



# HANGAR NEWS

**NEWSLETTER FOR THE FIRST WEEDWACKER  
AEROSQUADRON  
AMA CHARTER # 1651  
July 2016**

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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 2016

June 2-3 Thr-Fri Repave Cactus Park Runway (Field Closed)  
July 9 Sat Mid Summer Luncheon (Souplantation, La Mesa)

## RUNWAY DONE !!!



Look at those straight lines!

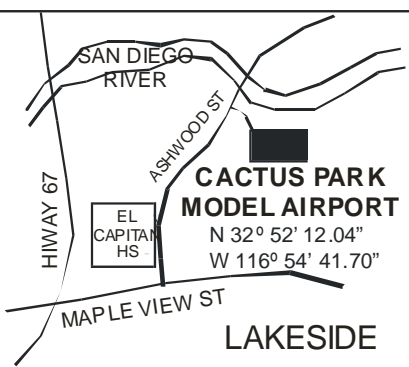
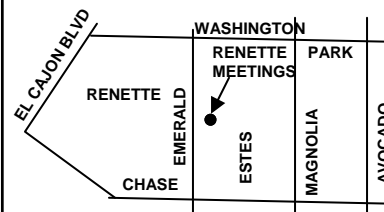
## Mid Summer Luncheon

Plan to attend the Mid Summer Luncheon at the Soup Plantation in La Mesa, Saturday July 9 at 11:00 AM. Pay for your own food when you come in and join us in the (I think) back room. We will have a great time. Ted is planning a great raffle and a raffle for the Ladies.

## July Meeting First-Aid Training

Ron Keith will present a 15 minute tutorial on First Aid at the meeting. Look at those straight lines!

**NEXT MEET17G:**  
**Tues. July 5, 7:00**  
**Renette Park**





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## Meeting Minutes June 7th 2016

*Bruce Allen*

The meeting on June 7th 2016, 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 provided. In attendance were 22, including board members; Vice President Jeff Coskey, Secretary Bruce Allen, & Treasurer Scott Graupmann.

**New Members** - None

### **Electric Seminar**

Not Requested

### **Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

Time Peterson mentioned twice in field cleanup Day (Twice the effort?? Thanks Tim)

Gary Rold NOT Roald

Motion for acceptance

Proposed: Chuck Cassity. Seconded: Fred Miller. Unanimous

### **Treasurer's Report:**

June Balance: \$13,302 Income: \$10,764 Expenses: \$19,342-62

Current Balance: \$4,723-37

Ted mentioned that John (Discount Hobbies) donated \$500 to our Runway fund! Many thanks John!

Keith noted that the Balance has to cover our monthly expenses until the end of the year when we start getting renewals from the members. There is the possibility that we will have to pay the County \$500 for the new License agreement (covers 5 years). Additionally, Keith stated that we, the Board, will have to manage the expenses for next 3 years carefully.

Motion for acceptance

Proposed: Rich Crutchfield. Second: Gary Rold, Unanimous

### **Safety Officer**

Ron Keith – (Not available) Ron will be giving a First Aid demonstration at the July meeting, using new technology.

Vic Pretto – Had an accident while adjusting the throttle setup cut his Fingers on the spinning Prop.

Secretary called Vic 6/21 he is recovering well. Lost part of a finger nail as well as some skin & a deep cut in his index finger so it is taking longer to heal. He should be at the July meeting

Watch out for Black Widows, Snakes etc. Jeff mentioned the woodpile back of the shed, maybe County could remove?

Dick Milhausen mentioned the Disabled Walkway into the Pits the Blue paint is faded & people are putting planes in the way. (Note the Paint has been renewed when the Striping was done, so do not park anything in this area!)

### **Events**

Sunday June the 19<sup>th</sup> – Fathers Day Discount Warehouse Swap Meet behind the building, new location.

Tue Jul 5, 2016—First Aid Demonstration and Show & Tell - *During club meeting*

Sat Jul 9, 2016—Mid-summer Luncheon - *Souplantation - La Mesa, 9158 Fletcher Pkw*

Sat Aug 13, 2016—National Model Aviation Day - *Cactus Park* Any volunteers to set an event up? Maybe we have our “Grand Re-Opening “ of the field?

