December 2009 Edition

Wine Country Flier



Next meeting: 19 January 2010, 7:30 P.M. Veterans Memorial Bldg. (Northwest Room) Across from Fairgrounds <u>Get there early for your free door prize raffle ticket!</u> www.wcflyers.com

Promoting Model Aviation in Sonoma County

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Presidents Report

By: Adam Clement

I can't believe a whole year has gone buy already. It seems I was just going to my first Board meeting as pres just yesterday. It has been a great year.

I don't know about the rest of you but I love our new field. It was great to be able to fly some Nitro and Gas planes at Our field again. It was also a nice and

relaxing year year at the club. As new neighbors the board thought it would be a good idea to keep the schedule of events down a few events this year.

You know, let the neighbors get used to us slowly so we don't disrupt them to much. We also eased into the noise making by limiting what was flown. During the year we started to bring louder and louder planes out. Ya know what. It worked!! We only had 1,one, uno, 4-3=1 complaint this year. One Neighbor at the beginning of the year called Victor. There was a couple other minor issues, but they got resolved right away. This is a big deal and everyone pat themselves on the back for doing a great job.

I would like to thank my board for all their hard work this year. Phil, thank you for pulling extra duties when lan couldn't make it out. Patrick Thank you for keeping the website up and running and for starting the forum. Guy, without you there would have been no meetings in a plush conference room. Steve I would like to say thanks on behalf of the club for the discount you gave us on the Christmas prizes. We had a huge pile thanks to you. Merle, thank you for the help at the field and cleaning up. Roy thanks for your insightful input to the meetings and helping with the Xmas party. Jeff, thank you. You probably have the job with the most work to do. Without you the club stops. Ian what can I say. Thanks for the effort you have taken to get involved with the club. Not a lot of new guy's jump in with both feet. Sid thank You for the time you served at the beginning of the year and I hope your new club goes just the way you want it to. A big Thanks to Jon Stychno for taking charge of Wings over Wine Country. He loved it so

much when he was pres I asked him if he wanted to do it again and he said hell ya. Jon's got my vote for Club MC!

Next year should have even more fun planned. Pylon races start in march so keep your calendars marked. We will be doing a swap meet in the spring and a night flight some time in march or april. Plus all the usual events that you have come to enjoy. Thank you for letting me serve you this past year and I look forward to doing it again.

Thanks and see you at the field Adam Clement

Board Meeting Minutes

7 Dec. 2009

Adam Clement, Merle MacGregor, Phil Leech, Ian Rickard, Steve Cole, Guy, Jeff Penner, Patrick O'Halleran

• Reviewed upcoming Xmas party, large turn out expected.

• Agreement to pay for Julio Alvarez' meal as a thank you for all his efforts for the club in 2009. Motioned by Adam Clement and seconded by Jeff Penner. Motion passed.

• Prizes have been purchased and winners will get to pick their prize.

• It was agreed that in the event of a tie in the final results based on points the racer with the greatest number of first place finishes will be the winner and if necessary second or third place finishes will be counted to decide the winner.

• Pylon Racing. (editors note: I pulled the rules for items 1 & 2 as a full list of rules will be published shortly)

1. T-28 class will remain for pylon racing in 2010.

2. War bird class will also remain, members are encouraged to build their planes like Reno Racers, but this is not mandatory.

3. Suggested class 12th scale using 30 size nitro motor, wingspan must be 36-40 inches. Steve Cole will be investigating this.

• Board agreed to waive the membership dues in 2010 for the following members;

Bryan Young and Mike Davis. This is to reflect their work during the construction of the new field in the fall of 2008.

• Discussion of financial goals for the club in 2010 and if we should reinstate giving work party credits.

• 4 work parties will be scheduled by January 2010 and on the calendar.

• Swap Meet: Adam Clement wants to organize a swap meet for April 2010. Suggestion made to coordinate with Wayne at Prop Busters for this event to possible combine the two club events.

• Recommendation that nominations for President and other officers need to be submitted to the membership one month prior to the annual general meeting. Board to discuss this and ways to amend the bylaws.

General Meeting Minutes

11 December 2009 (Editors Note: Phil Leech submitted these photos of the party)

What a handsome pair of greeters we had (can anyone say, Walmart?)



Live band (I believe this is a first for us)



Phil Leech and his wife Ann.



Jon practicing his bow (is it too low) while collecting his booty.



Steve collecting his prize, and Adam...uh, surprised?



WCF 2009 EVENTS SCHEDULE It be over!



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