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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	Swap Meet at Cactus Park
Nov 2 Sat	Swap Meet at Palomar RC flyers
Nov 9 Sat	Veteran's Day Fly-in at Miramar
Nov 16 Sat	Fun Fly—Cactus Park

Builders Club met on August 29

The focus of the presentation was on basic building tools, materials and techniques for a “scratch built” project. Gary explained the process of assembling and creating working plans for his latest scratch project, the Boeing F4B-4 biplane fighter.

Presently the fuse has been formed, fuel tank installed and motor mount for a .91 Saito fitted. Sheeting and stringers will come next followed by wing construction over the next month.

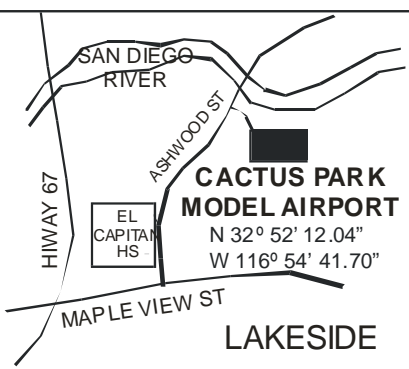
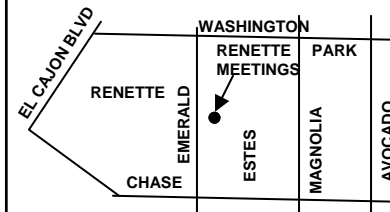
The plans were enlarged from a set of F4B “rubber” powered plans at Weedwacker member Larry Kostas family copy center, Advance Reprographics. Many thanks Larry.

The next meeting for the Builders Club will be 26 Sept. and a host will be announced later. If you would like to attend please contact Gary Rold and get on the email list. Call Gary to register at 619-440-1167.

Swap Meet Schedule Changes

We changed the date of the Cactus Park Swap Meet to avoid a conflict with one scheduled by Palomar RC Flyers. Note the dates above and support both.

NEXT MEETING:
Tues. Oct 1, 7:00
Renette Park





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Meeting Minutes Sept, 2013

Richard Crutchfield

The meeting on September 3rd, 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 flag brought in by Keith. In attendance were 26 attendees, including the board members; President Keith Miller, Vice President Ron Smith, Treasure Scott Graupmann and Secretary Richard Crutchfield.

Opening Comments:

This month's meeting had a good turnout, it must be the air conditioning!

The silent raffle for the Long-EZ kit, which started at last month's meeting, will be closed after the break and the winner will be announced during the raffle. Only 3 bids so far.

Guests/New Members:

Kenny Beron, Phillip Moreno, James Flora and Kenny's brother Stephen Beron fly at local parks and are looking for a more suitable location to fly and plan to become members. They have a wide range of experience levels with Stephen dating back 18 years. Welcome!

Electric Seminar:

No one is available to provide the training tonight.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes:

On page 2 the reference to Chuck Cassity should have been Bruce Allen; sorry Bruce.

On Page 3 under new membership should have been "... the name drawn is ..." rather than "... the winner is ...".

Thank you Lee Main for the corrections.

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

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance:	\$8,600.95
Income:	\$125.00
Expenses:	\$910.21
Ending Balance:	\$7,815.74

(\$7,914.65 this time last year)

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

Safety Officer Report:

Ron Keith – the fire extinguishers have been replaced.

The Red Cross is now advising that a new form of CPR is being used that requires compression only. The idea is that the chest compressions done properly allow the chest to fully expand allowing for the lungs to function. CPR performed with ventilation is still the best form.

Last Sunday, Robin Edmunson spent a lot of her time at the field inspecting the chairs for spiders. She found several that were identified as Brown Recluse. In addition, the ants are on the move. Waives of red ants were observed travelling from the runway heading to the parking lot. Please be careful.

Committee Reports:

Fun-Fly – The next Fun-Fly will be Saturday October 12th and another will be planned for November. If you have any ideas on events that are not so hard on the planes, please let Keith Miller know.

Race Committee – Lance Edmunson was not available at the meeting but the next race will be held September 15th at the Miramar Radio Control Fliers field.

