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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 2018

Apr 28 Sat Lakeside Western Days Parade
Apr 28 Sat Warbirds Fly-In at Miramar RC
May 5-6 Sat-Sun Chino Air Show Planes of Fame
May 12 Sat Cactus Park Cleanup
May 19 Sat Scale Fly-In, Cactus Park
July 7 Sat Mid-Summer Luncheon, Cactus Park 11:00 AM

From Chula Vista Model Radio Club

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, April the 25th. Get your lake-worthy planes ready for another fun day of flying, socializing, and enjoying the fresh air and views the lake has to offer. 8AM to 12PM with hot dogs served at 11AM. CVMRCC membership not required, but must have AMA membership.

Lower Otay Lake Reservoir off Wueste Rd. just past the Olympic Training Center.

Stelio Jackson p.s. Here is the schedule for the rest of the year. All are on the 4th Wednesday of the month except for the October one which is on a Saturday.

Float Fly - Apr 25

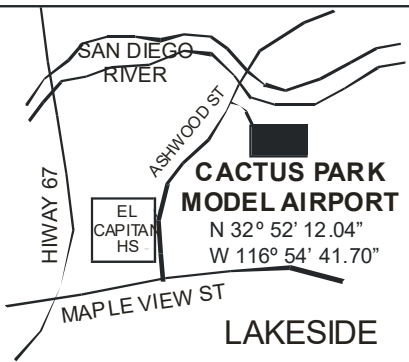
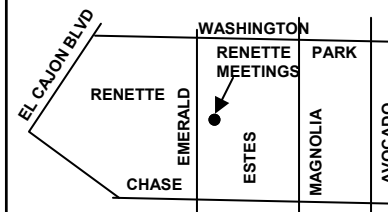
Float Fly - Jun 27

Float Fly - Aug 22

Float Fly - Oct 20



NEXT MEETING:
Tues. May 1, 7:00
Renette Park





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Meeting Minutes April 3rd

*Bruce Allen (From notes provided by
Jeff Coskey)*

The meeting on April 3rd, 2018, was called to order by the club Vice President, Jeff Coskey at 7:00 PM and the membership recited the Pledge of Allegiance in the direction of the flag provided. In attendance were 16, including board members; Vice President Jeff Coskey & Secretary Bruce Allen. Treasurer Scott Graupmann & President Keith Miller unable to attend.

Opening Comments

(Be sure to add your attendance raffle ticket to the tub)

Guest/New Member

Julian Sonderegger
Flies Electric, interesting in Slope Soaring.

Approval of previous Minutes

April 3rd Meeting
Proposed: Ron Keith. Seconded: Bobby Rink Unanimous

Treasurers Report

Due to absence of Treasurer the report will be held over to the May meeting.

Safety Report

Ron Keith – Recommended that Fire Extinguisher be placed outside the Pin Locker & another at Station 3 before flight operations start for the day. Please be sure to return them to the locker before finishing for the day.

(See Presidents Message for the Fire Fighter training report)

One other Safety Note from Dick Milhausen: Make sure the Tie Back rope, that is used to hold a Plane back at a Station when not used is secured on the fence. There has been an incident where a loose rope tripped someone

up.

“Be Vigilant when walking around the field!”

Upcoming Events

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

See Presidents Message in this edition of the Hanger News for more details of events!

Lakeside Western Days Parade (April 28th)

We are set to go! The club voted in the proposal to give Matt Arnold a \$200 gift as a gesture of our appreciation for his generosity.

Proposed: Jeff Coskey Seconded: Ron Keith Unanimous.

TEDx Kids April 21st – Mission accomplished!

Field Cleanup Sat May 12th - Details in Presidents Message.

Chino Air Show - Planes of Fame - Sat-Sun May 5-6th.

Scale Fly-In - Sat May 19 (Notes in Red from Jeff Coskey) POC Art Flores (\$200 gift card will ask Treasurers at next meeting about funds for prizes). Sanction #17/904 is approved by AMA Plaques and prize funds need to be approved. (food to be about 100-170)

Most recent source for plaques - Al's Sporting Goods in Santee (used for banquet). Keith can help order if needed. (how many I forget I think we figured around 4 \$104)

8x10 Plaques w/metal laser-etched plates laser engraved directly into wood - \$26 ea

Al's Sport Shop

9250 Mission Gorge Rd.

Santee, CA. 92071

Ph: (619) 562-GAME (4263)

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(\$10 for pilots get for lunch Art asked if we could drop to \$5 for the food plate) discussion with Bobby, food to be about \$100 for 20 people would cover cost)

Handicapped Parking signs (Bruce has one sign but needs to be sure it is correct, Jeff to make cross bar)

POC Bruce - need buy signs and cross-beam in process

Free Flight Rubber event (on hold pending action by Keith for planning) (Keith, still on hold)

Steve Shepersky to help (plan, build)

Possibly at our field or with San Diego Orbiters at Grossmont

Mid-Summer Luncheon Picnic (open for suggestions on location) (Parks available @ Santee Lakes \$3 cover charge for drive in free walk in possible charge for rental. Renette Park? Griffin Park/ El monte Park near El Capitan Res.?) (Need to have vote next meeting on where?)

