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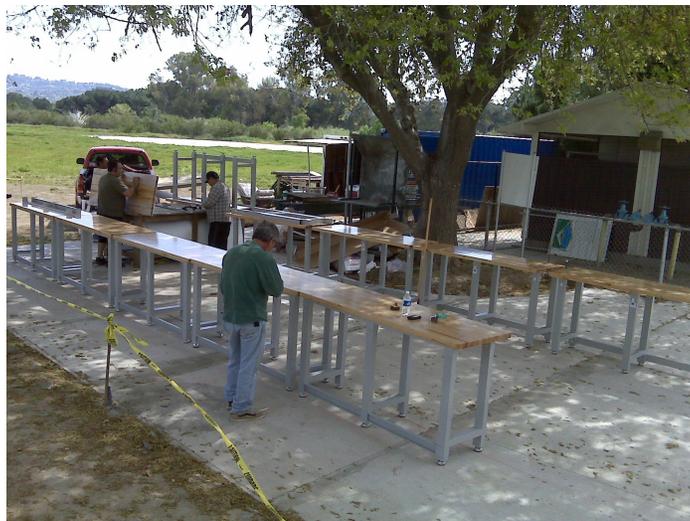
May 2010



Jerry Keimach Program Director

May's meeting is a very simple meeting. We will be having extended show and tell so bring your best projects and show them to the rest of us. Remember—you get a raffle ticket with your show and tell participation.

-Jerry Keimach



Bert Magbanua Helicopter Director

Dear Valley Flyers Board and all associated Heli Flyers of the Apollo Airfield,

I am pleased to announce that the heli pit area concrete pad has been completed.

The Crews over many days of hard work included:

- Barney (lastname?)
- Benny Elkouby
- Bert Magbanua
- Bryan Gordon
- Chris <lastname? Seen finishing in IMG00562.jpg>
- Dave Nourie
- Dave Rink
- Dave Sweeny
- Dennis Demarco
- Ed Kramer
- Harold Kellum
- Imroze Kahn
- Jace Miller
- James Lee

- Jason Pakfar
- Jerry Keimach
- Lisa Iovino
- Marty Bresler
- Michael Caminiti
- Mike Trudell
- Paul (lastname?)
- Ricc Beiber
- Richard Armenteros
- Ryan Iovino
- Sydney Magbanua
- Tommy Khatchadorian
- Vic Baghjajian
- Willie Gardner

We accomplished the pouring and completion of the last slab and the little triangular shaped one AS WELL AS various (15 total) stepping pads which will later be used to create a walk way. We couldn't have completed this without these guys.

Also another big THANKS to Jason Pakfar for supporting the project (on almost a daily basis) and providing

all necessary resources and communication bridges that were very important in getting the project moving from the higher level.

This project has been a huge sacrifice to complete for everyone involved - especially for those who hold jobs and have to muster up time in between the days.. so once again.. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED AND PARTICIPATED.

On behalf of the official Apollo Heli Pilots and those that frequent the area, we thank you (The San Fernando Valley Flyers Board of Directors) for the generous support on voting to improve general field aesthetics and making this particular area a much, much nicer facility for us and future heli modelers to come.

-Bert

Upcoming Events

- **June 4th—6th: Western States 3 day Electric Fun Fly**
- **June 25th—27th: Howard Reed Memorial Race—Q40/Q500 Western Championship Series**

We need volunteers for each of these events! Remember, your participation brings with it credit toward the year end raffle!

Chuck Thompson, Vice President



The Valley Flyers Foundation has recently received a donation of a modeling estate that includes the following aircraft. Also included are misc. parts and accessories. These items will

be up for sale at the next meeting, so bring your \$\$\$!



RX Wingsmaker Little Toni RTF w/ Spektrum AR 6200 RX, servos, speed control Wattage Egret Servos, Motor, Speed Control, no RX Mixmaster Cessna Twin Park Zone Corsair V-Diamond Pusher Jet Spektrum RX, AXI Motor Wattage Mig 15 ARF NIB RC Car Airtronics TX Cyber Sky Parachute Plane

Wattage AT6 no radio
Wattage Eindecker w Hitec Neon FM
F16 with Hitec FM
Omega Slope Soarer with Large Motor (Fuselage Shown, but it has wings too) Park Zone P-51 w TX Mini Funtana w/servos, brushless, speed control, no TX/



ON THE SAFE SIDE

(Taken from the AMA Insider)

by Don Nix, Insider Safety Column Editor

A few months ago I wrote about some things I had seen at various flying fields that could have been safety disasters, but happily turned out funny instead. I decided to continue the subject because (1) I've remembered a few more, (2) many seemed to enjoy them, and (3) I drew a blank for a subject this month ... Seemed like good reasons to me.

