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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..

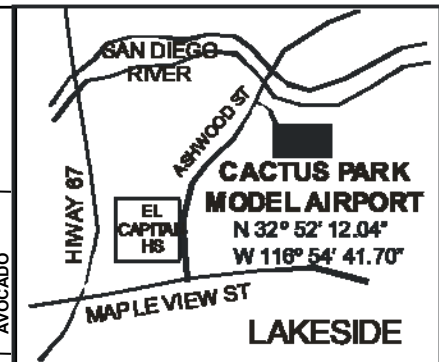
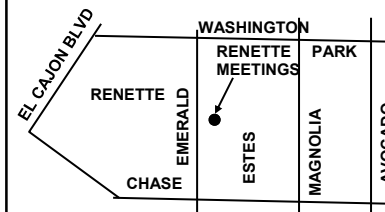
R/C Schedule 2019-2020

Jan 17 Fri Awards Banquet, Carlton Oaks Country Club

2020 Awards Banquet

The planned date is Friday Jan 17 at the same location as past years at the Carlton Oaks Country Club in Santee. Note the date change from our traditional first Friday. Our awards banquet is always a special event - and a great time for members and their families to enjoy time together. Bring you latest models to show—we have plenty of room to show them.

NEXT MEETING:
Tues. Dec 3, 7:00
Renette Park





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Meeting Minutes November 5th 2019

Bruce Allen

The meeting on November the 5th, 2019, 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 13, including board members, Secretary Bruce Allen, Treasurer Scott Graupmann, Vice President Jeff Coskey.

Opening Comments

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

Keith mentioned the issue with our WC leaking water from the sink, the company said they would replace it, but they didn't however it seems to be fixed now.

Approval of Minutes in last month's Hangar News

Proposed: Ron Keith Second: Fred Miller Unanimous.

Treasurers Report

Opening Balance: \$11,650.45
Income: \$371.65
Expenses: \$(1,142.75)
Ending Balance: \$10,879.35

Proposed: Ron Keith Second: Fred Miller – Unanimous

Safety Report

Ron Keith mentioned there was an issue with an extinguisher falling out of the Grab Bag & getting damaged(?). He also mentioned the need for Flu shots, get them! Especially for us older folks to get the high strength version. Also, you should have Shingle shots:

“**Shingles Vaccine**”. The CDC recommends that healthy adults ages 50 and older get the **shingles vaccine**, Shingrix, which provides greater protection than Zostavax. The **vaccine** is given in two doses, 2 to 6 months

apart.” Medicare covers the cost.

Upcoming Events

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

Annual Fall Swap Meet & Toys for Tots- Went very well, see Presidents message.

Awards Banquet will likely be held on Friday January 10th (**Changed to Friday the 17th**), 2020.

Discussion on cost for the banquet:
Keith proposed we should spend: Raffle \$1000
Main Ladies \$250, 12 x \$25 Plaques
Bill Simmons Seconded Unanimous.
See Presidents Message.

Locks Daisy Chain – Hole in vertical Bar filled; new photo/placard posted Please Note!

FAA Changes UAS marking Rule: <https://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=93045>

Extract: “(FAA) has posted a rule in the [Federal Register](#) requiring small drone owners to display the FAA-issued registration number on an outside surface of the aircraft. Owners and operators may no longer place or write registration numbers in an interior compartment. The rule is effective on February 25. The markings must be in place for any flight after that date”.

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

Field Rules:

15. Model should be pointed such that prop blast with engine running will be directed away from other models or people.

EDFs: while the spinny-thingy is buried - can still bounce off ankles if not restrained in the pits.

(Presidents – Quote)



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AMA/EAA collaborative “Young Eagles” program (Bruce) See attached flyer

AMA.

Jeff Coskey attended the meeting at the Expo & had some notes: (extracted as best I could from the transcript)

AMA have cancelled future Expos both on the East & West coasts. The intent is to have ‘Fly in’ events at various club locations where all could fly & there would be vendors etc. Possibly a 3 day event in District 10 maybe in Las Vegas?

Looking at supporting further events for young people in STEM areas.

AMA have an education package they can send to Schools etc to promote aviation for example:

<http://amaflightschool.org/alpha>

AMA are working on height restrictions where a field needs more than 400 ft because of situations etc. Possibility they could ask permission of LOA to at the time they fly. Also looking at a type of IFF (Identification Friend or Foe) similar to what is used in Civil & Military aircraft, obvious problem is the physical size, antennas etc.

