



The Valley Flyer



AMA Charter Club #152 Celebrating 61 years

June 2011



Mike Lipsey
Newsletter Editor

Summer is here and along with it the June gloom. Hopefully things will heat up on the weekends but stay nice and cool during the week. Don't forget!

This month's club meeting on the 28th will be another edition of our Micro Aircraft Olympics. I say 'aircraft' because what started out as a micro-heli event has quickly evolved to include indoor airplanes as well. This edition will include the usual coaxial helicopter races, micro heli obstacle course as well as airplane pylon racing and an airplane carrier landing competition. The Park Zone Vapor is the airplane of choice for the airplane events. If we have enough participants in the fixed pitch micro heli category then

we will have that pylon race—if not we will skip it. Fixed pitch helicopters are welcome in the obstacle course. In the obstacle course I am working on a new hurdle to overcome—I think it will be a very challenging evening so please—Do not miss it!

Wille was kind enough to get me some pictures to show the before and after—the parks and recs department did this and I think their work looks fantastic.

I have included the before and after—the before is the top pictures and the after is the bottom.

Also do not forget that the club is working towards a goal to raise money in support of repairing the runways, taxi ways and pit areas. I have included the information posted from last month's newsletter on



page two of this newsletter for informational purposes. The club has worked very hard over the years to support the facility; recently we have faced some challenges and your Board of Directors are actively working to keep things going and bring even more value.

Please help us support and maintain the facility so that we can continue to enjoy it for many years to come.

-Mike

Upcoming Events

- July 10th—FREE Valley Flyers Members Fun Fly & Swap Meet & VCB Teach and Fly CL
- July 22-24 LA JETS – Summer – 3 Days

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



Valley Flyers Field Support Information and Runway Repair Fund

Contact: Chuck Thompson

Checks should be made out to:

Valley Flyers Foundation
PO Box 2055
North Hills, CA 91393

Bob Smith Treasurer's Report

Gentlemen:

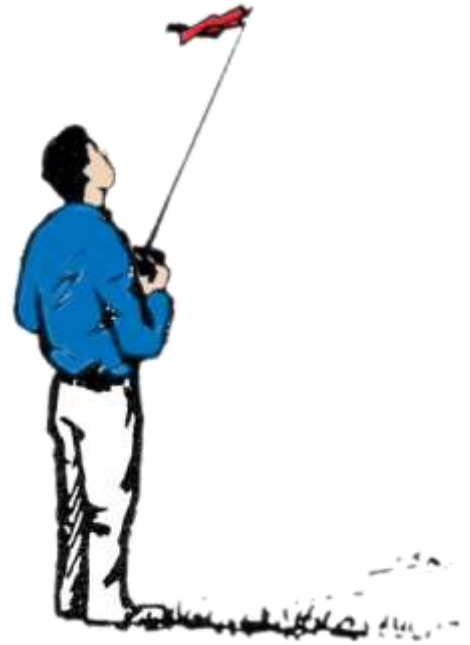
The following deposits were made today:

\$153.00 AMA FEES
\$155 remaining Jet Rally fees
\$150.00 May membership fees
\$205 EFLY Shirt fees
\$1954 EFLY entry fees

The checking account balance is \$ 6,838.81.

PAYPAL balance is \$2,749.70

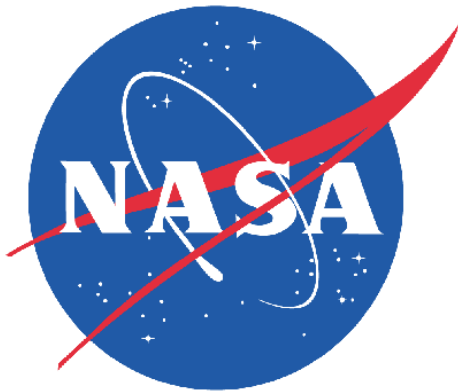
Total funds on deposit \$9,588.51.



with the jet.