Location nominations

Bobby to cater; members \$\$ to offset cost (Chuck Wagon Style Ribs Chicken Beans \$12-\$15 plate)

Will still hold raffle (possible to have donations like last year cost savings, table till May's meeting)

Maybe some non-model outdoor fun events?

Other Events (Runs same date as the Lakeside Western Days)

Warbirds Fly-in Miramar -

You and your members are all cordially invited to our Warbird fly-in on Saturday, April 28th. Warbirds from E-Flight UMX foamies to 1/3 scale are welcome.

For those unfamiliar with Miramar, we have a 600X80 paved runway, recently refinished.

We're on the eastern overfly for Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, I-15 North or South to Pomerado Rd, East on Pomerado to the first right into the Naval Reserve Center. Our gate is straight ahead

where the pavement makes a left into the Reserve center.

AMA and FAA required. Turbines welcome if there's no red flag warning in effect, Turbine Waiver required.

Gate will be open and manned from 6:30 to 8:00 on Sat morning. After that we will make runs on the hour and half hour if someone calls the number posted on the gate for entry or exit.

This is going to be a fun fly-in for all Warbird lovers, we request widest dissemination, so please forward and let your members know.

Questions, email me at this address, or call Frank at the number listed in the flyer.

Looking forward to seeing you there!"

Field Rules:

"6. Running or flying engine-powered models is permitted from 9:00AM to sunset. Electrics and gliders are permitted from 8:00AM to sunset. Quiet helicopter flying is allowed in the vicinity of the runway from 8:00AM to 9:00AM.

a. Turbine, pulse jet and rocket powered models are not permitted."

Background: San Diego County Ordinance 9962 SEC. 36.406. POWERED MODEL VEHICLES prohibit operation at a county park between 9pm and 7am, however the club will continue our time-honored noise abatement consideration for our local neighbors. To our south-east, houses on top of the hill are in direct earshot of our models, are only 250 above us and a quarter mile away. The residence structures of the polo field are also very close and are in direct earshot at any altitude. The limitation of turbines, pulse jets and rockets is driven primarily by fire risk and field size.

New Business

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Need Scotts input as to impact on treasury. Consider eliminating Mid-Summer raffle if needed. **(see donations to supplement raffle)**

Rules Review (field rules, bylaws, AMA Safety Code or AMA Safety Handbook)
Propeller Safety (AMA Safety Handbook)

- Painting tips of propellers a bright color helps you to better see the propeller arc during rotation.
- Check the propeller and spinner for tightness before each operation.
- Learn about and check for the proper grain patterns in wooden propellers to ensure strength in high rpm operation.
- Exercise extreme caution adjusting needle valve settings on engines. Most adjustments should be performed from behind the model, thus avoiding reaching around a spinning propeller.

Other New Business

The secretary as an RAF vet mentioned that the Royal Air Force (UK) 100th birthday was on April the 1st It celebrates the combining of the Royal Flying Corp & the Royal Navy's Air service to create the first independent Air Force. (Some say we still are flying the same Aircraft!)



Jeff mentioned that the US Navy Chiefs 125th birthday, bless their bell bottoms!

AMA Expo West

Check this link for the news of the move to Fairplex Exposition Center, Pomona California <http://www.amaexpowest.com/>

- Raffle**-Rich Crutchfield standing in, thanks!
 Ron Keith - \$10 DHW Certificate, Nitro fuel
 Don Westerham- Propellers
 Bruce Allen- Epoxy
 Julian Sonderegger – Aircraft Book
 Chuck Abel- Tanks, Mounting(s)
 Arnold Lipschutz-CA glue x2
 Hank Leichner-Training Books (Flying)

Adjourned – 20:13

Welcome to:

Café CALIFORNIA 67

Breakfast & Lunch

Take Home
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President's Message May 2018

Thanks to Jeff for covering the April meeting in my absence. That's two that I owe you.

Fire Fighting Training

Thank you to those who attended Safety and Fire Fighting Training hosted by our Safety Officer Ron Keith. Ron covered all aspects of fire hazards at the field and the best practices to handle the situation. His instruction was very well thought out for our specific hazards. Nicely done sir!



TEDx Kids @ El Cajon

Our own Crutchfield clan (Pilot Ryan and spotter/dad Rich) demonstrated RC aircraft at the TEDx Kids @ El Cajon event.



Thank you to Bruce Allen for coordinating our attendance! Our club and hobby were provided tremendous exposure to literally hundreds of kids and their parents.



Lakeside Western Days Parade - Sat April 28th

As is tradition, the Weedwackers will present a float at this year's parade. Don's got impeccable publishing skills and I'm confident this Hangar News will come out in time, so here's some gouge:



Those interested in providing models for presentation on the float need to meet us at the staging area early on the morning of Saturday April 28th. The time will likely be between



8:00 and 8:30 am. (Those actually caravanning the float between our flying field and the staging area will likely be starting much earlier.)





