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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 2021

Nov 7 Sat Swap Meet and Toys for Tots Drive

Nov 13 Sat Veteran's Day Fly-In

Resume Meetings at Renette Park in El Cajon

It has been a while since we met at a meeting in person instead of on our computers. The Covig virus is still a concern, but I hope all or most of our club is fully vaccinated. We hope to have a "NORMAL" meeting.

Bylaws Proposal

The Presidents message this month describes a proposal for a change to the Club Bylaws. The text of the proposal is on our web site.

Nomination of Club Officers

October is our month to nominate next years club officers. If you are interested in becoming a club officer for next year, this is your chance.

NEXT MEETING:
Tues. Oct 5, 7:00 PM

Field Is Opened

CACTUS PARK MODEL AIRPORT
N 32° 52' 12.04"
W 116° 54' 41.70"



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Meeting Minutes September 7th, 2021

Bruce Allen

The meeting for September 7th, 2021 (because of the Covid-19 restrictions) was carried out via Video Conference from members homes. These Minutes have been compiled from my notes. (No Audio transcript available)

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:

Bill Personius
Bobby Rink
Tim Peterson
Scott McCurdy
Ed Mullen
Dan Higdon
John Smith
Peter Hampton
Don Westergren

(This list maybe incorrect, sorry)

Opening Comments

Attending Video members names will be added into the January Banquet Raffle 2022(?) (Apologies if I missed anyone, please email me so I can make an addendum)

Treasurers Report September

August Expenses and Income			
Date	Item	Amount	Total
8/3/2021	Balance		\$16,445.68
7/6/2021	Lost check credit	186.50	\$16,632.18
7/6/2021	Newsletter reissue	(186.50)	\$16,445.68
7/6/2021	Newletter	(110.00)	\$16,335.68
7/6/2021	Field supplies	(10.00)	\$16,325.68
7/23/2021	United Site Services	(367.53)	\$15,958.15
8/3/2021	Waste Management	(87.83)	\$15,870.32
8/3/2021	Paypal Deposit	162.52	\$16,032.84
	Net	(412.84)	
	Income	349.02	\$16,032.84
	Expenses	(761.86)	

Tabled Business

Runway Extension to the West? TBD

Ron Keith – Safety Officer comments?

Old Pit furniture etc.

There is still some furniture which needs to be removed &/or destroyed? (See Keith's notes in

the Presidents letter).

Now to borrow a phrase from “Monty Python: And now for something completely different!”



Each Member will receive a Patch! ->





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President's Message Oct 2021

Building and Flying: Recently I received a few photos from Steve Shepersky. Look at all the smiles!

Here is Bruce Allen enjoying a sunny morning, and John Wenzel with his Cub.



“Mitch” Mitchel completed the rather complicated restoration of a 90-sized pattern plane from Joe Cullum's estate. The maiden flight was reportedly awesome, with power to spare and smooth performance. Mitch posted his flight video on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m-xC5AS7xtY>. Check out the difference between BEFORE and AFTER. Nicely done Mitch!



From my own workbench, I've been using SuperFil from Aircraft Spruce to fill dings, dents, holes and gaps. It's a polyfiber epoxy-based filler popular in boating and light aircraft finishing, and works great for filling balsa and foam models. It's akin to the epoxy and microballoons method, but in my opinion is MUCH easier to sand, given that I don't have to screw around with the epoxy to microballoons ratio. It's most popular in making wing and tail fillets. Consider it a *very* light-weight “bondo”. Kinda pricey, however, at \$35 for the quart-sized (smallest) kit with \$15 shipping.

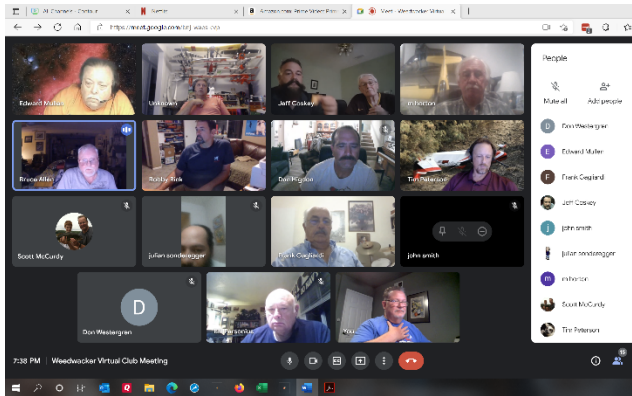


Bylaws revisions: There are two proposed changes to the bylaws that will be posted on our website under the [Downloads](#) section. The file is named “Bylaws Proposal Sep 2021, Military free, virtual voting” and can be opened with Adobe Acrobat. Two changes are proposed, one to waive initiation fees and dues for active duty members, and a second to address the need for voting procedures when virtual meetings are driven by social distancing. All changes are shown in “redline” with change bars along the side of the pages. This newsletter and the posting of the proposed changes serves as the notification required in Article 4 of the bylaws.

