



The Valley Flyer



AMA Charter Club #152 Celebrating 60 years

August 2010



Michael Lipsey
Newsletter Editor

I can't believe it is already August—this year has really moved by fast. I want to bring up a couple of events that are coming up in the next few weeks;

On August 29th we are having another Valley Flyers fun fly and swap meet. Bring your plane and bring some stuff to swap and bring some cash too just in case. There is always good stuff that people need to relocate to make room in their garages for more good stuff. On September 12th we are hosting another Giant Scale Fly in so if you have something that is IMAA legal, which I believe is 80" in wingspan or 1/4 scale—bring it! And on September 26th we have our annual Valley Flyers Fun Fly/BBQ—Bob Smith is organizing this as he does most every year so you will want to let him know that you plan to attend so that he can plan for the food.

Remember—Next month's meeting will be another version of the Micro Helicopter Olympics. We're working on some adjustments to the competition so if you see me at this month's meeting let me know your thoughts based on what

we did in June. Or—feel free to send me an email, your feedback is welcomed and encouraged.

Recently on the Internet forums I have come across—and I'm sure you must have as well—a story of a full scale biplane colliding with a giant scale 3D RC Model as it was hovering over a runway. I don't have what I would consider a 'reliable' inventory of the events as the sources for this are postings on Internet forums. The youtube video however speaks for itself and really the whole thing is pretty shameful on everyone's part. I have been flying for almost 30 years now and I have never heard of something like this happening. I have heard that the FAA is looking into what happened.

I notice a couple of things that were wrong, it occurs to me that the pilot was not flying with an adequate spotter to really assist him in watching for obstacles, models and of course real, people carrying aircraft. I know we all know and understand that people carrying full scale aircraft ALWAYS have the right of way over our models. My own personal opinion is that we 'borrow' the sky for our flying, full scale aircraft always have the right of way.

Our field at the basin is very close to the pattern for Van Nuys airport. It even occurs on occasion that we have full scale aircraft in our airspace. It is critical to the safety of everyone involved that we keep our airplanes out of the way of full scale airplanes—even if they should not be where they

are it is still our ultimate responsibility to do our best to make sure we are not where they are trying to be.

Here is the link to an article about the incident which includes video:

<http://jalopnik.com/5617310/video-crash-of-rc-plane-into-real-one-sparks-dogfight-over-air-rights>

The original video has been removed from the youtube website by the user as of today.

My ultimate point is—stay away from full scale airplanes. This pilot may not be 100% at fault—in my opinion he is not at least but he shares a considerable amount of responsibility if he did not ask the right questions about the where he would be flying and what the considerations for full scale aircraft might be. We need to learn from this and be careful!

See you at the field,

-Mike Lipsey

Upcoming Events

- **August 29th**— VF Fun Fly & Swap Meet
- **September 12th**—Giant Scale Fly In
- **September 26th**—Valley Flyers Fun Fly / BBQ

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

Lost and Found

Tony di Leo

On a beautiful Saturday afternoon I was helping a group of UCLA students fly their Multiplex Twin equipped with an Autopilot to programmed waypoints when the plane strayed from the planned course and disappeared in the sunlight towards the golf course.

We had no idea how far the plane had flown and were trying to figure out what to do. John Enos decided to put his keychain camera on the wing of his T-28 and fly around the golf course hoping to get a glimpse of the lost plane,

he downloaded the video to his Laptop and low and behold he spotted the plane next to a large bush, with that information the students retrieved the plane and all the equipment.

This is another example of a modeler coming to the rescue of fellow modelers with a simple tiny camera to spot a lost airplane!

Tony di Leo



Ricc Bieber , Hospitality

Hey, Campers! Another fun-filled month is underway, and the summer is in full swing at the field. Many of you have been out there flying the friendly skies of Van Nuys. By the time you are reading this, we've had a few great events under our belts, and the dogs and burgers have flowed like fine....well, dogs and burgers!