As I've mentioned before, I've been a modeler since I was six years old, and a full-scale pilot for nearly 51 years. I got into RC a little late in life—back in the mid-1980s—after full-scale began to be almost prohibitively expensive for the average guy. I'm sure readers who also fly full-scale can understand what a humbling experience the transition to RC can be. Suffice to say it took a very long time to get my head out of the cockpit and fly the airplane viewing from the outside.

My late wife was also a licensed pilot, and after I became fairly comfortable with a couple of RC trainers, it was her turn. Things went well for the first few sessions using the buddy box system, but she was a long way from soloing. After a takeoff one day, she said, "My transmitter is out of trim, and I don't feel comfortable enough yet to try to trim it myself." I replied, "Nooo problem. Here, swap transmitters with me, and I'll get yours trimmed up."

(Rim shock....cymbals....think about it for a minute.)

An incident some years earlier occurred while I was flying a full-scale airplane, but the lesson learned remains the same as for models. I lived in northern Illinois at the time and did a lot of business flying in my Piper Comanche.

One winter we had a several-week stretch of weather that I didn't care to at-

tempt to fly in even though I was instrument rated. When the weather finally improved a bit, I departed one day on a long-delayed business trip. I had several thousand hours experience and hundreds in that airplane, but I was quite aware that inactivity for an extended period—models or full-scale—can be dangerous. I went through my checklists very carefully before and after starting the engine, during taxi, and pre-takeoff.

Takeoff and climb to altitude proceeded without a hitch, so I trimmed for level flight, set the autopilot and began to relax, but not for long. My Comanche normally tried out about 180 mph, but after tweaking everything I could think of, I couldn't nurse more than about 155 out of the beast. I stewed and wracked my brain for at least 10 minutes. Remember the cartoons where the little light bulb suddenly lights up over the character's head?



In my special efforts to be very, very careful during takeoff and climbout, concentrating and perhaps too focused, I had neglected to retract the landing gear. I was alone with no witnesses, but shame and embarrassment washed over me.

Lesson: No matter how high one's level of experience, after a period of inactivity use a checklist—all of it.

Back to models. The first good-weather weekend after Christmas was always interesting at my favorite RC field in Southern California. All the people with new Christmas airplanes would show up, many of them beginners. I was hangar flying with a friend one January while we watched a

young fellow about 14 getting his new ready-to-fly toy assembled. It was some sort of long-winged motor glider powered by a 1/2 A engine. His mother was standing close by watching sonny boy.

It quickly became obvious the lad had never flown before so my friend, one of our club's instructors, walked over and offered to help. Instead of gratitude, this whiz kid erupted with profanity, suggesting my friend perform an anatomically impossible act on himself.

The instructor said, "Oookay" and walked away. As we watched from the sidelines, the kid hand-launched the model and immediately pulled full up elevator, which was hooked up in reverse. Amazing how thoroughly and quickly a paved runway can convert a foam ready-built into a pile of packing peanuts.

The ironic part? My friend said to the mother, "Ma'am, that wouldn't have happened if your son had accepted my help." Her response was only slightly less vile than the son's.

Clearly, the needless incident could have hurt someone, so to head off myriad e-mails asking why we allowed the boy to fly: it was a public county park, and we had no authority whatever to control operations; we just suffered the criticism if someone did something stupid or careless.

Afternote: While on a nine-month RV tour of the western states this past year, I visited the flying field at Wenatchee, Washington. This was perhaps the most beautiful RC field I've seen in years, and it was clear safety was high on their list of priorities. Unfortunately, I didn't make a note of the club name, but you folks know who you are. Congratulations!

Th-th-th-that's all, folks. I could use some suggestions for safety topics, so ring me up at flyerdon1@yahoo.com.

VALLEY RADIO CONTROL FLYERS



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The San Fernando Valley R/C Flyers are one of the largest and most active model aviation clubs in the USA. Our home is one of the premiere flying sites in the country, the legendary Apollo XI Field. The field features separate flight areas for model airplanes, park flyers and helicopters. The Valley Flyers host annual events including LA Jets, The Western E-Fly, LA3D Heli and over a dozen other flying events each year.

