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CLUB FIELD: Cactus Park (East), Ashwood St. (1/4 mile N-E of El Capitan High School) in Lakeside, CA. Please be sure the last flyer to leave locks the pin box and the gate..

R/C Schedule 2012-2013

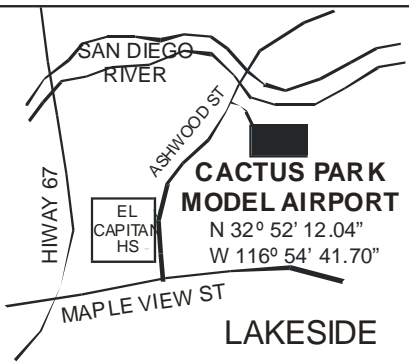
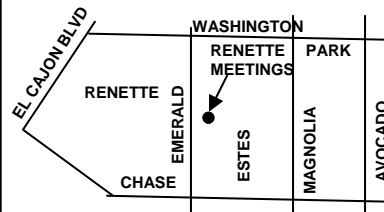
Oct 12 Sat	Fun Fly, Cactus Park
Oct 19 Sat	Otay Lake Float-Fly
Oct 26 Sat	Field Closure for Polo Event
Nov 9 Sat	Veteran's Day Fly-in at Miramar
Nov TBD	Swap Meet at Cactus Park

Silent Auction for Long Easy Model Kit

At our August club meeting, Ted O'Fallin presented a kit recently donated to the club. Up for a **silent auction** is a Long-EZ kit by Cressline models. **Ted is accepting sealed bids through the September club meeting** at which time the winning bidder will be announced during the raffle session at that meeting. Bidders may submit as many bids as they wish. Ted himself isn't bidding, so he can accept verbal bids by phone ((619) 894-6075) or in person as well. At the September 3rd meeting, we'll accept any final bids up until the intermission, then announce the winning bid during the raffle.

If you're a builder, make a bid!

NEXT MEETING:
Tues. Sept 3, 7:00
Renette Park





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Meeting Minutes Aug, 2013

Richard Crutchfield

The meeting on August 6th, 2013 was called to order by the club President, Keith Miller at 7:00 PM and the membership recited the Pledge of Allegiance in the direction of the new flag brought in by Keith. In attendance were 33 attendees, including the board members; President Keith Miller, Vice President Ron Smith, Treasure Scott Graupmann and Secretary Richard Crutchfield.

New Members:

Steve Ellis from Ramona is a cabinet maker and handy man. He enjoys building.

Tyler Jones is a student pilot who took his 2nd flight last Sunday and is already landing.

Guys, welcome to the club!

Electric Seminar:

New member Steve Ellis would like the seminar.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes:

On page 2 under the Opening Comments, "Several planes were lost week..." should have been "Several planes were lost last week..."

On page 2 under New Members, "...is looking to get back in to" should have been "...is looking to get back in to flying rc".

On page 3 under Model Sharing, Lee's plane should have been 9 pounds rather than 8 pounds.

M/S/P to approve the minutes from the July meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance:	\$8,844.89
Income:	\$910.00
Expenses:	\$1,153.94
Ending Balance:	\$8,600.95 (\$7,846 this time last year)

M/S/P to approve the Treasure's Report.

Safety Officer Report:

Just a reminder, while charging Lipos, they must be kept in a fire resistant container even though they are being charged on a fire resistant table. Scott Graupmann suggested that you can use a cheap ceramic pot with a bag of sand on top of the battery. Should something happen to the battery, the bag will

melt allowing the sand to spill around the battery.

About 3 weeks ago, Chuck Cassity was starting his plane when it jumped forward on the table catching his finger. It required 30 stitches. Fortunately, the plane was not hurt!

After working in the heat out in Jacumba, Ben Newkirk noticed on his way home that he was starting to experience cramping in his arms and legs. He realized that he was experiencing signs of dehydration. Make sure you keep hydrated while working out in the heat.

Committee Reports:

Race Committee – Lance Edmunson had no additional information other than the races that are planned this coming weekend. If you have a T-28 and want to try your hand at air racing or you just want to watch, come out and join us.

Tabled Business:

Last month we had a discussion about putting a cell phone in the pin box. This month the discussion was continued. A member pointed out that a cell phone could be obtained for \$99 a year which was then followed by several questions: Who would hold the contract? How do we keep it charged? How can it be heard? Miramar keeps a cell phone and with an external ringer. Their members are required to notify MCAS Miramar when the field is opened and closed. The only benefit would be to have the ability to receive incoming calls.

