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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

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Minutes of the Nov. 12th Board Of Directors meeting by Jim Newman

Board Members in Attendance

Bob Freshwater—President and Member of the Board.

Jim Newman—Secretary and Member of the Board.

Jim Utley—Treasurer and Member of the Board.

Jeff Whitney—Past President and Member of the Board.

Bob Dutra—Director at Large and Member of the Board.

Art Vargas—Director at Large and Member Of the Board.

Board Members in Absence

Rico Dalmau—Vice President and Member of the Board.

Open Chair—Director of Communications.

Business

The Board discussed the proposal to reinstate the flying of gas engines by limiting the engine size. After a lengthy discussion, Jim Utley made a motion to continue with the present ban on gas powered planes by members who joined after May 10th 2008.

The motion passed by voice vote with only one dissenting vote.

The Board discussed the possibility of the Club hosting a one day War-Bird contest sometime in 2012. After the discussion, the Board decided to present their proposal at the next General Membership Club meeting.



Minutes of the Nov. 12th General Membership meeting by Jim Newman**Minutes**

Accepted as published

New Members/Prospects

Keith and Michael Wiebe were voted into the Club as new members.

With the addition of the two new members, this now brings the Club's total membership up to 150 members. Therefore, the Club's membership is officially closed until the end of the year. The Membership will be reopened after the close of the Club's membership renewal period, which ends January 31, 2012. Until then, perspective members will be placed on a waiting list until the February 11, 2012 General Club Meeting. The order that the perspective members are added to the list will be the order in which they will be allowed to join assuming that they are present at the Club's General Meeting. They will need to be present to join.

Treasury Report

Accepted as read.

Secretaries Report

None.

Field Report

Art Vargas reported that a member is dropping rubber bands at the flying field. Please pick up your trash to keep the flying field looking good. He also asked that the pervert please

stop posting improper photos at the flying field. Please ask are for more details.

Bob Freshwater reported that the awnings over the pits at the flying field will be taken down in the next couple of weeks.

Safety Report

Bob Dutra stated that a new member was allowing a guest, that he brought to the flying field, to fly without AMA. This is absolutely against AMA and Club rules. This has to stop. Also, anyone who brings in a guest to fly is responsible for the actions of the guest and if the guest violates AMA or Club rules, they will be held responsible.

Old Business

Bob Freshwater reported to the Club members in attendance that the Board of Directors discussed the ban on gas powered aircraft. The Board's decision is that there will be no change in the Club's ban on gas aircraft for new members who joined after May 10th, 2008.

Jim Utley reported that Steve Hoyt is considering to take over the news letter, but first needs to see what is involved in the process.

Bob Freshwater stated that the Club will host the annual Christmas Party on December 10th, 2011 starting at 7:00 pm. The Christmas Party is pot-luck so bring a dish to share. The Club will be supplying a turkey, ham and soft drinks. Spouses and significant others are welcome and encouraged to

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come. Please invite them so that they can meet the Club members and their spouses or significant others and have the members meet them as well. It's always a good group of people and great food so come along and enjoy.

New Business

Bob Freshwater reported that the Club Officers for next year will be as follows:

Jim Solar for Club President and Member of the Board.

Bob Freshwater for Club Vice President and Member of the Board.

Jim Utley for Club Treasurer and Member of the Board.

Jim Newman for Club Secretary and Member of the Board.

Jeff Whitney for Past President and Member of the Board.

Art Vargas for Director at Large and Member of the Board.

Bob Dutra for Director at Large and Member of the Board.

The Board of Directors is proposing hosting a War-Bird contest in 2012. Jeff Whitney has volunteered to be CD but will need other Club members to volunteer to assist him. Alex volunteered to host the event with others volunteering to help as well.

Bob Freshwater reported that the California

Department of Fish and Game has not informed us of the duck hunting day for this year. Jim Utley will enquire next week as to what days will be open for duck killing so that we can close the flying field on those days.