For next year, Glenn will ask the school to provide us with some flying space in its playground – perhaps for helis, and small fixed wings. Small 3D planes would be ideal. Valley Flyers—in our continuing quest to interest young people in our hobby—should make a sizeable effort for the next NASA Night (in June 2012) including banners, photos of the field, flyers, displays, a jet or two, and hopefully flying demos and perhaps computer simulators. This is an enjoyable event—NASA even provides astronauts by satellite from Houston (last year live from the International Space Station)—to do two-way live conversations with the kids and there is heavy parent and teacher involvement.

My thanks to both Rob and David for participating this year—and I know both are enthusiastic about joining Glenn to make it happen again in 2012.



VALLEY FLYERS REPRESENTED

AT LOCAL SCHOOL'S NASA NIGHT

By Bob Tarlau

Public Relations Director

The Club was represented on Friday, Jun 17, at NASA Night, held annually at Vintage Elementary School in North Hills. This is a math and science magnet school that NASA has taken under its **sponsorship umbrella**. The school's annual science fair competition culminates in NASA Night in which community group are encouraged

to participate. Southwest Airlines Captain Glenn Calvin – knowing of the Valley Flyers – asked us to provide an RC jet that could be fired up to help explain the basics of jet propulsion.

Valley Flyer Rob Janiger brought a small jet—and fired it up for several presentations as Glenn used a Power Point presentation on a monitor to explain the basics of how jets work. The jet engine noise summoned a considerable crowd every time it was started. Glenn provided balloons to the kids and had them blow them up to show how escaping air caused them to fly around when released.

My son, David, who is a Club member, came with a pair of his larger helicopters and there were lots of questions about those. I had a chance to explain to the groups what the Valley Flyers is about—and encourage people to visit both our website and the field. Channels 2 and 9 were there to cover NASA Night and took some shots of Rob



INDOOR OLYMPICS

@ THE VALLEY FLYERS JUNE MEETING



Helicopter Pylon Races with Micro Coax and Micro Fixed Pitch Helis.
Helicopter Obstacle course - Any Micro Heli Can Participate
Micro Plane Pylon Race - Any Micro Plane Can Participate
ParkZone Vapor or Ember Recommended.
Micro Plane Carrier Landing Competition.

Tuesday, June 28th
Flying Starts 7:30PM



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ON THE SAFE SIDE

Odds & Ends

By Jim Tiller, Insider Safety Column Editor
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If you are in the market for new sunglasses for this flying season, I strongly recommend you get safety glasses. Safety glasses no longer look like the ones you wore in high school chemistry class. There are many styles and varieties. There are even bifocal offerings for those of you, like me, with aging eyesight.

There are many local and online sources with prices from \$10 to \$100. Regardless of the price, they must meet the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) requirements to have the label. Just make sure that the glasses you purchase meet the ANSI Z87.1 standard. This safety standard requires the frames and lenses have been tested to withstand a 150-foot-per-pound impact with a steel ball.

Make sure there is a .1 at the end of the standard. The addendum means the glasses meet an additional ANSI standard by having sufficient side-shield area to protect from lateral impacts.

The Waddington Effect

Reading my March 2011 copy of *Sport Aviation*, the EAA magazine, I came upon an article titled "The Waddington Effect." The subject, an analysis of scheduled maintenance, looked pretty dry, but I continued to read.

C.H. Waddington was a British biologist who did some technical analysis on B-24 coastal patrol air wings while displaced from his university job by World War II. He made quite a few recommendations that were adopted as standard procedures for the British U-boat hunters. These observations ran the gamut, including such things as repainting the airplanes from camouflage to solid white to reduce their visibility to U-boat crews against the often cloudy Atlantic skies.

The subject of the *Sport Aviation* article, however, dealt with his research into the air wing's maintenance records. Waddington's most significant contribution was to rebuke the idea that more frequent preventative maintenance checks keep the airplanes in the air. In fact, he noted, they are often counterproductive. This observation, named in his honor, is the Waddington Effect.

The Waddington Effect, supported by his research, is that the number of unscheduled repairs, called "gripes" by the

British pilots, increased sharply immediately after each scheduled 50-hour preventative maintenance (PM) check. In Waddington's own words, scheduled maintenance "tends to increase breakdowns, and this can only be because it is doing positive harm to a relatively satisfactory state of affairs. Secondly, there is no sign that the rate of breakdown is beginning to increase again after 40-50 flying hours when the aircraft is coming due for its next scheduled preventative maintenance event."

