

Wine Country Flier



Next meeting: 25 August 6:00 at the FLYING FIELD!

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Vice Presidents Report

By: Jake Chichilitti

Hello WCF members and friends,

The club has scheduled some events in the next few months. They are listed in the WCF Board meeting notes, but just in case you missed them there here is the run down.

The general club meeting will be held at the WCF flying field on Thursday August 25 starting at 6:00 PM. That's 1/2 hour earlier then normal when we meet at the pizza place.

Next is an EAA event at the Sonoma Co. Airport on Sunday Sept 25 and the WCF have been invited to participate. Basically bring some of our nice models for display and introduce our hobby to the public. We are also invited to attend their pre-event meeting on Sept. 7. We won't be able to fly and R/C, but I'm hoping we can do a control line demo.

The club's Larry Frank Scale Event is scheduled for Sunday Oct. 2. Bring a scale model and show off your flying skills. Also the Neil Taylor Award will be presented to the outstanding club member of the year.

The club will have a War Bird Fun Fly on Sunday Oct 23.

A night fly is planned for Sunday Nov. 6. We go back to Standard Time at 2:00 AM Saturday night.

The board discussed a Club Christmas dinner for December. Details to follow.

A non event related issue was discussed regarding non members coming to our field to fly. The club will purchase signs letting non members know that our field is for members and guests only. Please wear your club membership badge and have your current AMA license with you.

Be safe and have fun,

Jake Chichilitti

WCF Vice President

Newsletter Notes

By: Guy Nicholas

I want to remind everyone that the newsletter is for everyone, so if there is something you would like to see more/less of, please let me know.

I would also like to make a call out for materials. Colin McRae sends me his pictures and notes every month and it is greatly appreciated. I KNOW he is not the only builder in the club. If you are working on something, take some pictures and notes and send them my way.

Colin's CL Shop

By: Colin McRae

Ringmaster Sportster:

The refurb on the Ringmaster Sportster (slightly damaged model acquired from Bobby) is complete. Before and after pics. McCoy 35 power planned. Hope to maiden in a couple of weeks.



Brodak Vector 40:

I acquired this great Brodak Vector 40 competition stunt model a few weeks ago. It was already built. The original builder was very professional and did a great job. Much better than I could have ever done. The model has a 50" wingspan and weighs in right at 4 pounds. Quite heavy for a CL model. OS 40LA power planned. Hope to maiden in a couple of weeks.



Colin McRae

General Meeting Notes

By: Christopher Bailey
28 July

- Meeting started - 7:02
- 13 members present
- Chain on the gate at the field has been replaced with a longer one
- John Cole shared a story about a pair of guys at the field who had never flown. John and Patrick spoke to them and discovered they were neither AMA nor WCF members. We are reminded to wear our badges at the field and to ensure people around us are members.
- Gate combination will change next year.
- Throttle cut - SET IT UP. USE IT!
- Night Fly will be scheduled sometime around the time change on November 6.
- Ron donate a model to the club (thanks!)
- Show and Tell - John Cole showed a Guillows kit Sopwith Camel
- Raffle - \$50, \$30, \$20. Winners, Ron, Bilal, and Mike
- Meeting adjourned - 7:22

Board Meeting Notes

By: Christopher Bailey
11 August

- In attendance: Bill V., Jake C., Patrick O'H., Paul G., Steve, C., Eric B., by Phone Guy N. President John Cole unable to attend.
- Call to order 8/11/2022 at 6:30 PM by Paul G.
- EAA Meeting on Sept. 7 at 6:00 PM PM. WCF members are invited to attend to discuss the club's participation in the EAA event on . Bill and Jake expressed an interest in attending
- The Larry Frank WCF Scale event is scheduled for Sunday October 2. Starting time to be determined. Two classes, one for wooden models and one for foam models. Any scale model is welcome. Only the flying will be judged. No entry fee. However, we are looking for a person to do the judging. Bring a lunch as the club will not be providing a lunch.
- The Neil Taylor Award to the club member that has contributed their time and effort to the club this past year will be presented at the Larry Frank Event.
- The Club has scheduled a War Bird Fun Fly for Sunday October 23rd. Any war bird from any era is welcome. No judging, no awards, just fly and have fun.
- The Club is planning a night fly on Sunday November 6. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour Saturday night. John C. to contact Ya-Ka-Ama of the event.
- There have been a couple of incidents at the field involving folks that are not WCF members. New signs will be posted in an effort to prevent future occurrences. Not everyone wears their WCF badge and AMA license while flying at field. It is everyone's responsibility to make sure everyone flying has their WCF badge and AMA license. Please wear your badge when flying at the field. The club will provide clear plastic card holders and clips free of charge to anyone who needs one.
- Plans for the WCF Christmas Dinner were discussed. Eric B. will contact Charley's Restaurant in Windsor for availability. We are shooting for Dec. 8th or 15th.
- Our next general membership meeting will be held at the flying field on Thursday Aug. 25th at 6:00PM instead of our regular start time.
- Paul G. gave the treasurer's report stating we now have 89 members.
- The club is looking into purchasing new storage batteries for charging our model batteries and make the storage batteries more accessible for maintenance.
- Discussed the possibility of restarting Pylon Racing Competition. Present the idea to the club at the next general meeting. Start with a T-28 type class.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

WCF 2022 EVENTS SCHEDULE

- **25 Aug 6:00 - General meeting at the field**
- **2 Oct - Larry Frank Fun Fly**
- **23 Oct - War Bird Fun Fly**
- **General flying...any day the weather is grand!**