai-Barnett for the fantastic presentation about flying as Flight Test Engineer aboard NASA's SR-71!

People never tire of hearing about the futuristic aircraft designed by The Lockheed Skunkworks and Clarence 'Kelly' Johnson.

Pilots required pressurized flight suits to cope with the low atmospheric pressure and lack of oxygen at high altitudes.



Originally, a startcart with two Buick V-8 racing engines was hooked up to the SR-71 for starting. Later, V-8 Chevy engines were used. Bob said that it was fun just to hear the V-8 engines running. The Blackbird also required a shot of TEB or Triethylborane, a catalyst that ignited the fuel.



Bob first came to NASA Dryden in 1972 as a cooperative education student from Purdue University, and joined NASA full time in 1975 following his graduation with a Bachelor of Science in aeronautics and astronautics engineering. When he retired in 2012, he had served NASA for forty years as an Aerospace and Flight Test Engineer. His last assignment was as program manager of the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy, or SOFIA, from 2006 through early 2012.







Was great to see the U.S. Navy at Mojave Air and Spaceport, as well! Two Super Hornets sat on the flight line. Awesome to see.

Local pilots came from Tehachapi, Lancaster, Rosamond and our home base, Mojave.

Jim Roberts flew his beautiful 1957 Bellanca over from Tehachapi Airport.

Alan Eutace, former Google Vice President flew his lovely Cessna Citation to Plane Crazy Saturday to meet up with Dick Rutan and hear Bob Meyer's presentation on the SR-71. So nice to meet and talk with him about his daring skydive from the edge of space in October 2014, from 135,890 feet!



Go to: <http://www.space.com/27536-supersonic-near-space-dive-video.html> for more information on this historic feat.

Mojave resident and World War II Navy Veteran, Noel Dees came to hear Bob's talk. Thanks Noel – great to see you!







MTM Board member, Ursula Finkbeiner worked at the booth with Bill Deaver and Steve Rushford. Thank you all for your dedication!

Wen Painter signed in pilots, but didn't want to miss seeing Bob Meyer. Wen loves anything and anyone NASA! He worked at NASA many years ago on the Lifting Body programs. He has wonderful stories and loves telling them.



Al Hansen brings his Canadair Mk VI F-86 Sabre out for display every month. It was the most successful and elegant American fighter of the 1950s. It seems to be the favorite aircraft of fighter pilots of that era. The Mark VI has a slightly wider fuselage to accept the more powerful Orenda-14 engine with 7,275 lbs. of thrust.

We Are Mojave had a booth set up with Susan Fortuna and Patti Rose. Great to have you at Plane Crazy Saturday!!







Ronny Alldredge from Tehachapi in his fantastic Beechcraft T-34 Mentor! Thanks for flying over Ronny!

Always love to see this Piper J-3 Cub!  
Thank you John Tumilowicz for flying your 1939 Piper J-3C over to Mojave from Tehachapi Airport!



Jim Wilhelm's 1977 Cessna 182 is a great all-around solid airplane. Thanks Jim, we always enjoy seeing you again!

Thank you to Javier Ruiz and Mojave Air & Spaceport for all of the wonderful support for Plane Crazy Saturday!

Voyager Restaurant was packed with people after Bob Meyer's briefing. Always fun to see all of the little kids with their parents enjoying a day at the airport!



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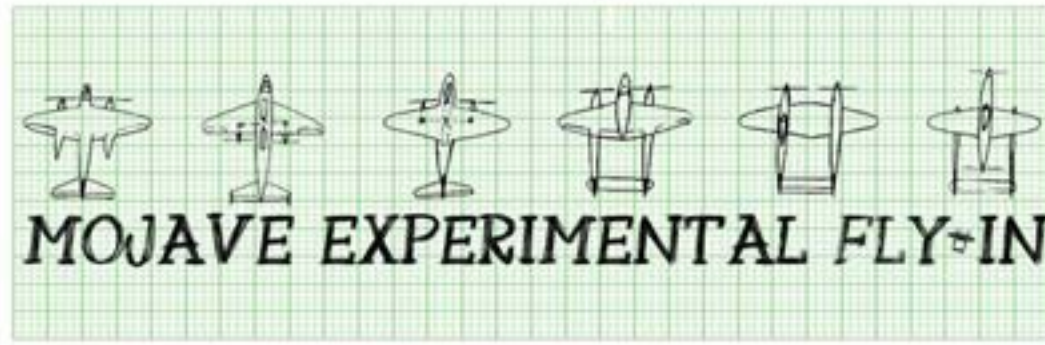
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