Sat Aug 20, 2016—Swap Meet, San Diego Association of Modelers

Sep 23-25, 2016—Miramar Air Show - *MCAS Miramar*

Sat Oct 1, 2016—Fundraiser (TBD) BBQ and Fun-Fly - *Cactus Park* Maybe work with Duane on raising funds for his Disabled Veterans organization which includes teaching them to Fly R/C.

Sat Oct 15, 2016—Otay Lake Fun Fly

### **Old Business**

Last year at the Mid-Summer Luncheon Ted, for the Raffle, had \$800 (Members) & \$200 (Ladies) allocated for Prizes. This year we need to economise, Scott outlined the expenditure we can expect for the rest of the year, not including unforeseen bills. Ted stated that we very rarely broke even on the Raffle & have never made money. Discussion ensued on the possibility of members donate New items they don't want to a “Grab bag” (See Presidents



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Message in this Hanger News).

Proposal to allocate \$400 for Members & \$200 for Ladies Raffle prizes:

Proposed: Rich Crutchfield. Second: Gary Rold, Unanimous

We are not 501(c)(3) Keith will follow up.

## New Business

Runway Striping - Luke gave us a name of a possible guy who would do the job for a reasonable amount, but no longer exists. Keith spoke to several companies who could do the job & got quotes from \$800 to \$3000! Keith will continue to investigate but its not looking hopeful. It looks like we will have to do it ourselves, Keith had provided a sketch of the dimensions including an extra Ring for Fun-fly's etc. Keith asked a working Party be put together to figure out how it can be done. Give Don Madison a case of beer & it will happen! (maybe).

Gary Lamb the guy who painted our Pit area was mentioned & Jeff Coskey said he would talk to him for possible help.

PS a big vote of thanks to Gary Lamb & his workers who did a splendid job on the Pits etc!!

Discussion was had with regards to preventing other people 'accidently' driving down our road & onto the Runway various things were suggested TBD.

## Keith Miller President extraordinaire

The Seceretary took a moment to ask for a vote of thanks from the membership for all the hard worrk Keith has done over the last few months with the County, Runway etc, truly amazing!

Thanks Keith from all of us!

## Advertising

John Irwin - Spoke about the need to attract new members using local advertising. We have a Facebook Page that is not used, although our Website works well. Need to investigate local media & maybe TV??

A lady came out to the Field asking for help flying a Quadcopter, Tim Peterson spent some time with her & she was very grateful, she may work for

National Geographic.

Gary Rold brought the issue of the name "Drones " there is a need for a distinction of what a Drone is as compared to what an R/C Plane is.

**Drawing for Free Membership (Has to be at meeting) - Chuck Bennet**



## Model Sharing

Bruce Allen - "Old Fogey" I bought this because I was waiting for a part for another plane & this looked like fun! When you see the picture of the parts it gives you the impression that fuselage is already made, it isn't! You have bunch of Laser Cut thin Plywood Parts which you build into the main chassis. The foam parts are ready cut & you cement them to the plywood chassis, that is when you find out that they got the dimension's wrong! Anyway after trimming & gluing this is the result. I hope to fly it next week.





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Lee Main – Saratoga that crashed around 2 years ago, it was a jig saw puzzle! Lee rebuilt it & it really looks good! Nice work Lee!

Bobby Rink – ME109 from a kit that had parts missing (it was kit that was given to me to auction Bruce) The plans were very worn out, instructions very sparse. Converted to electric. Covered with Solatex (?) Polish marking looking beautiful!

Arnold Lipschutz – P51 This is a Hobby People kit from House of Balsa. Modified the Tail Wheel. Fitted 2 stroke OS 25 which runs beautifully.

## Good of the Order

Gary Rold mentioned a special occasion for the ROMEO's (Retired Old Men Eating Out!) It was Charlie McCracken's 95th Birthday & the Romeo's celebrated this at the Café 67, we also celebrated the other nonagenarian boys: Don Madison, Lawrence Warden, John Hood to name but a few....

Gary & Bruce are the youngsters!

Ted O'Fallin & Cindy are to be congratulated for organizing the celebration & the excellent Cake!

