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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)
Aug 13 Sat National Model Aviation Day, Cactus Park
Aug 20 Sat Swap Meet San Diego Association of Modelers

A Note From Ron Scharck

As many of you know, I had a serious boating accident on June 3. On Friday, I was moved from my stay in ICU and medical unit to TIRR In-patient unit at Memorial Hermann-Woodlands in Houston, Texas. I will be here for an indefinite period of time. I am making progress every day. Your kind messages, thoughts and prayers have been an important part of my recovery. While I can't answer each one individually, I want you to know how much I value them and especially your friendship. Ron is doing a variety of therapies (PT, OT, Speech and whatever they throw at him) 9-4 Monday through Friday. Hard work but he's making progress. Hard to reach him by phone just now, but your texts and cards are so appreciated. Nancy. His address is

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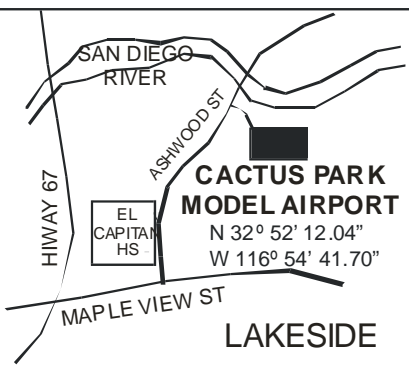
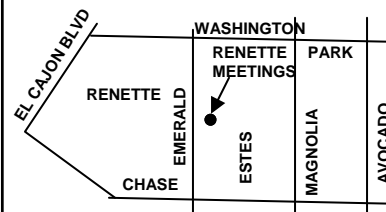
TIRR, Room 746

Shenandoa, Texas 77380

Twin Towers Are Important

Read the Message from the President about using the twin towers to keep from overflying the Horse Ranch.

NEXT MEET17G:
Tues. Aug 2, 7:00
Renette Park





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Meeting Minutes July 5th 2016

Bruce Allen

The meeting on July 5th 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 33, including board members; Vice President Jeff Coskey, Secretary Bruce Allen, & Treasurer Scott Graupmann.

New Members – Sam Ferguson joined as a junior member, can fly Quad Copters already, Welcome Sam! (Thanks to Sam's dad for being the transport!)

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Pictures of planes were wrong as Don had a technical problem with his cameras. Also a Raffle winner was misnamed:

Ron Smith should have been Arnold Lipschutz, also correction to a \$500 donation which came from John Hood NOT John at Discount Hobbies our thanks to John Hood!

Motion for acceptance Proposed: Rich Crutchfield.
Seconded: Ron Keith. Unanimous

Treasurer's Report:

June Balance: \$4,723-37

Income: \$859

Expenses: \$520-41

Current Balance: \$5,61-96

Motion for acceptance Proposed: Fred Miller.

Seconded: Rich Crutchfield. Unanimous

Safety Officer

Ron Keith – First Aid demonstration (See later in the minutes).

Gary Rold – Orange Buckets needs more sand & the Buckets need replacing.

Keith – A member had his fingers badly hurt when trying to adjust the engine while reaching over the Propeller Arc. He also had another incident when his Throttle was reversed & it spun up & put a large gash in his shirt right up against his skin.

Lessons to be Learned or Re-Learned!!

1. *Always restrain the Plane on the table with the Restraint Pegs or if it is a large model & you*

have to start it on the Ground make sure that it is restrained to a flying station fence post.

2. *Do NOT reach over a Propeller when the Engine is running, in the case of an Electric Model make sure the LiPo battery is disconnected when working near the Propeller.*

3. *With an Electric Powered aircraft or Chopper etc never switch the Transmitter/ Controller off before you disconnect the battery as it is possible that the ESC can power the motor up at full power without warning. Finally keep a watch out for others in case they put themselves in danger!!*

As an aside, Keith mentioned that the cost of striping only cost \$271 while the estimates we received had been in the thousands! Many thanks to Gary Lamb & all that were involved in making an excellent job of it!

