

# Grass is Greener at the Airpark

**By Press Release**

Here are the keys — from left to right: John Cook, Sue Foster, Burl Skaggs (president Cameron Park Airport District), Kathryn Gilfillan and Mark Harris. Courtesy photo

The Cameron Park Community Foundation provided a gift of a new commercial Swisher Trail Mower to the Cameron Park Airport District.

The Cameron Park Community Foundation Board of Directors — Mark Harris, Kathryn Gilfillan, Sue Foster and John Cook — saw a need and filled it. The airport district struggled for years to mow the 40-plus acres that surround the airport. Volunteers rented, begged and borrowed equipment to mow this massive area. This new equipment should help the volunteers to keep the airport free of vegetation and safe from fires.



The airport is a great asset to the community. It serves as a staging area for local emergencies and provides access for individuals' in crisis and in need of medical evacuation along with general aviation.

The community foundation founded in 2010 is an all-volunteer-based nonprofit that serves and supports the greater community of Cameron Park. The volunteers raise funds to benefit people, parks and programs in the community.

“We work based upon the groups consensus. We see needs throughout our community and our ability to help to fulfill the needs,” said board President Harris regarding where to grant funds. “Recently we provided a \$3,000 grant to the Cameron Park Community Services District to help individuals or families that were struggling to pay for some of the many activities offered by the district, be it youth sports or senior activity classes. People who can’t afford to pay the total cost of the activity we help. Another recent grant was to the El Dorado County Sheriff K-9 Unit to help offset cost in caring for ... a very special dog.”

For additional information about the Cameron Park Community Foundation call Harris at (530) 677-2113 or visit [cameronparkcf.org](http://cameronparkcf.org).