



The Valley Flyer



AMA Charter Club #152 Celebrating 60 years

April 2010



Jerry Keimach Program Director

This month at the April 27th meeting we will be showing the footage from the SAE event.

Upcoming Events

- **May 1st**— Pizza fun fly and Hobby People Engine Clinic
- **May 22nd—23rd** — LA Jets Spring 2010

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



Clifford Sonnentag Member

Sepulveda Basin Reassessment Meeting

A lot of golfers and our own flyers came to the meeting and swamped the area to standing room only, bravo. After everyone left, the wildlife groups kicked up in action and started making a ruckus asking for the things they wanted. Basically these wildlife organizations that were there want to expand certain wildlife areas and make them only accessible by foot. I just for the life of me can't figure out why they live in Los Angeles if they love the wilderness so much. I always think.. this country has plenty of places to go see the land. I suppose they would be without a close enough KFC if they did that though.

The Corps of Engineers

The Corps is not on anyone's side from what I could tell. The meeting speaker might have been a little sympathetic with the wildlife side of things, but she held back a tiny bit for the sake of not causing a free for all. One of the key factors you must know about the Corps of Engineers, they have a colorful group of people working for them with many different interests. So I am pretty safe in saying the Corps of Engineers doing a "secret takeover" is pretty much out of the question, plus the General has to sign off on the project. I mean he's a General right, he went through basic training at some point and has probably been shot at. So a choice between an uzzie and a carebear.. well you get the picture.

So that Leaves the Wildlife Groups

The wildlife groups are not going to quit, and one of the very direct questions they asked is that since the Federal Land is leased to the State and Local Agencies, can they look for ways to convict, maintain, and control the leased land through municipal and state law. That answer is yes. So my suggestion is to watch closely what these wildlife groups are doing and find out what their agendas are, and then continue to stay informed of what they are doing. The Apollo field is a historical and old recreation area that has been a part of the basin for over half a century. Probably more close to the age of your father if you are over 30.

The new Written Plan Compared to The Last Plan

I think it would be wise for the board to take a look at the last 1981 Master Plan and compare it to this new Master Plan proposed. **My findings in the 1981 Master plan state the Model Flying Field defined as having 31 acres and**

1. Open graded area for radio-controlled and tethered model airplanes.
2. Developed by City of Los Angeles R & P Department

Restroom developed jointly by City of LA and US Army Corps of Engineers under code 710 program.

I do not know what the new plan states about the field, but **the board should be sure there is written words about the field being at least 31 acres in the new Master Plan. Designated Light Recreation area.**

The new Master Plan seems to create new zoning that was not there before specifically affecting the Flying field.

In the new master plan a 10 year flood line, 50 year flood line and 100 year flood line was drawn. These lines should be thought of as a percent of total times the water reaches this level rather than a year span. It looks to me like the Field lands within the 10 year flood line. This means that no structures or floatable objects can be on the premises as well as anything else written in the Master Plan.

The new Master Plan will address more clearly how permits are obtained regarding events and location rental, with emphasis upon film shooting. This affects the field in two ways. The first, it may be harder for the Valley Flyers to obtain permits for events that coincide with our budget. This means no free lunch, dinner or even nasty McDonald's Breakfast. The second is movie permits or "fees for field closure security and cooperation" more accurately. The latter is what made us the most money so we could improve the field and facilities.

As I saw on the map a new general wildlife management area will blanket the Apollo 11 field. (I might be wrong on this one) From what I could read, the 1981 Master plan did not do this, so this is a new designation to the field beyond our runway. This does not necessarily affect us, and could actually help us. This designation makes it non-usable space by recreation developers ensuring we have safe flying space. The bad is that where a crash may occur is also in this wildlife general management area so we need to act like wildlife while flying.

Those are the key points from the meeting.

Fly Safe, Have Fun, Kiss a hot Chick.

ON THE SAFE SIDE **In the Blink of an Eye**

(Taken from the AMA Insider)

By Don Nix, *Insider* Safety Column Editor

“There's a reason I'm alive for a blink of an eye.”

—*In the Blink of an Eye* by *Mercyme*

More often than not, that's about all the time it takes for most accidents to happen. I can think of one personal incident where the quick blink of my eyes saved me from more serious problems.

A couple of decades or so ago while living in Southern California, my wife and I decided to spend a long weekend at a cabin we rented occasionally in a small village up near Big Bear in the San Bernardino mountains.