His work went on to help establish more expeditious PM schedules that actually increased the availability of aircraft in service by reducing down time.

One conclusion is: "if it's not broke, don't fix it." This is true, but I think there is another interpretation to Waddington's words.

How many times have we heard someone's story of taking something apart, putting it back together and having a few parts left over? Waddington's increase in breakdowns—at least partially—may be just the fact that it was taken apart and then put back together again. This is not an indictment of the skill and determination of the maintenance crews; it relates more to human mistakes, forgetfulness, and even faulty replacement parts. All of these can contribute to the increase in post-service breakdowns.

The lesson here is that we have to be very careful during this take apart/put back together event—especially if it is at the field.

If you find a loose muffler bolt you may have to take off the spinner, the propeller, and the cowl, tighten the bolt, and put it all back together. Are all the bolts Loctite, is the propeller nut tight, are the hatches secured? These are all concerns when doing repairs either scheduled or otherwise.

Here are a couple of other good ideas. I have a friend who delights in very large biplanes; ones that must be disassembled for transport. He has a checklist for each of those airplanes that puts the reassembly in sequence and makes sure the safety pins, wires, etc., are all connected properly.

Many modelers keep digital picture logs of construction and location of internal components. This can not only save time, but also reduce the amount of disassembly when maintenance is required. It is doubly important for guys like me who tend to put half-finished projects on the shelf and then come back to them months (or years) later.

Care should also be taken when making changes to computer radios. Sometimes changing one feature can disable an-

other. Double-check all functions before flight.

Pilot logs are great. You can record how many flights on each airplane and all the maintenance history.

And last, look out for each other. My friends are great for looking over my equipment for potential problems or "incomplete" repairs. They even provide a replacement bolt, nut, or some CA if I need it. I learned early on not to take this as personal criticism of my skills or carelessness. In truth, they probably should remark about those things, but their biggest concern is my safety and their own. Two pairs of eyes are better than one. To avoid the "Waddington Effect" we have accept all the help we can get.

Propeller Tracking

We all know it is imperative to balance a propeller before installing it on your airplane. It is also important to check propeller tracking whenever installing a new propeller. A propeller that is not tracking properly will cause vibration similar to that of an out-of-balance propeller.

Propellers can be out of alignment by manufacture, or from over tightening—especially with wood propellers. The problem is exacerbated in large propellers with multiple holes. Each bolt should be tightened the same amount to prevent a tracking problem.

Once your propeller is installed, it is quite simple to check the tracking by setting up an indicator, such as a square next to the propeller blade. Tie down the airplane if necessary to prevent it moving as you turn the propeller through a couple of revolutions. Each side of the propeller should show the same gap as you turn (see the picture). If your propeller is not tracking correctly, you can try sanding the hub a little on the high side and then retesting. With wooden propellers, sometimes just loosening the propeller, moving it a quarter turn, and re-tightening can solve the problem.

With large wooden propellers, you may want to retest the tracking when taking the airplane out of storage for the winter. Humidity and temperature changes sometimes cause warps.

If you cannot correct the tracking problem, it is better to set it aside than risk suffering some vibration related catastrophe.

Secretary's Report

Scott Ramos, Secretary

General Meeting Minutes, May 24, 2011

New Members and Visitors

Jeff and Jose are here to check out the club.

Chris Wagner is our newest member. Welcome Chris.

Randy Mytar is going to present a program. Due to other commitments, **Randy's presentation is the first item for this evening.**

A couple of months ago, Randy told Chuck that he had been keeping scrap books of the club since the early 60s, and he offered to put together a slide show.

Randy presented a slide show of many early pioneers such as Jack Stafford, Loretta Hall, Phil Kraft and Granger Williams of Williams Brothers. In the early 60s there were only 5 channels. Each channel had a color assignment. The pit area was painted off in the different colors, so you would set up in the appropriate area for your channel. The field was located pretty close to the location of what is now the intersection of Woodley and Burbank. In 67, the frequencies were increased with the addition of 3 more channels. The area was void of trees and surrounded by corn. The runway was paved for \$500 in the 50s. There was a photo of Willy Gardner with a full head of brown hair. At the time, the area which is now our current airfield was used for free flight.

