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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 ...

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# **R/C Schedule 2016**

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MCAS Miramar Marine Centennial Airshow Fundraiser(TBD) BBQ and Fun-Fly Cactus Park Otay Lakes Float Fun Fly, Alpine Club

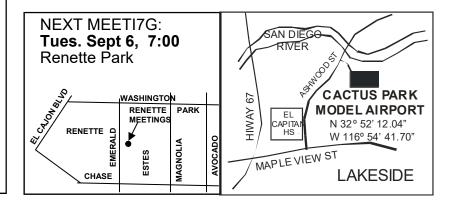
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# **Election Time Is Coming**

OK, so most of you know there are National, State and Local elections coming soon. You are going to have to make choices. But in addition to those elections we have two elections coming in the Model World for us to consider.

The AMA election of next year's President has three official candidates: Richard Hanson, Lawrence Tougas and Eric Williams. Both Mr. Hanson and Mr. Tougas are from our AMA District 10, and both have served us with the AMA for many years. Mr. Williams is from District 2 in New York.

Our club elections are also coming soon. We nominate candidates for next years officers at our October meeting. So if you are interested in becoming a club officer this is the time to make your decision known. Also, if you fully support current club officers, let them know you want them to continue and that they are dong a great job.





# Minutes of the Meeting held 8/2/2016

**Approval of Minutes** as presented in last month's Hangar New—Approved.

Keith raised a point that none of the other local clubs send out hard copies of their newsletters - all are digital. Keith queried the club and Don Westergren about the possibility of going that route. Don is confident that we have up to 30 members who don't have computers.

A member brought up that other clubs have charged a subscription fee for hard-copy newsletters. Keith said that we've considered that before and had decided that the newsletter is part of the membership dues. The topic was closed.

### **Treasurers report**

Opening balance: \$5,061.96 Income: \$285.00 Expenses: (1,259.93) Ending balance: \$4,087.03

The expenses were primarily the Mid-Summer Luncheon raffle (\$500), striping paint, and Gate 5 hardware.

At the meeting, Ted O'Fallin presented to Scott raffle profits of \$510 which will more than offset the raffle expenses in July!

Motion to approve: Rich Crutchfield; 2nd Bill Simmons. Approved unanimously.

### Safety Officer Report

Keith reported that we've requested a new Safety Code poster from the AMA; (7/26/16) - expected in the mail this week. [The poster has since been received by the Board and is standing by for mounting.]

Ron Keith provided a fishing tale. While recently fishing for blue fin tuna (using light line as tuna are smart and can see the line); he hooked about an 80 pounder. A he was working the line he noticed a "drone" hovering very nearby, apparently filming the fight. There were no other boats in the immediate vicinity, so it must've come from pretty far off. (Maybe we'll see him on the Discovery Channel soon.)

Jeff Coskey presented a pair of "cut-proof" safety gloves that he recently purchased at the Navy Exchange. They were a bit pricey but he

said he thought he could get them for about \$20. These would be great for those who like to start their planes by hand. Jeff offered to be the POC if anyone is interested.



**Committee Reports: None** 

**Tabled Business: None** 

**Upcoming Events:** 

Sat Aug 13, 2016—National Model Aviation Day -

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

Sat Oct 1, 2016—Fundraiser (TBD) BBQ and Fun-Fly

Sat Oct 15, 2016—Otay Lake Fun Fly

#### **Old Business:**

**National Model Aviation Day -** BBQ, Potluck, Fun-events—Keith will send out email notifications and request for pot-luck entrees.

**Rules Review - #2.** No flying is permitted at Cactus Park on Red Flag Warning days.

August through October are when we expect the NWS to post Red Flag Warnings on the website



(National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)).

The Board or Safety Officer will generally send out a club-wide email and a sign will be **posted** at the gate and pin box until the warning is cleared.

Occasionally the local media will use the phrase Red Flag warning but often it may be for other counties. The true source is the NOAA web site for zone CAZ050.

We thought we had a link to the NOAA site on our web page, but Ben Newkirk and Tim Peterson both discovered that we don't. Tim (our Webmaster) will look into it. The link (URL) is "http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php? zoneid=CAZ050".

The Editor in Chief of Model Aviation (the AMA magazine) responded to our request to publish Lance Edmunson's video presenting the club and its members. He (Jay Smith) asked that we send him an accompanying article. Keith will provide.

### **New Business**

Don Madison offered to assist painting arrows on the driveway to indicate "keep right".

Since we've painted the white boundary line with hash marks, we've not seen any errant cars come down the runway. There was some discussion that a sign might be better.

It was agreed that, unless we start to see cars on the runway, we'll table the additional arrows.

Arnold Lipshutz shared a story of a California business that he's used for engine repairs. AeroScott (www.aeroscott.com) is in Ontario, CA. They've made many of Arnold's engines purr. They can be reached at 909-562-7106.

**Drawing for free membership**—Elmer Gonzalez - sorry, must be present to win!

### **Demonstrations and Training: -** None

**Model Sharing**—Arnold Lipshutz presented a COX ARF Waco with an OS90 4-stroke engine. Arnold praised the quality of the construction and the covering that has been tight since he obtained the ARF some 10 years ago. He needs only to install the receiver and maybe a pound of lead in the nose (yikes!).