Upcoming Events:

Oct 12, Sat – Fun Fly

Oct 19, Sat – Otay Lake Float-Fly

Oct 26, Sat—Swap Meet at Cactus Park

Nov 2– Swap Meet at Palomar RC Flyers

Nov 11, Mon – Veteran's Day Fly-in at Miramar

Nov 16, Sat – Fun Fly

We will join the Miramar Radio Control Flyers again this year with the Toys for Tots event. Anyone want to chair this event?

Old Business:

The last Electric Safety Training during the club meetings was last held September 2012. We had planned to do it again this September, but will postpone it for now.



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New Business:

Nominations for the club officer seats begin at the October meeting with voting at the November meeting and the new officers taking their seats at the December meeting.

Ron Smith nominates Bruce Allen for Club Secretary.

Don Madison donated the kit from Ron Greene's estate with the permission from Barbara, Ron's widow. Ron was a member for about 15 years. Thank you Barbara and Don. This was the 51st estate that Don was handled. Don now handles widowers and moves to assisted living.

New Business from the Members:

If you wish to donate your time to the Midway Museum, see Gary Rold.

Larry Bagalini and Dick Clavert have been appointed as field marshals.

Drawing for Free Membership:

Phil Morris's name was drawn for the free membership who was present. Congratulations Phil!

Model Sharing:

Ben Newkirk showed his Flyzone Calypso electric foam glider. Ben normally does not fly this type of planes, but he is planning to take a trip to Kawi, Hawaii and thought he would try some RC while there. He chose the Calypso for two reasons, it's electric and it comes apart with 2 screws. The plan is to box it up in the original box and ship it to Hawaii, fly it while he is there and then ship it back. It came with a 4 channel receiver but Ben replaced it with an 8 channel. He bought the powered glider for \$199.

Bruce Allen showed his Horizon Hobbies Apprentice S (Safe) which has a Spectrum receiver with built in stabilization. The stabilization comes in 3 modes. Mode 1 will take off and land and reduces its ability to crash. Mode 2 is the intermediate level which disables the self-centering feature. For mode 3, all bets

are off, you can do anything you wish. In any mode, if you flip the trainer switch, it will level off. The cost is \$280 which includes batteries and the transmitter. Bruce showed his second plane. The first one was flying straight and level when it pitched nose down and flew straight into the ground. He reported to Horizon Hobbies what had happened and they agreed to replace it. He still needs to send the wreck back.

Good of the Order:

Don Madison is selling a trainer for \$225 which includes engine, flight box and transmitter. If you are interested, call Don.

Raffle:

The Long EZ silent auction winner is Stephen Ellis with a winning bid of \$100.

Income: \$171

Cost: \$89

Keith Miller – gallon of nitro

Michael Martak – nut driver set

Bruce Allen – scissors

Leroy Brooks – lipo battery checker

Fred Miller – lipo battery bag

Chuck Cassity – fuel pump

Richard Crutchfield – lipo battery bag

Ron Smith – ARF Quest 50

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.





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President's Message Oct 2013

By now most of you have witnessed or heard of the events surrounding our solar charging system. Some individuals who are apparently quite needy and handy confiscated a good portion of the copper wire from our distribution system and subsequently discovered some goodies on the roof and in the pin box (read that as "they done stole our solar panels, controller and messed up all the charging stations!")

Fortunately, the hardware is not of significant value. What IS of significant value is the heart, soul and generous labor that went into it all. Fortunately for us, there's even more heart and soul where that came from.

Please thank the following individuals who, in some part or another, contributed to the restoration project: Butch Wiser, Joe Culum, Ron Smith, Rich and Ryan Crutchfield, Bruce Allen, Larry Bagalini and Don Westergren. The systems will most likely be fully recovered at the time of this publication. We'll publish some details on the new configuration once it's complete. Suffice it to say, a lot of thought went into theft prevention of the replacement hardware. While no system is theft-proof, the new installation will definitely deter future vandals.

At our October meeting we'll review the processes in place to elect new board members. Rich Crutchfield (Secretary) and I will be stepping down from our posts. Primarily we both feel that our full-time careers are holding us back from giving the full attention that the membership deserves.

