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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

Oct 7 Sat Club Meeting Cactus Park 9:00 AM
Nov 4 Sat Swap Meet Cactus Park
Nov 11 Sat Veterans Day Scale FlyIn , Cactus Park

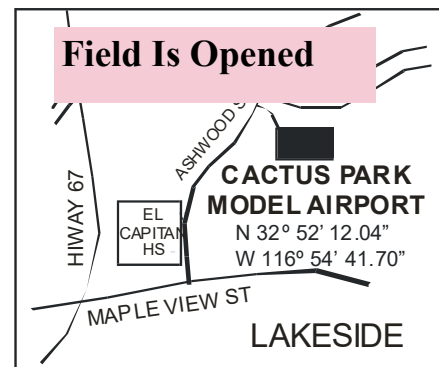
October is the month that our club nominates Club Officers for
the next year. Elections will be held at the November meeting
and the elected officers will be in office starting at the
December meeting.

Keith Miller has been a club officer almost continuously since
2009, serving as Secretary, Vice President or Club President
until now. He has been a mainstay for our club through
difficult times, dealing with the County Parks, the Horse
Ranch, the AMA, and the FAA and keeping the club running
smoothly—Keith created most of the notices of club activities
that were published in this newsletter for many years and ran
many club activities and contests. He deserves a rest, so we
need someone to agree to be our next club secretary.

Thanks, Keith for all your service.

We are thankful to Ron, Jeff, and Scott for their long term
continuous service to our club, and to Bruce Allen, secretary
from 2014 to 2022.

**NEXT MEETING:
Sat October 7, 9:00
AM at Cactus Park
Lakeside, CA**





Hangar News

September 2023 Meeting Minutes

This will be a combination of Minutes and Presidents message. Due to a lack of communication on my part, I did not remember to ask someone to take minutes at the 2 September 2023 meeting so I will provide as much information as I can.

The meeting was held at the field and started at 0900 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening comments

Keith is stepping down as Secretary at the end of this year. I have asked for nominations but so far I haven't heard from anyone. I would really like somebody who would like to be on the Board to please step forward. We had a Big Black Widow in the outhouse but it has been eliminated.

Minutes were approved by Steve Shepersky and seconded by Ron.

Treasurers Report. We discussed the banquet and due to rising costs and low funds, we will have to wait and see if we can afford this event. I will keep you informed.

Safety Officer Report. The fire extinguisher is in the ground under "WW" stepping stone south side of north gate. The fire blanket was introduced and placed in the crash bag. The runway crack filling machine was assembled by Jeff. I will bring sand to fill the cracks. The solution is heated to 350 degrees and binds with the sand. This should work and will cost a lot less than contractor price of \$10,000.

Upcoming Events

Swap meet, 4 November, same scenario. Veterans Day flying is scheduled for 11 November.

Rules Review

No flying south of red line on runway. Try to stay inside of all boundaries to the north, east, west and south.

I would like to say thank you to whoever trimmed the tree in the BBQ area. Thank you for the good deed!

Our next meeting is scheduled at the field on 7 October at 0900.

Our good neighbor to the east informed us that a woman is using the southeast corner as a nursery for potted plants. You will notice a couple of shipping containers with an arch between them. I will talk to her to find out how this will impact us.

Remember, I need you all to talk to each other and nominate someone who would like to be Secretary for the club. Feel free to contact me with ideas that you might want to share.

Meeting adjourned at 0932.

Ron (619) 988-7667



Weedwacker model donated to San Diego Air and Space Museum

As most of our members know, over the past many years Donn Stewart and Charlie McCracken have collaborated in the building and flying of some very spectacular, super scale, RC models. One that stands out as particularly detailed and well presented is the beautiful De Havilland Gypsy Moth. Donn and Charlie have won many scale contest awards with this fine aircraft and have generously agreed to donate the model to the San Diego Air and Space Museum in Balboa Park. The Gypsy Moth joins several models currently on display donated by current and past members: Ray Menegus, Larry Warden, Carl Gwartney, Gary Rold, Fred Miller, Jr., Don Westergren et al. The Moth is now on display in the main galleries.



Donn passing the Gypsy Moth to San Diego Air and Space Museum (November 3, 2016)

