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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

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Secretary: Steve Woodall

Vice President: Mike Pimentel

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

Meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM 03-11-2017

BOARD MEETING:

March 11, 2017

President Steve Hoyt brought the board meeting to order at 10:36 AM at the field in Union City, CA

The board members present were President Steve Hoyt, Vice President Mike Pimentel, Treasurer Jim Utley, Secretary Steve Woodall, Safety Officers, Norm Coates and Burt Rosensweig, Board Member Harry Kart and Director of Communications Jeff Whitney.

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

Steve Hoyt said we need to reattach the petromat on the south end of the runway. He would like to have a work party after the meeting.

Norm said he could hear a nitro plane as he was coming through the gate near the residential houses. Hoyt said he has not heard of any complaints and would not like to have any. We need to remain good neighbors. He will bring up the issue during the meeting.

It appears the caretakers are moving and that the house will be demolished. Jim Utley has sent the county several e-mails, but has not received any reply as to what is happening. We do not know if our house will also be part of the demo, but think it will. He said he is moving the trainer and Christmas stuff out of the building. There is a Tuff Shed on the property, which we would like to save for us if possible.

Steve Woodall said we could use another shipping container for storage and would talk to Doug.

The board meeting was adjourned at 10:52 AM

GENERAL MEETING:

March 11, 2017

The club President Steve Hoyt called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM, at the field in Union City, CA. There were 26 members present, two (2) guests and two (2) prospective members.

The officers present were President Steve Hoyt, Vice President Mike Pimentel, Treasurer Jim Utley, Secretary Steve Woodall,

Next meeting:

April 8

At the FIELD (UON)

Safety Officer Burt Rosensweig and Norm Coates, Board Member Harry Kart and Director of Communications Jeff Whitney.

Prospective New Members:

There were two (2) prospective new/old members Eugene Pallas and Chuck Peake. They are both from Foster City and former members wanting to get back into the hobby. Both told about themselves and what they flew. Both were voted in, as members, by the members present.

News Letter Issues:

None

February Minutes:

Approved as posted in last months newsletter.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim Utley made a complete financial report, which showed our club is in good shape. Jim notes that about 30 members have not renewed from last year and we are currently at 100 paid members. For complete details contact Jim.

His report was approved by the members present

Safety Report:

Burt said that there were no reported incidents during the past month. He did report a safety issue with members arming their planes on the outside tables and then going for their flights. He said that all planes should be armed in the safety of the pit area. Norm added that after your flight, you should be disarmed on the field, at the disarming table or in the pits and not in the general area.

Steve Hoyt added that for safety, fliers going out into the open area to recover a plane, should go with another person. He said there are still some unmarked holes and a lot of water out there.

Field Report:

Steve Woodall read a letter for the Field Manager Brady Deitrick.

Brady wanted to thank Art Vargas and any others that may have helped fill in the pot holes on the entrance road.

He said he would like to know more about the move and demolition of the caretakers house. He would like to save the Tuff Shed near the house for the clubs use if it is left. He also asked if our weather station house will be part of the demolition.

He asked if the club could look into getting another shipping container for storage.

He said we need to reposition the petro mat on the approach to the runway.

And lastly we need more gravel.

Old Business:

Hoyt asked Whitney for a progress report on the upcoming Fun Day in June. Jeff did not have a report, but asked if we want to invite other clubs. A motion was made to invite other clubs and post a flier. The motion was passed by the members present.

Hoyt said he thinks that our declining membership is because Bayside RC has gotten their new field and only charges \$40 per membership.

New Business:

A long time member, Robert Loftus, got up and said he was moving to the Chicago area because of work. He wanted to thank the club and all its members for the fun times and great camaraderie he has enjoyed as a member.

Norm Coates brought Alvin to the meeting today and wanted members to recognize his presence. Alvin is 92 and has been missing from the field lately. Norm brought a large

model that Alvin is finishing. All members were glad to see Alvin.

Hoyt wanted to thank all the members that are always helping other members.

Steve pointed out that gas and nitro noise has been brought to his attention recently and that we should all be aware of the noise our planes make. We need to remain good neighbors to the residents to our east. Our club rules state that our planes noise level should not exceed 96 DB at ten (10) feet. There is a decibel meter in the lock box attached to the impound shack.

Show and Tell:

Jeff showed us a plane venturi and then showed us one made and scaled down by 3D printing.

Burt showed us two (2) planes he had. One for free and the other for sale.

Announcements:

Two Swap Meets:

April 8, 2017, put on by the Tom Cats and held at the Bayside RC Field 8100 Mowry Ave in Fremont from 7 AM to ?

<http://www.baysidercclub.com/2017/03/rc-swap-meet-april-8th/>

May 6, 2017, put on by Evil Monkey Productions at the Alameda Naval Air Museum 2151 Ferry Point, Alameda Bldg. 77 from 8 AM to 3 PM.

We will have a fun-fly contest June 24, other clubs will be invited, the Warbird fly-in will be July 15th and the Waldo Pepper WWI/Golden Age fly-in will be August 26-27th.

See flyers on the website for our events.

Upcoming Events of Interest:

April 8, 2017, Swap Meet at Bayside RC Field 7 AM

May 6, 2017, Swap Meet Alameda Naval Station Bldg 77 8 AM to 3 PM

Saturday June 24, 2017 Club Fun Fly

July Boy Scout event Date to be announced

Warbirds by the Bay 07/15/17

August Waldo Pepper 08/26-27/17

The club furnished BBQ lunch after the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35AM.

After lunch the members re-laid the petromat at the South end of the runway—many thanks to those who helped!

Oh gosh! White space! Whatever will I do?

Write, of course!

35+ years ago when I started in this hobby digital proportional radios were still new (these were the grandfathers of what we use now), dual rates were still pretty rare and snap roll buttons were even rarer! Servo reversing was done by re-soldering a couple of wires in the servo itself.

If you wanted to have more than one airplane, you needed to either have more than one radio, or you had to make sure that the surfaces on each airplane moved the same direction, and that the trims were pretty close to the other model(s).

We only had 7 frequencies, denoted by colored flags on the antennae (green and white, orange and white, etc.) There was a pecking order to the transmitter impound—and you had best follow it or face the wrath of the other fliers!

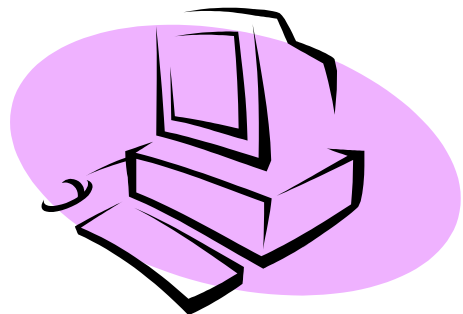
Good old days . . .

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