Chuck played the video that Cliff Sonnentag put together for the **Clubs entry into the ABC's Pay it Forward** competition. The video can be viewed on you tube if you do a search for ABC 7 Pay it Forward Valley Flyers.

Bob Smith

Engine clinic was a slow start with overcast. Eventually there were 32

pilots registered. The engine clinics were active and great prizes were given. Thanks to all those who helped out

Treasury report: Checking Balance \$5,873, PayPal Balance \$2,161, Total Balance \$8,034

Bob has received funds from LA-Jets that was in the neighborhood of \$900.

June 24, 25, and 26 will be the Tribute to Fred Burgdorf Races. If you can come out and volunteer, please contact Bob Smith.

Chuck Thompson

This past weekend was the LA Jets which made a total of about \$1,700

June 3, 4, and 5 is the Western eFly. Again, Ben Elkouby is looking for assistance for the event. Please come down and give a hand. This is a major event for the club. Last year there were over 100 registered pilots. The goal for this year is to reach 150 participants.

We've received another \$1,800 in donation. We have also received \$500 from the AMA Disaster Relief Fund. Total runway donations are **at \$5700.** **We've selected a contractor** and hope to schedule the repairs in July. The repairs will be in the neighborhood of \$9700. The Foundation will cover the shortfall in the short run. It looks like the PA system will probably need to be replaced.

Robert Burn,

There has been a change in the status of overnight camping at multi day event.

Robert has been discussing the issue with Parks and Rec. The Parks have stated that the use plans exclude overnight camping. Robert has asked for a copy of the plans. Robert will also meet with the Army Corps of Engineers representative to discuss the situation. Parks also stated that a citizens group has been making an issue of the parks use policy. We are hoping to find a

resolution before the Western eFly, but there is no guarantee.

Mike Trudell has been nominated for Helicopter Director.

We are also still looking for a Media Director for taking photos and producing flyers and posters.

Next General Meeting will be the next Micro Olympics. Mike Lipsey is working on some new obstacles. There will be one class for coaxial micro helicopters. There will be two planes classes, one for vapors and one embers.

Show and Tell

Dave Sweany brought in his new Vee tail racing plane

Yoal and Rafael Pelzig brought in a plane of their own design. It is powered with a Magnum 40 XL 2 stroke engine, has, HiTec servos and uses balsa construction. Yoal named his plane the XT70 Flying Fox.

Bob Smith brought his Saratoga. He had its maiden flight last week. The radio was 3 years old, but never previously flown, the plane is three months old. The engine is an OS55 that he has been using for some time.

Mike Trudell brought in his gyro plane. It is a roto craft but not a helicopter. The rotor is not powered but runs in autorotation at all times. The auto gyro is almost ready for its maiden. It has 4 channel control and powered by a Hacker A30-12 with a 35 amp controller. It does have a small brushed motor to pre-rotate the rotor. Once the rotor starts rotating, it turns off and goes into full auto rotation mode.

Raffle

The grand prize went to Gil Greenbaum, a Model Tec Super Cub.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

VALLEY FLYERS FUN FLY

SUNDAY, JULY 10th

Chuck Thompson CD
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visit www.valleyflyers.com

Apollo XI Field



*AMA Membership Required
Free to Club Members
\$10 for Non-Club Members



VALLEY FLYERS SWAP MEET

Buy and Sell R/C Items

Board Meeting Minutes June 7, 2011

Members Present

Chuck Thompson President, Randy Mytar Vice President, Dave Sweany Field Director, Scott Ramos Secretary, Tony di Leo Flight Instructor, Bob Smith Treasurer, Ricc Bieber Hospitality Director, Bob Tarlau Public Relations Director, Gary Sevens Membership, Mario Sweet Safety Director, Stephen Fine Program Director, Michael Trudell Helicopter Director, Adam Gelbart Giant Scale Director, Mike Lipsey Newsletter Editor, Ben Elkouby Electric Director