Jim Utley gave a report on hosting of the Civil Air Patrol that occurred recently at East Bay RC (EBRC). He said that they first went to the offices of the CAP and did a presentation of RC that concluded with a demonstration of an indoor RC helicopter. They then took them to their flying field and did a demonstration of full size RC aircraft that included putting them on a buddy-box. Jim and the other members of EBRC deserve thanks for their efforts in promoting our hobby in such a positive way.

Barry made a motion to change the name of the "Dummy of the Month" award to "Member of the Month" to take away the negative cogitations of the award. After a brief discussion, the motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

The issue of the Club's smoking ban at the flying field was raised by a Club member. His question was that if there is a Club policy of no smoking at the flying field, how come we are still allowing some members to smoke such as, smoking a pipe. Art Vargas clarified the issue by stating that the original policy of no smoking was to address the issue of cigarette butts being dropped in the parking area and not on smoking in general. Art stated that he would talk to the individuals who are still smoking to ask them to be more considerate of other members.

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Announcements

The Club's Membership renewal is presently ongoing. If you have not renewed by January 31, 2012, your membership will be cancelled as per the Club's Constitution and Bylaws (III.A.1). This means that if there is anyone who is presently on the waiting list to join, that they will become a member and you will have to go on the waiting list. So please don't delay and get those dues in on time! This year it's more important than ever so that you remain a member.

Member of the month

None.

Show and Tell

Art Vargas presented a ParkZone SE5a. Art tricked out the plane and did his usual great job in enhancing an already impressive plane.

People Behaving Badly

Rules are Rules! Some of the new members are bringing guests every week.....one thing they don't know, is that a guest can only fly three times.....after that they are expected to become a member. Also, remember.....No AMA, they have to be on a buddy-box. If you do bring a guest, it is your responsibility to watch him and don't let him fly alone.

Enough rules for this year, and remember....they are not my rules, they are the AMA's rules.....we just enforce them to save our field. Some of the rules for electrics we put in place for your safety. You'll have to admit that electrics can be more dangerous than nitro.

It has been a fun year....Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all and to all have a good flight!

(Bob Dutra, Safety Officer)

P.S. Dan, give me a call.

It's that time of the year....again.

You can now renew you AMA on line for

The next year or two.

You can also renew your annual club dues

For 2012

You will find a renewal form in this edition.

Share the air days are back

The Department of Fish and Game has notified us of the
Duck Hunting days at Eden Landing Ecological Reserve

The are:

2011

Sunday, Nov. 20th
Saturday, Dec. 3rd
Thursday, Dec. 8th
Tuesday, Dec. 13th
Saturday, Dec. 17th

