



Club

Newsletter

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FAIRFIELD CA

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Upcoming Events

March

14-15 WDA Mall Show

April

11-12 Float Fly WDA Forrest Barton

25-26 Open House WDA Forrest Barton

26 WAM Fund Day WDA Doug Barton

March 10th 2009 Meeting Minutes

Called to order @ 7:30. 14 members.

Committee Reports:

Flying site: The field is looking good and was just mowed Saturday.

Remember the lock combination will change.

Membership: 73 members from the previous year and currently 43 paid members ..

Treasurer: Total of approx \$33,349. The CD's have been moved for the escrow loan to WDA.

Safety: Paul Gundolff will now be the new Safety Officer (see his first article later in the issue).

Events: Davis will be having a Mall show on March 14-15 with the setup on the 13th. May 16th 100 lap race May 17 Open house. Also everyone needs to remember to participate in the events as these pay into the Xmas raffle. When you come out for the 100 lap race we also do a 50 lap race before. We encourage everyone to come out and help even if they don't want to fly.

Old Business: The City has approved our lease for 1 yr always remember the 30 day move-out clause.

New Business: As mentioned earlier Paul Gundolff will be taking the Safety Officer spot. Richard Hartwig will take the reins for this year's Xmas Party. A new member Nick has donated a new First Aid kit.

Toilet Seat Award: was awarded to I missed his name (Efran ? ___ for stalling and cartwheeling his Mustang down the runway. Whatever was left of the wing we were told was completely broken by the time it was in the pits.

Show and Tell: Jack Albrecht donated a Focke-Wulf 190 for the Xmas raffle. Monty Welch showed a Martin Mauler made by Nitroplanes \$100 flies well and he loves the way it makes him look good on landing Kim Lines brought in a Rich Models 44 Turbine, looks real good He's not too sure how it will hold up it feels pretty flimsy.

Raffle: We had some nice prizes for the raffle.

Secretaries' Column Oren Redsun

Hello everyone this month look for some nice tools and the fuel for the raffle. Has the weather been great or what? I finally made it out to the field for several hours of great flying. I'm looking on a

Profile P-38. Continue to fix all my planes that aren't flyable now. And getting ready for the May 17 Fly-in.

See you at the field SOON

Oren

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Safety Officer's Colum

Checklists

Civil and military aviation units around the world use checklists as the prime mental influence to assure compliance to safety and aircraft operation. There are many types, depending on the function of the individual A/C, composition of the crew, and type of flight. Some of the more common checklists include; Before Starting Engines, Before Taxi, Taxi, Engine run-up, Before Takeoff, Climb, Cruise, Descent...you get the picture.

Checklists geared to your individual requirements can prevent both an inconvenience, and safety for you, your airplane, and other club members.

Having arrived at the field, I (and I've heard some of you) found I had everything I needed except the wing...or my starter, or the fuel...or even the radio. Seems I'm not alone.

As a former Naval aviator, Ret...I like checklists. Two that I use regularly are an at home C/L, which is for loading the car, and a field C/L, both back to back in a small plastic cover.

If you don't already have one, you might consider using mine as a guide for yourself.

Home: Batteries charged-aircraft, wings-radios, charger-field box, starter/battery-

fuel, stand-cleaning kit-kneeling pad-water,lunch-cellphone-first aid kit.

At Field: TX pin or paddle-select A/C on radio-fuel aircraft-range check, lo antenna-after start, remove igniter (yes..I have flown with it dangling)-runup, check

control throws-extend antenna, announce intentions.

Modify these to suit your operation of course, but I would encourage those of you that don't have one to make one...it beats driving back home for a wing.

Thanks Paul G. Safety Officer

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May

16 100 lap race VVRC Forrest Barton
17 Community Day VVRC Monty Welch

June

6 Open House VVRC Jim Adams
27 Slope Marin WDA Forrest Barton
28 Fun Fly VVRC Forrest Barton

July

4 BBQ Picnic WDA
11 Scale fun fly VVRC Monty Welch
24-26 Wings of Victory WDA Jim Adams
26 ARF U/C WDA Jim Aron

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At Field: TX pin or paddle-select A/C on radio-fuel aircraft-range check, lower antenna-after start, remove igniter (yes..I have flown with it dangling)-run-up, check

For Sale :
Frank Martin is selling his Futaba receivers : (some never used)
\$40 PCM
\$20 FM
\$15 Hitec Electra 6

New Member Nick Bendict is looking for an airplane to buy (however he doesn't have too much to spend.)

Oh Mark Best I need those pictures of his last airplane.....for the next newsletter.

757 cockpit



**Meetings: (Second Tuesday of every month except December)
Nut Tree Airport Vacaville.@7:30PM**

Current Flight Instructors

**Jason Keiter Cell: 707 365-6220
(Call after 8:30AM and before 9:30PM).
Scott Bullis 707 437-2410 Sat & Sunday
Mark Castro 916 296-5788 Weekdays
Kevin Halow 707 694-9625 Weekdays
Victor Metz 707 422-5043 Weekdays
Jim Adams 707 446-0648
Bill McClure 707446-8376
Pat Lively 707 483-0246
Jim Williams 707 447-0719
Scott Rowan 707 446-6982
Leo Van Sistine 707-315-3713 Weekends**

2009 Meeting Schedule

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| April | 14 | Nut tree |
| May | 12 | Nut tree |
| June | 9 | Nut tree |
| July | 14 | Nut tree |
| August | 11 | Nut tree |
| September | 8 | Nut tree |
| October | 13 | Nut tree |
| November | 10 | Nut tree |
| December | 12 | Xmas Party |

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