## Raffle: (Ted O'Fallin)

Don Westergren	Charger
Fred Miller	Glider (Donated by Ted)
Jeff Coskey	CA glue + LiPo
Tom Kenan	Electric Motor
Bruce Allen	Prop Balancer
Lee Main	Tools
Ron Smith	Game Joystick + CA
Duncan	Nitro Gas

Income from Raffle \$100.00 Cost of Items: \$80.31 Net \$19.61

**Motion to Adjourn:** Keith we're adjourned at 20:21 hrs.

Welcome to:



Breakfast  
& Lunch



Take Home  
MONDAY - SUNDAY  
6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
12381 Maplevue  
(Corner of Hwy 67 & Maplevue)  
Lakeside, CA 92040  
**619-443-4100**

All sandwiches include a side dish: your choice of fruit, potato salad, chips, cottage cheese, applesauce, soup, or salad.

SUB SANDWICHES  
Lettuce, Tomato, Mayonnaise and Italian Dressing

**Entire Menu is available "To Go".**



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## President's Message July 2016

### **Runway - She's DONE!**

Only by way of monumental efforts by several of our members and financial contributions by many do we now have a beautiful, fully striped runway (one p, and one p only).

The paving effort was kicked off by Butch Wiser's motion at the April meeting. This was followed by budgetary analysis and final approval at the May meeting. One subsequent special meeting followed at which the club approved full use of the treasury with a 3-year minimum margin.

Finally on June 3<sup>rd</sup> BG Equipment laid the pavement, and on June 24<sup>th</sup> the stripes were painted.

I would like to thank Gary Rold and Dick Milhausen for overseeing the paving efforts.

Among all of those who came out to participate with the striping, I'd like to specifically thank Gary Lamb, our VP Jeff Coskey, John Irwin, Gary Rold, Don Madison and his team Fred Moffitt, Duncan Abrams and Bruce Allen.

I would specifically like to direct your attention to the superior pride and workmanship put forward by Gary Lamb and Jeff Coskey. They personally expended no less than six full work-days each cleaning, fixing, painting and striping throughout the months of May and June. Gentlemen, your work is much appreciated!! BZ!

The overhead aerial photography and Circle of Joy was inspired and provided by Robin and Lance Edmunson. Great shots you two!

### **Mid-Summer Luncheon**

Don't forget the Luncheon on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> (flyer attached). Heck, let's get some flying done in the morning and grab some grub!

With the reduced raffle cost allowance this time around, we had some discussion about taking do-

nations for the raffle and had decided at the June meeting that we'd set up a pick-from table. If you have something new or in excellent condition that you believe other members might enjoy (and you're willing to donate), please bring it to the luncheon. We'll add it to the "pick-from" table. Please don't bring items like old fuel tanks and wheels, or your box of spare balsa. The prize donations should be of prize quality, not swap meet oriented. Ted and I will determine if a donated item might not fit the bill.

### **Rules and weaknesses**

A few areas we need to improve on:

Frequently, members charge batteries without being in a fire-proof container. The protocol is posted on the charging tables, is in the binder in the pin box, and is on the web site.

*20. Charging of Lithium Polymer (LiPo) batteries at Cactus Park shall be in accordance with the posted Weedwacker Lithium Polymer Battery Charging Protocol (and should be followed when charging batteries of any type).*

And way too often, planes are flown over the runway, and in many cases violate the safety line. Note the distinction between the use of the words "should" and "shall". While it is permissible to fly over the runway, flight "should" be north of the runway. Please do your best to observe the guidance. The safety line, on the other hand, is a hard boundary. We "shall" not pass the safety line; flight south of the safety line is prohibited.

*11. Flying should be confined to the area over the middle of the river flood control channel to the North, bounded by the flag/plane marker to the East, entry gate to the west and the northern runway edge to the South.*

*a. Other than landing or taking off, flying is prohibited south of the SAFETY LINE, situated 25 feet from the PILOT LINE.*

Stay cool out there!!

Keith



## Our Runway





# Mid-Summer Luncheon

Saturday July 9, 2016

Souplantation

11:00 AM

Fletcher Hills Shopping Center

9158 Fletcher Pkwy

La Mesa

Join our Summertime gathering for lunch, camaraderie and prizes.

Individuals will pay at the door (not a subsidized event).

Contact Keith Miller with questions—619-409-0192

Souplantation.   
RESTAURANTS



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