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Southern Alameda County Radio Controllers

President: Mike Pimentel

Secretary: John Chavez

Vice President: Steve Hoyt

Treasurer: Jim Utley (510) 352-3150

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM 02-08-2020

BOARD MEETING:

Board Meeting called to order at 10:30AM by President Mike Pimentel

Present: Steve Hoyt, Jimmy Utley, Jim Weiss Norm Coates, Harry Kart, Burt Rosensweig, Jeff Whitney.

Items: Officers for 2022 – the officers have all agreed to run again.

SACRC Xmas dinner – it was thought we should cancel the dinner in view of the COVID uncertainty and the need to order the food so far ahead of time, and we would currently have to have the dinner outside

Abandoned vehicle – there is a white van parked behind the old caretakers house, apparently abandoned. Police were called to see if it could be removed. More discussion at the general meeting.

Board meeting adjourned at 10:45AM

GENERAL MEETING:

Meeting was called to order at 10:50 by President Mike Pimentel. About 25 members in attendance.

New Members:

None

1 guest—Tim Stenf (I think)

News Letter Issues:

None

Last Minutes:

No corrections or additions.

Treasurer's Report:

Jimmy noted that not much has been spent recently other than paying for the replacement wattles near the flight line fence, Money was also spent on materials for the inner gate (our own road), and cleaning and hauling away of the trash near the container..

We currently stand at 138 members.

This is the time of year for renewals – the form is on the website, print and return along with your dues to Jimmy Utley – address on the form. PLEASE PRINT your

Next meeting: (tentatively)

11AM November 14

At the Field

email address clearly! I get a lot of bounce backs.

The Treasurers report was accepted as read.

Safety Report:

Norm pointed out that the speed limit on all the roads inside the gates is 10 MPH – this is to help keep the dust down and to help to keep the road from wash boarding. Please respect the limit.

Jimmy related an incident where a student had reached down to pick up his airplane. He had forgotten to use the kill switch and as he picked up the airplane the lanyard with his badge swung out and at the same time he accidentally nudged the throttle. The prop grabbed the lanyard and started climbing up towards his throat – they got it stopped in time, but this could have been a very serious accident. Please treat all electrics as if they are armed and dangerous – because they are!

Field Report:

A possible new gate was discussed that would be placed on our side of the pump road. There has been a lot of vandalism and dumping of trash, including abandoned vehicles. It is mandatory that we close and lock either entry gate (Ponderosa gate or Benson Road gate) entering or leaving, Alameda County Flood Control has been notified that the cattle barons have been leaving the gate open, they will come and take a look, but they are adamant that the gate be locked at all times. It is posted on both gates that it is private property – if you see anyone who you think should not be there ask them to leave.

The police were called about the abandoned van, they determined it had not been stolen and said it was not their jurisdiction (UCPD), they said it was Alameda County Sheriff's jurisdiction – who also said it was not their jurisdiction. Long and short of it – it appears it is our

problem. Mike will follow up with flood control to see what can be done.

A rep from Field and Game visited as well, and was unhappy about the asphalt that has been dumped in the sensitive area near the Benson gate.

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Old Business:

None

New Business:

New Business: Raising the dues to \$75 for 2021 was discussed. We are currently losing about \$100 per month over our ordinary expenses, the increase will offset that and allow for some fun fly events. Will be voted on at the next meeting.

As noted in the Board meeting, the current officers have agreed to run again for 2021.

Show and Tell:

Burt showed an airplane he had been given, a built-up kit from Stephens Aero, using a 3S 2200 battery. It is very light and Burt says he

can get about 15 minute flight times. Watching it after the meeting it's a good a lively flyer!

Dummy or the Month:

None

Announcements:

None

Upcoming Events of Interest:

None known

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10AMish

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Gregg Wilson has several models he needs to get rid of, not limited to those shown.

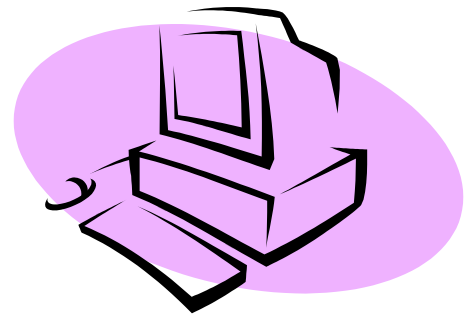
A lot of equipment as well, radios, chargers, batteries etc.

Contact Gregg at flightmaster@sbcglobal.net or 408-736-1797

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