Also, Keith mentioned that the extra paper copies of the latest Hanger News will be put in the Pin/Peg box (large white cupboard whatever) so they are available for visitors etc. Secretary will take care of that.

Events

Sat Jul 9, 2016 Mid-summer Luncheon -
Remember you can bring other items that might make good prizes

Sat Aug 13, 2016 National Model Aviation Day - 10295 Ashwood Street, Lakeside CA 92040
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 - 32.545063 - 117.064884

Sat Oct 1, 2016 Fundraiser (TBD) BBQ and Fun-Fly - 10295 Ashwood Street, Lakeside CA 92040

Sat Oct 15, 2016 Otay Lake Fun Fly

Old Business

Suggestion from a member to use some Sandbags that have been abandoned to demarcate our runway boundary. Jeff pointed



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out that the white striping that had been put down should take care of the need. In addition we added traffic cones. Thanks for the suggestion!

Jeff also mentioned that he is working with a contact to make a couple of signs we can put up before the path goes onto the runway.

New Business

National Model Aviation Day August the 13th – We will have a Fun Fly & a “Grand Reopening” of the field now the Runway is par excellence. A Flyer will be produced....

Clark Caldwell Longtime member, has planes & other stuff for sale.

The Secretary had an email from Clark who said he is giving up flying for various reasons which he did not go into, & subsequently he has various Planes & equipment he would like to sell.

He asked you only contact him on his email cecaldwell@cox.net

Those of you who knew him will recall that he made unique flying models out of different materials, his classic was the one he made out of Square Plastic Drain pipe etc & it flew!

(The excellent Video that Lance & Robin have to put together was shown to the membership)

Drawing for Free Membership (Has to be at meeting) Chris Madsen

First Aid Demonstration new application:

Ron Keith & Brian Kidwell – The basis of this demonstration was how to use a Sock to stem bleeding of a wound.

(This was a long demonstration & to listen to the transcription & transpose the information into words will take a very long time. What I will try to do is make an edited Sound version which we can put on our website)
bleeding of a wound.

Lee Main - Wanted to recognize Butch Weiser for his planning & determination to get the Runway re-covered, without his pushing we would still be arguing the what's & wherefores! Many thanks from all of us Butch!

Model Sharing

Ken Lawrence - Top Flight Elder 40 kit. Converted to Electric, used push pull cables on the Elevator & Rudder, changed landing gear to eindeckker(?) type, also cut down the Ailerons to make it more scale. Used Hobby People G46 Motor, Hi-Tec 60A ESC. Pulled 15A at max throttle. Flies very well, no surprise for one of Ken's excellent models!



Gary Rold – (I think this is a Corsair, apologies if I have it wrong!) Gary bought it through Don Madison for the Retracts, but decided to continue to build it as someone had started to, believe it was covered with Solartex but was very old. Painted with 3 different colors of house paint then covered with auto clear gloss. Flaps attached to Ailerons so they couldn't move! Wrong size Tail Wheel etc. YS 91 Engine. Maiden Flight soon.... Nice job!





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Arnold Lipschutz- Pilot Kit Bi-Plane with Enya 80. Converting from Kraft to Airtronics nearly there. The propeller is a beautiful classic wooden laminated that Arnold bought around 1968! Stearman Royal kit next! Nice Bi-Plane thanks Arnold!

Mark Huyser
Bruce Allen

Foam Pad
Die Set

Income from Raffle \$149.00 Cost of Items: \$56.24 Net \$92.76

Motion to Adjourn: Keith we're adjourned at 20:25



Ben Newkirk – Recounted an experience flying with Singapore Airlines in business class in the Airbus 380, maybe the one below?



Raffle: (Ted O'Fallin)

Hank Leichner	Gas + Café 67 meal
Robin Edmunson	Epoxy
Lance Edmunson	Stand
Fred Miller	Socket Set + Micro Servos
Tim Peterson	Dom Racer
Jeff Coskey	Prop Balancer
Gary Rold	Starter

Welcome to:

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Breakfast & Lunch

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MONDAY - SUNDAY
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President's Message Aug 2016

Mid-Summer Luncheon

This year's luncheon, held at the Souplantation in La Mesa, went well! It was a chance for families and friends to gather for a short meal and a bit of camaraderie.