Being born lazy and losing ground ever since, I'm usually quite content to do as little as possible; especially if it requires exerting any physical effort. This time, though, I had an idea about how to both relax and do something productive at the same time. I'd just acquired a new RC kit I was anxious to get started, and since it was of the type that goes together rather quickly with a minimum of tools or accoutrements, I took it along to build.

Fortunately, the cabin was equipped with a rather large, long table perfect for laying out plans and materials. While my wife lingered over coffee the first morning, I got everything ready to go; punched out all the die-cut parts (pre-laser), identified everything, made sure nothing was missing (even read the instructions!), and reached for the thin CA.

I had been especially careful to bring along a brand new, unopened bottle of the stuff so I wouldn't be stuck without enough to finish or have old material. (Remember that word “stuck.”) The container was one where you snap off the top to open, and then reverse it to become the cap to seal it back.

Looking at it carefully to be sure I snapped it cleanly, I did so and instantly got a face shower of CA.

That's where the blink of my eyes saved me. Amazing how fast our body can spontaneously and involuntarily react when attacked. Not a drop got into my eyes, although one lid was partially glued shut. That stuff does set instantly

under the right conditions!

Surprisingly, I immediately knew what had happened. The material was packaged at near sea level, and I was up about 7,500 feet in the mountains. You can figure out the rest. The higher pressure inherent in the package at the lower altitude combined with the considerably reduced pressure at a much higher altitude outside effectively converted it to aerosol form for a split second.

This would compare to sudden depressurization in an airliner at altitude, and works exactly the same way. Everything inside responds to an urgent need to go out until the pressure is equalized.

(Brief digression: Don't you die laughing at those disaster movies that show an airliner decompressing with everything and everyone being sucked outside for several minutes? No way, no how.)

I got the model ready to cover by the end of the long weekend, but spent a good deal of time peeling CA from various locations on my face and neck. Incidentally, just plain soap and water will loosen the stuff in most cases so it can be more easily peeled. There are commercial debonders available, of course, but I don't think I'd use them on my face or near my eyes.

Later, in telling the above story to a friend in the CA business, he told me about an experience his company had when installing a new CA filling machine. They got everything—electrical, pipes, hoses, etc.—all hooked up and flipped the switch to give it a trial run. When they did, a hose connection failed and all in the area were pretty well showered with CA ... the thin type that sets instantly.

Point: Most accidents do happen in the blink of an eye, and sometimes it's difficult to anticipate them. Fortunately, most are preventable with a little caution, good sense and forethought, and we'll deal with some of those in future columns.

In the meantime, if you've had an experience you'd like to pass on for the benefit of others, I'd be happy to hear from you: FLYER-DON@aol.com.

Happy modeling and flying ... safely. →



VALLEY RADIO CONTROL FLYERS



Join the Club

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.

Join Us Today & Learn to Fly R/C!

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- ◆ Interact with other modelers in your area
- ◆ Get answers to your questions about modeling
- ◆ Meetings feature informative guest speakers
- ◆ Free - flight lessons (club trainers)
- ◆ Participate for free in some club events
- ◆ Visitors are always welcome
- ◆ Youth participation is encouraged
- ◆ Compete in club fun flies and events