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We are staging in Division 2 which is west-bound on Industry Road as it approaches the Winter Gardens overpass. If you'd like to view the parade along with the many Lakeside residents, the route starts on Woodside at Winter Gardens, continues east and turns north onto Maine Ave. The parade begins at 9:30. We're usually done, back at the staging area and ready to unload by around 11:15 am. At that time the float will be off-loaded and transported back to the Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field for dismantling and going back on the trailer. I hope to see some willing participants! A very special thanks goes out to Matt Arnold, owner of Floatasia, for his generosity in providing an awesome float!



Swap Meet, Alpine Aero Squadron, May 5th

Don't forget this date! The Alpine group is a very friendly bunch and host a nice meet.

Field Clean-up and closure, Saturday May 12th

The River Valley Equestrian Center to our east is holding an event on May 12th and we'll close the Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field to all flying. We do this to completely eliminate any safety risks while so many people and horses come together at one time on their fields.

At the same time, we'll take the opportunity to dedicate a few hours of field maintenance, clean-up and grooming. Tasks for this event:

1. Gut and sweep out the storage shed
2. Glue down/affix work bench table-tops
3. Weed trimming focused on the south-eastern corner of the runway threshold
4. Tidy up the straw bales
5. Clean the grill and prep for the following week
6. Lay asphalt patch on cracks

Armed Forces Day Scale Fly-In May Saturday 19th

Art Flores and Dick Milhausen will be hosting yet another fly-in and lunch! Please see the attached flyer.

Along with awards for the best in various categories, there will be an open raffle for all attendees. A special additional raffle for participating modelers (who bring a scale model) will include a \$200 gift certificate for DHW!

For this event, I'm looking for volunteers to prepare and serve a simple (or complex) main course lunch that members will augment with pot-luck dishes. One option I'm looking at is a meal truck (aka "roach coach"); however in my past experience they'll push for a minimum that would be well beyond what our group would spend. But we'll see. Look for emails in the coming future. I know ya'll love my emails!

County Agreements and Relations

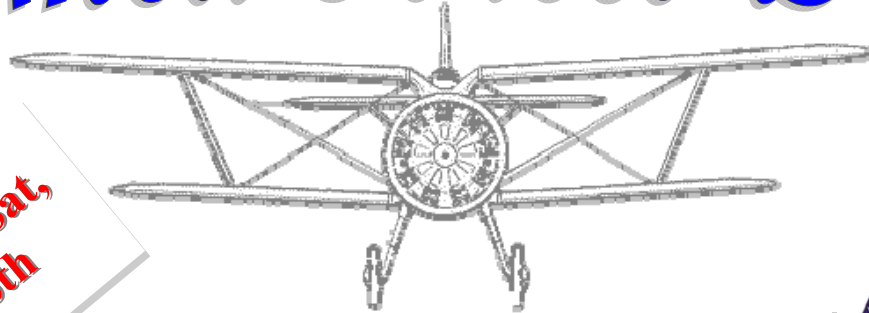
Aliah Brozowski, our representative with County Parks and Recreation, is leaving her position in May. She's currently pushing through an extension for our use agreement that will cover us through the end of 2018. We wish her fair winds and following seas and look forward to meeting her relief.

See you around!

"The Road of Life is paved with flattened squirrels that couldn't make a decision."

Keith

Armed Forces Day



**Rain Date: Sat,
May 26th**

Saturday, May 19th, 2018

Scale Fly-In

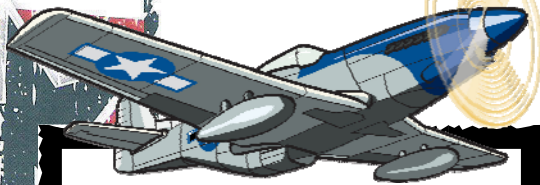
Schedule:

8:00 AM Check in
9:00 AM—1:00 PM Flying
11:00 (approx.) - LUNCH

\$10 Landing Fee

\$8 for Lunch

Scale and Semi-Scale models welcome—ARFs too!

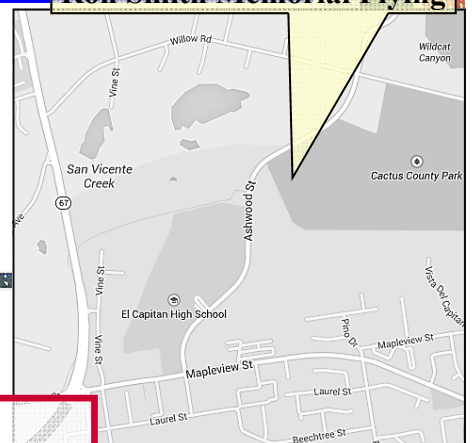


Awards for:
Best Civilian
Best Military
Peoples Choice
Judges Choice

We'll have an **Open Raffle** with special raffle prizes including a **\$200 DHW gift certificate for participating pilots!**

Ron Smith Memorial Flying

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