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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

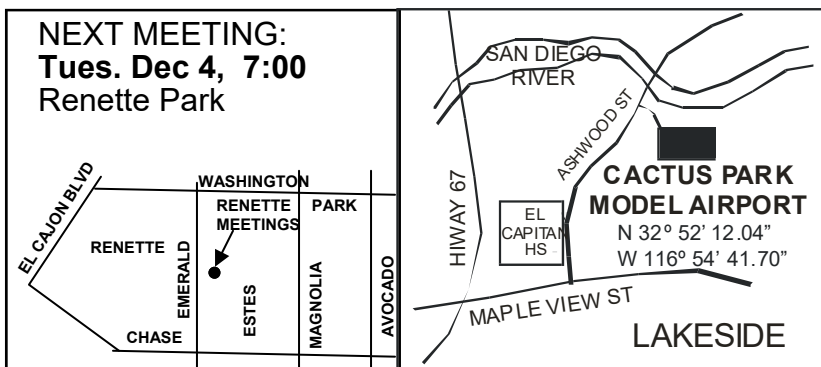
Jan 4 Fri Awards Banquet, Carlton Oaks CC, 6:00 PM Open

Club Membership Renewal

Club Membership renewal time is upon us. You must renew now to be able to continue to fly at Cactus Park January 1, 2019. Renewal now cost \$75 for the year. Your Treasurer Scott Graupmann has your 2019 Membership Badges. These badges have the emergency information and description of the field location for first responders, as well as the 2019 gate code.

Awards Banquet 2019

Awards Banquet set for Friday evening January 4, 2019 at the Carlton Hills Country Club. This annual event is a great time for fellowship with other club members and their families. It is a time to show your models and participate in a huge raffle. We need to know how many are coming, so pay our Treasurer by Dec 31, 2018.





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Meeting Minutes Nov 6th, 2018

Bruce Allen

The meeting on November 6th 2018, 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 15, including board member Vice President Jeff Coskey, Treasurer Scott Graupmann & Secretary Bruce Allen.

Opening Comments

(Be sure to add your attendance raffle ticket to the tub for the drawing at the January banquet)

New Member

Burt Crismore – 10 years flying previously looking to take up the hobby again. Welcome Chris.

Approval of previous Minutes

Proposed: Ron Keith Second: Fred Miller Unanimous.

Treasurers Report

Opening Balance: \$5,515.20
Income: \$55
Expenses: \$(89.90)
Ending Balance: \$5,480.30

Proposed: Bill Simmons Second: Arnold Lipschutz - Unanimous.

Safety Report

Ron Keith – You arrive at the field & you discover someone is lying on the ground injured maybe bleeding, a broken limb etc.. (This was based on a possible injury from a falling branch from our now non -existent Eucalyptus tree)

Dial 911 Ambulance
Check victim for Bleeding?
Mr. Sock may be appropriate!
Check is the victim breathing?

If so, don't move him, if it's a break, don't try to straighten it splint in place,

provide support using what you can find a box to support, a magazine wrapped around if possible. Monitoring the victim until help arrives. If the victim stands up & says I feel fine, encourage them to sit down & wait for the Ambulance so they get a checkup.

Also watch out for the ants (especially Red ones) & try to gently move the victim to a clearer area.

New Raffle Czar!

Not content with being our excellent Safety Officer, Ron Keith has volunteered to be our new Raffle Chairman. Much appreciated Ron!

Note from Secretary: As I was absent for various reasons for the last 2 months there was no 'Bottle' to drop the tickets in, but I have the 2 lists of names & will write the names on tickets & drop them in myself "Would I lie to you....?"

Eucalyptus Tree

(Now removed, see Presidents Message)

Upcoming Events

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

Annual Banquet

After much discussion the fees were set same as 2017.

Anne Allen- Table decorations as before (See more info in Presidents Message)

Proposed: Keith Miller Second: Ron Keith

Helicopter Zone Issues

Lots of discussion in process expect emails on the subject & a discussion at the December meeting.

Officer Elections

We all got reelected, there's a surprise!

Old Business

Handicap Signs – two new ones installed! One to be obtained.