2012

Saturday, Jan. 7th
Thursday, Jan. 12th
Tuesday, Jan. 17th
Saturday, Jan. 28th



Here's a couple of Dads
Teaching the next generation

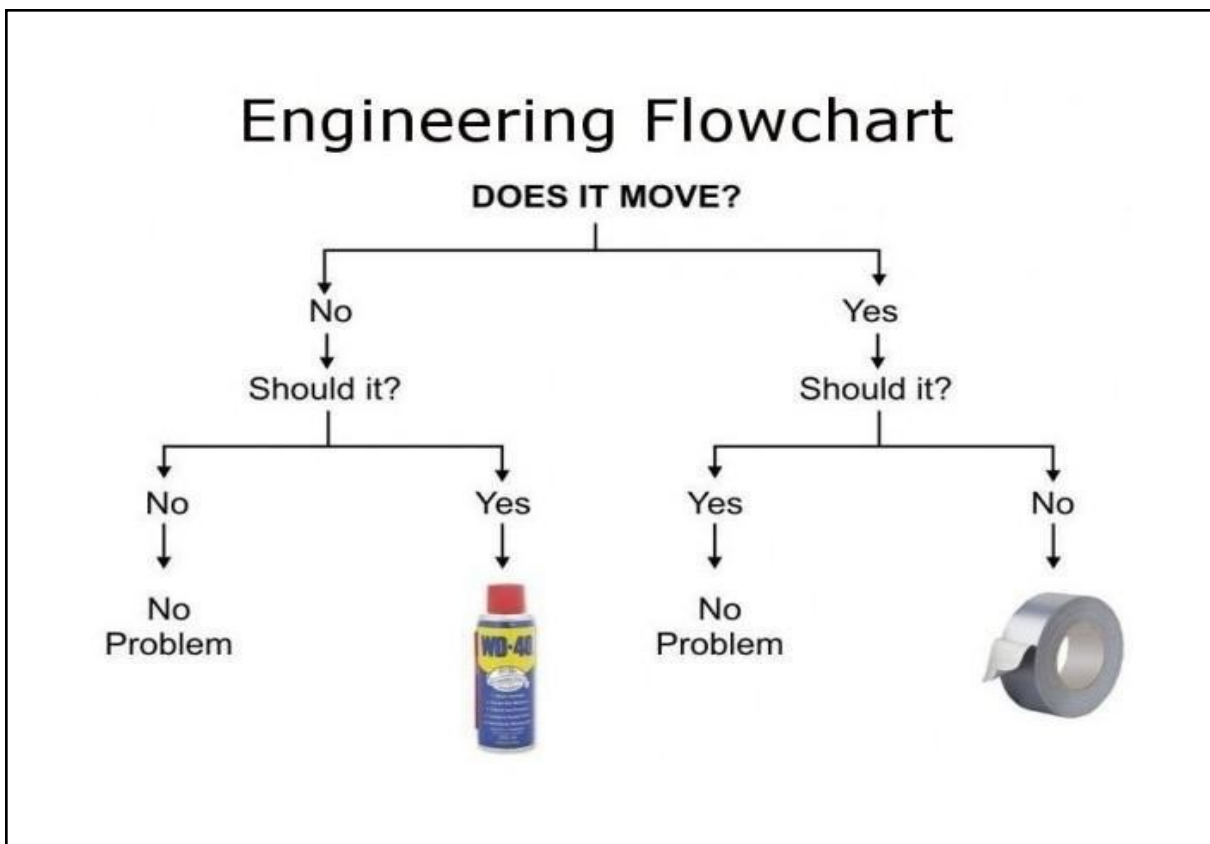
May the hobby live on!



Have you ever wondered what the
Retired guys do on a Thursday
Morning?

Drink coffee, enjoy the sun
And sometimes fly a plane.





Be aware of power line inspections....sometimes they are
Very close to the field and can be a possible hazard.

SACRC'S Annual

2011

Christmas Dinner

December 10th, 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

Southern Alameda County Radio Controller 2012 Renewal Form

X *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) \$ 65.00 ____

Single, Full PRIMARY JUNIOR (under 19) \$ 30.00 ____

Non Flying Membership Fee (Newsletter Only) \$15.00 ____

Value Family Membership Fee \$105.00 ____

Life and Compensated Members \$5.00 ____

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

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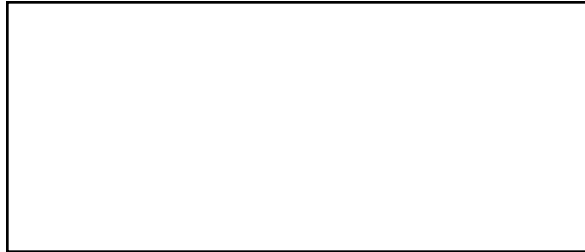
mail check with membership form, and proof of AMA to:

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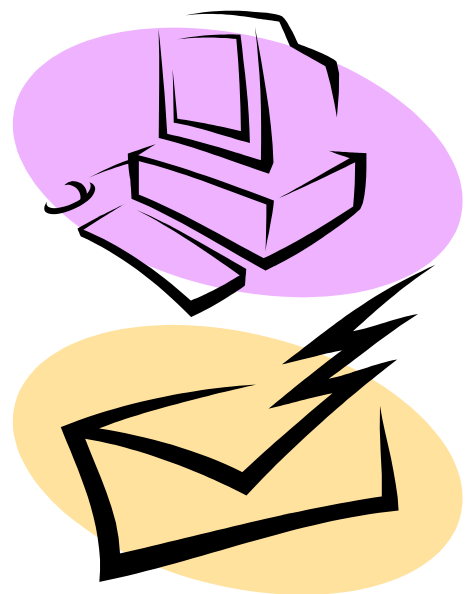
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Jim Utley, Editor