



# HANGAR NEWS

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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 2020

Nothing is scheduled due to Corona Virus

## Next Club Meeting is a Virtual Meeting

Members receiving the PDF version can click CTRL + click on  
the links here to join the meeting:

[meet.google.com/csm-gbkw-uzz](https://meet.google.com/csm-gbkw-uzz)

The meeting will start at 7:00 PM on Tuesday Aug 4, 2020. This  
is a different on-line session from our past couple of months. So  
we will see how well this one works. The previous WebEx  
sessions have been severely cut back (for free users) so we are  
trying this out.

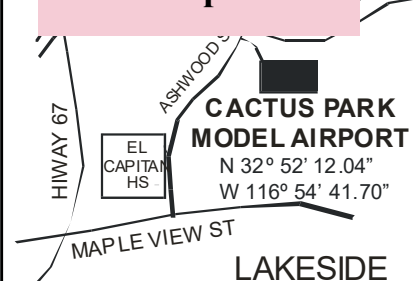
## CORONA VIRUS and FWW / Cactus Park

Stay Safe and observe safe separation and wear a mask to protect  
your fellow members. Masks don't protect you, but do protect  
those around you. Cactus Park is a County Park, and masks are  
not required now by law. So the club board has decided to not  
issue a requirement for masks and separation. But prudence by  
all our members is expected, and it seems to be working. So far  
we have not heard of any members contracting the virus, at least  
none have been reported. That is good and suggests we as club  
members are remaining safe.

NEXT Virtual MEETING:

**Tues. Aug 4, 7:00  
Google Meets**

**Field Is Opened**





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## Meeting Minutes April 28th, 2020

Bruce Allen

The meeting for July 27th, 2020 (because of the Covid-19 restrictions) was carried out via Video Conference from members homes. These Minutes have been compiled from the Audio from the recording of the meeting plus notes.

Present on the call:

Keith Miller President & invigilator, Jeff Coskey VP, Scott Graupman Treasurer & Bruce Allen Secretary, Ron Keith Safety Officer.

Other members who attended during the meeting: Don Westergren, Tim Peterson, Vernon Gilmore, Arnie Lipschutz, Jerry?,

### **Opening Comments**

Attending Video members names will be added into the January Banquet Raffle 2021.

(Apologies if I missed anyone, please email me so I can make an addendum)

### **Approval of Minutes in July 2020 Hangar News**

After some discussion by those present the approval was given:

Proposed Bruce Allen, Seconded Vernon Gilmore, Unanimous

### **Treasurers Report**

	a	b	c	d
1	June Expenses and Income			
2	Date	Item	Amount	Total
3				
4	6/2/2020	Balance		\$12,092.98
5	6/5/2020	Paypal	548.65	\$12,641.63
6	7/7/2020	United Site Services	(326.75)	\$12,314.88
7	7/7/2020	WasteMangement	(82.86)	\$12,232.02
8	7/7/2020	Deposit	1,782.75	\$14,014.77
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15		Net	1,921.79	
16		Income	2,331.40	\$4,253.19
17		Expenses	(409.61)	

Proposed Vernon Gilmore, Ron Keith Unanimous

### **Safety Officers Report**

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## Field Rules Review:

From AMA Safety Code

"I will avoid flying directly over unprotected people, moving vehicles & occupied structures"  
Read & digest.....

**Handicapped** Parking Sign needs replacing, Bruce will look into it....

**Adjourned 19:30**

Welcome to:

**Café** CALIFORNIA 67

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

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## President's Message August 2020

### New Chairs

Thanks to our Safety Officer Ron Keith, we have a new set of chairs to hold us up while relaxing and chatting.

In parallel, Jeff set up a storage container for the chairs. While normally we've not worried about theft, the new chairs are collapsible and more easily pilfered. At the end of the day, please stow your chairs in the container (in the center of the pits), and the last person leaving will lock it up along with the pin box.

### Web-based Virtual Meetings

We learned last month that the WebEx system is truncating group meetings (under free accounts) to 50 minutes.

Zoom also has a limit – 40 minutes.

Google Meets has a 60-minute limit, however that is waived through Sep 30<sup>th</sup>.

So, this month (Tues Aug 4<sup>th</sup>), I'm trying Google Meets.

Those of you with email accounts should have already received an invitation to the meeting. Actually, since it's a learning curve, you may get several updates while I learn how to publish the notifications. Sorry 'bout that...

And of course, my first lesson learned with Google Meets is that it might have disclosed the email addresses of all guests along with the invite. My apologies to all for that. My goal is to never disclose membership addresses and, in this case, I just didn't know what I didn't know.

### Swap Meet

Keep an eye open for a swap meet in the very near future. The Santee Swap Meet is up and running, and I hope to capture their COVID-19 protocols to hopefully open up our gates as well.

Our next regularly scheduled meet would be in November, but I think we can squeeze one in, maybe in August, without taking away from the November "Toys for Tots" swap meet.

### For Sale

We have several recent sources of "stuff" – maybe I'll keep a running list each month  
Jack Scanlon 619-390-1437: Reminder - Jack is selling quite a large collection of his kits and models. Here's a link to his gallery.

<https://keithmiller.smugmug.com/Short-Term-Sharing/Jack-Scanlon>

Glen McClintic donations: Sold so far: 4\*40 kit with FP40 engine (\$80), Moki Twin 360 engine (\$200). All proceeds go directly to the club. Thanks, Glenn, for your contributions!

Still available – another 4 Star 40 kit, Ryobi 31cc gas engine, Magnum 36 RC engine.

The Ben Newkirk Estate still has a couple of vintage O&R and OK Cub engines.

All of the items we have can be viewed at <https://keithmiller.smugmug.com/Short-Term-Sharing/WeedwackerEstate/>. Call me if you're interested in anything.

### New Members

Welcome to our new members: Ruvinda and Kavinda Gamage – two very sharp and skilled young men of 9 and 14 years old who completely impressed me with their knowledge and skills right off the bat!

Welcome, guys!!

I hope to have more to report next month!

Until then - Remember - "The road of life is paved with flattened squirrels that couldn't make a decision."

Keith