Our loss of Pat Ziliak a few months ago left not only a void in our lives and the lives of his family, but also left a big void in my life, as well. He was a great friend and I will miss him for many reasons, not the least of which is his incredible knack for helping me run the snack stand. As few of you now know (because you have helped me get the thing set up) it is a real job to get ready for a weekend, for either a one- or two-day event. For those of you who don't know, it takes about 4-5 hours on a Friday to get all the provisions together, as no one store has everything we need in one place!

The folks who have helped out not just me but the club at the snack stand deserve a special thanks from me and the club. Mario, Candy, Gil, and Frank, you



have made my life a little easier. The most thanks go to Dan Ziliak, a fellow grillmaster, who made it possible for the show to go on when my injuries did not allow me to.

The snack stand is a hard job, but I love it. It's something I am able to do to aid the Valley Flyers and help fund the ongoing projects we have at the field.

So where am I going with all this? Well, the injury part. I injured my knee to the point where it is hard to walk (you may

have seen me limping around) and darn near impossible to stand in one place for very long. My doc thinks it is serious enough that he made me get a permanent handicap placard. I am more hopeful, however, and think I'll be better in time. But in the meantime, I have to send out the plea for more help. I know that I'm nuts in doing this job for over 15 years, and don't expect anybody else to be as crazy as me, but it would be nice to get more of you involved with ALL the aspects of running the events, not the least of which is the snack stand.

I would be happy to train you in what I do for the club, as I am sure that others who have specialized in their areas of expertise would be as well. This is what makes our club one of the best in the country!

See you at the next events! We have a couple of fun flies and the BBQ coming up. Keep an eye out for more info elsewhere in this newsletter.

Until then—Flaps Up!

Campaign Statement from Lawrence Tougas

Greetings,

I want to thank your Club Officers for providing me with the opportunity to present myself to you, so that you can make an informed decision when you cast your vote for AMA District X Vice-President this September.

I was a candidate in last year's District X election. I ran against our interim Vice-President Jim Giffin, who had been appointed by outgoing District Vice-President Rich Hanson. A lot of people told me I was crazy to run against the establishment; that there was no chance of breaking into the AMA Leadership as an outsider. Well I guess they were right because Jim won the election, but it turned out to be the closest election not only in the history of the District but in the entire history of the AMA which is something I am proud of. When the votes were tallied in a District with 28,000 members there was a 34 vote difference between Jim and I. It was a virtual tie but as I've told everyone those 34 votes did count and Jim was our new VP and I wished him all the best.

Normally Jim would be serving his three year term, but sadly one month into his term Jim passed away. We are now conducting a special election to determine who will lead District X.

I feel I am the best qualified candidate to serve as your Vice-President and I would like to give you some information on my background, goals, and the critical issues affecting the AMA as well as how to keep in touch with me so that you can decide for yourself who is best suited to be the next District X Vice-President.

Background

I have been a Design/Project Engineer for 23 years in the Aerospace Industry. I have worked in the Defense Industry, and am currently working at a major domestic airline. In Defense I designed parts for two missiles used in the "Star Wars" program, and produced parts for the Space Shuttle as well. In the airline industry on the maintenance side I have been the Primary Engineer, on flight control systems, aircraft interiors, and aircraft structure. On the Operations side I was the Operational Engineer on a wide-bodied aircraft, and as such worked with our Chief Pilots to maintain and modify the aircraft flight manual used by all of our pilots. During my career I have worked a number of long-term projects that required supervising multiple participants to ensure project goals and time lines were

met. I believe that translates directly in to skills that an effective District Vice-President would need.

In addition I have owned and operated my own Video Production Company and understand the skills need to be a successful entrepreneur. I know how to market my products, which I think are the skills that our local clubs need to employ to market themselves to their communities to win and retain flying sites.

I've been modeling since I was a child. I've built and flew free flight, control line, and radio control models.

I've spent my whole life enthralled by all aspects of aviation. It was this love of aviation that prompted me to secure a Bachelor's of Science in Aeronautical Engineering from the University of California. I also have a Commercial Multi-Engine Pilot's License with Instrument Privileges.