Members Absent

Jeff Tolomeo Turbine Director, Robert Burn Event Director

Chuck Thompson President

We just had the Western E-fly. We received \$540 from vendors, \$1974 from participants, and another \$205 for shirts. Concessions netted \$380. Participation was down this year. There are a few reasons for the decline. Most vendors have been reporting the events are down 20%. Promotion of **the event was started too late. The website wasn't updated until a month before the event.** Weather was not good, but we were still down about 60%. We need to use this as a wakeup call. The event was an income disaster. We lost people because of the loss of overnight camping. The night fly was not promoted partly because we were unsure we would be able to have it. We need to look at what we can do to prevent this from happening again at our future events. Ricc brought up an issue with a person on a skate board. Jason commented that the way the person was addressed was not done correctly. The issue needs to be properly addressed. There may have not been enough volunteers for an event of this nature. There is always the same group of guys that work the events.

With an electric event, it's easier for people to come in without registering. The Safety Officer has a critical role for these events. At events like this, the summer LA Jets and the LA 3D event, a safety crew needs to be arranged and roles defined. Another suggestion is to have pilot meetings. One year Bert made a sheet that was handed to every registrant. It should be just basic rules.

Jason

The events need to be promoted and the club needs to adjust and adapt. When Jason did the event, he would have flyers sent to every Hobby People store. The best advice is to learn from the Western E-Fly event and to promote the events and be sure the vendors feel they are getting good results from their participation.

The next event is the Bergdorf races. This will be on the 24th, 25th and 26th. Now is the time to be getting it organized. Chances are that Ricc Bieber will not be available. Ricc will make arrangements with Dan Zilliak. Ricc will be out in July and most likely most of August.

The Y-Guides would like to do the Y-Fly only every other year. There has been no further news on the Millikan MS club formation.

Mike Trudell had a question about where the vendors are located. The nature of the events can influence where we would like to have the vendors. It will be up to the CD of the event to make any adjustments.

July 10 is a Fun-Fly. Mike Trudell suggests we **outline our intents for the event. We need a Pilot's meeting.** We need to have at least 3 people for security and safety. There must be designated people for safety. Chuck will provide artwork. The Circle Burners will be there. We should have training available at all the Fun-Flys.

Jason Pakfar has the LA Jets event organized.

The next club meeting will be another Indoor Olympics. Mike Lipsey needs 3 posters.

AMA Disaster fund sent us \$500 for the runway, and we have received another \$400 in donations. The total is now over \$6,000. Total foundation treasury is now over \$17,000. Chuck is suggesting there be a separate Foundation page which will include an ongoing online donation for the maintenance of the runway. Runway costs actually come out to be about \$10,000 a year. Willy is suggesting a thermometer at the field to show progress on donations for the runway maintenance.

The PA system will be taken in for service.

The Foundation's non-profit status has been updated.

Randy Mytar Vice President

Is there a law about smoking in the park? The answer is yes, there is no smoking allowed at any LA park.

Bob Smith Treasurer

Treasury report

Checking Balance \$5214.10

PayPal Balance \$2725.73

Total Balance \$7939.83

Bob Smith will be on jury duty on the 20th. Travis Flynn will be at the Bergdorf race on Friday. Dave Sweany will get the equipment set up. So far, we have only 3 people have volunteered to help. Bob needs at least a dozen helpers. Bob Tarlau will send out e-blasts. We will be saving money on trophies. Also, there is an anonymous donation of 100 for trophies.

Bob picked up some PowerMaster fuel. We got 15 gallons at a discount.

Adam Gelbart Scale Director

The Pomona Scale event had a good turnout. Adam will update the flyers. The turnout on Fridays has been low. With enough promotion, the plan is to grow the event and get improving attendance on Friday. We do need to work on getting overnight camping permits. Two events that this is particularly important are the Summer LA Jets and LA 3D.

Dave Sweany Field Manager

Dave would like to work on the Helicopter shed for installing the panels and work on making the charging stations. The work should be spearheaded by the Helicopter members. Mike Trudell can use the project as an incentive to drive Helicopter membership and participation.

Chuck asked about the benchtops. Dave said that they need 11 hardy boards. Dave worked on one of the the trainers, but none of the radios have the

binding plug. The new sign is up at the entrance of the field.