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Club Meetings

Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Encino Community Center, (4935 Balboa Blvd.) - Meetings start at 7:30 PM

Apollo XI Field

Apollo X1 Field - Woodley Park, Van Nuys
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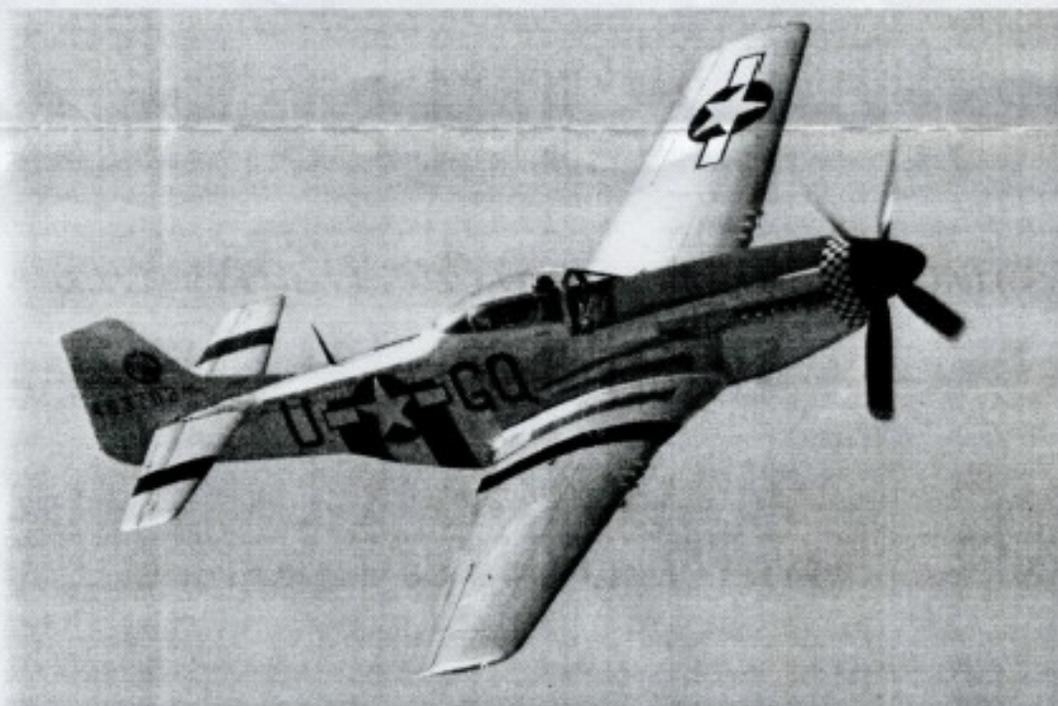


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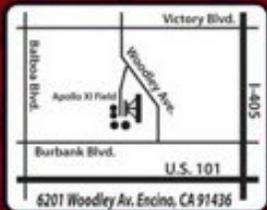
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Tony di Leo
Training Coordinator



A bit of interesting news at the Apollo 11 Field this past Saturday:

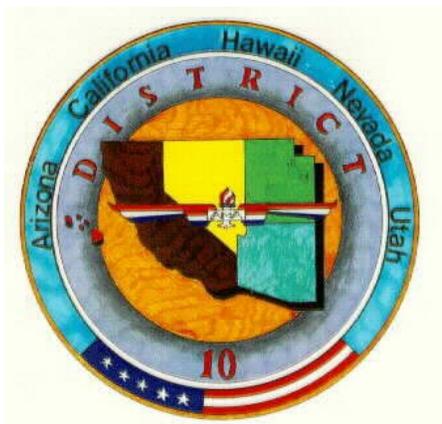
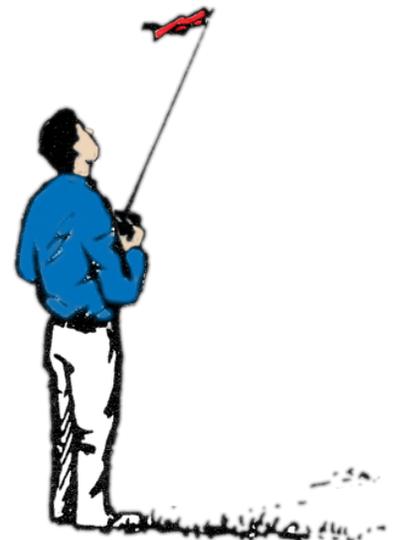
Kite retrieved by Model Airplane!

On 5/1/2010 at about 5:30 Pm, while I was training several students, a helicopter kept hovering at about 300 ft right over the field, soon we discovered what he was doing, many modelers spotted a kite flying at about 350-400 Ft over our field. Apparently some one let the kite get away resulting in the string getting caught in the trees. The helicopter did not attempt to snag or blow down the kite, in the meantime Dan, Ali, And Aaron tried to direct the Helicopter pilot toward the string, anyway, just as the Police in several cars was calling on the Fireman to put a ladder up in the trees, Dan decided to attempt to snag the kite with his Radian powered glider.

We watched in amazement as he repeatedly attempted to fly into the string, just as we thought the feat impossible, Dan snagged the kite string with his wing and Kite and Plane descended slowly about 30 feet apart toward the Woodley Park trees with the glider coming to rest a few feet from the ground undamaged. Ali and Aaron retrieved both and the Police was informed that the danger was over. This event shows what a modeler with skill and determination can do with his Remote Controlled plane when a full size Helicopter is apparently powerless.

