



December 1, 2024

Your Board Members and Officers

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PROP WASH

In the last issue of MODEL AVIATION (Nov 24), Andrew Griffith VP of AMA District V column caught my eye. In his column he had a section called, "My advice for your club." Have good bylaws and do your best to follow them. AMA has bylaws examples, as do other clubs. If you call me for a problem, the first question I'm going to ask is "Did you follow your bylaws?"

My experience is that our Club bylaws are the most important rules to follow. I suggest that each officer become familiar with our bylaws. All members should read them as well (see hsccc.com Legal Documents Section). If you have a concern with a bylaw, then we have a procedure to address changing them. Don't keep doing what we are doing that is against our bylaws, change them or get rid of them. It will make for a better Club.

Officers and Board for 2025 year are as follows:

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Glider/Old Timer

We held the 2024 Old Timer/glider fun fly on Saturday October 19th. It started out a little cold but warmed up somewhat with very little wind. Eleven flyers signed the Sign in sheet but I think a few more than that actually flew.

Don Morse, Wes Pearson, Tim Ahl, Darrel Hallmark, Paul Ciotti, Larry Raley and George Kohler flew Conscendos. Wes, Tim, Paul, James Consiglio, and Rich Ebner flew Radians or some form of glider. Dan Mitchell flew his 100 inch scratch built EP-100 electric powered glider. It was beautifully built and was covered in red, white and black Monokote.

George was the only one who signed in as an "old-timer", an OS 91 powered plane named the Old Timer. Paul flew a Sportster "free Flight" and Donn Thane flew a Slow Stick. Vonnie Fundin brought out his big Swoose old timer, but his glow engine didn't want to cooperate.

It has been a while since we have seen six aircraft in the pattern. It was an informal event and people flew whenever they felt like it. Towards the end, George and Paul were flying their Conscendos and looked like they were going some just for fun racing. Those Conscendos really go with a 4S battery. Paul says the Conscendos are not actually powered gliders, but Racers disguised as gliders.

Treats were cookies and donuts. Anyway, I think everyone had a good time and we will do it again next year, hopefully when it is a little warmer! *by Don Morse*

Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot/Balloon Bust

Thanks to all who participated in this year's event, without you these events are nothing. This year we had the biggest turn-out with 11 entrants and roughly 20 spectators.

This event has 3 winners, First Place went to first time entrant Ed Putnam who scored 23 point and Second place went to Richard Dugmore with 10 points. Third place was a tie between Adam Kremers and David Becher at 9 points each. Adam was kind enough to forfeit third place to David because David's plane was still operational at the end of the contest and his was not.

Congrats to this year's winners and thanks to all who entered and those who came out to watch. The weather was great and so was the event.

Below is a photo of the winners, thanks again, Paul Ciotti



Washoe Waterdogs

We lost one of our original Washoe Waterdogs this week. Justin Scheller was a float flyer that lived next to Washoe Lake. When he came to watch, he often came on his horse or his 4-wheeler. He flew a vintage seaplane and a high wing float plane. He was always the tallest person there as he must have been six four or better. I enjoyed his company and will miss him. Fair winds and mirrored water.

Coming Events

Christmas Party - December 11 at Fandango Casino, JT Consiglio
Frozen Finger Fun Fly - January 1, Gary Fuller hosting

Interesting Aircraft

Swiss Manufacturer Sirius Aviation plans to introduce a family of hydrogen powered zero emission vertical takeoff and landing jets before the end of this decade. The company is looking to take up the business jet and cargo segments with two models. This article will deal with the business jet. The aircraft will cruise at 280 knots. This aircraft was unveiled this June in London.



This aircraft has a wingspan of 219.8 feet, has a range of 1,150 nautical miles, a ceiling of 30,000 feet and cruises at Mach .82. It is powered by a hydrogen electric ducted fan. It is a one pilot cockpit and can handle five passengers.

Fair skies and endless runways...

Four of our friends and fellow flyers have passed on this year, may they rest in peace: Tom Reinbolt, Bob Sullivan, Dean Church, and Justin Scheller.

SAFETY OFFICER REPORT

No accidents or injuries to report for last month.
There are 2 items I would like to share with our membership.

Cold weather flying means dressing warm. Like many flyers I am sensitive to cold hands and fingers. I was speaking with pilot Richard Ebner about keeping my hands warm. He shared that he uses electric hand warmers. He showed me where to buy them on Amazon (\$18.20). They are rechargeable and have 3 power settings. I ordered them at the field and had them in my hands the next day. The lowest power setting is all I need. I don't know how long the batteries last but I do know they lasted 3 hours at the field and when I charged them that night they barely needed a charge. Something to consider for these cold flying days.



