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PROP WASH

Since the HSRCC had a number of activities this month, and we got a number of pictures thanks to many of you, a few of these might be in the next publication of the SIERRA SIGNALS. No, we haven't forgotten them and thank you for getting them to us. We don't want to squeeze down pictures to get each one in this month.

We have started to wind down the year and officer nominations for next year come up at the next meeting on October 8th. If you would like to serve or want to nominate someone, come to the next meeting or get the word to someone who is so they (or you) can be nominated.

Remember the Christmas party will be at the Flamingo on December 11th and if you haven't paid by December 1, then you are NOT part of OUR party. I don't know the price as I write this, so check with the Vice President (JT).

Prez Sez

Hey everyone, hope you all had a good summer flying and are now thinking about preparing to put skis on your planes for the coming winter snow. I have a couple things I wanted to address personally to all of you members and one item you'll see in the upcoming newsletter will be about disposing of Lipo batteries at the field. I just wanted to reiterate to all members both old and new, to **Never, Ever** leave a bad battery of any kind at the flying field no matter what. Of course, if you're like me, and have little memory left, you'll just drive off and leave your good Batteries at the field instead ***haha***. The issue is that the batteries can be a large fire hazard, and if no one was there, and they've been dropped in one of the big trash cans under the sunshade, we could have a big fire and lose our sunshade. *(Not to mention, probably be in big trouble with the city, which could jeopardize the use of our field for everyone.)* So I'll leave it up to all of you to Police each other, and if you see a battery left behind, take it home and dispose of it yourself. There are several different ways to dispose of Lipo batteries that can be found on YouTube.

An easy way Paul showed me is to clip the plug off the wires about an inch above the battery body and submerge it completely in a container full of strong salt water. (Half cup salt to 1 gallon water) In three or four days it should be completely dead and ready for disposal. There will also be some signage put up reminding everyone about proper battery disposal.

The second item I want you all to think about was brought to the clubs attention at the Electric fun fly. If we have an electric only fun fly, then we should probably have a "fossil fuel" only fun fly. Glow or gas, anything that doesn't use a battery to spin the motor will suffice. I was thinking we could do it the same month as the electric fun fly, but just space them out a couple weeks. That will be up for a vote sometime next year, so think about it and if you have some old glow/gas planes then dig them out and come blow the dust off. As with most events, they would run until noon, and then the field is open for all planes to fly. *George Kohler, President*

Coming Events

Glider/Old Timer Fun Fly - October 19 , Don Morse hosting
Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot/Balloon Bust - November 9, Paul Ciotti hosting
Christmas Party - December 11 at Fandango Casino, JT The Man
Frozen Finger Fun Fly - January 1, Gary Fuller hosting

Electric Fun Fly

In spite of rescheduling the event, the Electric Fun Fly was another resounding success. There were gliders, biplanes, pattern planes, scales planes, EDF jets, and sport planes flying on a beautiful sunny day. Four planes in the pattern was not that unusual. When I started counting pilots, I got up to 24 and then was distracted. I estimated that we had thirty pilots with fifty planes.

Adding to the fun, our raffle was a success as the two built airplanes, a camera drone, two sets of wings, and the airplane kit were handed out. As always, Steve P's wife had fresh chocolate chip and fresh sugar cookies available. Our parking lot was pretty full. A few planes landed "off runway" but no significant smack downs happened. Thanks to our friends that visited from the Fernley Club and the Reno Club, they are always welcome. Thanks to those Club members who helped make our event so successful, Tim, Larry, and Steve. See you next year.

Did I hear a rumor for considering a Fossil Fuel Fun Fly?



This was a representative of the electric biplanes, an Ultimate.



It is hard to beat a Turbo Timber from Reno for an Electric Fun Fly.



John Johnson's Big Twin Otter from Fernley was "King of the Hill."



Vince E. says, yes I have gliders!



Yes it is a Fun Cub.