Bruce Allen's wonderful wife Anne contributed some special gifts for the women's raffle. And for the first time that Ted can remember, he turned a profit on an event raffle!

The grand prizes this year were a HobbyZone Super Cub S and a RTF Horizon Hobbies P51 Mustang. In addition, many of the members donated some terrific prizes that winners could choose from. Donated prizes included (all "new" or in excellent condition): a Hot Wings toy plane (free flight), a Propel Speed Star RTF helicopter, a Sig "Rascal 'C'" kit, an Ace "Bingo 40" kit, an Ace "4-20" kit, a Gerber gut knife, a men's Beverly Hills Polo Club leather wallet, an Electrify 10A ESC, a remote glow ignitor module, an Ace R/C trickle something-or-other, an OS SF-25 R/C engine, a Futaba single-axis gyro, an Easy-Built "Hurricane" kit, a Top Flite "F4U Corsair" kit, a battery condition checker, a pair of TP-Link Wi-Fi network range extenders, and a RTF Blade MCX2 helicopter.

While the profit margin wasn't huge (\$5 to \$10), in retrospect it was a relatively huge success! History has shown that we lose about half of what we invest for raffle prizes. With \$500 spent by the club, we effectively earned about \$250 by having such charitable donations! Thanks to all who participated!

Eastern Flight Pattern

On two occasions in July I received calls from the ranch. And on no less than five occasions I've had to reign in pilots who venture close to or past the wind sock. Several of our Field Marshalls have also taken to the task of reminding folks to stay West. Fortunately, the calls I received were very cordial, and I appreciated that! The Field Marshalls who were on site at the time(s) made good with the ranch patrons by visiting with them and

keeping our relationship in good standing (Thanks Jeff and Butch!). Sure, in some cases our pilots may have been "in bounds" with the on-lookers perceiving a violation through parallax. However **if our pilots were observing the twin-tower guidelines, we wouldn't be getting the calls.**



Twin tower guidelines, you ask? What's that? At the west end of the pits is a large poster that describes the line of sight to the two high-tension transmission towers north-east of the field on the mountain tops. The photo's I include here may help as well. From any of our flight stations, if our model flight paths are kept to the west (left) of the two towers (by visual line-of-sight), we're guaranteed NOT to be above any portion of the ranch. Now, obviously we need to land our planes (picture with the yellow landing pattern), but during this time we're much closer to the field and generally won't pass the boundary marker.

We've also had (in the past few months) a few crashes in which the impact was beyond the eastern boundary. The lesson to learn is that we have to consider how far our models will continue along a path should we lose the control link.

Bottom line - let's improve our awareness and practices to avoid flight to the east.

National Model Aviation Day and the Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field GRAND RE-

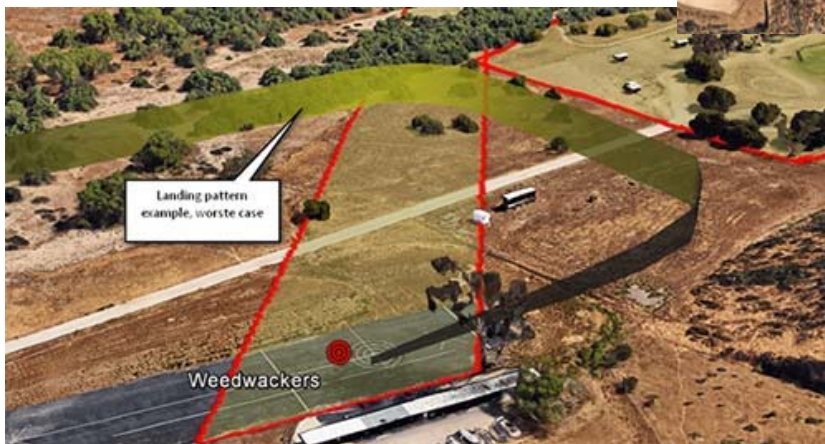


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OPENING!

