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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 2017

Jan 6	Fri	Annual FWW Awards Banquet
Jan 6-8		AMA Expo West, Ontario Convention Center
Mar 11-12		RCX Expo OC Fair & Event Center
Mar 18	Sat	Swap Meet—Cactus Park

2017 Club Membership

Membership renewal are due by Dec 31, 2015. You must have
your AMA 2016 membership in order to renew with the club.
You can't fly at Cactus Park in 2016 without AMA and Club
Membership.

Cactus Park Gate Combination will be Changed Jan 1.

You should have your new 2016 membership badge by then, the
new combination is on the back of the card.

Club Awards Banquet Friday Jan 6.

Remember there is no regular Tuesday meeting this month.
Instead come to the Friday Banquet. Bring your models to show
and your wallet to buy raffle tickets. Let Scott our Treasurer
know you are coming.

Banquet:

Fri. Jan 6 2017
Open at 6:00 PM,
Carlton Oaks
Country Club





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Meeting Minutes December 6th 2016

Bruce Allen

The meeting on December the 6th 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 34, including board members; Vice President Jeff Coskey, Secretary Bruce Allen, & Treasurer Scott Graupmann.

Opening remarks,

Keith gave the floor to Don Madison to talk about the Gold Leader Club Award that Tim Attaway (AMA District X AVP) was going to present to the club.

(See Presidents Message for detail & also the video I took which should be on our website soon)

Minutes

Some discussion on the minutes with Lee Main but were resolved by the President.

Proposed: Ron Keith Seconded, Rich Crutchfield. Unanimous

Treasurers Report

Opening Balance: \$3,376

Income: \$645.18

Expenses: (\$237.92)

Ending Balance: \$3,784.20

Proposed: Gary Rold Seconded, Fred Miller. Unanimous

Safety Report

Ron had an incident (crash) with an electric plane with some smoke, the LiPo Battery was damaged & was still hot after a while so be careful when handling a damaged LiPo!

Note: Fire Extinguisher training at the field January 14th. I attended this last year & it's very useful information in a live fire situation.

Upcoming Events

Fri Jan 6, 2017 - Annual Awards Banquet - Carlton Oaks Country Club, 9200 Inwood Drive, Santee, CA

Fri-Sat Jan 6-7, 2017 - AMA Expo - Ontario

Convention Center, Ontario, California

Sat Jan 14, 2017 - Fire Extinguisher Training - Cactus Park

Sat-Sun Mar 11-12, 2017 - RCX Expo - OC Fair & Event Center 88 Fair Drive Costa Mesa, California, 92626

Sat Mar 18, 2017 - Swap Meet, Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field - Cactus Park (Need Volunteers)

Calendar of events are on our Website <http://www.weedwackers.org/ww/events/>

Flying Site Assistance Program (AMA)

Erin Dobbs (AMA) – assures us that the new application process will be running on the AMA site very soon. Keith will follow up with an application to try to get a grant under the program that will offset some of the expense of the New Runway.

Field Rules

We are required to review our Field Rules from time to time. This month it is:

Rule #17 – Parking is permitted in designated areas only; at least 15 feet clear of the pit area.

Only normally a problem if members need to unload at the pit, which is OK but please move your vehicle to a proper parking place after you have unloaded.

This also to allow any emergency vehicles to gain access if needed.

New Business

Waste Management contact information is posted on the Porta-John so anyone can call if there is a problem.

Bylaws Revision

Article 3. ORGANIZATION

C. Elections:

(2) Procedures

f. When nominations have been closed, either by motion or by unanimous consent, if the list of nominees consists of no more than one nominee for any office to be elected, the presiding officer shall declare the nominee for that office elected by acclamation (no motion required).

g. To be voted on at the February meeting.



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Note: No January meeting as we have our Banquet then.

Banquet planning

Raffle Chairperson

As you know Ted O'Fallin has decided to retire after many years of providing us with excellent prizes for the Raffles. Many thanks from all of us!

John Irwin has kindly agreed to fill Teds large shoes in managing the Raffle in the future.

M u s i c a n d E n t e r t a i n m e n t
Keith will contact Gary Kelly who has kindly helped us with music in the past, failing that the Secretary may be able to provide background music.

The Secretary will also provide the presentation of the past year (hopefully!)

Model Presentations - 3 categories

Best scale (military or otherwise)

Best sport (non-scale)

Best ARF

Awards nominations Categories – Weedwhacker of the Year, Jim Bailey Community, Distinguished Service Awards, Builder of the Year, Rookie of the Year, Most Improved Pilot, Most Stiches, Special Awards, 12 man Awards.

(Note: Because of the short time to the banquet the Board has met & chosen the recipients).

Cost

Plaques nominally $8 \times \$25 = \200

Proposed: Lee Main Second: Steve Ellis
Unanimous

Raffle - Main Raffle\$1000

Proposed: Gary Rold, Second John Ellis.
Unanimous

Women's Raffle \$250

Proposed: Keith Miller, Second Ron Keith
Unanimous

Table Decorations – Anne Allen will provide

Other New Business

Ron Keith asked if any of us had bad LiPo batteries that he could use for the Fire

demonstration? If so put them in one of the cans that have sand in.