See the pictures of (Left to right) Aaron Nassery, Dan Horwitzs, and Ali Possani!

-Tony

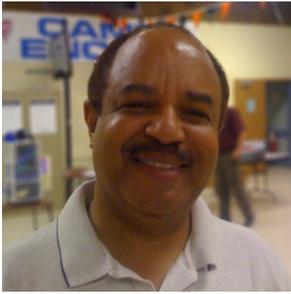


AMA District X has started their own newsletter!

You can reach this newsletter via the internet at

www.ama10.org



Bob Smith, Treasurer - Treasury Report

Treasury Report for May

\$ 5,824.67 on deposit in the checking account and \$1,437.61 on deposit in the PAYPAL account.

Sincerely, Bob Smith Treasurer

PROMOTE YOUR CLUB

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Membership Report

As of 5/9/10 our membership for 2010 is at 230 members. If you have not yet received your membership card, it is probably due to one of four reasons. This first is that I have not yet received your AMA number. If you would kindly email me with your AMA number I will get it processed and mailed out to you. Currently I am waiting for the following 36 members to provide me with their AMA numbers.

Name

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 Aviv, Roe ,
 Barringer, Albert,
 Berger, Jonathan,
 Berman, Bev ,
 Berman, Dale,
 Bird, Patricia ,
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 Cohen, Jessica ,
 Cohen, Joshua ,
 Cotera, Emiliano,
 Dunn, Bradley ,
 Dunn, Ethan ,
 Elalouf, Ben ,
 Etimazian, Sarlis,

Fields, Monroe ,
 Guthy, Jackson ,
 Haddock, Stu ,
 Hakobyan, Gagik ,
 Henry, Maverick Storm ,
 Holcombe, Jim ,
 Jagani, Roshan ,
 Jagani, Shaan ,
 Lynch, Colin ,
 Mack, Edward A.,
 Muha, George ,
 Peck, William T.,
 Pogosyan, Serg ,
 Saadi-Klein, Jasper ,
 Safar, George ,
 Sarmast, Pasha,
 Serpas, Antonio A.,
 Wherritt, Bill ,
 Wherritt, Jacob,
 Willis, Franklin B.,

If your name is not on the above list, you may have not yet renewed your AMA for 2010. I show six members for 2010 that have yet to renew their AMA. These 6 are Gregory Horwitz, Barry Leavengood, Barry Friedrich, Simon Etimazian, William Patrick and Peter Castro.

The third reason you have may have not received your club ID card is that I may have a bad or invalid

AMA number in the database assigned to you. I have another 6 members that this is the reason for them not receiving their club card. These 6 are: Hasnain Agha, Yareen Saloman, David Megugorac, Jamshid Saramast, Gary Lee-master and Phil Sarabia.

If you do not fit into one of the above categories and still have not received your club ID card, I guess the fourth reason is that I have screwed up and forgotten to send it to you. In any case, please contact me preferably by email at glstevens@verizon.net and I will try to get your card processed and mailed as soon as possible,

Gary

Membership Director





The Latest News and Stuff

Michael Lipsey

Newsletter Editor

Welcome back again, it's already been a month since our last installment. My month was pretty cool and I hope yours was as well. Unfortunately I didn't get a great deal of flying in as I was on vacation for a bit. It was a fantastic vacation though, I took my wife and boys to the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida to watch the space shuttle



Atlantis blast off for its first final mission on May 14th.

It was breath taking to say the least and the family loved it. My 5 year old has been reenacting it since with anything that resembles a rocket. My wife was holding my 21 month old during the launch and while at first he was slightly distracted by the circling Huey he quickly focused on the shuttle. Afterwards his

exact words were 'Rocket! Again!'

Makes a Daddy proud I must say. While at the space center I purchased a book of post cards—photos of launches and landings and what not. This book of post cards has become that 21 month old's (Liam is his name) bed time story every night since. He usually gets 4 short bed time stories every night, sometimes he will ask for the same one twice. With that book—fairly often he has been asking for it three to four times in a row.

It was a good time.



More related to club news—I attended the Hobby People Engine Clinic and Pizza fun fly this month and had a great time. Mike Greenshields and was there as usual providing us a look into the current lineup of Hobby People's products focusing on engines and motors. As usual he gave a very nice talk about engine maintenance and tuning and spoke about some of the new engines on the horizon. One of the new engines he discussed and demonstrated was a 2-stroke gas engine based on the popular Magnum .52 glow engine.