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Weedwackers T-Shirts

Bruce modeled his Weedwacker designer T-shirt.

He bought them from

T-Shirt Mart in El Cahon

Phone: 619-590-0101

Address: 317 N. 2nd St., El Cajon, CA 92021

Store Open: Monday - Saturday 9:30am - 8:00pm

Sunday 10:00am - 6:00pm

No orders accepted 30 minutes prior to store closing

<http://www.tshirtmart.net/location1.php>

They should still have our Artwork, just ask for Weedwackers. They can supply the shirts, or you can bring you own & they will print it for a fee.

Scouts / Plus

Bobby Rink works with the Scouts & spoke about the possibility of having small groups at the airfield to give them experience flying with a Buddy Box setup. This would normally happen at weekends & would take some organization. Keith will work with Bobby on a potential plan.

Vernon Gilmore has a contact with a San Diego Tribune reporter & passed the info on to Keith who has contacted with a view to an interview.

Field Clean Up – Nov 24th 1pm

Field Rules

13. No taxiing in the pit area, or behind the pilot line. Models shall be carried, or hand guided for absolute control in these areas.

New Locks – Locks to be replaced.

Drawing for free membership, must be present!

Mike Berry

Show & Tell

Julian Sonderegger – (Video of Julian's planes will be uploaded to WW FB page soon)

Hi-Tec have moved:

Hitec RCD USA, Inc.

12760 Danielson Ct, Unit E, Poway CA 92064

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Hitec RCD USA Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm PST*

Hitec / Multiplex USA is closed on most US

Holidays. Additionally Hitec USA is closed every other Friday from Memorial Day through Labor Day (June 16 & 30, July 14 & 28, August 11 & 25).

Raffle

Jeff Coskey

Bruce Allen

Keith

Julian Sonderegger

Don Westergren

Mark

Cedric

Arnold

Fred

Hank

Bill

Book, boxes

Mag Rail, Mag Glasses

Janes, Gas,

Batt Charger, Controller

Knife

Epoxy

RAF Present, Peg-Board

Nitro, Test Stand, Glider

Tape, Starter Hub

Cub Jr

Mac

Proposed: Close Meeting at 20:47



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President's Message Dec 2018

Goodbye to the ol' Euc!

After decades of providing shade and a resting place for many errant models, the era has come to an end. In response to my request to



the county to evaluate the safety of the tree, the county inspected and subsequently removed the eucalyptus tree. The event was a bit historic and attended by many members who gathered to say goodbye to an old familiar acquaintance, but mostly to celebrate the clearing of the airspace and new sense of safety. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Ron Keith who made himself available to meet



with the County and the arborist, and to be on-site for the entire process and removal.

Now, what to do with all of that wood! My initial attempt at a wood-splitting party on Nov 18th failed completely as no one showed up. Hopefully between the time I've written this and the time you read it, I've been more successful in arranging some teamwork. Should I fail, the logs may likely sit and harden and end up becoming a disposal task rather than a firewood supply.

2018 Annual Awards Banquet; Call for Donations

Our Annual Awards Banquet is coming up on **Friday January 4th** at the Carlton Oaks Country Club (flyer included here). The cost is \$25 per person + \$20 for each additional family member. Payment is in advance through a club Officer (cash or check). If necessary, we can collect payment at the door, however we need to know now if you're planning to attend. The banquet is dedicated to recognition of members for their achievements and contributions through the year and recent past. Bring your Hangar Queens! During the banquet, we'll each have the opportunity to show off our favorite models and have a chance to win





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one of these categories: Best Scale, Best Sport, Best ARF and People's Choice. The banquet hall will be open as early as 5pm if you wish to arrive a little early. But don't rush it! The bar's not open until 6 pm (and of course, dinner starts at 7 pm). We have a huge raffle planned with prizes valued at more than \$1000! We're also **accepting donated prizes**. As we did in prior years, we invite members to bring donations worthy of a prize. Please, no fuel tanks, tires or obsolete electronics. We're looking for prize-worthy donations that folks would be excited about and will encourage attendees to buy tickets! For example, Tom McCart donated this new Saito FA-56 engine!



