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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

Apr 26 Lakesdie Western Days Prade

## Renew Club Membership

When you have your AMA membership for 2014, you may renew  
your club membership. Dues are \$60 for the year for adult  
members and \$30/year for each additional immediate adult family  
member. . Junior membership is free, however all members must  
have AMA membership.

You must renew by the February club meeting to avoid being  
purged from the membership list and need to pay an initiation fee  
of \$40.

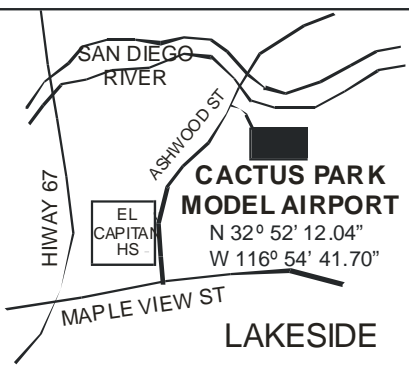
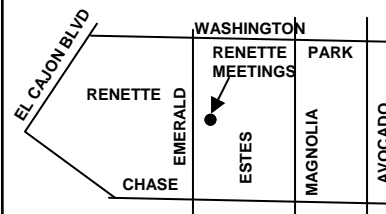
## Cactus Park Gate Combination

The gate combination will be changed on Feb 1, 2014. The new  
combination is written on the back of your new membership card.  
Also on the back is printed emergency numbers and the  
coordinates for the field. Keep this info in mind in case you have  
to use it.

## Cactus Park Vandalism

Recntly vandals broke into the storage box. Some items were  
taken and they left a big hole. I don't have details, but several  
officers and members worked last week to repair the damage and  
make it more difficult to break in.

NEXT MEETING:  
**Tues. Feb 4, 7:00**  
Renette Park





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## Weedwackers 2014 Banquet held at Carlton Oaks Country Club on January 10th

(Secretary's Notes)

This was the first banquet that the newly elected President, & Secretary were involved in, but due to the excellent groundwork that had been done before by the previous incumbent's, it presented minimal problems!

Our thanks go to: Keith Miller, Rich Caulfield & of course Ron Smith (VP) & Scott Graupmann (Treasurer) for their support.

Some 65 members & guests attended the evening. After everyone had settled down with a libation of their choice our new President Gary Rold welcomed everybody & gave a review of the last year's events etc.

We had the customary Plane display with 11 excellent entries in the categories: Best Sport, Best Scale & Best ARF.



After the excellent Buffet Dinner, Gary & Ron Smith presented the various awards:

### ***Weedwacker of the Year***

This was awarded to our past President Keith Miller, in recognition of all the work he did for the club, a lot of which was behind the scenes negotiating with various bodies including of course the current venue

for the banquet.

### ***Annual Jim Bailey Community Service Award***

What can you say about Lance Edmunson? Seriously Lance does a lot for the club & if it wasn't for him we would not have been able to attend the Lakeside Western Days Parade, & I wouldn't have been able to 'control' a darn great big green Grasshopper (don't ask).

### ***Distinguished Service Award***

This is given to members who have gone above & beyond in helping the Club. As you know a Solar Power system had been installed at the Field to aid charging of Electric Plane batteries. Unfortunately the first installation was wrecked by some miscreants stealing the system including the copper wire etc. Not to be deterred three members set too & successfully installed a new system with better security. Butch Wiser, Larry Bagalini & Joe Cullum are those members who carried out the tasks & subsequently we are pleased to give them each this award.

### ***Builder of the Year***

As the name suggests this is given to the member who displays exemplary expertise in the construction of a Model Aircraft, given accuracy & detail of the model. There are many members that fall in this category but only one can be chosen.

Greg Carter has won this award with his excellent model of the Curtiss Jn4-D2 "Jenny".

### ***Most Stitches***

This award is given to the idiot who



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through sheer stupidity manages to damage himself on the field requiring stitches.