While I was at the field last week, the City sent out the crew to collect the trash in the cans at the field. I was standing next to a can when a city crew member pulled out the trash bag and started to replace it with a new bag. He said "Hey, you have mice living in this can." I took a look and there were 4 mice running around the bottom of the can with a large nest built up. They did not have AMA cards so they should not be on our field. Seriously, I learned from the pilots nearby that mice can carry serious illnesses. Do not touch the nest or the mice. Even the dust around them can infect you. I am no expert but I do suggest caution. I will bring this subject up at the next board meeting on how mice should be dispatched.

Alan Clark, HSRCC Safety Officer

FIELD MARSHAL REPORT

Signs were ordered and received this month. I hope to have them hung before the end of the year. These signs address the issues we've had with non-members turning dogs loose in the evening inside the park, damaged Lithium batteries left in the park trash cans and the need for ADA or handicap compliance at the park. A total of 9 high quality aluminum signs were ordered at a cost of \$311.57 or \$35.60 per sign. There are 2 additional signs we would like to have made. One Welcome sign that addresses concerns that the city has with the park operating policies and one the large sign (4'x8') to replace the existing sign in front of the runway (to the south of the shade structures) with our 10 general operating policies. Examples of all of these signs are below.

This will be my last Field Marshal report for this term. Alan Clark will be our Field Marshal for the coming year. I have served in the past as an officer and will serve again if needed in the future. For now, I will continue bringing model airplane and related equipment deals to you as they become available in my un-official position of Head of Club Sales and Merchandise.

These four signs are what we have now ready to hang



By Authority of High Sierra Radio Control Club

NOTICE

NO DAMAGED
LITHIUM BATTERIES
IN TRASH CANS OR
LEFT AT THIS FACILITY.
TAKE THEM WITH YOU
AND DISPOSE OF THEM
PROPERLY.

By Authority of High Sierra Radio Control Club

NOTICE

ONLY CLUB MEMBER
DOGS PERMITTED
AT THIS
AIR PARK

By Authority of High Sierra Radio Control Club



High Sierra Radio Control Club

These two signs are in the works

WELCOME

TO CARSON CITY'S PONY EXPRESS MODEL AIRPARK
THIS PARK IS RUN BY AND MAINTAINED BY
THE HIGH SIERRA RADIO CONTROL CLUB
PUBLIC SPECTATORS ARE WELCOME
REMOTE CONTROL OPERATORS ARE REQUIRED
TO HAVE 'AMA' OR 'ROAR' MEMBERSHIP
PARK OPERATING HOURS ARE: DAWN TO DUSK
FOR MORE INFO VISIT: WWW.CARSON.CITY
OR WWW.HSRCC.COM
BY AUTHORITY OF THE HIGH SIERRA REMOTE CONTROL CLUB

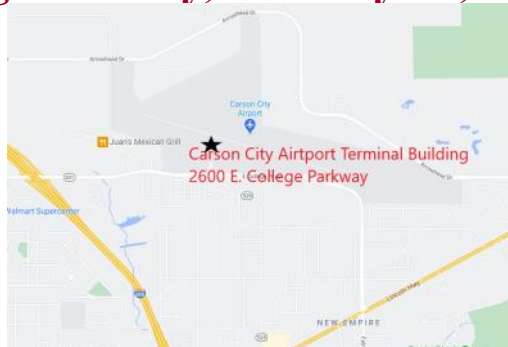
**High Sierra Radio Control Club
Pony Express Airpark General Procedures**

1. Information concerning the HSRCC the AMA and club membership is posted on the bulletin board attached to the club house behind you. You also may ask any member for assistance or information.
2. Use "courtesy" and "common sense" at all times when using these facilities.
3. Familiarize yourself with the posted Club Safety Rules pertaining to aircraft altitude, speed and no-fly prior to flying. Rules are posted on the shelter and on the fence by the clubhouse.
4. Make sure your aircraft is prepared for safe flight and has your name attached according to AMA and FAA requirements.
5. Make certain your aircraft is secured prior to starting.
6. Seek assistance when starting and transporting your aircraft to the flightline as needed.
7. Do not taxi out of or into the Pit Area.
8. Avoid flying alone in case of injury. Ask for a spotter/assistant if needed and volunteer assistance to fellow flyers if they fail to ask for help.
9. Operate your aircraft in a controlled and safe manner according to the posted Club and AMA rules.
10. Be vigilant of those breaking Club and/or AMA rules calling attention in a friendly manner. Inform violators of park rules and if "uncooperative" notify Carson City Sheriff's Dept. and ask for assistance. Carson City Sheriff Dept # [775-887-2677](tel:775-887-2677)

CLUB MEETINGS

If you are a new, old, or a prospective club member please join us for our monthly meetings at the Carson City Airport Terminal Building. We try to hold them the second Tuesday of the month in the evenings.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 14, 2024, 6:30 pm



I want to especially thank David Vandenberg for assisting me with the HSRCC Newsletter. He is my "right hand" man and does most of the layout, second proofreader, and computer assistance. Thanks a bunch Dave!