Jason Pakfar

The insurance for the Glendale field has been acquired. We have sent the paperwork has been submitted to the City of Glendale. Jason will be meeting with the Fire Department later this week. If all goes as plan, we will have keys by the end of the week.

There is a question of the name. The City of Glendale is expecting the name to reflect their City. A suggestion for the name Glendale Valley Flyers was made. Jason suggests that we create a new logo for the Glendale location. Jason found a place that has containers, possibly for free. We need to obtain one for the new field. We could probably use railroad ties for their foundation. If we get keys this weekend, the Board can meet at the new field to get a good overview of what needs to be done. Another item that needs to be installed at the new field is a Port-a-Potty. Jason is looking at creating a committee for the new field. As time goes on, a new Board can be formed. We also need to create a new set of Bylaws for the operation of a club field. We also need to run a couple of Youth Programs there each year to meet the **City of Glendale's defined use for the Park.** Glendale Collage has an Aeronautics dept. which may offer opportunities for joint events. Another question will be the dues for the new club. It will be a private field. Currently, there is no electricity or water out there. There will be power and water brought in to within a few hundred yards of the location. This may lead to us being able to get power and water. We need to figure out how to fund the field. A priority for the field will be the pits. Jason recommends duplicating what we have done in the Park Flyer field. The big issue is funding, as it cannot cause a detrimental impact on the Valley Flyers beyond a possible initial contribution from the Foundation.

Mike Lipsey Newsletter editor

Mike needs content for the newsletter. Mike is requesting a monthly safety article.

Tony di Leo will provide an article.

Scott Ramos Secretary

Scott still needs a list of Donors for sending out a thank you. Scott also suggested it might be time to consider a raise in the annual dues. Discussion was deferred to a later date.

Gary Stevens Membership

Current membership is now up to 279 Members.

Gary suggests that we have a fish bowl at the events for runway donations.

Mike Trudell

Mike will be the CD of LA 3D with assistance from Ben Elkouby.

Mike would like to get up to speed with the Heli Freak co-sponsorship. Mitch Adams contacted Ben and would like to see a meeting this weekend with Ben, Chuck, Jason and Mike to work on the plans.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM



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

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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)		
eHobby House	17721 Vanowen Street, Reseda, CA	(818) 609-1968
Hobby People	5541 Balboa Blvd., Encino, CA 91316	(818) 995-1162
Chris (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri 10-9); (Sat 10-6); (Sun 10-5)		
Hobby Zone	1617A Victory Blvd., Glendale Ca 91201	(818) 546-2291
Edwin (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat 10-7); (Sun 1-5)		
Marty's Hobbies	1728 Moorpark Rd., Thousand Oaks, Ca. 91360	(805) 497-3664
Marty Friedman (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu 10-8); (Fri 10-9); (Sat 10-6); (Sun 10-5)		
Robin's Hobby	1844 W. Glenoaks Blvd., Glendale, CA 91201	(818) 240-2093
Robin Hambley (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat 10-7); (Sun 12-4)		
Smith Brothers	8941 Reseda Blvd., Northridge, CA 91325	(818) 885-8636
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		



Apollo XI Facility Schedule – 2011

Organized Events Provide Field Improvements for Everyone!