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

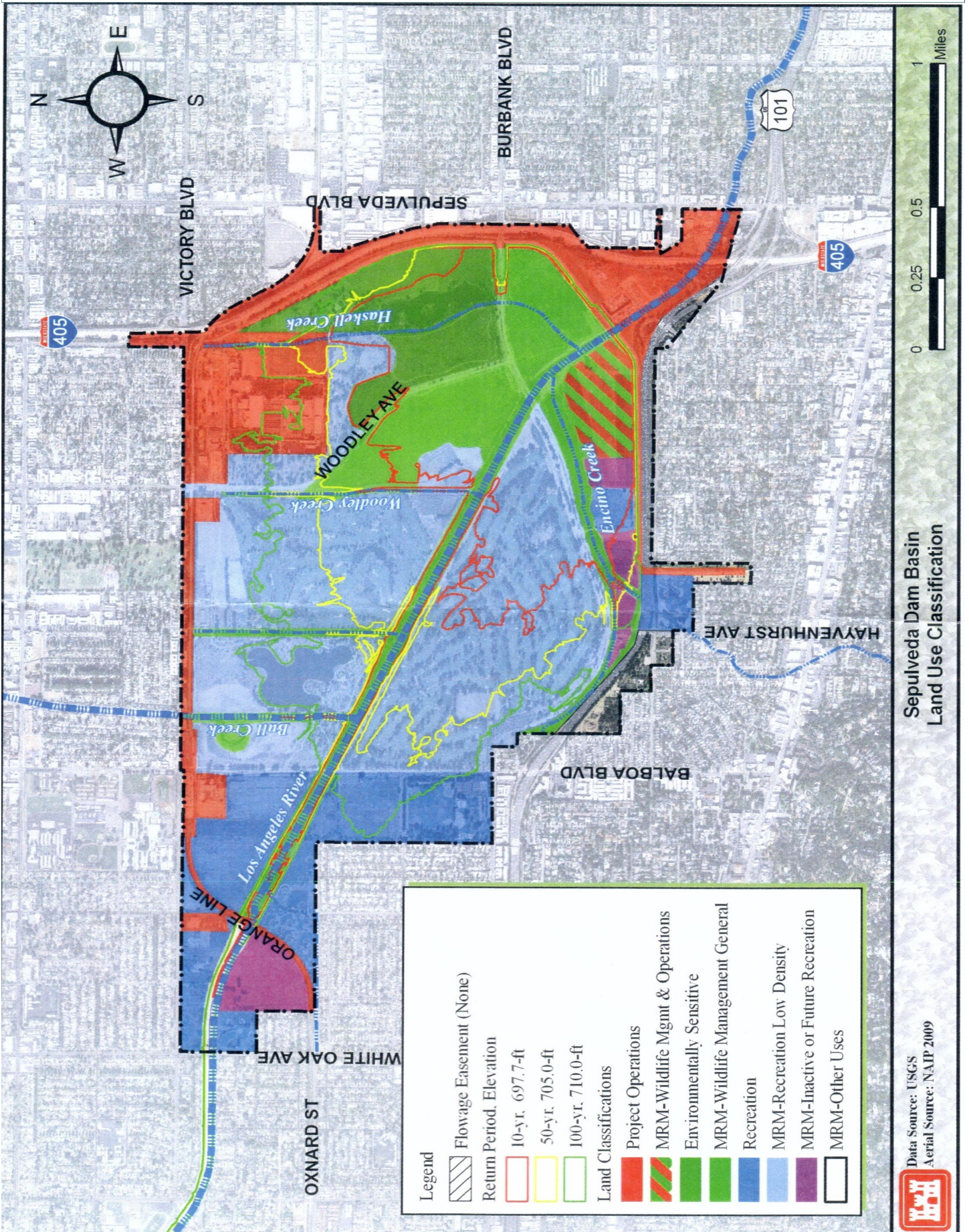
Apollo X1 Field - Woodley Park, Van Nuys
Flying Dawn to Dusk, 7 Days a Week



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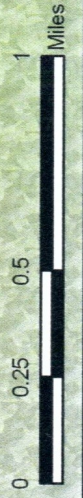
Legend

- Flowage Easement (None)
- Return Period, Elevation**
 - 10-yr. 697.7-ft
 - 50-yr. 705.0-ft
 - 100-yr. 710.0-ft
- Land Classifications**
 - Project Operations
 - MRM-Wildlife Mgmt & Operations
 - Environmentally Sensitive
 - MRM-Wildlife Management General
 - Recreation
 - MRM-Recreation Low Density
 - MRM-Inactive or Future Recreation
 - MRM-Other Uses

Data Source: USGS
Aerial Source: NAIP 2009



Sepulveda Dam Basin
Land Use Classification





Sepulveda Basin Master Plan

Michael Lipsey

Newsletter Editor

This week was a very interesting week; like many of you I found out about a Army Corps of Engineer's meeting to discuss and update to the Master Plan for the Sepulveda Basin. This is where the Apollo XI field lives as you know. The meeting was for Saturday April 24th at 10:30 am at the Sepulveda Gardens.

