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"Flight is just momentary escape from the eternal custody of earth." - Beryl Markham

#### Chino California at Sunset

#### June 2024 Stats

Flights: 2 Miles Flown: 123 Hours Flown: 0.87 Airports Visited: 2 Welcome to the 12th Edition of the Newsletter! Yep, we're one year old now. :)

You read that right, only two (very short) flights in June. Halfway through the month the plane went to the mechanic to have the engine swapped out. As I'm writing this it is close to completion, and I'm hoping to start break-in flights this week.

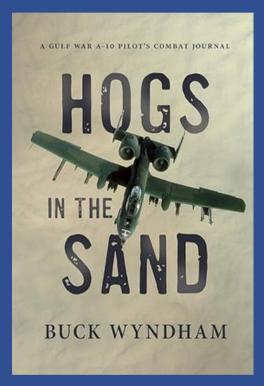
In this newsletter there's the last flight before the engine replacement, reviews of two excellent books, my reasoning for replacing a well running engine, and last but not least, the first in a three part series I wrote back in 2020 for The Mooney Flyer.

Enjoy the articles this month and Kathy's Corner. Stay tuned for Part II of "Oh The Places You'll Go" next month along with more great articles.

#### <u>Redlands - Hangar 24</u> and Chicken Republic

If you are looking for something besides the typical \$100 Burger flights, check out Chicken Republic and Hangar 24 at Redlands. <u>Read more...</u>





#### Hogs in the Sand

Hogs in the Sand: A Gulf War A-10 Pilot's Combat Journal by Buck Wyndham is the author's very personal account of taking the A-10 Warthog into battle. Buck gives you a day to day, play-by-play account of life in the cockpit and on the ground. See why its the #1 Best Seller in Persian Gulf War History. <u>Read more...</u>

### <u>Engine Replacement On</u> <u>Your Terms, Not Life's</u> <u>Terms</u>

"It's always better to do it on your terms instead of life's terms" is a favorite saying I learned from my wife. <u>Read more...</u>



## <u>The Big Show: The</u> <u>Classic Account of WWII</u> <u>Aerial Combat</u>

The Big Show: The Classic Account of WWII Aerial Combat by Pierre Clostermann has been described as the greatest pilot's memoir of WWII. From 1942-1945 he flew 432 sorties with the RAF starting in the Supermarine Spitfire and finishing in Hawker Tempest. He is France's most highly decorated officer and is credited with between 29-33 shoot downs along with hundreds of motor vehicles destroyed, 72 locomotives, and 5 tanks. <u>Read more...</u>





## <u>Oh The Places You'll Go -</u> <u>Part I</u>

Hopefully, this short series will have something to offer to all of you. For the experienced cross-country pilot, it might just be a trip down memory lane, bringing back the excitement and thrills as you began adventuring. <u>Read more...</u>

# **Kathy's Corner**

#### Summer Solstice

Having our plane down for maintenance for a month is a stark realization that your wings are clipped. General Aviation is a mindset that we had to wrap our heads around and we're thankful for the friends who encouraged us to step into the the arena of flight.

I am a dreamer, I like goal setting and write them onto my "Magic Whiteboard" with the goals that I create. I really do think it's magical. Richard is amazed over and over when what goes on the "Magic Whiteboard" becomes reality. My friend Sharon calls it my "direct connect"

Looking back, since listening to my first Bryan Tracy audio cassette that my dad loaned me in 1997, has brought many unexpected miracles into my life. Simply by creating our intentions, God often answers them. Sometimes He surprises me by answering unspoken prayers. He's a good mind reader.

Read the rest of her story here....