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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

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Minutes of the Nov. 13th General Membership Meeting

Jim Newman

Minutes

Accepted as published.

New/Prospective Members

Richard Sauneuf, Mike Pimentel, Jerome Simon and Sean Wu were voted into the Club as new members.

Treasury Report

Accepted as read.

Secretaries Report

None.

Field Report

Art Vargas reported that the pine tree near the shack at our flying field needs to be trimmed. It was also added that the roof on the shack should be replaced soon and that the porch on the shack has several boards that are broken and in need of being replaced. The different repairs were noted and will be considered as part of the next work party.

Safety Report

Walt Humphrey was introduced as the

new Field Marshal to assist Bob Dutra and Art Vargas. A round of thanks goes out to Walt for stepping into this position.

Walt Humphrey stated that the electric planes need to be armed pointing towards the fence. It was stated that this should be done as a safety measure just in case the planes motor starts up.

Bob Dutra made a comment that some flyers are taxiing their planes up to the starting area with the plane pointing directly into the starting area. He stated that this is a safety concern because the engine/motor could go to full throttle and the plane could come into the starting area.

Old Business

It was stated that every member's Club dues are due by January 31st, 2011. With the Club membership coming close to the 150 member limit, anyone who is not paid up by the January 31 deadline may not be able to rejoin if there are other individuals waiting to join.

As stated in the Club's Constitution and Bi-Laws:

III. DUES AND INITIATION FEES

A. ...

1. Renewal of membership: Dues not received by the Treasurer as of January 31st will result in cancellation of membership.

So please pay your Club dues on time!

Jeff Whitney gave a report on the "Waldo Pepper Flying Circus" contest that he hosted at our Club last month. There were approximately 10 contestants with approximately 20 aircraft.

New Business

Bob Dutra made a motion to cap the Club membership at its present member count. The motion was then seconded. The membership count as of this evening was 140 members. After a full discussion of capping the membership at 140, a vote was taken and the motion was defeated.

Bob Freshwater informed the members present that the Annual SACRC Christmas Party would be held in lieu of the next meeting on December 11th, 2010. He stated that the Club will supply the turkey, ham and soft drinks and that members are requested to bring a side dish to share with everyone else. Please remember that spouses are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Bob Freshwater also reminded everyone that Club members are requested to come to the Hanger on the morning of Dec. 11th to help in cleaning and to help with setting up the decorations. Members willing to help should show up around 9am and that it shouldn't take more than a couple of hours to get the Hanger ready for the evening events.

A question was asked as to what happened to all of the Club's awards. The answer is that they were removed when some members objected to them even though they were only meant in fun. At the time, it was decided to remove all awards except for "Dummy of the Month" for that award is a tradition with the Club. It was offered that if members are willing, some or all of the awards could be reinstated. No further actions were taken.

Announcements

None.

Dummy of the Month

None.

Show and Tell

Art Vargas showed a Parkzone P-51 "Gunfighter" that he resurrected after a crash. The plane was completely rebuilt and repainted. It was impossible to tell that the plane was ever damaged in any way. Art displayed his usual excellent craftsmanship.

Rico Dalmau brought in a Multiplex Parkmaster that he refinished in pre-WWII Army Air Corp blue and yellow. It looked very nice in its new colors.

Walt Humphrey showed a Kyosho Jet version EDF DF45. The plane is very impressive in that it has variable swept wings that it has variable swept wings that are controlled by a servo through a transmitter channel. This one will be interesting to watch fly!

Don't Forget!

Renew your Club Dues!

People Behaving Badly

Well things are slowing down...it's raining and only the strong will survive. I fly with the same people every winter while most of the Club members take a long winter nap.

I saw something the other day that was amazing...a pilot, who flies fairly expensive airplanes, can't make a right turn. When the wind is from the south, he will make a left turn into the "no-fly-zone" at the south end of the field until the plane is heading west. On landing he will fly into the "no-fly-zone" on the north end of the field and turn left until the plane is heading south down the runway. This way he only has to make left-handed turns....three lefts make a right. We have signs at both ends of the field....don't fly behind them!

One more thing, the tables belong to everybody! If it is crowded, please put you airplane together, then put it in the pits. Some of the bigger planes need the table for assemble, it is had to put wing struts on when if the plane is on the ground. If someone asks "can I use the table?"..... Let's all share.