There was talk about some environmentalists who wanted to do their best to have as much of the basin as possible returned to nature. I believe this includes the Apollo XI field as well. We were tipped off to this meeting by someone in the Parks department rather than where we would have liked to have seen notification—from the Army Corps of Engineers directly via some signage at the field. My understanding is that the meeting was published on their website - links for this info will be on at the end of this article. Also for reference the Land Use Classification Document is included in the newsletter, you will want to print it in color if you print it. If you take a look at that document you will see that the Apollo field is classified as 'Low Density—Recreation' and that the area surrounding it is classified as 'MRM Wildlife Management and Operations'. This means that the area is protected but not as 'protected' as 'Environmentally Sensitive' areas are protected. The environmentalists want more of the basin as a whole to be classified as 'Environmentally Sensitive'. The Army Corps of Engineers have contracted with Tetra Tech to assist them with updating the Basin's Master Plan document. According to both the staff from Tetra Tech and the Army Corps of Engineers the

plans show no change to the land use classification for either the golf course or the Apollo XI flying field. This is good news but we cannot just take that for the good news it seems to be. Meanwhile, back at the meeting—it was standing room only and I think that caught a few of the organizers and community folks by surprise. The golfers were out in full force to protect their interests and I am very proud to say that the Valley Flyers, Circle Burners and our Brothers who while part of our club now I will identify as 'Giant Scale Club members' also came out in full force. I believe there were some folks from the surrounding organizations as well and we also had support from the AMA in the form of Bill Malvey. So along with the majority of the Valley Flyers board—we had a very strong showing of club members and users.

The crux of the issue the golfers and fliers were concerned with was the plans for the land use classification of our respective areas. While the ACE did reassure us that the plans now are not intending to change the current classifications the process is not complete and will probably take another year to do so.

I was sure to communicate with the president of the golfer's association and one of the community organizers there. The idea that they seemed interested in was to bring our groups together to take care of our interests. I think this is a great idea but only the beginning of the diligence we must busy ourselves with to protect our flying field.

Please take a look at Cliff's notes regarding the meeting as well—they are on page one of this newsletter.

Contacts for Tetra Tech and the Army Corps of Engineers are:

Kathleen.bullard@tetrattech.com

She was running the meeting on Saturday, and:

Prinya.wadhawan@usace.army.mil

She was assisting.

The link to the ACE site is:

[Army Corps of Engineers](#)

[Sepulveda Basin Wildlife site](#) (this has easy links to previous master plan updates)

Based on this meeting I believe the ACE is going to be a good resource for us to maintain contact with. The land use classification of 'low density recreation' means no soccer fields or baseball fields but it does not mean there are no other threats.

Speaking to Bill Malvey from the AMA and Jeff, your friendly neighborhood jet director after the meeting, they both expressed that a major concern we have today is with the FAA's rule making process regarding UAVs and model aircraft. I honestly do not even know where to begin in an article about this so I will ask Jeff to put something together for next month's newsletter and maybe he can talk about it at the meeting as well. In the mean time you can contact your local, state and federal representation with your concerns over the FAA's plans (if that is what you want to call them since we really do not know what they are planning) to regulate model aircraft.

[The City of Los Angeles](#)

[California State Assembly](#) (click on find my district)

[California State Senate](#)

[Barbara Boxer](#)

[Dianne Feinstein](#)

[FAA Administrator Randy Babbitt](#)

Remember, if you decide to contact any of these folks—a measure of calm and professionalism will go much further than spite and anger. Tell them your history in model aviation and how much damage would be done to your freedom if their plans to regulate model aircraft restrict us too much.

See you at the field,

Mike Lipsey



The Latest News and Stuff

Michael Lipsey

Newsletter Editor

Yes, it's me again—I'm giving you two articles because there were two topics that needed to be addressed. Beyond the whole 'basin in jeopardy' bit we also have plans for the June meeting to hold a micro helicopter Olympics.

Here are my basic ideas for the event, please feel free to send me your thoughts on what we might include.

I am hoping we can include three different types of helicopters in the fun with two different types of events. First and foremost we will have the pylon race. This will be open to two classes of helicopters: 2.4Ghz/72Mhz based Micro Co-



axial helicopters like the eFlite Blade MCX, MCX Tandem and the Heli-max Novus. As well as micro fixed pitch helicopters. These will be two different classes of racers since the fixed pitch birds are likely faster than the coax. This listing does not limit the participants it just helps to define them—we are sticking to the micro fliers which would not mean things like the heli-max Axe EZ or the larger Blade CX from eFlite. The

other event will be an obstacle course. Since this event will not require multiple competitors at once we can include the infrared micro helicopters like the Syma S107 along with any other micro helicopter, fixed pitch, collective pitch or coax.



