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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

President: Steve Hoyt

Secretary: Steve Woodall

Vice President: Bob Freshwater

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

The Club meeting was at 11:00 AM September 12, 2015

Board Meeting:

No board meeting

General meeting:

The club meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM, at the Field, by Treasurer Jim Utley. There were 20 members present and no guests.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Treasurer: Jim Utley, Secretary: Steve Woodall.

MINUTES:

Last months minutes were approved as posted in the news letter

TREASURERS REPORT:

Jim Utley reported that the club has paid the City of Newark funds to reserve a room for our upcoming Christmas party. He said that he has paid for the removal of the palm tree and pruning of the pine tree near the field

building. The charges will appear in next month's statement. Jim made a detailed report regarding the clubs financial status. For more details contact Jim. He stated we presently have 144 paid members.

The treasurer's report was approved by the members present.

SAFETY REPORT:

No report and no reported incidents last month.

FIELD REPORT:

No field report.

Norm Coates said that he used his tractor to clean several areas that lead to drainage ditches. He was assisted by Brady Detrick. Further work needs to be done before the rain.

Steve Woodall said the shack's roof was replaced on Tuesday, August 11, 2015. The roofing crew was headed by Dave Silva and assisted by Brady Detrick, John Gross and Steve Woodall. Items suggested to finish the job would be to paint the wood under the roof, rehang a hook to keep the pin door open and put hardware cloth underneath to keep the birds out.

Next meeting:

October 10

At the Field

OLD BUSINESS: Jim Utley said that the Waldo Pepper event did well and had 15 participants. He said that Jeff posted photos on the SACRATS Facebook page.

NEW BUSINESS: Art Vargas reported that Bob Dutra's wife is interested in selling Bob planes and other RC items. For more information contact Art at 510 792-0298. A 850 ma battery was found at the field. Contact Art for details

SHOW AND TELL:

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 AM.

California governor vetoes SB 142

Legislation intended to restrict drone pilots in California has been [vetoed](#) by Governor Jerry Brown. In a media release published on September 10, AMA Executive Director, Dave Mathewson, publically thanked the nearly 3,000 AMA members in California who wrote to the Governor and urged him to veto the legislation.

AMA STATEMENT ON CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR VETO OF SB142

MUNCIE, Ind. – Dave Mathewson, executive director of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), today released the following statement on California Governor Brown's veto of SB 142, legislation that, although unintended, would have had a detrimental impact on the aeromodeling community:

"We are thrilled with Governor Brown's veto of SB 142. Although unintentional, this legislation would have had significant consequences for model aviation enthusiasts. We want to thank the nearly 3,000 AMA members in California who wrote to the Governor and urged him to veto the legislation. There's no doubt Governor Brown made the right call on this one – legislators need to take a closer look at how to ensure privacy

and protect the hobbyist community before passing a new law.

"AMA strongly supports protecting individual privacy and prosecuting careless and reckless behavior. But it's also important for legislators to acknowledge, as Governor Brown has by vetoing SB 142, that placing further restrictions on the hobbyist community, which has been flying safely for 80 years, is not the way to prevent violations of privacy or instances of irresponsible flying in the future.

"Since 1936, AMA and its members have been committed to safe and responsible flying. That's why all AMA members already follow a strict privacy policy that prohibits model aircraft from aerial surveillance and capturing images where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. We look forward to working with Governor Brown and California legislators to find a path forward on privacy issues."

AMA previously expressed its concerns to Senator Jackson, sponsor of SB 142, on August 18. For a copy of the letter [click here](#).

From AMA Today, on-line.

John Bazzanella was good enough to send some of the pictures he took at the recent Waldo Pepper's Flying Circus—below and next page.



Jeff Lovett's Nieuport 11 "Fox-Trot"



Dave Pippen's Nieuport 28



Great silhouette of Dave's Nieuport 28



Bob Stutsman's Sommer Monoplane—a wing warper—no ailerons!

From me to you:

AHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!

Blank pages!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Recently AMA emailed a link to a survey—it only takes a few minutes and it is an excellent idea to fill it out and reply.

A lot of questions about “drones” and what we should do about them. No, shooting them down was not one of the options.

Last month I hosted the 2015 edition of Waldo Pepper's Flying Circus, pretty successful all in all—14 total entries, Jim has the money breakdown. I want to thank the SACRC members who heeded the no-fly day on Saturday—Sunday worked out well as several of the participants went home Saturday after the BBQ and did not return for Sunday.

This weekend (Oct 3-4) I am headed up to Ukiah for the Ukiah Dawn Patrol—another WWI event. They (Ukiah Prop Busters) host 2 events each year—the Dan Sullivan Memorial (named for a former SacRat) and the UDP. The Prop Busters really put on great events, it would be well worth your time to just go and visit one of them.

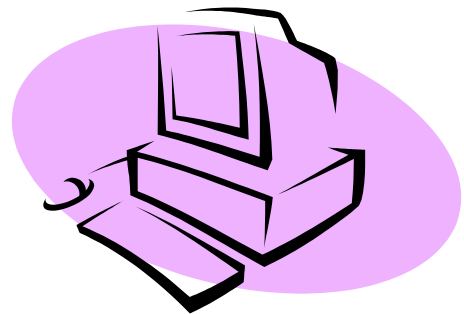
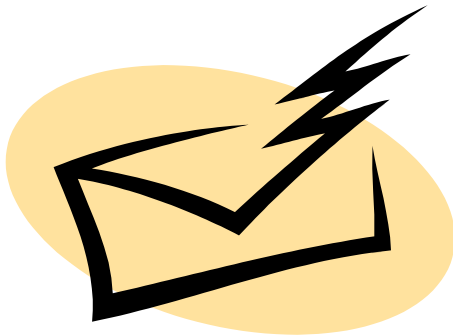
See ya

Jeff

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