

**SAVE THE DATES:
Thursday to Sunday Sept 17th – 21st**

West Coast Swift Wing Fly-in Update

Greetings from sunny Jackson, California!! The West Coast Swift Wing event planning team is alive and busy! Once again your Jackson-based hosts Brad & Cathy Stahl along with Al McDonald, assisted by a team of Swift family volunteers, are busy with hotels, dinners, tours, ladies' day, fly-outs, winery selections, etc.

Richard Clinton has volunteered to host his delicious barbecue lunches on Friday and Saturday at the field.

The Best Western Amidor Inn (209) 223-0211 has once again blocked a bunch of rooms for us and there are more available if needed, at the Holiday Inn Express. We have requested an expansion of the room block but space is limited, so call soon. Ask for the Swift Group rate which is \$104.99 (excl tax). The Holiday Inn Express is our second hotel, and their number is (209) 257-1500. If you prefer a boutique hotel experience, then check out the Historic Hotel Sutter (209) 267-0242. This hotel is in downtown Sutter Creek which will require you to have your own transportation (we can arrange to drop you off after arrival). Rates are approximately \$260 to \$315 per night.

Shirts are being designed and ordered and will be available on arrival. Please find attached a pre-registration form. Please complete and return to me with a registration fee of \$50 per person payable by check or Venmo. If you send in your form and you indicated a shirt size, you will receive priority.

So, open your Foreflight and begin flight planning and set your course to Jackson (KJAQ), California! If you haven't been here before, Jackson is an old gold mining town rich in history and nestled in the Sierra foothills. Gold has since been replaced with grapes and tourism. Like past years, we will have a number of options planned for our visitors this year that will inspire you to make the trip:

- Brad is working on a tour at the Kennedy Gold Mine. He is also setting up a breakfast fly-out.
- Last year we had 29 guests "ride the rails" in electric 2 and 4 person rail carts, all reported it was a blast!!!
- Al is working with the folks at Eagles Nest (home of the Sanders Brothers - Reno Race Team) to allow us to come in Friday morning to observe several race planes preparing for the Los Cruces Air Races (formerly Reno Air Races)
- Donna and Cathy are setting up the Ladies' Day Trip to Sutter Creek.

Earliest Birds: Wednesday (open plan but we will have suggestions and a dinner site for the flock to gather)

Early Birds: Thursday (expect a touristy agenda that day, dinner will be at a local site).

Friday - Fly-out breakfast to Eagles Nest (tentative, depends on the owner's availability), evening barbecue at the airport. **Oktoberfest attire is encouraged!!**

Saturday - Fly-out to Columbia or TBD. Ladies' day lunch and walkabout in downtown Sutter Creek, Brewery lunch for the boys, winery tours in the afternoon, evening dinner at the Historic Sutter Hotel Restaurant & **Hawaiian shirts are encouraged!!**

Sunday - Hugs and farewells to our guests. Hope to see you soon in Jackson! Your West Coast Swift Wing Team!