A nice looking plane from Reno Steve



If you don't fly a Cirrus like Thom from Reno, too bad.



The Event Host's Sportsman.



Don't step on that V2's Rascal when carrying a Consendo, Tim



All ready to go.



Nice Tucano.



Vince B. has wings to go with a prayer, thanks to the raffle.



Even a Control Line kit is a raffle prize.



First Raffle pick was a yard-stick Mamba by our Tahoe member



Through raffles, the Swizzle Stik will live forever.



One old guy and two younger ones



This was a plane given to our Club by Dan Etcheto



A Consendo, a Commander and a President.

Airport Open House

With JT managing our participation for the Airport Open House, we set up our exhibit of RC planes on Friday, the day before the Open House. We had a good representation of different of aircraft. On Saturday JT, Gary, George and Wes manned our display room. JT had his new OV-10 Bronco and a minnie Cub, George had a P-47 Thunderbolt and a F-86 Saber, and I had my Kingfisher on floats and a 8 foot old timer. Later on Paul brought by his direction signboard Flying Carpet to add to our distinguished group.

Our set up was a room (18 X 20) behind a row of cars from the Carson Kruzers Car Club, but we had our banner outside of "our room." Since we had a low profile, JT mingled with the visitors and we got quite a few visitors to come by. Being inside was a blessing as we were out of the sun on a rather warm day and we never had any wind.

I think the airport had a successful Open House but one of the highlights was that George (F-86) and JT (OV-10) were able to take their scale models out on the tiedown area and get pictures next to their full scale big brothers. We talked to quite a few people that came through and took pictures and talked about their Dad's modeling past. We look forward to the next time. A tip of the hat to those that displayed planes and helped set up and take down banners including Wes and Donn for our success.



All right big boys, wanna see what these will do?



FIELD MARSHAL REPORT

The last of the runway cracks have been sealed with help from another great bunch of volunteers. We put down 10-5 gallon buckets of sealer and we still needed more. The volunteers were willing to hang out until Tim and I came back with 10 more buckets of sealer. Additionally I would like to mention that some fine engineering went into crafting some purpose-built tools by one of our members making the work go extra easy. A couple of dollies were crafted to tote the buckets of sealer around. Scoops were made to scoop out the sealer and pour onto the cracks and ladles were fashioned to scrape out the remaining sealer from the buckets reducing the amount of waste remaining in the buckets. A big thanks from me to all who came out to help.



Our club trainer plane bit the dust while in use this month so we purchased a new one. We chose a Horizon Hobby Aeroscout RTF along with a remote receiver for the included Tx for wireless trainer capability. With an additional Spektrum DX7s that was recently given to the club, we now have a nice wireless setup for training new flyers.

Paul Ciotti, HSRCC Field Marshal

SAFETY OFFICER REPORT

Safety for Sep 10, 2024

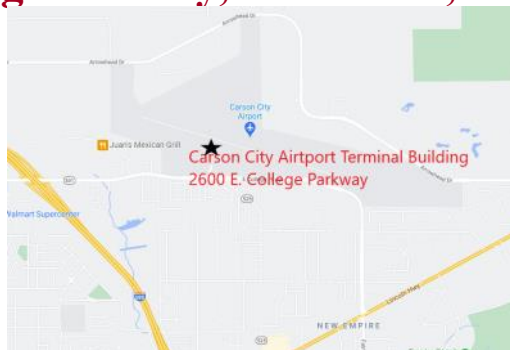
- There was a RC boat collision at Washoe Lake. A high speed RC boat struck an RC sailboat.
- Told a gentleman that AMA membership is required to fly at the field.
- Found a damaged Spektrum LIPO Smart battery in a trash can at the field. Do we have a policy regarding disposing of LIPO batteries in trash cans at the field?

Thank you for your cooperation.
Alan Clark, HSRCC Safety Officer

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, October 8, 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!