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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**

Sep 9 Sat A Sep 22-24 M Sep 30 Sat F Nov 18 Sat M

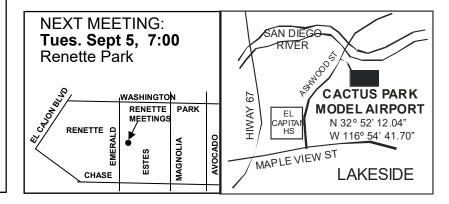
Sat Alpine Club Swap Meet
Miramar Air Show
Sat Palomar RC Sailplane—Fallbrook, CA
Sat MRCF/Weedwacker Swap Meet/Toys for Tots

## National Model Aviation Day

August 12 was a great success. You can read details in the President's column and be sure to look at the picture montage created by Bruce Allen.

## **Toys for Tots**

This year we will again combine with the Miramar RC Flyers to host a Toys For Tots drive on November 18. The Toys For Tots fulfills one of our club's obligations for community service as a Gold Leader Club for the AMA. So please plan to support the drive. You will notice there are two more notices about this in this newsletter.





## Meeting Minutes August 1st 2017

Bruce Allen

The meeting on August 1st, 2017, 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 19, including board members; Vice President Jeff Coskey, Secretary Bruce Allen, & Treasurer Scott Graupmann.

#### **Opening Remarks**

Steve Shepersky – Has put an Advert in Craigslist offering to teach flying using a Buddy Box, has had 15 responses. Anyone have a Spare 2.8 Ghz controllers?

#### Minutes

Proposed: Ron Keith, Lee Main. Unanimous

#### **Treasurers Report**

 Opening Balance:
 \$6,826.17

 Income:
 \$2,916

 Expenses:
 \$(93.37)

 Ending Balance:
 \$9,648.80

Keith mentioned that the **Mid Summers Luncheon** Raffle made a profit, for the first time, \$140! Thanks to the folks that brought stuff in for the Raffle & of course our Raffle Czar John Irwin.

Proposed: Rich Crutchfield Seconded, Fred Miller. Unanimous

#### Safety Report

Ron Keith - Waiting for new demo equipment. Working on a date for Fire Training....

#### **Upcoming Events**

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

See Presidents Message in this edition of the Hanger News!

#### **Old Business**

In recognition of his filling the gallant job, that Ted O'Fallin did, running the Raffle, & not because of his whining, John Irwin will have his name & phone number impregnated on the front of the Hanger News, with the rest of us miscreants, so people can call when they have donations!

#### T-34 Tickets for sale for last Mentor Ride (See Keith's Presidents message)

#### **Rule Review**

11.c "All aircraft will yield to aircraft landing or taking off."

Don't fly over the Runway when planes are landing or taking off.

Don't forget to Call "Taking Off" "Landing" & "Clear Pattern"

### **New Business**

Kip Herring – No longer the owner of the Polo Ranch but is the Director, & has complained about 50cc size yellow plane. Keith was standing at the Windsock pole when Kip saw the plane & said he flew over the boundary (polo field) Keith pointed out that he did not because he turned inside of the pole & that was the boundary. Keith believes that Kip understands what is in & what is out now.....

Don't forget when you are flying not to go over the boundaries!

#### Sound Issues

If there is an issue we have a Decibel Meter in the peg box & a stand for the plane outside of the fence down from the Trash cans. 10ft @ 96db's is the measurement range.

#### "Modified Propeller, full size"

Steve Ellis brought in a picture of this Prop



that had been 'modified' by a ground loop?? Will donate it to the club. Could be added as a solid cash buy at an event?

**Bobby Rink** – Donated a 12v Deep Cycle Battery. Makes 4 Batteries in the Shed we should also be able to add the other set of Solar Panels. Thanks Bobby!

**Lou Prince** – Longtime member of the Weedwackers has passed away. No other details.

**Drawing for free Membership (Must be present)** Jerry Conklin

### Raffle (Thanks to John Irwin!)

Ben Newkirk Mystery Prize, Watch Jeff Coskey Nitro Fuel Hank Leichner 30-bit Screwdriver set. Batteries Ammo Box, Shears Mark Huyser Stephen Ellis -Rich Crutchfield-Fred Miller Storage Box Keith Miller Stuff? Cup John Irwin Gorilla glue

Adjourned 19:55hrs





### President's Message Sep 2017

#### **National Model Aviation Day**

The Winner of the T-34 Experience is Buzz Brunkow! Congratulations, Buzz!

Proceeds collected = \$320! Special thanks to John Flippen, owner and pilot of the T-34 Mentor, for such a generous contribution to the club!!!