The rules are simple—the bird with the best time wins in the pylon races. In the obstacle course the bird with the most successful obstacles beaten wins. If there



is a tie in this case—we can either do a fly off or determine the winner by the best time.

So bring your bird—there will be prizes for the top places. I'm going to try to talk the board into prizes for participation and into some pizza as well.

We need judges and timers. We need someone who can make 2 PVC pylons appropriate for the races.

We also need volunteers to come up with some interesting obstacles for the event. So get with me at the meeting and let's talk about it.

Finally—WE NEED PILOTS! I hope you'll bring your micro helicopter and help to make this event something we can do again in the future. I plan on making my helicopters available to as many folks who want to try it as possible at the meeting this Tuesday so when you see me buzzing around during the break—ask for the controller and give it a shot.

You know you want to!

See you at the meeting.

-Mike Lipsey



Secretary's Report Part I

Scott Ramos, Secretary

Attended: Jason Pakfar, Chuck Thompson, Bob Smith, Scott Ramos, Gary Stevens, Mario Sweet, Tony di Leo, Benny Elkouby, Ricc Bieber, Bert Magbanua, Dave Sweany

AWOL: Sam Gengo, Jeff Tolomeo, Adam Gelbart, Mike Caminiti, Dave Hendrex Michael Lipsey, Jerry Keimach

President

Jason Pakfar

The helicopter pit area is complete. The original tables from Costco we planned on using were no longer available. The Foundation purchased 11 tables from Sam's club.

The bulk of the construction for the park flyer shade was completed on Saturday. There were some measurements that needed to be changed when we switched from metal to plywood for the roof. As a result, some changes still need to be made to the structure. We will need a pair of scissor lifts to lift the structure and cut some of the length off the legs. This will happen tomorrow. Once all the current bills are totaled for projects, it will be about \$6000. This will leave \$6000 in the bank. We also have not started our income season.

During the permit process for the SAE event, the new parks personnel, Louis Lomis was planning on charging for permits. Jason has been trying to get an appointment with the Parks Superintendent since then. Jason has tried to meet with him at least a dozen times.

Jason finally got an appointment tomorrow at 2pm. The problem is that we still don't have a permit for the races this weekend. We are still hopeful that we will be able to continue as we have historically. This is a very serious issue. This can have a major impact on the functioning of the Club. Without a permit, we cannot control the airfield and cannot control who and

who cannot fly. Chuck suggests that the Club be at least given a grace period until the situation is resolved. The parks cannot reproduce any of the records from the past. The current Superintendent is an acting Superintendent, and is unaware of the agreements we have had in the past.

Dave Sweany

The containers were broken into after the SAE events. Dave and Willy filed a police report. Dave contacted AMA and we may be able to recover about \$1000. Dave and Willy installed new locks and reinforced the locks to help prevent further break-ins.

Richard suggested that we install some type of an alarm. Work continues on the helicopter and electric areas.

Bob Smith

Current balance before this evening \$7,662 and \$2220 in Paypal

Outstanding items of \$1,718 plus a number of new charges were submitted this evening.

Jerry Keimach

Jerry has nothing scheduled for the meeting this month. Jerry suggests showing the video from the SAE.

There was a weak showing at the last show and tell. Chuck suggests that we come up with some type of incentive for bringing in an item for show and tell. Ricc suggests a free drink and Doughnut. A motion was made that we offer an incentive each month to all that bring in a show and tell item. The incentive can change month to month.

This month will be a free raffle ticket.

June we will have an RC indoor airplane and RC micro heli event. Mike Lipsey will be coming up with rules.

Tony di Leo

Tony currently has about 8 students in the instruction program. Having the extra charger really helps out. Only one of the gas planes with the Magnum is not working. The Tele-master is not currently running either. We need to check all the engines that are not running. We also need a receiver and air pack for

a new trainer. One wing needs to be re-glued. Steve Garisson donated a trainer and Steve Schnider is assembling it. We need a motor for the trainer. Ben has an engine that can be used.

Chuck Thompson

We haven't done a member of the month. With all the work lately, we have lots of possibilities. Jason will put together a list of those that have been active with the projects. Chuck handed out new badges recently to the Board members.

At some point in the future, we would like to have a memorial for Pat Zilliak.

