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## Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

President: Steve Hoyt

Secretary: Jeff Whitney

Vice President: Mike Pimentel

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM 01-13-2018

### **BOARD MEETING:**

Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM by President Steve Hoyt.

Board members in attendance were President Steve Hoyt, Vice-President Mike Pimentel, Treasurer Jim Utley, Members-at-Large Norm Coates and Burt Rosensweig, Harry Kart and Secretary Jeff Whitney.

### **ITEMS DISCUSSED:**

Bank signature forms were cleaned up – just Jim Utley, Steve Hoyt and Mike Pimentel are signatory.

More gravel was discussed, placement and pricing.

Discussion was had as to changing the meetings to quarterly and including a BBQ or keeping them monthly with no BBQ. Reasoning is that attendance at the meetings is generally pretty low, reducing the frequency and including a BBQ would bring more people out.

Discussion about having the next Christmas dinner at Oakland Aviation Museum (we can

get a really good price plus be in amongst the airplanes).

The basic safety issues were brought up – plus noting that if you see a flyer without a badge, ask who he is – EVERYONE is a Safety Officer!

Board meeting adjourned at 11:AM

### **GENERAL MEETING:**

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 by President Steve Hoyt..

### **New Members:**

Chuck Pietro rejoined, Gerard Menut and Wen-Chaun Lee were accepted as a new members.

### **News Letter Issues:**

None (Xmas Dinner)

### **October Minutes:**

None due to Xmas Dinner.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Jim Utley gave the Treasurer's report and noted that we are solvent, and that we made our annual donation to the Viola Blythe Foundation. The report was accepted as read.

Next meeting:

11AM February 10

At the Field

Since the last tenant in the caretaker's house was able to produce proof of ownership. we paid him 500\$

Jim also noted that the Membership Renewal form was available on the website ([http://sacrc.org/pdf\\_files/2018\\_RENEWAL.pdf](http://sacrc.org/pdf_files/2018_RENEWAL.pdf)).

#### **Safety Report:**

Basically – display your badge while flying, and ask the other members to display theirs as well. We still have SCCMAS members visiting, so be sure to check out strangers.

#### **Field Report:**

Brady and the weekday crew took down and stored the shade for the winter months. Field is very wet – take care if you have to go out and retrieve an airplane (boots are in the shed).

As noted in the Board minutes – wear your badge at the field! If you see someone flying without a badge don't be embarrassed to find out who they are.

#### **Old Business:**

None

#### **New Business:**

The club is considering going to quarterly meetings, and serving a BBQ lunch. Regular attendance has been low (maybe weather, maybe just not much happening). If you feel strongly one way or the other, show up at the February meeting. If it is passed, then the next regular meeting (after February) would be in April.

A suggestion box was suggested, we will see about adding something on the web/Facebook sites as well.

We are looking into having the next Christmas dinner at the Oakland Aviation Museum. Nice facility, airplanes all around, good pricing for us.

#### **Show and Tell:**

Perennial Burt gave away a copy of Real

Flight. Steve Hoyt mentioned that there is a sim called Clearview (<http://rcflightsim.com/>) – apparently the Bayside field is one that can be used. Steve will look into getting our field loaded too! Apropos of no set heading – there was a lot of discussion about drones and the FAA. You may or not be aware but the FAA registration requirement was reinstated.

#### **Announcements:**

None.

#### **Upcoming Events of Interest:**

**Jets @ WDA 4/6-8**

**Float Fly @ WDA 4/27-28**

**West Coast Festival @ Castel 5/23-38**

**Golden Age @ WDA 7/7**

**Warbirds @ SACRC 7/15**

**Wings of Victory @ WDA 7/21-22**

**Warbirds @ LFE 8/18**

**Waldo Pepper @ SACRC 8/25-26**

**Jets @ AMOS 9/21-23**

**Not all dates are committed as yet—Verify in the calendar section of Model Aviation/.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40AM.

#### **Officer Club Emails**

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Jim with his Avanti EDF  
Photo by Burt



Jim, Debbie and Mike (l to r) at Viola Blythe



AMA is having a postal contest using the airplane pictured above—the Alpha. It is a kit that can be had from AMA

(<http://www.modelaircraft.org/shopama/product.aspx?id=F1BDE4073CCE4464B797DB89ACC24A02&d=>)

for about \$8. I thought it might be fun to have our own contest using the Alpha. It is pretty much an ARF rubber-powered free flight. Since they are all the same, it comes down to the skill of the builder in trimming and balancing.

Contact me if you are interested.

Jeff

Jim Utley and Mike Pimentel presented our annual contribution to Debbie Rodriguez of the Viola Blythe Foundation. Debbie is Viola's daughter and is now the manager/administrator for the Foundation.

The foundation supplies food, clothing and toys to the needy in the Newark area and are heavily dependent on donations such as ours.

If you have some old clothes or toys that are not being used, take them down to Debbie. They are located at 37365 Ash St, Newark. Check their website <http://violablythe.org/contact/> for hours.

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