We held four fun-fly events; Can-Can, Jelly Bean Haul, Bomb Drop and the Climb-n-Glide (now known as the Tim Peterson Event). For the Can-Can, an empty soda can is towed on a length of string behind the plane (it's actually quite easy!). The pilot gets three attempts to touch the can in the runway bullseye without touching his wheels. Steve Morton won that event and took home a nice small set of jewelers' files. The Jelly Bean Haul tests the pilots ability to fly and maneuver smoothly, keeping as many of his jelly beans as possible in his planemounted cup. Each pilot starts with ten jelly beans. This event went through four advancing tie-breakers with three pilots in the final round keeping all 10 jelly beans through takeoff, two loops, two barrel rolls, a touchand-go and a landing! To break the 4-round tie, Jeramy Miller, Tim Peterson and Mike Berry shot it out in the 7-11 Craps in which, at the start of the clock, their partner must roll dice to for a 7 or 11 for the pilot to take off. Then the partner must roll both a 7 and 11 triggering the pilot to land. Tim Peterson finally finished with the fastest time of 41.06 seconds with rich tossing the die. He won a sparkly shiny retracting box knife.

The Bomb Drop was down to the wire with two pilots tied at 5 points until Steve Shepersky, under huge pressure, dropped his last bomb in the zone for a total of 6 points and the win! His prize - a pair of walkie-talkies (because just one would be kinda pointless). And finally, the Climb and Glide (now

known as the "Tim Peterson Event") was

won (of course) by Tim and his T-28 who stayed aloft for 3:23 after only a 15 second motor run. Yeah - he's using his purpose-built T-28 that can hand-launch vertically! Tim took home a headlamp flashlight. As runner up, Steve Morton went home with an assortment of adhesives.

For lunch, quite a spread arrived including British savouries (UK spelling, of course), homemade chili, turkey-wraps, watermelon, a cracker/cheese/sausage spread, cornbread, and of course, cookies, chips and doughnuts.

Thanks to all of those who participated and helped setup and cleanup!

#### **Nominations for Club Officers**

What? Already? Nominations will be accepted between now and the October meeting with a vote at the November meeting. Officer positions include President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. All other positions are by appointment.

#### Rule Proposal - R/C Cars

Recently we recognized that we have no guidelines with respect to R/C cars. Sure, we're a model airplane club. But many of our members enjoy cars as well, and we have a couple of areas in which cars can be safely driven. The upper south lot is good for buggies and trucks, while the runway is great for street cars with low clearance. I was going to bring up a rule about boats too, but I ran out of time.

I propose the following be added to the Field Rules:

"Radio control cars (and trucks) are permitted at the field under the following conditions:

Cars may be operated in the upper south parking lot (south of the berm) but must remain at least 20 feet clear of parked vehicles when operating (to preclude collisions or rocks from hitting cars).

Cars may be operated on the runway



when no aircraft are flying or on the runway. Cars must leave the runway when a pilot is ready to taxi out. At no time will radio control cars be driven in the pit area (between the pilot stations and the parking berm)."

We can discuss the motion at the next club meeting.

#### **Banquet Planning**

We've started preliminary planning for the 2017 Awards Banquet to be held on Friday Jan 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. For now the plan is - same venue, same menu, but some minor changes in the evening events.

If you're interested in participating in the planning, or have a strong desire to move for other changes, please make yourself known!

#### Lew Prince's Estate

For those who may remember, Lew Prince was a Weedwacker many years ago and recently passed away. This unfortunate news came through mutual acquaintances of Ben Newkirk. Ben, on behalf of the club, is collecting a portion of Lew's estate to be evaluated for a fund-raising auction/event during the winter. I thank Ben for stepping up to work this!

#### Welcome New Members

Welcome aboard to some of our most recent new members!

Dean Butterfield, Mike Lobosco and Eric Milhausen

#### Many upcoming events

The Alpine Aero Squadron are holding a **swap meet** Sat September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7am at their field: 11928 Singer Ln, Spring Valley.

Don't forget the Palomar RC Flyers will be hosting a **Sailplane event** on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at Johnson Field in Fallbrook, California. The event will begin at 10:30 A.M. Nov 18<sup>th</sup> we'll hold a joint MRCF/Weedwacker Swap Meet and Toys for Tots toy drive.

Have a great month! Keith



"There's really no need for confusion. Page 95, section 33, paragraph L clearly explains ..."



## Views of the National Model Aviation Day August 12, 2017









# **3RD ANNUAL FALL SAILPLANE EVENT** September 30, 2017 – Fallbrook, California Hosted by Palomar RC Flyers

The Palomar RC Flyers club is hosting a gathering of aerotow, selflaunching, and winch sailplanes at Johnson Field on Saturday, September 30th 2017.

AMA membership is required of all participants. This event is sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics, model activity #1786. Palomar RC Flyers is located at Johnson Field at the Northeast corner of the intersection of 1-15 and State Highway 76 in Fallbrook, California. Take Interstate 15 and take the Highway 76 east towards Pala less than 1/2 mile and turn north on Pankey Rd.

Overnight accommodations can be found at the Pala

Casino located 5 miles east of the field or at the Quality Inn Fallbrook located on the west side of Interstate 15 one mile from the field.

The club will provide spotters to keep the runway clear of towplanes/sailplanes for landing sailplanes. Club noise limits require all aircraft to be below 98 dB at 25 feet.

#### The event will begin at 10:30 A.M.

We will host a barbecue mid-day on Saturday at the field (\$5 donation accepted).

We would appreciate knowing if you can bring a tow plane.

Contact Jim Gallacher at jgallacher@cox.net or visit www.palomarrcflyers.com