Goals

There are three primary goals that I will pursue as your District X Vice-President. First is to help clubs keep and obtain new fields. Next is to leverage the power of the Internet to cover District events and issues of interest to the membership. Last and certainly not least I would like to develop an AMA owned field in District X for the benefit of our membership.

Flying Fields

Modeling begins and ends with a place to fly. That is why my top goal will be to help keep and find new fields.

Modelers are a self-reliant group who typically handle all of their needs amongst themselves without asking for others to help. We need to not be hesitant to ask for support. We need to build ties with our community.

My ideas about helping clubs in this area revolve around being proactive. I believe the most important Officer in a club is not the President or Treasurer, but the Community Relations Officer. If your club doesn't have one you should seriously consider electing one. This position would be responsible for your clubs dealings with your neighbors and if you're on public land the entity that controls it or on private land, your landlord. This person should be a real schmoozer, someone who has the ability to charm our neighbors and the decision makers who control

our field's futures.

Having a Community Relations Officer puts one name and number in place for your neighbors to contact if they have

concerns. This person could organize your Community Appreciation day. One club in District X the Livermore Flying Electrons goes around the surrounding neighborhood knocking on doors and leaving fliers inviting their neighbors to join them at their field. While there they serve a free lunch and provide demonstrations as well as opportunities to try flying on a buddy box and simulators. The LFE's have reported to me the great success they've had because they got out, knocked on doors and made the first move to introduce themselves.

The Community Relations Officer would issue press releases to alert your news outlets of the positive actions your club has accomplished and events the public can attend. Recently the Trabuco RC Flyers in Orange County California had a community day and it was covered both before the event and after the event by the Orange County Register.

This

is a Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper that is one of the most significant in Southern California. The reason they were covered was because they made it a priority and they kept in constant contact with a reporter at the paper, their hard work paid off.

Perhaps the most important thing your Community Relations Officer would do is maintain the club's relationship with your public officials that control your land or a landlord on private land. This is an election year. In many parts of our District the Decision makers that control your field are up for election. Clubs can do several things to take advantage of the opportunities that this presents. Many times we feel that the only thing that we can offer a candidate is money, while it is true that money talks we also have a valuable resource, manpower. Running a local campaign takes a lot of volunteer manpower and we should be aligning ourselves with candidates that are friendly to our cause and help elect them. They need people to put up signs, go door to door asking for votes and leaving literature and manning phone banks calling voters asking them to vote for the candidate. If your club can deliver that kind of help the Official will remember it and take your call when you need to talk to them and be sympathetic to you when others raise issues about your field.

Many clubs run fund raisers, why not choose a charity that is important to your public officials or landlord and involve them in the pictures and press releases detailing the money raised or help provided. If we are going to help our community we should double up by selecting a beneficiary that our field's decision makers support.

Find out the Birthdays of these decision makers and acknowledge them with a card from the club. Another way to keep

in touch is to take them out to lunch on an on-going basis as a friendly informal meeting, not necessarily to bring up issues each time but to just keep an open line of communication. If you have a Christmas banquet you should invite the decision makers and their significant others to be guests of the club.

I have a lot of ideas in this area and it is one of the reasons I want to move coverage of events from our District X column in the magazine to the Internet and use the magazine space to discuss the techniques that clubs have found successful to protect their fields.

The Internet

We can do a better job of covering District events than we currently do in the magazine column. Last year while I was campaigning I pointed out the opportunities that we were missing by having such a static website for District X, and how we could better cover events on the Internet. I discussed how the Internet gives us unlimited space. We can

publish color photos, and even video of the events. Imagine a District wide mailing list that alerts members when new information is published. A club could have a weekend event, write it up Sunday night and it could be on-line Monday morning for members to read with their morning coffee.

The District X establishment did nothing of mention regarding the Internet until they came within 34 votes of losing their control over the District. Suddenly we have a newsletter. I think it's well produced and a good read but you have to ask yourself, if it didn't exist until the closest election in AMA history happened; what is their long-term commitment to it? I believe its primary purpose is to campaign for the election and when the election is over it will die out.