Club Officer Nominations October brings that time during which members have an opportunity to nominate others or themselves for any one of the four Club Officer positions of President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer. The elections occur at the November club meeting. The positions offer both challenges and rewards. If you're interested and feel you have the skillsets and/or talents to fill one of these positions, this is your chance!



Meeting Options We'll resume in-person meetings for the October 5th club meeting at Renette Park. We're in a strange situation in which there are a different set of attendees depending on how and where we hold the meetings. Heck, maybe I need to consider three meetings a month; one at Renette, one on-line, and one at the field (shaking my head...).



Sunday Nov 7th, the field is CLOSED to flying in support of a major Polo event.

Saturday Nov 13th, 8a -1pm Veterans' Day Fly-In All are welcome, sport, scale or otherwise, with no landing fees. Art Flores is hosting the event with trophies for Best Sport/Civilian, Best Scale, Best Flight and Judges' Choice. He's brining raffle prizes valued at \$750. The field is open to all flying.

Small events include a single-heat pylon racing demonstration similar to the very popular series that SEFSD runs. We may also do a fun event – maybe the Can-Can for any takers. Chef Bobby will prepare carne and pollo asada with rice and beans. We're asking for \$5 to offset the cost of food. If necessary, the rain date will be the following day, Sunday Nov 14th.

Field Maintenance: I'm reaching out to those of you who enjoy the field but are due to put in some sweat equity. The old table remnants need to be hauled off, the new storage unit roof needs an upgrade/repair, and there's other work that can be done. We have a small core of leaders and members who are burning out from their significant contributions over the summer. I need more of you to own a project or improvement. Let's get the roof knocked out first. Who's up for it?

New members: I think this may be the first month in a long time without a new join! Must be the heat.

This Time Last Year –In September of 2020, we were still negotiating the land lease with Parks, and a commercial nursery tried to establish itself next door. The lease passed; the nursery failed.

Upcoming Events – To view our calendar of events for 2021, visit (<http://www.weedwackers.org/ww/events/>). Note that the dates of these events are different and updated from those recorded in the minutes, given that, after our September meeting, we learned of a polo event at the River Valley Equestrian Center next door.

In the immediate future, we have:

Saturday Nov 6th, 7am -11am, Swap Meet and Toys for Tots Drive See the included flyer for details. Bring your items for sale, your cash, and an un-wrapped gift for children ages six to sixteen. Donated toys should be valued at \$10 or more. Frank Gagliardi is our point man with the Marine Corps Reserve Center Toys for Tots program to whom we'll turn over the collection. Cash gifts are also accepted. The field will be open for flying. Buyers enter at no cost, and we collect \$5 or a donated toy per seller. If necessary, the rain date will be the next day, Sunday Nov 7th.



Until next time -
Keith

Veteran's Day Fly-In

Saturday, Nov 13th, 2021

Events Include:
Open FUN Flying!
 Pylon Racing "Demo" - single heat for fun.
 Can-Can
 Awards for:
 Best Sport/Civilian
 Best Military
 Judges' Choice
 Best Flight
HUGE Raffle!

Schedule:
 8:00-9:00 AM Check in
 9:00 AM-1:00 PM Flying
 Pylon demonstration and Can-Can TBA
 11:00 (approx.) - LUNCHE Carne/Pollo Asada with rice and beans!
 Raffle—after lunch :)
NO Landing Fee
\$5 for Lunch
All flavors of models are welcome—ARFs too!

Event Coordinator
Art Flores 619-715-1812

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SWAP MEET
 Marine Corps Reserve
 Toys for Tots Drive

Sat. Nov 06, 2021
 Rain Date Nov 07, 2021

Site: Ron Smith Memorial Flying Field
Home of the Weedwackers
Hours: 7:00 am – 11:00 am
\$5 Seller's Fee --- Buyers Free

Information:
 Buyers and sellers are encouraged to bring an unwrapped gift appropriate for boys and/or girls from ages 6 to 16 valued at \$10 or more. Cash gifts will also be accepted. Seller fees are waived with a gift.
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