I really enjoyed the event and make it a point to attend every year. This year I was very pleased that I was able to get a great deal on two new engines from Mike that I had been wanting for quite some

time. I purchased a Magnum 70 RFS and a Magnum 120 RFS. Both of these are 4 stroke engines and I am really looking forward to getting them turning some props. The 70 I should have on my ugly stick—break in machine next weekend. I can't wait to see how it compares to my OS 70 Surpass II (an engine that if I could, I would have children with). All that I have read about the Magnum indicates that it performs equally. In my experience with the Magnum and OS 91 4 strokes—they perform almost identically.



Don't forget! June's meeting is the Micro Helicopter Olympics.

There will be prizes!

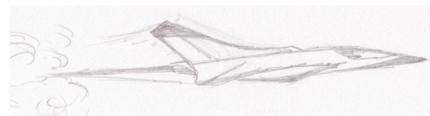
There will be Pizza!

There will be fun!

So don't miss it and remember I need volunteers for lap counters, timers and other amazing feats of support.

See you at the meeting!

-Mike



General Meeting Minutes April 27, 2010

Meeting called to order by Chuck Thompson at 7:30 PM

Old Business

The Helicopter pit area was finished and a party was held on April 4.

Not only was the cement poured, but 10 workbenches were installed. Thanks to all that worked on the helicopter area.

The other area that we have been working on is the park flyer area. We erected a 10x80' structure and have spent about \$1,600 for the roofing material. A lot of work has gone into the efforts thanks to all.

The scale event was low attendance with only 13 entrants. The last event was the George Finch Memorial races.

Bob Adams could not make it tonight. There will be a raffle.

Chuck Thompson had noticed at the last meeting there was only one show and tell item. At the Board meeting, Chuck made a motion to have an incentive to bring items for the show and tell. The motion passed. This month anyone who brought in a show and tell item receives a free raffle ticket.

Last weekend there was a meeting for reassessment of the use of the Basin. There is a group who wants to expand the use of the basin for a wildlife refuse.

Ricc Bieber

125 people showed up to the meeting. Last weekend was the third meeting. Ricc asked why we were never notified. There were people there from the Corps of Engineers. The City has a lease with 43 years left. Either side can rescind the lease. The wildlife people want to turn the entire area including parts of the golf course returned to wetlands. Ricc should now be on their email list. The Encino neighborhood council was there as well as Valley Fliers, National Golf association and others. They gave a general statement that the area will not change, but we need to keep pressure on to let them know that we will not be leaving. Dave Wall, who did the original field design was there.

Mike Lipsey

Mike Lipsey was there. He has an article in the current newsletter (April). Mike got contact information from other organizations that were at the meetings. In the original document the field was 31 acres, and in the current plan is about 23 acres. The plan also shows the flood lines for 10 year, 20 year and 100 year. The current plan is expected to be complete in a year.

The City has contracted a third party to run the meetings. Tetra Tech is a go between for the City and the Corps.

Tony Naccarado

Tony was born and raised around the club. This all started around 1957-1959. There was a park at Griffith Park. It was lost with the construction of highway 5

A group of modelers including Tony's parents started the club. In 59, flying was large. There were 4 free flight clubs, 6 control line clubs and 2 RC clubs including the Larks. The Larks and others joined to create the Valley Flyers. The parks promised to match funds to create the field. The original field was where the current intersection of Woodley and Burbank. Dave Wall picked the area because it was a flood control basin so there would be a long time availability of the area. There was farming activity in the area. Development started. Burbank and Woodley was build and the current airfield was built. The control line area was later moved to the now helicopter area. The road we access, Woodley, Burbank and the canal behind us defined the airfield. We fought off the use of the area by corn farmers, sod farmers and the Olympics for use of the field. The Club had a signed agreement for the use of the area for 100 years.

Tony's last event had 71 participants. Tony contacted the AMA to get a District 10 representative to the event. All main District 10 reps were in Munsey, the Control Line guys were out at Whittier.

There were still 100 flyers at the meeting. We have to stay on top of them.

One of the big issues is that we were never notified about the meeting. They were surprised by how many of us and how many golfers showed up. This has all happened last weekend.

There seems to be some confusion about the lease. The lease between the City and Corps can be changed at any time, but the land use cannot. One of the members suggests that we may need to seek an attorney or someone familiar with the planning process for this issue. Chuck suggests that no action be taken on the part of members until the board meets on the issue. We need a fact sheet about the Club and history of the Club. The fact sheet would be submitted to become a part of the master plan.

There is a document with the City and it is public domain. But it may be more difficult to get a document from the Corps and may require a freedom of information request.

Jason is already working on gathering information about the Club.

Upcoming events, the Pizza Fun Fly and Engine

Clinic are this Saturday. LA Jets is coming up on the 22nd and 23rd. Jeff Tolomeo is the CD. He is looking for volunteers. There will be a number of sponsors who will be making some donations. The event is open to turbines, ducted fans, and foamies. We also have to keep an eye open with the FAA. Keep below the altitude restrictions

Mike Lipsey

At the June meeting we will have a mini helicopter and indoor flyer event. There will be pylon races and other events. There will be prizes.