I have demonstrated I am firmly committed to use of the Internet. For over a year I've been publishing my own site; <http://ama-district-x-election.blogspot.com/> As your District Vice-President I will publish a similar website covering past District events, alerting members to upcoming events, create a District Hall of Fame to give the many deserving members of our District who go above and beyond the recognition they deserve. We can

publish building and flying articles and use it as a call to arms when one of our clubs is threatened. Members will be able to subscribe to email alerts that will tell them when new articles have been published so they can read about them as soon as they are on-line. The possibilities are literally endless, and I look forward to doing much more than has been done in the past and in a more timely manner than what we are currently doing.

West Coast AMA Flying Site

I believe that the majority of our members should have access to an AMA owned and operated field like the one we have in Muncie Indiana. Past District X Vice-Presidents have championed a West Coast Flying Site, I believe it is time to take up the task and work until we have a site District X members can enjoy.

If we set a criteria that, say 75% of a District's membership should be within a 2 day drive of an AMA owned facility, and we define a 2 day drive as 10 hours each day, certainly long but doable let's take a look at what we have now.

Using Google maps with Muncie as our destination here are the drive times between various cities in Districts I-IX. Starting with Denver and moving around the map clockwise we have Denver at 18:46, Rapid City SD. 18:12, Bismarck ND.17:55, Minneapolis, MN. 11:19, Milwaukee, WI. 5:48, Detroit, MI. 4:09, Buffalo, NY. 7:38, Boston, MA. 14:44, Bangor, ME. 18:21, Philadelphia, PA. 10:29, Greenville, NC. 11:20, Charleston, SC. 11:57, Miami, FL.20:09, New Orleans, LA. 13:47, and Houston, TX. 18:13

Now let's look at Districts X and XI. Starting at Tucson, AZ. driving times are 29:00, Phoenix, AZ. 29:00, San Diego, CA. 34:00, Los Angeles, CA. 34:00, Las Vegas, NV. 31:00, San Francisco, CA. 37:00, Eugene, OR. 38:00, Seattle, WA. 36:00, Billings, MT. 23:40, and Salt Lake City, UT. 25:00.

I have not decided where our AMA West flying site should be, in fact I've said before that a group of modelers working on the question taking into account geographic center of the district, population center of the district, a

welcoming city, accommodations for visitors and more should be considered. That being said let's compare the District X, and XI cities to the city chose last time this effort was pursued, Visalia, CA. The driving time from those same DX and XI cities to Visalia are, Tucson, AZ. 11:01, Phoenix, AZ. 9:04, San Diego, CA. 5:11, Los Angeles, CA. 3:13, Las Vegas, NV. 6:03, San Francisco, CA. 3:57, Eugene, OR. 11:02, Seattle, WA. 15:49, Billings, MT. 21:14, and Salt Lake City, UT. 12:34.

So you can see most of the Midwest, Eastern Seaboard, and South is within our definition of a 2 day drive to Muncie, while none of the cities in Districts X and XI are. With the addition of only one additional site we can serve all AMA members in a more equitable fashion.

We would have a site available to host major competitions, a portion of the Nats could rotate out to the west coast as has been done in the past, and large fun flies like the Joe Nall event would be possible. We would have a site that will be a capital asset for the AMA and since land is at a 10 plus year low we should see long term appreciation of this asset. As I meet members on my visits around the District easily 9 out of 10 people find the idea of an AMA West site exciting, and something that they would support.

My opponent has stated that he will not push for a West Coast flying site. He even went as far as to call it a, "BAD idea." To be honest with you I just don't understand that way of thinking. This is something that the majority of members I meet feel is a good idea. They look at how they are limited by distance from using the Muncie property and

see a west coast flying site as something to point to as a tangible benefit from the AMA, for the dues they pay. As your District Vice President I think it is a worthy goal and one I will pursue. Speaking of goals,

Wayne Gretzky the famous hockey player once said, "You miss 100% of the shots you never take." As your District Vice-President this is one shot I will take for you.