The scale event only had 12 planes and the field was opened to the public by 3:00. It seems that the field should not be opened so quickly and there was a lack of advertising.

Willy

The work with the lifts is planned for tomorrow. It may be necessary to keep the lifts for a second day. Mike Stoner is donating some primer for the shade structure.

Ben Elkouby

The helicopter area is pretty much done and is being used. Ben signed up 10 new members.

Ricc Bieber

The concession stand will have a full menu for the races this weekend. The concession stand made \$260 at the scale event.

Mario Sweet

Mario is irritated about the field is supposed to be closed for events and park fliers and helicopters are still flying. We need consistency when events. The security issues must be handled with the CD. Any decision about the use of the helicopter and park flyer areas have to be coordinated with the CD. When we have a permit for the field, we are responsible for any incidents.

Gary Stevens

Current membership is 225.

Meeting adjourned.



Secretary's Report Part II

Scott Ramos, Secretary

General Meeting Minutes, March 23, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:30

Motion to accept the minutes seconded and passed.

New members

Dan Fester

Pat Ziliak passed away. Pat used to assist Ricc with the concession stand.

Pat had open heart surgery last month. We learned that he died from complications from the surgery. He was always a constant volunteer to the club and will be greatly missed.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Earlier this month we ran into a situation with the Parks & Recs. The City informed us that they will be charging us for permits. Research has uncov-

ered that the runway was built by the club in 1973. In the mid 80s the runway was repaved by the club at a cost of over \$60,000. Parks & Recs. matched those funds. Parks & Recs does not have a budget to cover the field beyond servicing the bathrooms and grass cutting. The rest of the field maintenance and improvements have been financed by the various clubs. Now, all the senior employees at Parks & Recs. are gone. The most senior person now in position has been on the job for 8 months. They have no records of the dealings with the club. We have developed the park and as a result we were not charged for permits. Now, the new staff want to charge us permits for all events.

Over the past few years we have been working on a park flyer area which was promised by the City 10 years ago. The concrete work has been done as a donation and through the volunteer work by the club. Jason will be meeting with Parks to resolve the issues. Regardless of the outcome, all scheduled events will be held as published.

The parks don't even know at this time what the charge for permits. It doesn't make sense that we should pay for permits when all the improvements are done by the club.

We have not been able to find an archive of meeting minutes from the club to show the formal agreement between the club and the parks.

Last week Jason found out who is the decision maker and got approval for the helicopter concrete area. The pour should be done within a couple of weeks. A new container has been installed at the helicopter area with 4 solar panels purchased for installation. We will be installing additional panels for the main field/park flyer area. The shade structure will be started soon too.

Dave called Jason to find out that we had a break-in in one of the containers. We lost about \$7,000 in retail value of various hardware. We are in a position

that we should be able to replace the lost items without a major impact to the field or current club projects and operation.

After the completion of these projects, all the major projects started under the current administration will have been completed.

Sam Gengo

The SAE event was a wonderful success. Thanks to all those that helped out at the event over March 7, 8, and 9. There were 40 teams. There was one team from India with 5 members but 4 have visa problems. Only one member was able to make it in late. A number of the volunteers helped him out. The other team from India took him in at their hotel. He sent us an email to thank the club for a level of hospitality and assistance that surprised him and changed his view of America.

To all those that came to help him and the whole event, Thank you. We were out there on Saturday with the rain coming down. We had the radios covered and put up tents and shelters. The rain started and the event with 400 participants continued with only one short delay. Thank you to everyone for their help. Sam turned in a \$2,000 check from the event. Another event was to take place that weekend, Challenge Air. The event was postponed until May 8th. They would like to have a couple of people from the club with some static displays. If you are interested, please contact Sam.

Jay Replogle let Sam know that Randy Mytar brought two SAE teams into his home and hosted a dinner and had a wonderful evening.

Dan Thorrisson & Travis Flynn, Pylon Racing

Dan and Travis thank the club for all the help. There were some changes to the schedule to avoid holiday Conflict. The Basin is the premier site in the Nation for Pylon racing. On April 9,

10 and 11 will be the George Finch Memorial race and will probably be the fastest races in the Nation. The new Arizona light system is great, and Dan asks if we would consider copying their system. A version of the system will be brought to the race for evaluation. The races will need volunteers; we'll need help on all three days. Registration is open now. This year will be a very nice workers raffle. The races are a great way to rack up entries to the workers raffle.