The nominations for Club Officers stands as follows:

President: Gary Rold (accepted)
Art Flores (pending acceptance)
Secretary: Bruce Allen

Vice President and Treasurer - the incumbents

agreed to stay another term with no opponents nominated as yet. We'll vote at the NOVEMBER meeting, and the new officers will take their positions at the December meeting.

We've had many compliments from members and guests on how great the field looks. Some have also commented that, despite the efforts of all of those folks who dedicate time and materials to improve our facility, there are still those who don't really seem to appreciate it. Often the table tops are left a mess. Our newly covered tables are SO EASY to clean! Just a bit of spray cleaner and they wipe right off! Even without any cleaner, it's not difficult to wipe up our oily messes when we leave. And for you electric junkies, let's keep those loose electrons picked up, eh? They get slippery if enough collect on the pavement.

Until next time -
Keith



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Lakeside, CA

New Date!

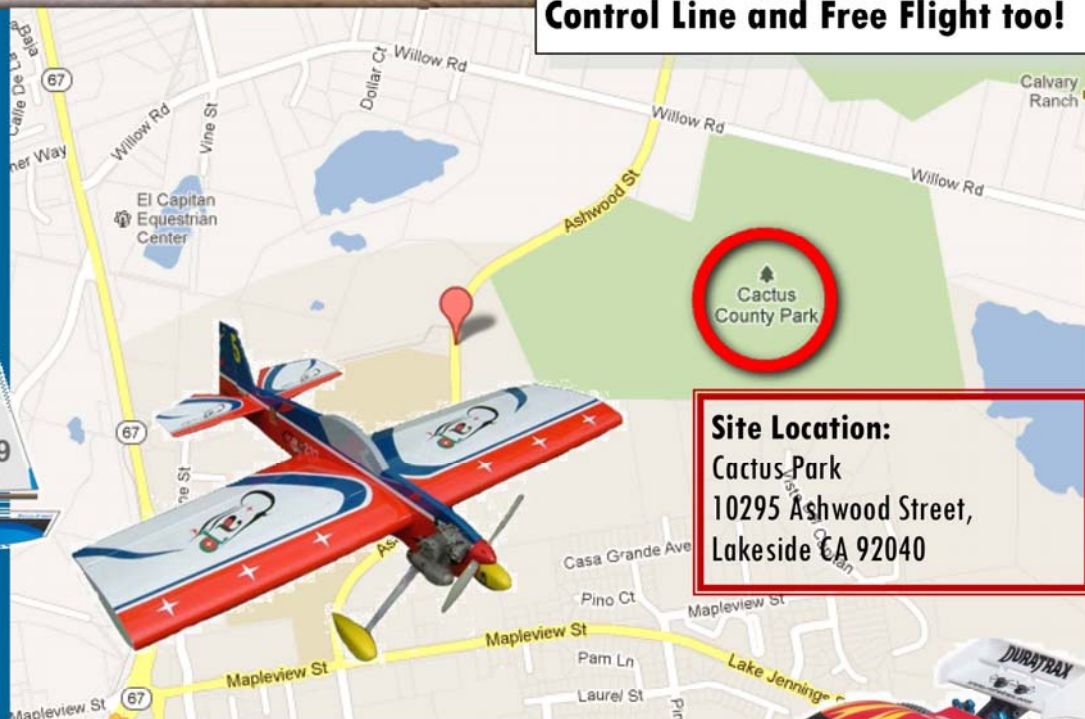
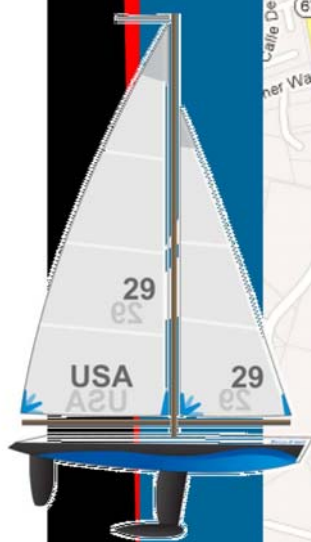
Swap Meet

Saturday, October 26, 2013

Highlights

- ◆ \$5 Sellers Fee
- ◆ Buyers - **FREE**
- ◆ 7:30 - 11:30 am
- ◆ Entry gate opens at 7:30 am

Models of all types are invited!
RC Boats, Cars, Planes, Heli's—
Control Line and Free Flight too!