Critical Issues

Small Unmanned Aircraft System NPRM

I want to touch on the Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) FAA rule making that has the potential to affect our sport. This is the most critical issue modelers have faced in over a decade; we need to marshal all of our assets to respond to the upcoming FAA Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM). As an Aeronautical Engineer a significant part of

of my job is responding to NPRM's, we need to be prepared to demonstrate to the FAA that any alternate rules we proposed will provide the same or higher level of safety than the wording in the NPRM. I do not believe the FAA has any desire to harm modeling, in fact I'm sure a higher than average percentage of FAA staff have been or are modelers themselves, but we need to be ready to respond. As your District Vice-President I will bring my experience to bear on protecting your right to enjoy modeling and pass it on to the next generation.

Meeting the Members

I have made it a priority to get out and meet with members all over our District. One of the advantages I have that helps me to travel the District is that I work for a major airline and enjoy employee pass travel privileges. This has allowed me to travel up and down California, as well as out to Arizona, and Utah. I've covered a lot of miles, including my upcoming trip to an event on Ford Island on Oahu, I'll have clocked over 12,000 miles on the road meeting members. I will be at events in Nevada too before the election is over. Everywhere I go I hear the same thing, members simply are not meeting our District Vice-President and Associate Vice-Presidents as often as they would like. I am committing to continuing to travel the District as your Vice-President and I will meet with my Associate Vice-Presidents as soon as I am elected so that we can map out the major events in the District and build a plan so that myself or one of my Associate Vice-Presidents will be at these events to show the flag, meet the members and let you know that you do matter.

How to Stay In Touch

There are several ways for you to stay in touch with me. First you can visit my website it is at;

<http://ama-district-x-election.blogspot.com/>

I send out an email discussing events I have attended or am planning to attend and items of note. It comes out about

once a week to a growing number of District X members. If you would like to be added to the list please send an email to; AMADistrictXElection@gmail.com

Finally I can't do this all by myself, I need members who support me to represent me at their club. All you really need to do is bring up the subject of the election and let people know where they can find out more about me. You can share this letter with them and discuss the issues raised in it and let them know why you support me. The most important thing you can do is remind them to vote. Last year we had 15% of eligible voters return their ballots, that is high for an AMA election but we can and will do better this year. If you would like to represent me at your club send me an email and I will add you to a special email list that will allow you to receive election bulletins. Ultimately the members of District X will choose the candidate that they feel is best qualified to be elected. If the Members choose me I would consider it an honor to serve District X as their Vice-President.

I wish you all the best, and may you have many safe, and happy landings.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Tougas

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P.S. You will receive your ballot with your AMA renewal in September. The ballot is a post card that you simply detach, mark your choice and drop in the mail, it even has the postage on it for your convenience. Do not, I repeat do not send your ballot with your dues renewal they go to two different places and if you send your ballot with your dues your vote will be invalidated. Please cast your vote for Lawrence Tougas today.

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!

- ◆ Learn more about Radio Control modeling
- ◆ 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



www.valleyflyers.com



Academy of Model Aeronautics Charter Club # 152

WWII Warbirds Over Gilman Springs



WHERE: Killeen Field, Gilman Springs Rd. Moreno Valley, CA.

WHEN : Saturday - September 18, 2010 - 8am to 3pm.

FEE: Landing Fee - \$20 (Includes Lunch). **NOTE:** Must show current AMA Card.

ACTIVITIES: Open Flying (WWII Warbirds Only), Awards, Raffle.

AWARDS: 1st, 2nd, 3rd - for over 60 size, 60 & under size, and Electric any size.

Also, Award for "Pilots Choice" and Award for "Peoples Choice".

(Model must be flown to be eligible for an Award).

