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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

President: Steve Hoyt

Secretary: Matt O'Sullivan

Vice President: Bob Freshwater

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

The Club meeting was at 11:00 AM May 10, 2014

Club Meeting 11:00 AM:

Location: Field

Officers Present: Steve Hoyt President, Jim Utley Treasurer, Matt O'Sullivan Secretary, Jeff Whitney At Large.

April Meeting Minutes approved as published in the Newsletter.

Financial Report: Presented by Treasurer and approved.

Old Business: Steve Hoyt stated that Scott Clinton is still working on a Family Day event and invited members to make suggestions.

Field Report: There has been work on trimming the weeds, and replacing the table tops. We will also be extending the pit area and replacing the railing in the pit area. We

also need to paint the superstructure for the canopy.

Safety Report: The Safety officer was not available for a report. However, there was a report of someone flying a helicopter off of the runway. This is not currently allowed under the existing club rules. We are in the process of setting up an area for helicopter flight and rules for that activity will be posted

Prospective New Members: Dave Silva, Robert Amoranto and Jesse Hernandez. All were voted into the club.

Announcements. None

Show and Tell: Art Vargas showed a new electric P-51 with a sound system installed that was keyed to the throttle position. Art was very enthusiastic about the model.

A sad note:

Many of you know by now that long time member (one of the founders I believe) passed away Sunday May 18—here is a message from Ken Gregory:

Dear SACRC Members:

It is with deep regret to inform you that one of our long term SACRC member Gary Rebiskie passed away Sunday evening May 18th at Washington Hospital. For those of you that knew Gary you knew of his love and his passion for this hobby and the SACRC Club. Gary was always willing to help fellow members that needed a hand on their projects. Gary loved to build war birds—one of his favorite was his Sea Fury, he loved to talk about the different variations and paint themes of those Sea Fury's.

Gary was a machinist by trade and worked for Varian, which made him the authority on making intricate parts for his job & hobby.

I want to extend my deepest condolences to Gary's family and wish them all the best through this hard time. I'm not sure of any plans at this point for a wake ceremony but Gary's son Ken Rebiskie I'm sure will let us know.

Ken Gregory

Also from Ken:

I've know Gary since I was around 6 years old. Mostly we had a common bond with the club and the hobby. We worked on projects together from time to time, I'd help him with his models fixing them or assembling them or even making composite parts for him. He would do the same if I needed a special thing machined he would be able to make it.

All I know is I'm going to miss him coming by the store and our conversations. He always was interested in what I was up to. Gary was a like a mentor in a lot of ways to me.

Ken

My Sopwith is coming along—but the closer I get to painting the more I realize is left to do!

Sunday I got the last 2 pieces of lithoplate (aluminum) on the nose—if you can see the small circle in the plate, that is where the carburetor air inlet goes—it is a 1/4" hole. Rather than drill the aluminum which would tear up the thin sheet I sharpened a 1/4" OD brass tube by putting it in my drill and using a rat-tail file on the ID—if you GENTLY press it down on the aluminum (which you are holding FIRMLY in place) it will bore a hole with hardly any distortion.

The aluminum can be had from a print shop that still does offset printing—as it comes it is too hard to form, so take a bar of soap and rub it on the aluminum, then take a propane torch and pass it across the other side of the aluminum until the soap turns black—that will anneal the aluminum and make it workable.

As you work the aluminum it will work-harden—no problem, just soap it and anneal it. Keep the flame moving or you stand a chance of melting the aluminum.

Jeff



The AW-FK10 Quadraplane flies! Tim's wife Netty took the controls for a bit and described the flight as "majestic". Sure looks great in the air!

You have to keep power on all the way to wheels touch, there is a lot of drag with all 4 of those wings!



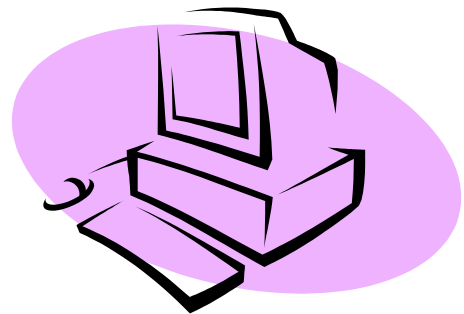
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NOTE!

**NEXT MEETING JUNE 21, 2014
AT THE FIELD!**



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