Break

The evening's program is a showing of the first half of the video by Cliff Sonnentag of the 2010 SAE event.

Show and tell.

Mike brought in two mini helis

Matt Carroll brought his two DF jets, a Kyosho DF jet and a Ziroli sport DF jet.

Tony Naccarado brought in a foamie combat jet.

Tony di Leo Showed an electric old timer, Microbi, and the latest version of his hovering electric quadcopter.

Raffle

Tonights raffle was called by Bob Smith and the tickets were pulled from the doughnut box. Mmm, good smelling tickets

Meeting adjurned at 9:30 pm



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Secretary's Report Part II

Scott Ramos, Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes, May 4, 2010

Present; Jason Pakfar, Chuck Thompson, Bob Smith, Scott Ramos, Gary Stevens, Mario Sweet, Tony di Leo, Jeff Tolomeo, Ricc Bieber, Jerry Keimach, Dave Sweany, Bert Magbanua, Michael Lipsey, Adam Gelbart, Mike Caminiti, Benny Elkouby

Absent; Sam Gengo, Dave Hendrex

Jason; Thanks to Chuck for running the General meeting. We need to cover a few things. I've gone to Parks & Recs a number of times. They will be requesting permit fees. They originally asked \$25 per person which they say is what they charge for the soccer field. We explained that we are here all the time and we maintain the field. They then suggested a charge of \$5 per person, both participants and spectators. We have an exemption for 45 days. Jason will try and extend the exemption for another 45 days. At \$5 per user, the SAE event would run about \$2,000 and the electric event would run about \$500 just for participants. We will need to come up with a way to negotiate an amount we can live with. The Parks & Recs is in a budget crisis and they are going to charge us. Dave Hendrix has been slowly working out of the events director position and Bob and Jason have been handling permits and sanctions.

The night before engine clinic, Jason got an email that there was no CD. Jeff Tolomeo and Benny Elkouby stepped up and filled in as co CDs. Thanks to Jeff for his effort and Benny's assistance.

Jason has been training Mike on the use of the website software. Mike has already started on updating the site. Jason has the LAJets website updated and properly functioning.

Initially, Jason got involved with the club because of his interest in jets. At the time, the club consensus was the fewer jets the better. As Jason became involved as the Jet Director, participation increased. The jet events became big money makers. The events more recently have been less involved with sponsors and income has dropped. Jason is pleased to say that Jeff

Tolomeo has brought the sponsorship back to the importance and sponsor participation is now very good.

The Helicopter area for the most part is done, thanks to Bert Jerry, Mike, Dave, Willy, and Benny and all the other who have helped. Many of the purchases for the remaining projects have been made. Currently the treasury is about \$7000 but Jason is not comfortable when it drops below \$10,000. Between the foundation and the club, we have spent over \$10,000 on projects so far this year. The structure in the park flyer area is now done and Willy and Dave are installing the ply roof. There is still a lot of finishing work to be done. LAJets is coming up and we will need the money to be able to finish the park flyer project.

Mike Lipsey asked if the park could come up with some other method to raise funds.

Benny made measurements of the current tables for a materials list. We will need 60 feet of table. The biggest expense for the park flyer area is done. The tables will be the next big expense. We will be getting 10 picnic tables from Parks & Recs. 8 will be used for the park flyer area, 1 for the helicopter area and 1 to replace in the pit area.

Jason has an appointment with the head of Glendale Parks & Recs. This meeting will be about logistics, of taking over the Glendale RC airfield, and getting utilities. The Glendale Skyhawks club used the field. There were questions about their charter. Their charter was found to have not been maintained as required by Glendale. There were also signs of drinking and other activities on the field and Glendale Parks & Recs. shut them down. When we first approached Glendale about the field, the old club Board raised complaints. Since then, the field has been unused for over 3 years and the old club has not made any efforts to restore their status. Now, the place is overgrown and we will need to find a way to restore the field. The City will help with some of the project, but the bulk of the work will need to be done by us. The cost of installing utilities would be about \$35,000. We would also need to put in a structure similar to the park flyer structure. The runway is compact dirt and lime at 400'. This will be a long term commitment and will significantly affect at least the next 5 administrations. At the beginning the field will be a Valley Flyer club field. In time, it may become a separate entity. It should not take more than \$250,000 to make it a good park. Parking will need to be grading. Much of the heavy equipment work can be done by the City. When the Basin was first setup, there was nothing but bare dirt. Now the field is a world class field with great membership. We can replicate this with the new field. The field will be a club/AMA field with a 100 year lease.