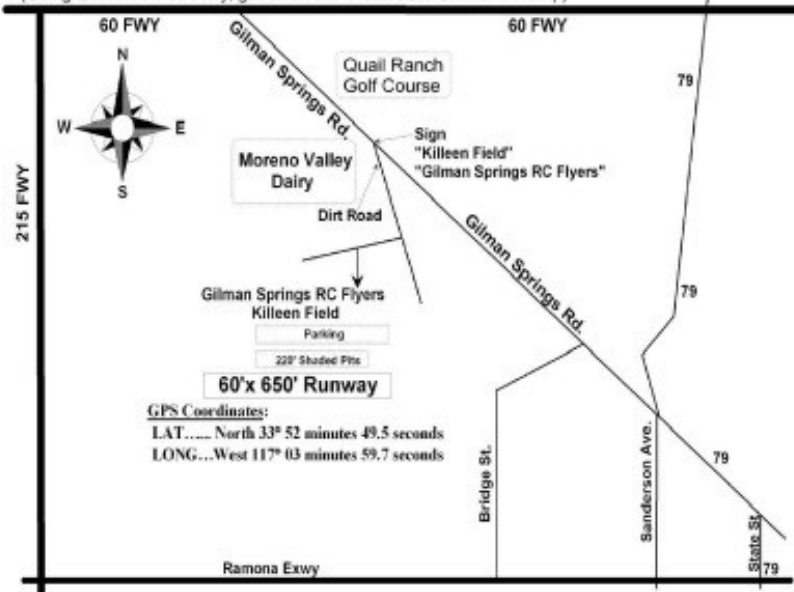
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(Going East on the 60 Fwy, get off on the "Hemet/San Jacinto off ramp")

Dust off your WWII
Model and show it
off at this Fly-In.

Enjoy our
Paved Runway
&
Shaded Pits.
You'll love it!!!



Open To All* *Spectators Welcome* *RVs Welcome



For information, contact Mike Stone at (951) 845- 7039



CLUB MEMBERS

BBQ POTLUCK

SAFE FLY & SWAP MEET

- AMA SANCTIONED EVENT
- > **SAFE FLY STARTS 8:30 AM**
FIELD OPEN TO ALL AMA CARD HOLDERS
- > **EVENT ENTRY FEE \$10.00**
- > **FREE TO CLUB MEMBERS**

PILOTS MUST ABIDE BY POSTED AND WRITTEN VALLEY FLYERS RULES SEE WWW.VALLEYFLYERS.COM FOR MORE INFO

- > **BBQ POTLUCK STARTS AT 12:30 PM**
 - > **BBQ FREE TO MEMBERS OF THE VALLEY FLYERS AND ONE GUEST**
 - > **\$5.00 FOR ADDITIONAL GUESTS**
 - > **STEAK AND CHICKEN ON THE MENU**
 - > **EACH FAMILY PLEASE BRING ONE SIDE DISH**
- YOU ARE WELCOME TO ADVISE US ON YOUR CHOICE OF MEAL IN ADVANCE AT THE REGULAR MEETING OR BY EMAIL, "flynbs@socalrrc.com"



LOCATION: APOLLO XI FIELD

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26th

TO HELP WITH THE EVENT AND FOR MORE INFO PLEASE VISIT WWW.VALLEYFLYERS.COM OR CONTACT BOB SMITH CO 861-288-2514 FLYNBS@SOCALRRC.COM

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EMBROIDERED POLO SHIRTS BLACK \$20.00

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Secretary's Report Part I

Scott Ramos, Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes, August 3, 2010

Jason Pakfar, Chuck Thompson, Bob Smith, Scott Ramos, Gary Stevens, Mario Sweet, Tony di Leo, Ricc Bieber, Dave Sweany, Benny Elkouby, Adam Gelbart

Bert Magbanua, Mike Caminiti, Michael Lipsey, Sam Gengo

Jason Pakfar

There is a new law that all non profit organizations must file a form with the IRS every year. Jason has all the forms and will ask for a tax person to fill out them out. Before. Organizations which made \$25,000 or less were exempt. This is no longer the case. We will need to provide a list of board members and copies of minutes to the Secretary of State and pay a fee.