On **Saturday August 13th**, let's all get together for a few events and some grub. Now that we have our memorial placard erected in Ron's memory, and the runway and pits are at their best, let's officially re-open the field! For now we'll set lunch at \$10 just to offset the cost of burgers, fix-ins and drinks. Depending on how many volunteers and pot-luck items we expect, that cost may go down (or go away). We'll run a couple of Fun-Fly events. The Warbird Warriors will have their fighters out for some formation flying as well.

Stay cool out there!! (It's 107 in Santee as I type this....) Keith





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Mid Summer Banquet July 9, 2016 at Souplantation in La Mesa



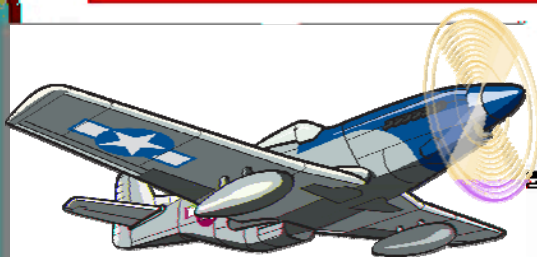
John Hood, Long time member is moving to Ohio in August, to be with his family (and regularly visit Wright Patterson AFB Museum).





Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field **GRAND RE-OPENING** Saturday, Aug 13th, 2016

Join us and the Academy of Model Aeronautics Foundation in celebrating model aviation for the third annual National Model Aviation Day. National Model Aviation Day was created to encourage clubs to celebrate the hobby and share it with the public.



\$10 Lunch

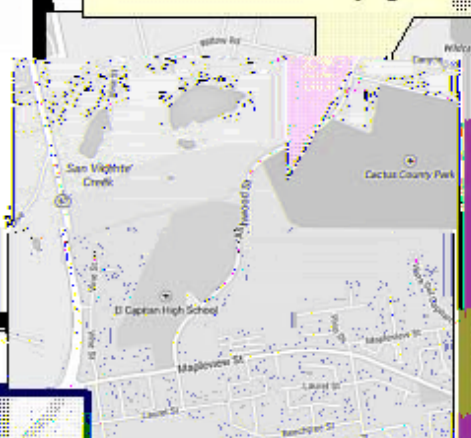


Prizes for:

Peoples' Choice (Scale)
Jelly Bean Haul
Balloon Chase

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Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field



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2016 Swap Meet

San Diego County Association of Model Clubs

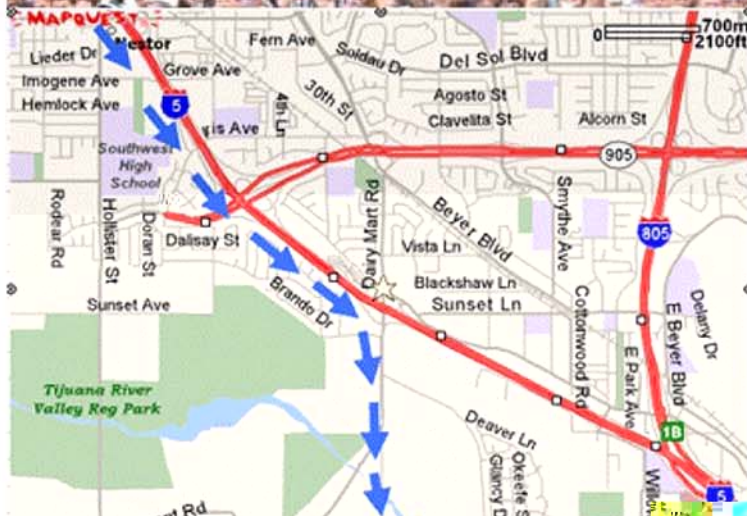


Sellers: \$5.00
Buyers free admission

Bring your current AMA card and fly after the meet

Saturday
Time: 07:00AM-12:00PM
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Aug 20, 2016



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