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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

President: Mike Pimentel

Secretary: Jeff Whitney

Vice President: Steve Hoyt

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM 10-12-2019

GENERAL MEETING:

Meeting called to order @ 11:00AM by President Mike Pimentel. Board members present were Jim Utley, Jim Weiss, Norm Coates, Harry Kart, Steve Hoyt and Jeff Whitney

About 25 members in attendance.

September Minutes:

Approved as published in the newsletter

New members:

Jansen NG and Fernando Jose were voted in.

Guests:

None

Treasurer's Report:

No bank statement arrived—so no report!

Jim noted that renewals are coming up—[LINK](#) to renewal form.

Field report:

The Animal Keepers said that they will start closing and locking the gate. Note that we will too, except on special occasions. Be sure that if you are the last one out to lock our inner gate as well!

There was discussion on how to prevent people from driving around the inner gate but nothing was decided.

Safety

No reports.

Old Business:

Elections: The entire board was voted in with the exception of Jeff Whitney. John Chavez will take over as Secretary—Jeff will continue with the Newsletter.

Christmas dinner coming up. This is a pot luck affair with the club supplying the turkey and ham and soft drinks. Members bring side dishes (usually very good one!) — contact Mike Pimentel at 510-792-6823 to coordinate what you are bringing.

Next meeting:

11AM Nov 9

At the Field

New Business:

We have had some offers of turf, but too much time was lost between the person hearing about the availability and contacting an officer to follow up. If you hear about any available (particularly artificial grass) contact that entity yourself, tell him we are interested and ask them to wait until you contact an officer.

Announcements:

US Scalemasters is holding their National Championships in Clovis Oct 10-13

D.O.M. (Dummy of the Month):

None.

Show and Tell:

The wing finally came down off the PG&E fire hazard—Jimmy Chang will get it back.

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 AM

Upcoming Events of Interest:

SACRC Xmas Dinner! To be held at Oakland Aviation Museum, Saturday Dec 14 @ 7PM

Officer Club Emails

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Editor:

I have enjoyed my time as Secretary—but I have held that position more years than many of you have been in the club. Thanks to John Chavez for stepping up and taking over

Jeff



A couple of weekends ago I was out at Livermore airport helping to work on the BT-13 (top picture previous page). The BT—named Annie—had been shooting touch-and-goes out there. On the last go the engine quit about 100 feet or so in the air. The pilot wisely landed straight ahead in a field at the end of the runway. All was fine, but on the rollout, still doing about 40 MPH they ran into a ditch, the lower legs of the landing gear snapped off and caused minor damage on the bottom of the wings. The major damage was the bottom of the cowl and the oil cooler intake. Since that picture was taken, Annie has been moved into a T-hanger and new lower struts installed, so she is back on her feet once again. Since the engine was wind milling the only damage there was to the prop—the tips were bent back.

Long story short—while we were out there that day that Thunder Mustang (75% scale—2nd and 3rd pictures) taxied by—they had installed some new hoses and were doing engine run-ups to test everything. The Thunder had a V-12 Victory engine and a HUGE prop. A little later I went down to the restroom at the end of the hangars and while I was walking back they did some high power run-ups—I had to lean against a hangar door and cover my face to prevent being blown over and to keep my face from being sandblasted! I was told that the Thunder with that engine is faster than a stock P-51.

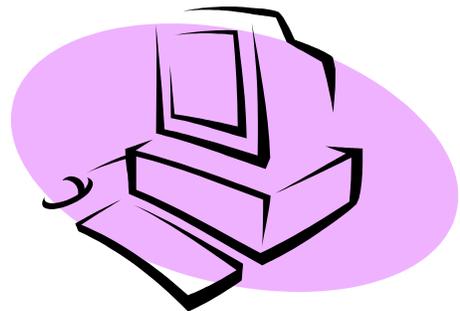
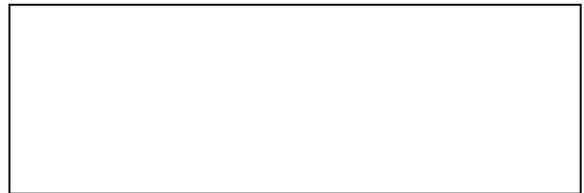
If you are interested in more about “Annie”, check this web page:

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