The permit for the scale event has been pulled. There will be no overnight camping on Thursday, only Friday and Saturday. An electronic version of the permit has been sent to Bob Smith.

Jason will be out of town Aug 21st – 28th. Chuck will head the General Meeting. Mr. Tougas will be coming to make his presentation at the General Meeting on the 24th.

As far as outstanding balances, Jason has about \$1,200 in outstanding bills and Dave needs to expense about \$1,500. Fox is holding out on a payment for use of the field. Jason has started a small claims suit against the three companies involved. The parties will be served by the Marshals next Thursday. The contract that was signed allows for suits of \$5,000 for non payment, so the suit is for \$5,000. Jason hopes that it will not go as far as court, but is prepared to if needed. There will be an additional \$350 coming from King Tech for a turbine auctioned at the LAJets.

Jason will be asking current board members to return next year or to find a replacement for their position

Dave Sweany

Willy and Dave have been working on the shed. They are making cages for the roof vents and reinforcing the roof on the interi-

or. Benny helped out with the welding tasks. An alarm system has been installed. Dave will be ordering the metal for the park flyer benches. We are considering the type of table tops. We will look into fiberglass tabletops. Dave motioned that we could start up a fund raiser for an AED. The motioned passed. There are still some legal questions that need to be asked. We will contact the AMA and the Red Cross for more information.

Bob Smith

We have sanctions for this weekend

Treasury balances are as follows:

\$9,954.59 in checking

\$1,158.65 pending deposits

\$1,863.36 in PayPal

Total balance \$12,976.60

Scott Ramos

Scott asked about the status of the demonstration for the Point Huenueme air show on the 7th, 8th and 9th. Jason is still in discussions with the event coordinator. If the event is a go, Jason already has pilots lined up.

Sam Sandweiss General Member

Sam is proposing that next year in late spring or early summer having a two day 3D Funfly event. The concern that Jason has is that the proposed timeframe is pretty full. There is the date in late March that normally used for the SAE event. Sam let us know that there is an annual event in March. The event moves from location to location.

Jason, there is a lot more 3d north of Bakersfield.

This also brings up the issue of making next year's event schedule. The event will be scheduled if possible. We really need to fill the event director position.

Ricc Bieber

Ricc has injured his knee and is having trouble walking. The concession made about \$600 at LAJets and \$150 at the Funfly. Ricc will ask Danny for running the concession. Jason suggests that we find another person

on standby for the Sept. event. Mike Lipsey needs articles by the 12th.

Adam Gelbart

Everything is set up for this weekend. Adam has workers lined up for Saturday and Sunday. Trophies are ordered. There will be phantom judges picked on the event days. It is a bit too late to organize a raffle. The cost of admission is \$15 for 1 day, or \$25 for the weekend. Anyone with a current AMA membership and is a current member of any RC club, will receive a discount. Adam will contact Tony Naccarado and Sam Wright about Announcing. Adam is looking for some halftime shows. There will be a Peoples Choice competition too.

Gary Stevens

Current membership is 261.

Chuck Thompson

Chuck posted Bob Adam's scrapbook and more of the archived newsletters. Chuck showed Mike Lipsey how to post the newsletter online.

During the Jet Rally, on Sunday, there was no CD and only 1 or two jets. The PA was up, as if the event was still going but there was regular flying going on. It looked as if the CD did not breakdown and shut the event properly.

Tony di Leo

Jason picked up the last two electric trainers from Common Sense. Tony will be repairing a couple and put together the two new ones.

Benny Elkouby

Benny will start on the table construction as soon as the materials arrive. Ricc suggests we may need to change the design a little based on the tabletop we end up using.

The last club meeting at the field, someone left a red toolbox. If anyone knows about it, please contact Benny.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30



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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		
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		
25	FRI ½ Day	VF	Howard Reed Memorial Race Q40/Q500 Western Championship Series Travis Flynn (818) 843-4107 flynnracer@aol.com
26 – 27	SAT & SUN		
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		
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

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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)

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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.
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