Gary Rold- Suggested we canvas the membership for ideas of what Raffle prizes we would like to see?

Drawing for Free Membership

Eric Clark – Must be present to win!

Plane Demonstrations

Steve Ellis, Stinger 10



Arnold Lipschutz

Ace Bi-Plane built originally in 1988, Suffered a whoops on landing! Arnie re-built it adding ailerons to the top wing. Original Saito 50 (1988) which was rebuilt. The plane fly's very well, nice Job Arnie!

Jeff Coskey 's special Raffle

OK let's see if I got this right? At each meeting/ event, you can Donate \$1 for a guess of the significance of the new gate code number as a



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Date that's important to the Hobby? The winner will get half of the pot.

Hey I'm British how would I know? Ok what's the significance of the date 1066 in England huh?



Raffle

Wil	Plane Stand
Arnold Lipschutz	Ammo Tin / Torch
Bruce Allen	T-Plugs / Train?
Rich Crutchfield	Grab Bag
Fred Miller	Servo / train
Keith Miller	Ammo Tin
Hank	Café 67 / Wallet / LiPo
Gary Rold	Café 67, Scratch Pad, Pump
Ron Keith	Fuel / Watch
John Irwin	Watch

Adjourn Meeting – 20:31



President's Message Jan 2017

Merry Christmas! Happy Holidays!

And so ends an era

Ted O'Fallin is retiring as our Raffle Chairman after many years of service.

Let's think back on what it takes to run a raffle at every club meeting, banquet and summer luncheon. First, there's the prize selection. Imagine going into the hobby shop every month. OK, bad example; we all love doing that. But now you have to buy stuff that's NOT for you, and you need to buy things that other people might enjoy without knowing which of the 150+ members might attend the event and what their desires might be. Ted's been doing this for many years, each month balancing the cost against the returns well enough to generate a few hundred dollars each year that he puts towards special prizes at the annual banquet.

When you see Ted at the field or at the upcoming banquet, be sure to shake his hand. Sir, a job well done!

John Irwin volunteered to take on the duties of Raffle Chairman. Please give him your support and ideas of what you might wish to see at meeting and event raffles.

Gold Leader Club - 15 Years

At our December club meeting, Tim Attaway (AMA District X Associate VP) presented the club with a plaque and patches recognizing the achievement of being a Gold Leader Club for 15 years! Only eleven of the more than 2,400 AMA chartered clubs have achieved this. The club was provided with a patch for each member. For those who weren't at the meeting, you can grab a patch from the safety cabinet.

Annual Awards Banquet

Here's one more plug for the banquet on Friday January 6th (flyer included here). The cost is \$25



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per person + \$20 for each additional family member. Payment is in advance through a club Officer. If necessary, we can collect payment at the door, however Scott needs to know today (while you're reading this) if you're planning on attending. We'll recognize some members for their achievements and contributions through the year and recent past.

We have a huge raffle planned with prizes valued at more than \$1000! We're also accepting donated prizes. As an example, a very generous member Chris McClure donated this Sig Rascal 40 with a Thunder Tiger Pro 46 and flight kit! If you have a donation worthy of a prize, please let me know ahead of time. I'd rather screen the donations beforehand if possible. Please, no fuel tanks, tires or obsolete electronics. We're looking for donated prizes that will encourage attendees to buy tickets!

Fire Extinguisher Training, Saturday January 14th

Ron Keith will provide a hands-on Fire Extinguisher Class at the field starting at 9am. Other

topics will include general safety practices we follow at the field.

Participation isn't mandatory, of course, but it's a great opportunity to squirt out some agent!



AMA and Club Renewals

Club renewals are due this week. The gate combination will change on January 1st. It's only \$60 to renew, with additional family members at half price and Juniors 19 years of age and younger are free. Don't delay! Get caught up!

Happy New Year!

Keith

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Breakfast & Lunch

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6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

12381 Mapleview
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Lakeside, CA 92040

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SUB SANDWICHES
Lettuce, Tomato, Mayonnaise and Italian Dressing

Entire Menu is available "To Go".

First Weedwacker Aero Squadron Annual Awards Banquet

Date: Friday 1/6/2017

**6:00 pm Bar
7:00 pm Dinner**

*Tossed Greens with Variety of Dressings
Split Chicken in Chipotle Butter
Beef Tri Tip in Garlic-Black Pepper Rub (carved in
kitchen)
Roasted Redskins with Rosemary and Garlic
Fresh Vegetables
Rolls and Butter
Coffee, Tea at station
Homemade Apple Cobbler with Cream*

**Carlton Oaks Lodge & Country Club
9200 Inwood Drive, Santee, CA 92071
(619) 448-4242 Ext 7 Fax (619)448-0501**





Site: Ron Smith Memorial Field
(SD County Cactus Park, Lakeside)

Hours: 7:30 am – 11:30 am
\$5 Seller's Fee ----Buyers Free
Refreshments Available

Information:

Gary Rold 619-504-9936