The District X VP who won with 53 votes passed away at the start of his term. The Assistant VP Michael Brown was appointed as VP until a special election was held. Sam Gengo and Jerry Keimach had been in contact with him for him to speak this evening. Unfortunately, he did not show. He spoke with a couple of members at the field but never contacted Sam or Jerry to formally cancel the engagement he has initiated.

We were talking about getting the field in Glendale. The field was taken from

the previous club. The field is under the control of Glendale Parks & Recs. Jason is in contact with them for the Valley Flyers to take control and reopen the field. It would probably be used for park flyers and small electrics. Jason is hoping to meet with Officials in the next 3 weeks. This field would be strictly a club field, not open to the general public. If we get it, there will be a number of projects that will require major fund raising. It will not cost us anything for the field itself, but we would have to cover all maintenance and improvements. There is still no administration plans if we get the field. We will need to make a commitment to run some type of Youth Programs.

There are some people who have been coming out to the field with RC cars. For now, contacting the police to have them informally patrol the area would be the best option. The original problem was with frequency control. Mike thinks that maybe we could incorporate RC cars to our park. Jason suggests that with space constraints, dust and other concerns that it may not be the best fit with our operations.

In June we will be having a competition for micro helicopters and indoor RC micro planes. There will be prizes for the winners.

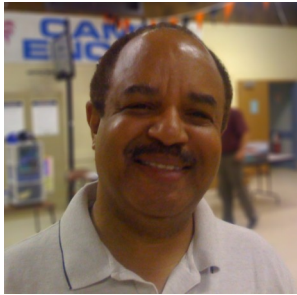
Show and Tell

Paul Parker read about using a \$20 fire safe from Lowes for a charging bunker for Lipo batteries, and built one and brought it in. He also brought in his foam Micro Su47.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30

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Brian Carlevato		
Valley Flyers Online discount will be deducted in the shopping cart by using link from the Valley Flyers website.		
Evett's Model Shop	1636 Ocean Park Blvd., Santa Monica CA 90405	(310) 452-2720
Colby Evett (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat 11-5:30); (Sun 10-1)		
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Marty Friedman (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu 10-8); (Fri 10-9); (Sat 10-6); (Sun 10-5)		
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David (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat 10-7); (Sun 10-5)		
TdL Model Systems CNC Foam Cutting by Appointment		(818) 652-9366
Tony di Leo www.TdLModels.com		

Bob Smith, Treasurer - Treasury Report

Deposits made April 12th:

\$875.00 4/10 Q500 race
 \$725.00 4/11 Q500 race
 \$500.00 memberships (March-April)
 \$210.00 DVD sales from SAE

\$1000.00 PAYPAL transfer

Total deposits=\$2310.00 (not including transfer)

April 12th Citi checking balance=\$9,035.68
 PAYPAL balance = \$1,244.32

TOTAL = \$10,279.00

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\$10

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Event Director	Dave Hendrex	dha@valleyflyers.com	323-758-2935
Webmaster	Mike Caminiti	mikecammy@gmail.com	818-231-1835
Hospitality	Ricc Bieber	ricc@bieberlc.com	818-497-4567
Giant Scale Director	Adam Gelbart	adam.gelbart@verizon.net	310-441-9408
Helicopter Director	Bert Magbanua	piroflip@gmail.com	805-857-5751
Field Manager	Dave Sweany	demflyer@msn.com	818-447-4510
Turbine Director	Jeff Tolomeo	jrtrc@yahoo.com	805-428-5219



Apollo 11 Facility Schedule – 2010

Organized Events Provide Field Improvements for Everyone!



Date	Club	Event	Contest Director (CD)
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

½ Day: Although the schedule states ½ day for the first day of a multi day event, the field may be closed before noon if a significant number of event participants are present and ready to fly. The exception to this is Pylon Racing in which the field will always be open for sport flying during the practice day morning.

AMA	Academy of Model Aeronautics	Official national body for model aviation in the United States
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

Schedule may CHANGE! Check monthly newsletter or valleyflyers.com for updates!



60 Years Strong!

Dear Model Aircraft & Radio Control Enthusiast,

Thank you for your interest in Model Aviation. The San Fernando Valley Radio Control Flyers (SFVRCF) is Academy of Model Aeronautics Charter Club #152, and in 2010 the club will celebrate its **60th Anniversary!** Joining the Valley Flyers is a great way to support the hobby while enjoying the rich, educational benefits and camaraderie that Club membership can bring.