This is probably all for this year....so Merry Christmas to all and all a good flight.

Bob Duta, Safety Officer

Share the Air

It' that time of the year again, we have to share airspace with the Duck Hunters....the field will be closed the following dates:

In 2010

Thursday Dec. 2nd, Saturday Dec. 11th, Thursday Dec. 16th, Sunday De. 19th

In 2011

Saturday Jan. 8th, Thursday Jan. 13th, Saturday Jan. 22nd, Tuesday Jan. 25th

SACRC'S Annual

2010

Christmas Dinner

December 11th, 7pm at the Hanger
The Club will supply the ham, turkey
and beverages, the rest is Pot-Luck

Bob Freshwater is the Host (510) 657-2847

Please contact him to R.S.V.P. and let him know
What hot dish, salad or dessert you will be
contributing

Spouses are not only welcome, but encouraged
to attend

We will once again have a **HUGE GIFT** drawing
for all attendees

Work Party

We will have a work party on Saturday January 8th (a Share the Air Day) starting at 9am at the flying field.

There are many things that need to be done trimming a tree, removing the shade, painting tables and repairing the porch of the shack.

Those who participate will be entered into a raffle for an ARF

In case of uncooperative weather, we will schedule it for the following month

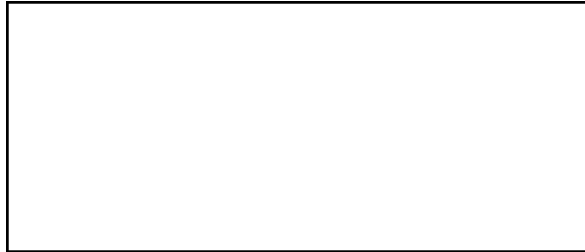
Upcoming Events

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| 12/4 | Toys-4-Tots@ Salinas Area Modelers, Chualar
Jim St.John 831-442-5050 tigger999@sbcglobal.net |
| 12/5 | Bob Whitacre Memorial Toys-4-Tots @SCCMAS
Steve Smith 408-234-0095 st2vejsmith2001@hotmail.com |
| 12/19 | Toys-4-Tots @ EBRC, Livermore
Bob Donleavy 925-829-5549 rcerbob@comcast.net |

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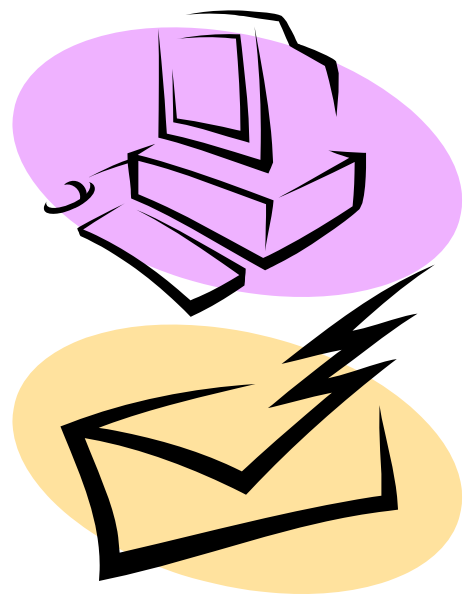
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7:30pm at the Hanger



Jim Utley, Editor

Southern Alameda County Radio Controller 2011 Renewal Form

all applicable items and enter all name & address information

NOTE: ALL renewing members must show proof of AMA membership to receive a new membership badge or card.

Annual Membership Fees for Renewal Members:

Single, Full PRIMARY ADULT (over 18) \$ 60.00

Single, Full PRIMARY JUNIOR (under 19) \$ 25.00

Non Flying Membership Fee (Newsletter Only) \$ 10.00

Value Family Membership Fee \$100.00

Viola Blythe Foundation (Donation) \$____.00

Total \$ _____

AMA Number _____ (All numbers will be verified with AMA)

Name _____

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ ST _____

I have read and agree to abide by the rules of SACRC.

Remember, any member who joined after 5/08 is not allowed to fly gas or turbine aircraft.

Signature: _____

Make check payable to SACRC, and bring to a Club Meeting at "The Hangar"
with proof of AMA, on the second Saturday of most months at 7:30 pm

OR

mail check with membership form, and proof of AMA to:

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