Jason motions that we go forward on obtaining a second field. Scott seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Mike Lipsey asked if we could go directly to the Corps to find out if we could directly lease the

field. We would have to become an AMA field. It would require us to cover the maintenance of the restrooms, pay for water and cut grass.

Benny will need help for the Western Efly. This event made nearly \$10,000 last year. We need to make this a successful event. The website is up and Jason and Benny have started contacting vendors.

Jeff Tolomeo; May 22, 23 is the LAJets event. We need to figure out food. Ricc Bieber will do hotdogs and hamburgers. Pre-registration online is up. Jeff Tolomeo will be making online announcements. Ricc Bieber suggests setting up a banner at the street the week before. Scott Ramos suggests contacting Van Nuys Airport about putting a banner up at the Sherman Way runway underpass.

Jeff Tolomeo is obtaining donations from the vendors. BVM is making a special donation that we may be able to raffle off. Jeff Tolomeo will try and find field/parking assistance. Jeff Tolomeo and Mike Caminiti have contacted Rotor/FX about using their hanger for use for club meetings. There would be no charge for its use. It has stackable chairs, audio system and video system. The hangar door opens directly to the active runway. Jason asked if we could hold the May event there. If not May, the next opportunity would be in August. Mike Caminiti asked about plane noise. The hanger is at the end of the runway and noise shouldn't be a problem. The biggest issue would be parking. They are asking us to participate in their 'Learn to Fly' event on May 15, 16. They anticipate about 5,000 visitors.

Jason makes a motion to hold the May General meeting at the location. The motion passed. We need signs for the field to announce the meeting location change in addition to several e-blasts.

Bob Smith; There is \$6,603 in checking and the PayPal balance is \$1,292.

There are several outstanding checks with a total of \$800.

Jason will be sending a plaque for George Finch to his Wife. Bob will be contacting Travis for the race equipment for the next race.

Benny Elkouby; Dave Sweany will be out of town for the Western Efly event and Benny will need to have help setting up the event. Jason will be in town. We need the computer and card printer. Registration website is up and running. Benny will do a test registration.

Benny would like to have the tables in the park flyer area installed for the event. Benny is asking that we contact the City about the delivery of the picnic table.

There was an incident with a flyer that was not following the rules in the park flyer area. Benny let everyone know that he was turning off power and why. The peer pressure from the park flyers corrected the problem.

People keep opening the shed and not closing it.

Benny will not be following after others on closing the shed. If you open the shed, you will be the one responsible to shut the shed. We already have lost too much equipment. We cannot afford any more losses.

Dave Sweany; The shade structure is almost roofed. We still need 200' of cable for the helicopter area and 200' of cable for the park flyer area. Jason is concerned that the estimates are coming in bits and pieces at a time. Jason would like to have a more comprehensive projection on costs for all projects. This needs to be done so the projects can be prioritized. Jason thinks that the tables for the park flyer area are the highest priority. Dave is the best understanding of all the projects. And Jason is asking for a detailed projection for the completion of all the projects

The 5 major projects are tables for the park flyer area, electrical/charging for the helicopter area, electric shed, the park flyer charging station, and extension of the solar power.

Chuck Thompson; Chuck will work on the posters for the upcoming events. The next events are LAJets, Western Efly, and the races. June 19, the Zilliac family would like to have some type of gathering in memory of Pat Zilliac at the field. Pat Zilliac was a very active member always willing to help out at events. Pat was Riccs right hand man at the concession stand. Jason will pull a permit for an hour for the event.

Mario Sweet; Mario talked to the guy who mows the field and asked about extended clearing around the runway. He found that there are indigenous plants that cannot be cut.

There is a group called The Friends of Van Nuys

Airport who would like to make a presentation to the club. Mario will ask about us placing banners over Sherman Way.

Adam Gelbart; The Camarillo club had 114 participants at their Gathering of the Giants event. Adam will contact them about using their mail list. We have an invitation from the Crosswinds to participate in June 12 in their Standoff Scale Fly.

Ricc Bieber; The concession stand at the Clinic/Funfly made \$20 over expense. Ricc will not be at the June 22 General Meeting.

Tony di Leo; We need to scale back on training. There are too many students and not enough instructors. Lessons need to end after students are soloing. Tony will put together an article asking for assistance in training. One plane lost a motor and another lost control and went in.

Jason will look into getting a couple more of the small trainers. Mike will take a trainer kit and will help out in instruction. Tony will need to keep a log of any trainers taken by instructors.

Mike Lipsey; Mike needs money for June prizes. Jason suggests seeking donations for 3 prizes. Mike motions for \$300. The motion passed. Articles are due on the 18th. Mike needs articles for the helicopter and park flyer projects.

Mike Caminiti; Any website stuff, email Mike and it will be taken care of.