The main emphasis of the Club is the promotion of model aviation, to maintain the Apollo XI field both physically and politically for model aviation, and to promote good fellowship and community relations. With your membership, you support the many Apollo XI field improvements and community relations projects the club is championing.

Benefits of Membership Include:

- Free flight instruction. We use our Club trainer airplanes, radios, and fuel... You provide the enthusiasm!
- Free Annual BBQ & Club-subsidized End-of-Year Holiday Party & Award Presentation & FREE Fun Fly Events.
- Club Meetings including Show-And-Tell, Model-Related Programs & Presentations, and a Monthly Raffle.
- Up to a 10% Discount for purchases at supporting hobby shops*
- The Valley Flyer – The club's official newsletter.

Please fill out and sign the membership application. Send the application with a check for the membership dues (make check payable to **The Valley Flyers**) to Valley Flyers Membership, PO Box 2055, North Hills, CA 91393. Alternately, you may bring your application to a Club meeting, or sign up using PayPal® at www.valleyflyers.com online.

Prospective Members and Guests are always welcome and invited to Club meetings. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Gary Stevens
Membership Director
San Fernando Valley Radio Control Flyers
glstevens@verizon.net

Along with your modest annual dues, you need to have a current membership in the **Academy of Model Aeronautics**. If you are not yet an AMA member, you can sign up by calling 765-287-1256 or visiting www.modelaircraft.org online.

SFVRCF Club Meetings

Club meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM. Refreshments will be available. Please bring a couple of extra dollars for refreshments and raffle tickets if you so desire.

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



The SFVRCF is Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) charter club # 152, and as a charter club all members of the SFVRCF must be members in good standing with the AMA. Failure to become an AMA member or to keep your AMA membership current will void your SFVRCF membership. Your AMA membership is verified each year when you renew your club membership. SFVRCF members are expected to abide by club bylaws, Academy of Model Aeronautics rules, Apollo XI field flying regulations, and normal standards of conduct and courtesy.

* Some restrictions may apply call store for details.

Valley Flyers Membership - Box 2055 - North Hills - CA - 91393

www.valleyflyers.com



San Fernando Valley R/C Flyers



2010 Application for Membership

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Date of Application ____ / ____ / ____

Full Name _____ *AMA Membership Number: _____

* Current AMA membership is required to be a SFVRCF member. Failure to supply a valid and current AMA number within 45 days of application will void SFVRCF membership.

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____

"Go by" Name (Example Bob instead of Robert) _____ Birth Date ____ / ____ / ____

EMAIL ADDRESS:
(Print one letter per block)

The Club Respects Your Privacy! Email Addresses will only be used for informing members of upcoming meetings & events and will be kept confidential.

I am a member in good standing with the Academy of Model Aeronautics. INITIAL

I am a certified AMA CD (Contest Director). Yes/No

T-Shirt Size (Check one) S M L XL XXL XXXL

As a member of San Fernando Valley Radio Control Flyers I agree to abide by the San Fernando Valley Radio Control Flyers Club bylaws, AMA rules, the Apollo XI Field regulations, and the normal standards of conduct and courtesy.

Signature _____

Newsletter Delivery: Please check one of the following. You may change at any time during the year.

- Yes, I wish to save the Club postage. I can get the newsletter online. I may pick up a hardcopy at Club meetings.
- Sorry, I have no internet access and wish to have a printed copy of the newsletter mailed to my address above.

Membership Type	
Check Applicable Description	
New Member **	\$25.00
Renewal	\$25.00
Additional Family Member	\$10.00
Junior	\$10.00
Other*	
* Please explain	

Interests	
Check all that apply	
Learning to fly	Electrics / Park Flyers
Learning to build	Pylon Racing
Sport Flying	Jets
Pattern	Giant Scale
Scale Models	Helicopters
R/C Combat	3D Aerobatics

I'll help with
Check all that apply
Flight Instruction
Building Instruction
Safety
Hospitality
Contests
Field Maintenance

** January 1 - March 31 **\$25.00** | April 1 - June 30 **\$20.00** | July 1 - Sept. 30 **\$15.00** | October 1 - December 31 **\$10.00**

Membership Feedback Please give us your comments on how you feel about the club/field or other items you think can be improved:

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