Renewals - As we approach the December meeting, please consider setting aside a check or cash to renew your dues for 2019.

Dues are **\$75 for the year**, with additional family members discounted 50% each. Youth under 19 years are free. Your membership renewal is **due by January 1st** which coincides with the date we change the locks. The new gate combination will be provided on your badge when you renew. Dues are payable through any Officer at the field, at the club meeting or by mail directly to the Treasurer, Scott Graupmann at his home address (see cover sheet of this Hangar News).

Toys for Tots Drive Frank Gagliardi of the MRCF club passed along his sincere thanks to all of you who contributed to the Marine Corps Toys-For-Tots campaign during our

swap meet in November. The donations received at our meet completely filled one of Franks two boxes and topped off the second. Our hats off to Frank and the MRCF for their service! The toys were delivered to MCAS Miramar directly as part of their campaign. Nicely done, folks! Thanks!

2019 Calendar of Events - I've populated the 2019 club calendar with notional events based on 2018, with the addition of a couple of fun-fly contests. You can check out the events on our website (the Events tab). Over the course of the year, we'll refine the schedule by verifying the dates for those external events that we participate in (i.e. other clubs' events, the Lakeside Parade, etc.).

New Members - I've been remiss in welcoming some of our most recent members; Burt Crismore, Richard Wenzel, J.R. Thomas, Jarrod Ellison and David Gwin. Welcome guys! As of this writing, our active membership includes 130 members averaging 56 years of age, ranging from 8 to 88 year old!

Happy Holidays!
Keith





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Field Rules—Proposed Changes

10. Pilots must stand behind the fence in one of five flight stations for takeoff, flight and landings (5 planes maximum at any time). Refer to Rule 0 below regarding Station “H” for helicopters.

11. c. All aircraft will yield to aircraft landing and taking off. Pilots shall announce intentions to take off and/or land.

12. Pilots in stations 1-5 should normally fly in a right hand conventional oval traffic pattern when in the landing pattern and other planes are also flying (except for dead stick landings or when the wind is from the east. ~~3D & Helicopter pilots may fly at the field when following the guideline that when fixed-wing models are flying, they will conform to the fixed-wing pattern of flight.~~ Aerobatic maneuvers and helicopter flight shall be performed north of the paved runway unless in a landing pattern.

13. Helicopter, Multirotor, FPV and Heli-Pad Rules - Station “H”

Note

Station H is primarily for testing and trimming of Heli and Multirotor aircraft or close-in flight that precludes the normal flight operations in stations 1-5.

- a. Helicopters and multi-rotor aircraft may fly at the heli-pad to the east of the pit area bounded by the easterly fences and south of the apron boundary line (designated by a white fire hose on the ground).¹
- b. FPV flights must follow regulations of AMA Document 550. Most importantly, FPV flights require an FPV pilot to have a spotter next to him/her maintaining visual line-of-sight with the FPV aircraft throughout its flight.
- c. Helicopter/multirotor pilots flying from Station H shall remain aware of fixed wing aircraft and helicopters that are flying in the normal pattern from stations 1-5, and shall give way to aircraft in the landing approach.
- d. In the case of west to east fixed wing landings during which pilots at Station H may not see the aircraft, it is incumbent upon the fixed wing pilots to ensure that the pilots at Station H can hear of their intent to land west to east.
- e. Flights from Station H must remain within Heli Pad designated boundaries.
- f. At this time, flights cannot originate from station H’s Heli Pad into the regular flight pattern area.

Note: During flight from Station H, pilots could be in the direct path of an aircraft in an emergency landing situation. It is up to Station H pilots to have heightened awareness of all aircraft that are in the approach area.

¹ Until such time that chain-link fence barriers at the eastern end of the pits are reconsidered, pilots flying from Station H need not be behind the fence.

First Weedwacker Aero Squadron Annual Awards Banquet

Date: Friday 1/4/2019

**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*

\$25 per person + \$20 for each additional family member

Carlton Oaks Lodge & Country Club
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(619) 448-4242 Ext 7 Fax (619)448-0501

