



June 16, 2017

Volume 17, Issue 9

Page 1

## Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

President: Steve Hoyt

Secretary: Steve Woodall

Vice President: Mike Pimentel

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM 06-10-2017

### **BOARD MEETING:**

President Steve Hoyt brought the board meeting to order at 10:34 AM at the field in Union City, CA

Steve Hoyt said that the drainage out flow appears to be slow and there may be some blockage, so he will contact the county and see if they can help clear out the pipe to lower the water level.

Hoyt said he is also a member of the Bayside RC Club and uses his membership to get ideas to help our club. He says they have a nice field with 180 members and recently received a grant from AMA to help build their new runway. He continued by saying Bayside has a lower initiation fee than we do. He asked how we can get new members? Most board members were ok

with our current number of 100. Steve Woodall suggested that we start a membership committee to keep up with people moving or dropping their membership for one reason or another. Burt will work with Jim to see what the clubs needs are financially and get back to the board.

Norm said he will be working with Brady next week, Wednesday 14th and Friday 16th, to mow the trails and remove the broken pipe. Any members wanting to help can also show up.

Steve Woodall suggested that a nomination committee be formed soon to talk to members regarding becoming club officers.

Jeff said the club should become more friendly to members flying helicopters.

Jim said his Boy Scout troop has scheduled their training day and camp out for August 5 - 6, 2017.

Next meeting:

July 8

At the FIELD

The board meeting was adjourned at 10:57 AM

#### **GENERAL MEETING:**

The club President Steve Hoyt called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM, at the field in Union City, CA. There were 13 members present.

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

#### **Prospective New Members:**

None

#### **News Letter Issues:**

None

#### **May 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 we are currently at 100 paid members. For complete details contact Jim.

His report was approved by the members present

#### **Safety Report:**

Norm Coates said he has seen members arming their planes on the outside tables and wants to remind all members to use the pit area to arm your planes. This is a safety issue and we don't want to have any accidents.

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. We should also be aware that there are a lot of ticks this season, so check

yourself when you come back from the tall grass areas. Use deets to help prevents getting ticks and other insects on you.

#### **Field Report:**

Norm Coates said that Brady Deitrick has asked him to mow the trails next week. They will be having a work get together on Wednesday the 14th and Friday the 16th to mow the trails, kill weeds and remove broken pipe near the drainage ditch. The more members that can help the faster the project will go. Starting time to be announced.

Art Vargas said that he recently sprayed weeds along the runway.

David Ching said you can use a mixture of vinegar and salt to kill weeds that works as good as Roundup.

Hoyt added that he will be calling the county to see if they can clean out the drainage pipe to help the flow and remove the water faster.

#### **Old Business:**

Hoyt said that Utley is trying to make a deposit for the Christmas Party, but our second Saturday may be reserved already. Jim is looking into keeping the date and will get back to us.

We are still waiting to hear if we will be getting another container for the field. This process takes awhile.

#### **New Business:**

Scott Clinton asked about the possibility of having a cross wind runway. Utley said it would take too much dirt and would have to be compacted.

Hoyt said he is also a member of the Bayside RC Club in Newark. He said he tries to bring back ideas to help our club. He asked what can we do to make our club better? He added that Burt Rosensweig will be working with Jim Utley to see what our club needs are financially regarding our current membership. He will report back to the board with his findings and make suggestions for the clubs future.

David Ching asked what the clubs plans are for the unfinished Heli pad. Can we finish it or use it for other things such as car racing etc.? No answers were given at this time.

#### Show and Tell:

Jim Utley showed off his new Stuka JU82 from Seagull RC. Jim said he did the plane's maiden flight earlier today with a very nervous pilot. Once the pilot settled down the plane flew fine.

John Vandenheuvel showed us a camper trailer that he built. The trailer is self contained with a queen size bed inside and kitchen in the back. He did a beautiful job. John has enjoyed his membership over the past five (5) years, but will be moving on. Good luck John!

#### Announcements:

Jim Utley said that a long time member, Ken Safer, has recently died.

Jeff said that our club's Fun Fly will be coming up on Saturday June 24, 2017.

#### Upcoming Events of Interest:

Saturday June 24, 2017 Club Fun Fly

Warbirds by the Bay July 15, 2017

Boy Scout event August 5 - 6, 2017

Waldo Pepper's Flying Circus August 26-27, 2017



**Beware of our Bird!** There is a killdeer nest near the container—we have surrounded it with cones, but if you go near the nest she gets very upset!

Picture by Norm Coates



Jim Utley and Norm Coates with their F7F Tigercats by Flightline, from Motion RC. Robert has one as well, lost the pic though!



Jim Utley with his new Seagull Stuka. Jim said it flew really well after he turned the rates down! Pictures by Burt Rosensweig.

Delta Valley Modelers is hosting a BBQ and Night Fly at Kingdon Airport 12145 DeVries Road, Lodi August 12th.

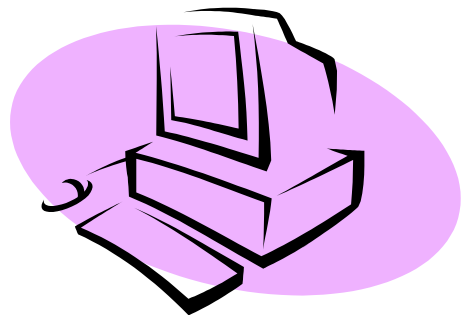
RSVP [cas12744@aol.com](mailto:cas12744@aol.com). RVs welcome but contact them for space.

Oakland Aviation Museum Open Cockpit Day 6/18, noon to 4PM.

**Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers**

SACRC  
Treasurer  
14921 Fjord St.  
San Leandro, Ca. 94578

**SACRC "SacRats"**  
Visit our website @ [www.sacrc.org](http://www.sacrc.org)



Jeff Whitney - Editor  
[jeff.whitney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jeff.whitney@sbcglobal.net)