### Good of the Order—None

### Raffle

Casey Buggeln	Dubro fuel pump			
Keith Miller	Dubro metric ball drivers			
Arnold Lipshutz	CA and hemostat			
Fred Miller	LiPo checker			
Bill Simmons	Digital calipers, wire stripper			
and Café 67 meal ticket				
Larry Kosta Sr.	2 2-cell LiPo packs			
Arnold Lipshutz	Gal 15% Cool Power fuel			
Keith Miller	Locking parts bin set			
Fred Miller	Ammo can			
Don Westergren	Starter motor			

Thanks to Jeff Coskey for donating a few of the prizes.

As always, nicely done Ted!

Adjournment—(didn't catch the time, but it was early; we skipped the break).

Lipo Seminar - Jeff held a CEAP seminar with Casey Buggeln



# .President's Message Sept 2016

Hello everyone! There's a lot of information coming out this month, so pull up a chair

### Nominations for officers

Club officer elections are coming up in November. From the bylaws, the Board of Directors will present at least one nominee for each office to the membership at the October meeting at which time members may also make nominations. Voting takes place at the November meeting with the new officers taking their seats at the December meeting.

### **Ron Scharck**

Our friend Ron suffered an injury in June while fishing from a boat with friends and family in Texas. A serious infection resulted in Ron going through rather intense physical therapy and rehabilitation in Texas. He's come to a tough decision to remain in Texas with his family and is thinning



out some of his hangar locally. Ron excelled in precision aerobatics and flew pristine electric powered models. Bob Muhleman currently has a few of Ron's planes for sale with the proceeds going back to Ron and his family to defray the cost of moving personal goods back to Texas.

If you'd like to reach out to Ron, you can send letters to him in care of his friend here in San Diego, Jude Fox, 1515 Avenida Ladera, El Cajon CA 92020. As Ron's been moving between various rehabilitation centers, Jude can forward the mail for us. She can be reached at 619-861-8852.

### **Red Flag Warnings**

A reminder, in agreement with the County, we close our field when we're under Red Flag Warning. Red Flag Warnings are issued by the National Weather Service during dry, hot and windy weather. We are in Fire Hazard Zone CAZ250 (which is the same geographical region as Forecast Zone CAZ050 but with reported differently by the NWS).

This url (web site link) will take you to the National Weather Service Hazards Data Viewer for the Southern California area. If a Red Flag Warning is in effect, you'll see a red shaded area that covers the affected region. You'll also receive an email from the Board passing along a field closure notification.

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### National Model Aviation Day

The NMAD and Grand Re-Opening was a good time. In recognition of his motion and initiation of the recent paving project, Butch Wiser had the honors of cutting the ribbon. There were balloons

to be chased and a thundering demonstration of five warbirds roaring past in <u>tight</u> formation with merely a shadow separating them at times.



### People's Choice - Warbirds

- 1. Steve Morton, Corsair with bare wire fence battle damage
- 2. Jeff Coskey, El Vira P51
- 3. Butch Weiser, P51
- People's Choice Civilian Scale
- 1..Steve Morton, Stinger
- 2. Warren Allred, Yak
- 3.Butch Weiser, Slick (rumor has it that Steve



Shepersky is challenging this 3<sup>rd</sup> place title)

Many thanks to those who contributed to the Pot Luck lunch!

# Flying over people



It was brought to my attention (and I've seen it before) that pilots are flying directly over people who may be returning from the dirt road or out retrieving pieces/parts. Occasionally people (and horses) are out in the river bed, on the dirt road or on our capped landfill areas. If there are people there, our planes *need to be elsewhere*. Spend some time flying in a different patch of sky to avoid the potential of an airborne problem becoming a personnel problem.

### Sock Bandage

At the July meeting, Ron Keith arranged some very interesting training on the use of everyday socks for immediate First Aid through controlled

application of direct pressure. Recently Larry Kosta Jr suffered a small cut as he tried to catch his dad's plane falling from a tree (part of a rescue mission). It was a perfect use for a sock-bandage! The wound was small (see Larry smile). Poor Bobby Rink fell out of that same



tree during the rescue. No socks used there - just a good cleaning!

# What's wrong with this picture?

This photo was taken in August. As you can see, the club lock went from chain to chain, bypassing the county lock. We're not sure why the county lock wasn't closed. One of our attentive Field Marshals corrected the problem by re-locking both locks in a DAISY CHAIN, connecting chain to lock to lock to chain. Please be sure that the locks on all gates are locked in a daisy chain when you close them up.



# Memorandum of Understanding with Gillespie

If you recall, we've initiated discussions with Gillespie Field in accordance with the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. A draft MOU was presented to the Tower Manager. We've come to a temporary verbal agreement with them that, for now, no action is necessary. They're quite content with our presence in Lakeside and are in no hurry at all to rush into a signed MOU in view of the rapidly changing AMA and FAA sUAS policies (drones). We'll circle back with Gillespie Field in October and see what the political climate looks like then. This is, for all intents and purposes, a formality to show compliance.

Have a great September! Keith



# Use a Sock for First Aid

Ron Keith & Brian Kidwell gave a demonstration and talk at our August Meeting on how we almost always have something available to use to help stop and control bleeding.



Our hobby has some serious dangers, one of the most common is a cut from a knife or a spinning prop. At the field, the club keeps a first aid kit with bandage material. But if it is out of stock, or locked up, you can use a sock (even socks being worn are clean enough) to wrap a wound, compress it to stop or slow bleeding and sop up the blood so it is not a mess.

You can use a folded sock as a compress, and



another sock tied around it to keep it in place and keep pressure on a wound.

Socks are stretchable and will sop up a lot of blood, so they make good cheap bandages. They don't have to be white, any color will do.











# SCALE PLANS BUILDING