I have the dubious 'honor' of receiving this award as I managed to connect with a live prop causing the need for 30 stitches.

## ***Most Demanding Recovery***

Art Flores & Lance Edmunson had the misfortune of a midair collision & managed to land at least one plane

## ***Most Improved Pilot***

It is very gratifying that this year this award goes to a lady, Robin Edmunson, I know Lance is very proud of her.



## ***Rookie of the year***

This award goes to two of our younger members & is richly deserved:

Max Graupmann & Ryan Crutchfield



## ***Most Crashes***

The two newest Board Members have the dubious honor of sharing this award!

Gary Rold & myself...

## ***12<sup>th</sup> Man awards***

Glen Merritt, Phil Morris, Larry Bagalini, Gary Rold, Bruce Allen & Warren Wood

## ***Service Awards***

Keith Miller - Past President. Ron Smith - VP & Instructor. Scott Graupmann - Treasurer. Rich Crutchfield - Past Secretary. Ted O'Fallin - Raffle. Tim Peterson - Webmaster. Don Westergren -





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## ***Results of Plane Competition***

After all the votes had been counted the results were as follows:



Best Sport – Saratoga, Lee Main



Best Scale – Hawker Fury, Laurence H Warden .



Best ARF – P51 D, Jason Taylor

We would like to thank all 11 participants in this competition.

Ted O'Fallin ran an excellent raffle with a lot of valuable prizes, naturally I didn't win anything!





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## The Presidents Message

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Salutations fellow Weedwackers!

The old year went out with a bang at the annual dinner and the activities were well received by all in attendance.

The food, though similar to previous years, received high praise by many of the 65 attendees. The model sharing and subsequent judging by the membership was an example of some of our finest craftsman and should inspire us all. The three aircraft that won in each category DID receive plaques this week, correcting a mix up prior to the dinner that caused the winners to think all they were to be awarded was a handshake from the Prez. Ooops!

The service awards pretty well covered those who step up and get the jobs done during the year. If you see something that needs attention at the field or some way we can improve our club, let a board member know and we'll talk it over at the next meeting.

For the drawing at the raffle, once again it was a tremendous success and our thanks go out to Te O'Fallin and to Big John at Discount Hobby for supplying us with such a fine assortment of prizes.

The generous gift certificates that went to three of our members who regularly show up at our monthly meetings should be an inspiration to those members who do not regularly attend. The more meetings you attend, the more chances you have to win at our yearly dinner. That's how it works.

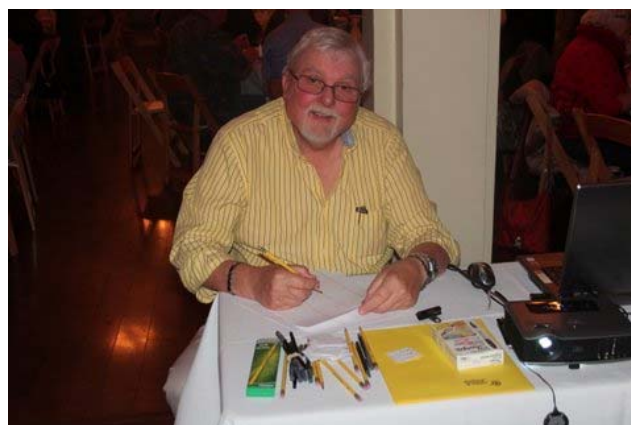
But on to business. The board will be meeting at the end of January to look at the schedule for the coming year. We will entertain suggestions from the membership at the February regular meeting for additional suggestions on how to expand or improve our planned schedule for

2014. That would be under new business at the meeting.

I'm looking forward to the coming year and hope you are too.

Watch your six; Gary L. Rold 1<sup>st</sup> WW Prez.

P.S. Have you renewed your membership? Feb. 1 is the deadline to avoid a fine.







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## The real people at the Banquet





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Welcome to:

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