Jeff and Mike are working with Rotor/FX for using their space for club meetings.

Gary Stevens; Member Ties is down. License renewal was done at the meeting and should be up in 24 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.



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FEBRUARY			
6	SAT	VF	Numb Thumb Night Fly
21	SUN	VF	FREE VF Members Fun Fly Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
MARCH			
5 – 7	FRI – SUN	VF	Aero Design West – Collegiate Weight Lifting Contest Sam Gengo (310) 702-1049 thevalleyflyer@yahoo.com
TBD	SUN	BSS	Electric Control-line Fun Fly Tony Naccarato (818) 842-3693 Runway not affected.
21	SUN	VFGSS	Giant Scale Fly In
APRIL			
9	FRI ½ Day	VF	George Finch Memorial Race Q40/Q500 Travis Flynn (818) 843-4107 flynnracer@aol.com
10 – 11	SAT & SUN	VF	George Finch Memorial Race Q40/Q500 Travis Flynn (818) 843-4107 flynnracer@aol.com
24	SAT	BSS	All Electric Fun-Fly Tony Naccarato (818) 842-3693
MAY			
1	SAT	VF	Pizza Fun Fly / Engine Clinic Dave Hendrex (323) 758-2935
TBD	SUN	VCB	C/L Stunt Clinic – 2 circles J. Silver Runway not affected.
22 – 23	SAT & SUN	VF	LA JETS Spring 2010 – 2 Days Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
JUNE			
4	FRIDAY	VF	Western States 3-Day Electric Fun Fly Benny Elkouby (818) 235-9098 bennyel@worldnet.att.net
5 – 6	SAT & SUN	VF	Western States 3-Day Electric Fun Fly Benny Elkouby (818) 235-9098 bennyel@worldnet.att.net
25	FRI ½ Day	VF	Howard Reed Memorial Race Q40/Q500 Travis Flynn (818) 843-4107 flynnracer@aol.com
26 – 27	SAT & SUN	VF	Howard Reed Memorial Race Q40/Q500 Western Championship Series Travis Flynn (818) 843-4107 flynnracer@aol.com
JULY			
11	SUN	VF	FREE Valley Flyers 60th Year Celebration Members Fun Fly Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
23 – 25	FRI – SUN	VF	LA JETS – Summer – 3 Days Joe Castelao (310) 831-0074 f16lc@aol.com
27	TUE	VF	Club Meeting at Field 7:30 PM Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
AUGUST			
6 – 8	FRI – SUN	VFGSS	All Scale Event
TBD	SAT & SUN	VCB	Hi Johnson Memorial C/L Stunt Contest – 4 Circles J. Silver No Heli Flying
29	SUN	VF	VF Fun Fly & Swap Meet Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
SEPTEMBER			
12	SUN	VFGSS	Giant Scale Fly In Jay Replogle (818) 901-8453 hobbyhouse@roadrunner.com
26	SUN	VF	Valley Flyers Fun Fly / BBQ Bob Smith (661) 298-2614 flynbs@social.r.com
OCTOBER			
TBD	SAT & SUN	VCB	Hi Johnson Memorial C/L Stunt Contest – 4 Circles J. Silver No Heli Flying
8	FRIDAY	VF	LA 3-D Helicopters Bert Magbanua (805) 857-5751 piroflip@gmail.com
9 – 10	SAT & SUN	VF	LA 3-D Helicopters Bert Magbanua (805) 857-5751 piroflip@gmail.com
17	SUN	VF	Try&Fly: Public Open House Chuck Thompson (818) 359-3976 chuckthompson@mac.com
24	SUN	BSS	All Electric Fun Fly Tony Naccarato (818) 842-3693
NOVEMBER			
6	Sat Eve	VF	November Fun Fly & Night Fly Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
28	SUN	VF	LA JETS – Fall 2010 – 1 Day Jason Pakfar (818) 206-5777 jason@saturnis.net
DECEMBER			
12	SUN	VFGSS	Toys-for-Tots: Open to all sizes Darrell Martin (818) 368-1488 dmartin168@aol.com

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BSS	Black Sheep Squadron	Peanut scale, miniature, electric, and indoor aircraft
VFGSS	VF Giant Scale Squadron	Giant Scale Squadron of the Valley Flyers
VCB	Valley Circle Burners	Control Line (C/L) flying club – Some events may affect runway maneuvers.
VF	Valley Flyers	San Fernando Valley R/C Flyers flying club

Apollo 11 Field Schedule 2010 – Rev-G

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2010 Club Meeting Schedule			
January	26th	July	27th
February	23rd	August	24th
March	23rd	September	28th
April	27th	October	26th
May	25th	November	23rd – Annual Workers' Raffle
June	22nd	December	TBD Holiday Party



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