Date	Club	Event	Contest Director (CD)			
FEBRUARY						
5	SAT Eve	VF	Numb Thumb Night Fly	Jason Pakfar	818-206-5777	jason@saturnis.net
20	SUN	VF	FREE VF Members Fun Fly	Sam Gengo	310-702-1049	thevalleyflyer@yahoo.com
MARCH						
			Tentative Event			
TBD	SUN	BSS	Electric Control-line Fun Fly	Tony Naccarato	818-842-3693	R/C Runway not affected.
20	SUN	VFGSS	Giant Scale Fly In	Adam Gelbart	310-441-9408	adam.gelbart@verizon.net
APRIL						
8	FRI ½ Day	VF	George Finch Memorial Race Q40/Q500	Travis Flynn	818-843-4107	flynracer@aol.com
9 – 10	SAT & SUN					
MAY						
1	SUN	BSS	All Electric Fun-Fly	Tony Naccarato	818-842-3693	
14	SAT	VF	Pizza Fun Fly / Engine Clinic	Bob Smith	661-298-2614	flynbs@socal.rr.com
14	SAT	VCB	The May Stunt Meet – 2 circles	Stan Tyler	526-423-4634	Stan.tyler@verizon.net
21 – 22	SAT & SUN	VF	LA JETS Spring 2010 - 2 Days	Jason Pakfar	818-206-5777	R/C Runway not affected. jason@saturnis.net
JUNE						
3	FRIDAY	VF	Western States 3-Day Electric Fun Fly Q40/Q500	Benny Elkouby	818-235-9098	bennyel@worldnet.att.net
4 – 5	SAT & SUN					
24	FRI ½ Day	VF	Tribute to Fred Burgdorf Western Championship Series	Travis Flynn	818-843-4107	flynracer@aol.com
25 – 26	SAT & SUN					
JULY						
10	SUN	VF VCB	FREE Valley Flyers Members Fun Fly & Swap Meet & VCB Teach and Fly CL	Chuck Thompson – VF John Patwell - VCB	818-359-3976 – CT 661-298-9372 - JP	chuckthompson@mac.com jpatwell@sbcglobal.net
22 – 24	FRI – SUN	VF	LA JETS – Summer – 3 Days	Bob Wilcox	818-203-4923	bgwp60@gmail.com
26	TUE	VF	Club Meeting at Field 7:30 PM	Chuck Thompson	818-359-3976	chuckthompson@mac.com
AUGUST						
5 – 7	FRI – SUN	VFGSS	All Scale Event	Adam Gelbart	310-441-9408	adam.gelbart@verizon.net
14	SUN	VCB	Hot August Stunt Contest 4 Circles	Scott Dinger	805-526-9074	weldit74@yahoo.com No Heli Flying
21	SUN	VF	VF Fun Fly & Swap Meet	Scott Ramos	818-407-1180	saramos@earthlink.net
SEPTEMBER						
4	SUN	VFGSS	Giant Scale Fly In	Adam Gelbart	310-441-9408	adam.gelbart@verizon.net
25	SUN	VF	Valley Flyers Fun Fly / BBQ	Bob Smith	661-298-2614	flynbs@socal.rr.com
OCTOBER						
1-2	SAT & SUN	VCB	Hi Johnson Memorial C/L Stunt Contest – 4 Circles	Bill Barber	805-241-0453	barcam@verizon.net No Heli Flying
7	FRIDAY	VF	LA 3-D Helicopters	TBD		
8 – 9	SAT & SUN					
16	SUN	VF	Try&Fly : Public Open House	Chuck Thompson	818-359-3976	chuckthompson@mac.com
23	SUN	BSS	All Electric Fun Fly	Tony Naccarato	818-842-3693	
NOVEMBER						
5	SAT	VF	November Fun Fly & Night Fly	Jason Pakfar	818-206-5777	jason@saturnis.net
20	SUN	VCB	CL FunFly & Swap Meet	Bill Barber	805-241-0453	barcam@verizon.net
27	SUN	VF	LA JETS – Fall 2010– 1 Day	Bob Wilcox	818-203-4923	bgwp60@gmail.com
DECEMBER						
11	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.

ALL Valley Flyers Fun Fly Events include a SWAP MEET!

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 XI Field Schedule 2011 – Rev-3.4

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



61 Years of Service!

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 2011 the club will enjoy its 61st year as a Club! 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.

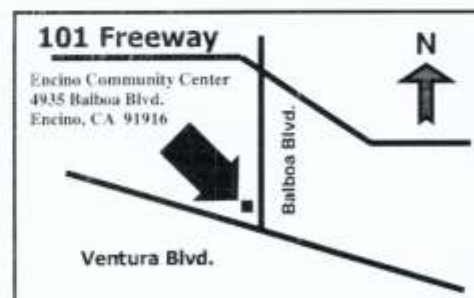
Membership Director
San Fernando Valley Radio Control Flyers

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.

2011 Club Meeting Schedule			
January	25th	July	26th
February	22nd	August	23rd
March	22nd	September	27th
April	26th	October	25th
May	24th	November	22nd – Annual Workers Raffle
June	28th	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.

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San Fernando Valley R/C Flyers

2011 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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Membership Year 2011	