Upcoming Events:

Aug 11, Sat – Air Races hosted at Cactus Park
Oct 12, Sat – Fun Fly
Oct 19, Sat – Otay Lake Float-Fly
Oct 26, Sat – Field Closure for Polo event (maybe)
Nov 9, Sat – Veteran's Day Fly-in at Miramar
Nov – Swap Meet at Cactus Park (date to be determined)

Old Business:

The Mid-Summer Daytime Luncheon was held on July 20th and had about 40 participants. We forgot to do the women's prizes which has been added to the Lessons Learned. There were \$700 spent on prizes and ticket sales brought in \$578 in ticket sales which



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is a nest loss of only \$122.

The Builders Club had their first meeting last Saturday. The Builders Club will meet on the last Thursday of every month for an hour. The next meeting will be held at Gary Rold's house on August 29th at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in participating, please RSVP to Gary. The current ideas for the club meetings are discussions and presentations on covering with stick and tissue and dope or Monokote, building, tools, luxury tools and safety and we will share tricks of the trade. If you are interested in participating in the club or have ideas on topics, please see Gary.

New Business:

Marty Levin donated the P-51 on display with all equipment to fly. The plane will be available for raffle at the 2013 banquet. It will be the last prize. The Long EZ will be available in a silent auction which starts tonight and will end during the September meeting. You can give your bids to Ted O'Fallin.

A member suggested that we amend the way the raffle money is managed. Ben Newkirk brought up two issues, 1) every club member has the right to know where the club's money is and 2) the integrity of the person conducting the raffle. A motion was made to amend the process to require the raffle chairman to report the cost of the raffle prizes and the amount collected to the secretary so that it can be included in the minutes. 18 members voted and the motion passed.

Make sure to throw your used paper towels in the trash cans rather than stuffing them in the holes of the tables. The towels give spiders a place to hide. For the north gate, ensure you don't leave the combo visible while unlocked. Some members have had problems opening the lock. When unlocking, select the combo and push the lock closed and then pull it open. Also, ensure that you lock the gate as you come back from retrieving your aircraft following an off-field landing.

Reminder to the club membership, the newsletter is sent out to just under 100 emails and 45 US Mail recipients. Emailing is a whole lot easier. If you receive the newsletter by US Mail and wish to have

it in color in your email, let Don Westergren know. The cost of sending out through US Mail is about \$20 per month.

Drawing for Free Membership:

And the winner is ... Jordon Dungee ... not present.

Model Sharing:

A member Tom Gharib brought in his Storch WWII Reconnaissance Airplane kit that he picked up from the Chula Vista Swap Meet. The wings are held on with magnets. The motor shaft is slightly bent; it gives it more of a scale sound.

Last month, Lee Main brought in his Skybolt which was nearly complete; it just needed checker squares on the bottom of the bottom wing. This month he brought in the bottom wing to show off his checker squares. He made 2" by 2" squares out of Monokote. He drew lines with a ball point pen at 2 inch intervals on the bottom of the wing to help align the squares. It took about 70 squares to cover the bottom of the wing. When he was done, he used alcohol to remove the ink.

Raffle:

Larry Bagalini	gallon of nitro
Ron Keith	drill and driver set
Keith Miller	Fox 50 entry
Bruce Allen	nut drivers
Fred Miller	Air Alert
Rich Crutchfield	Air Alert
Don Westergren	servos
Ben Newkirk	balsa wing skin and throw gauge
Leroy Brooks	trim iron
Don Westergren	starter motor
Tom Gharib	fuel pump
Tom Gharib	receiver padding
Fred Miller	receiver padding
Don Westergren	Café 67 lunch ticket
Devin Wheeler	Café 67 lunch ticket

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.



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President's Message Sept 2013

At our August club meeting, Ted O'Fallin presented two models recently donated to the club. Up for a silent auction is a Long-EZ kit by Cressline models. Ted is accepting sealed bids through intermission of our September 3rd club meeting. The winning bid will be announced during the raffle. Bidders may submit as many bids as they wish. Ted himself isn't bidding, so he can accept verbal bids by phone ((619) 894-6075) or in person.



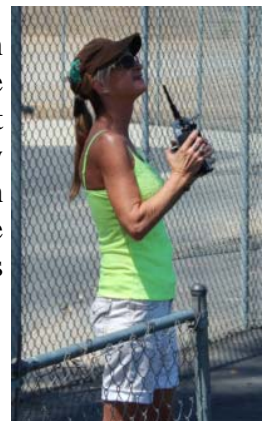
The second model Ted presented, donated by Marty Levin, is a brand new ModelTech "Short Fuse Sallee" P51D Mustang ARF with a new OS 61 FX engine installed. This treasure will be offered as our grand prize for the Annual Awards Banquet in January 2014.

If you see Robin Edmunson out at the field, give her a high-five! She recently soloed with her T-28



and has been greasing in some nice landings. While we all have spouses that support our hobby (depending on the definition of "support"), Robin is one of the few who really gets into it. Nicely done, Robin!

Have a good month!
Keith





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