Raffle

No Raffle or Draw for Free Membership this month.

Adjourned 8:18pm

Welcome to:
Cafe 67 CALIFORNIA
 Breakfast & Lunch

Take Home
 MONDAY - SUNDAY
 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 12381 Mapleview
 (Corner of Hwy 67 & Mapleview)
 Lakeside, CA 92040
 619-443-4100

All sandwiches include a side dish: your choice of fruit, potato salad, chips, cottage cheese, applesauce, soup, or salad.

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 Lettuce, Tomato, Mayonnaise and Italian Dressing

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President's Message Dec 2019

Can you believe it? It's been a full year since we removed the eucalyptus tree. I'm kinda enjoying the clear approach - how about you?



Recent Events:

Annual Fall Swap Meet and Toys for Tots Drive - On Saturday November 16th, our collaborative charitable event brought in several dozen toys and a cash collection of \$200 which Frank and his girl Kathy put towards a trove of treasures for teens (pictured here)! Thank you all for your contributions!



Club Officers continue in our seats

For the record, and in accordance with the club bylaws, with no challengers in our November election cycle, the sitting Officers retain their positions by acclamation.

Membership renewals

With the upcoming year comes our annual renewal period. Annual dues renewals are \$75.00 and can be paid to any club Officer by check or cash. Scott or I can take PayPal if you're so included. Gold is also accepted, but our rate is \$45 per ounce. There are a lot of us who's AMA renewal cycle also falls at the end of the calendar year, so please be sure that your AMA is current and paid up.

I don't think there are any of us yet whose FAA certificates are expiring, but that's just another thing we need to keep current.

Renewals are due no later than January 1st at which time the gate combinations and badge colors change. Delaying beyond that comes without fines, of course, but it's still \$75 per year whether you pay now or in May.

Upcoming Events:

Awards Banquet

Our annual Awards Banquet will be held on (moved to) **Friday January 17th 2020**.

The cost is \$30 per person, \$50 per couple (+ \$25 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. During the banquet, we'll each have the opportunity to show off our favorite models and have a chance to win 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



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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 prizable donations that folks would be excited about and will encourage attendees to buy tickets!



This year, we've planned something special. Bruce met a local entertainer who we're engaging for a fun show! This promises to be an awesome event!



Calendar of Events for 2020 - We're planning out the next year's events and are looking for any new ideas you might have. Give me a ring! But be prepared to contribute to your plan.

Remaining Estate Items - We still have (available to club members for great savings) two built-up models.

The **Piel Emeraude** is a 1/5th scale spans 65" and, demonstrates EXCELLENT craftsmanship, is fabric covered and includes all servos. It's likely best suited for a .60 two

-stroke or .90 four-stroke engines. For club members - \$60.



The **Superstar** comes fully equipped and *ready to fly* with an OS LA 40 engine, Seeker III 72MHz radio system and is truly ready to fly. I took it for a spin just last month and it flies great!

We'll let it go to a club member for just \$100!



New Members - Welcome to "Wild Bill" Bryan who joined up in November. We're at 123 members, with ages ranging from 8 to 89 (averaging at 55.4)!

"The road of life is paved with flattened squirrels that couldn't make a decision."
Keith

**First Weedwacker Aero
Squadron
Annual Awards Banquet**

Date: Friday 1/17/2020

**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*

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





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The **Northrop P-61 Black Widow**, named for [the North American spider](#), was the first operational U.S. warplane designed as a [night fighter](#), and the first aircraft designed to use [radar](#).^{[2][3]} The P-61 had a crew of three: pilot, gunner, and radar operator. It was armed with four 20 mm (.79 in) [Hispano M2](#) forward-firing [cannon](#) mounted in the lower fuselage, and four .50 in (12.7 mm) [M2 Browning machine guns](#) mounted in a remote-controlled dorsal [gun turret](#).

It was an all-metal, twin-engine, [twin-boom](#) design developed during [World War II](#).^[4] Alt-

hough not produced in the large numbers of its contemporaries, the Black Widow was effectively operated as a [night-fighter](#) by [United States Army Air Forces](#) squadrons in the [European Theater](#), [Pacific Theater](#), [China Burma India Theater](#), and [Mediterranean Theater](#) during World War II. After the war, the P-61—re-designated the F-61—served in the United States Air Force as a long-range, all-weather, day/night interceptor for [Air Defense Command](#) until 1948, and [Fifth Air Force](#) until 1950.