Site Location:

Cactus Park
10295 Ashwood Street,
Lakeside CA 92040

Questions?

Don Madison: 619-296-1510

Keith Miller: 619-405-0192





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Machinists Helping young cancer victims

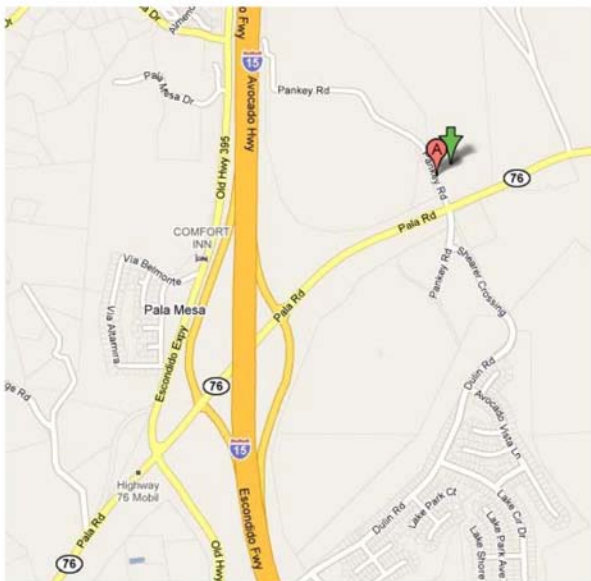
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Date: Saturday November 2, 2013

Time: Gates open at 7am and we'll go to 5pm.

Location: Palomar RC Flyers Johnson Field, Fallbrook, CA., located at the intersection of I-15 and Hwy. 76

Cost: The \$5 seller's fee will also include landing fee; all buyers can fly for a landing fee of \$5. All proceeds from this event will be donated to a local children's hospital.



Swap Meet tables can be set up along the roadway leading to the airplane field.

The famous **Palomar RC BBQ** crew will be serving lunch!

A **valid AMA membership** is required to fly.

IC motors will be limited to **98db**.

Fixed wing, Heli and Multirotor pilots are welcome!

F2FC Raffle: Raffle tickets will be sold on the day of the event.

Come to our Swap Meet and Open House Fly-in on Saturday November 2 and support a great cause –
Flying 2 Fight Cancer



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AERO SQUADRON

Fun Fly—Oct 12th, 2013

First Weedwacker Aero Squadron

► **Classes:** One class fits all

Prizes - The winner of each event as well as the overall points winner will take home some terrific prizes!!

Schedule:

9:00 Pilots Meeting and Safety Briefing

9:05 Warm-up and trim flights; Sound measurements

9:30 Start the events

Additional rules:

In the event of damage to that plane, a backup may be used, but half of the earned points with the first plane are deducted from the overall points score.



9:00 AM to Noon

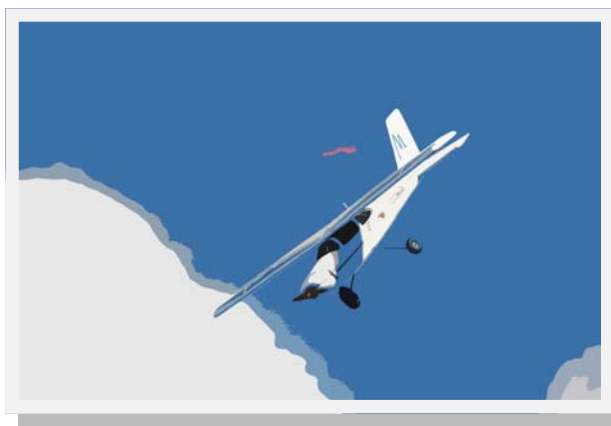
Possible Events:

- Dixie Death
- Bomb Drop
- Climb 'n Glide
 - Slalom
- 7-11 Craps!
- And more....

Pick your plane carefully!

Events may require both good ground and airborne handling.

\$10 Entry Fee



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