

Well everyone here we are starting a new year and I hope you all had a great holiday. I know some of my flying friends got some fun stuff from Santa. As I write this I am getting my FW-190 ready for Chilly n' Chili at the field. This is probably my second favorite event of the year after Castle. I hope you all had a chance to get out there since by the time you read this it will be past.

At this point I guess I know about 1/2 - 2/3 of our 100 members so let me introduce myself to the rest. Hello my name is Forrest Barton and I am an RC junkie. You should all be saying "Hello" back if your reading this as a fellow RC'oholic. I have been in this hobby and this club my entire life having flow at all 3 club fields. Over the years I have served in every capacity this club has with the exception of Treasurer. This will mark the start of my 6th year and third stint as president of the club. Over the years I have also been in other clubs in the area depending on my interests but always a member of WDA. I also currently serve as your Norcal District 10 AVP and as the Norcal and Nevada AMA contest coordinator. I live here in the Woodland with my wife Shannon and am the father of two wonderful boys Daniel who is eight and Jacob who is now six months. If you have made it to an indoor event you have met Daniel he is always there flying his RC pigeon. Part of my pitch in taking this job was I wont have a lot of time to commit to field activities with a newborn at home. But I have time at home to address issues and I can't remember the last time I missed a meeting. I hope to see or meet you all around the field at one time or another this year. If you are looking to get a hold of me the best way is via email at CBarton328@aol.com. I have tossed in a couple pictures of me from over the years.

As the incoming newbie I want to thank Jeff and Rich as the outgoing President and VP for the work they have done for the club. Fortunately they will still be helping out Rich heading up out wonderful newsletter and CD'ing a couple of our events and Jeff helping out around the field and also acting as a CD for us.

Speaking of CD's we are always looking for help in that function with events. At the next meeting we will be setting the clubs contest calendar for 2018. We have already set the Burgdorf Pylon Race for this spring but will be looking at the rest of the events for the year. If you are interested in having some input on events for the year this is the meet-

NEXT WDA CLUB MEETING TO BE

HELD at the Woodland Library, Leake Room, Monday January 8th @ 7pm

Board meeting @ 6pm





- Prez Sez
- Meetings Minutes
- Mike Frint

Forrest Barton

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- Modeler's Corner
- R. Geertson

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- Rick Maida

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ing to be at. The club is always looking for help at events so if your interested please let me know and I can forward your information on to the appropriate CD.

Last thing to mention for the month is the AMA show also coming up the first weekend in January in Ontario Ca. I will be headed down there with a group of local modelers to not only see what's new but attend some AMA meetings in my capacity as your AVP as well. If you have the time its a fun event to go to. You can typically get Southwest Airline tickets pretty cheap into Ontario for the day. Otherwise I will have a report on both Chilly n' chili and the AMA show at the next meeting.



December 11, 2017 General Meeting Minutes

Board Members/Officers present: Jeff Lovitt, John Eaton, Mike Frint, Forrest Barton, Doug Vice, Mike O'Kane. Absent: Rich Geertson, Chris Dellinger, Kerry Roberson. Meeting called to order at 1859 hours. Jeff Lovitt as Chairman. There were 21 members present. No guests. One new member, Alex Mendel of UC Davis, was at his first meeting. Also, Doug Vice said he has found two new members but they were not in attendance tonight. The meeting started with a discussion with Alex about adding a course for drones/quads at our field. He stated that there are AMA clubs at both UC Davis and UC Berkeley. More research is needed for this project/idea. A motion was made to approve last month's minutes, seconded and passed.

Officer reports:

Treasurer/Membership: John Eaton: John has passed out about 21 membership cards so far. Last year we had 107 members. Income is mostly dues, plus 50 bucks for the airplane sold at the Bayside auction. No more major expenses are planned at this time except for sprinkler heads. John also mentioned the testing of the golf cart that was discussed in the board meeting.

Secretary: Mike stated that he and Bill Freidrich had to service one of the water extinguishers. Someone had activated/emptied it and moved it over to the worktables. There were no fires that anyone knew about. Bill then mentioned that several extinguishers are missing. Jeff stated that were just going to have to buy more then. John suggested a procedure be made to let us know if one has been used.

<u>Vice President:</u> Rich was absent.

President: Jeff used his time to explain his column in the December newsletter. It was a response to last month's meeting that was an "ugly" and "unfriendly" affair. John added some comments. He used the words "offended" and "saddened" and stated the "club should be fun." John also mentioned that under Robert's Rules of Order a motion is supposed to have prior notice so that all the stakeholders (members) are aware.

A very quick mention of the fence redesign was made. See the Board meeting minutes.

<u>Chair reports:</u> There were no Chair Reports tonight. <u>Event reports:</u>

Indoor Flying: Forrest only had three people at the last event. This was the first time he had a small li-po battery "pop" while being charged.

Doug Barton reported that WDA took second place in the SAM 51 Half-A Postal contest. It involved seven clubs worldwide and was closely contested. If you win, you have to host the next contest, so, sometimes it's best to be second place.

Old Business:

Nominations: Nominations for Officers were reopened then closed. Nominations were: President-Forrest Barton, Vice-President-Doug Vice, Treasurer-John Eaton, Secretary-Mike Frint. Nominations for Board were opened

then closed. Board Members-Doug Barton and Danny Winters.

A call for the vote was made by Art Williams and seconded by Sheldon Berkowitz. A vote was taken. All persons were elected as nominated.

Doug Barton's term will conclude at the end of 2020 and Danny Winters term concludes at the end of 2021.

<u>New Business:</u> None except for the drone/quad idea presented at the top of the meeting.

A break was taken from 1930 to 2010 for pizza. Thanks to Monty and Linda Welch for bringing the pizza, cookies and sodas. The club paid for the pizza but some/most? was made up for by donations to the donation can.

Auction Plane:

Forrest Barton acted as auctioneer for the "Inside the Club" plane raffle. Kerry Roberson (while in Florida) won the airplane for \$325.00.

The meeting fizzled out by 2045 hours.



Club Auction plane: Proctor 'Antic' bipe. High bidder was Kerry Roberson. See the NEXT club auction plane — CHINOOK — featured next page...

December 11, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Members/Officers present: John Eaton, Mike Frint, Forrest Barton, Doug Vice, Mike O'Kane. Absent: Rich Geertson, Chris Dellinger, Kerry Roberson. Late: Jeff Lovitt at 1831.

Meeting called to order 1808 at the Woodland Library by John Eaton. 10 persons present.

Old Business:

Golf cart discussion. With an estimate of about 1200 dollars for batteries and a charger it was decided to find some other batteries to test the golf cart idea before purchasing new ones.

Treasury/Membership: John has passed out about 21 membership cards so far. Last year we had 107 members. Income is mostly dues, plus 50 bucks for the airplane sold at the Bayside auction. No more major expenses are planned at this time except for sprinkler heads.

Nominations: We were one board member short for nomination. Doug Barton stepped up during the General Meeting.

Doug Vice asked about the Facebook account. He is una-

ble to post to it and would like to use it for quick gettogethers for work at the field. John suggests we use email.

Fences (again)- Forrest proposed a redesign in that we use some tennis type netting about three and a half feet high and less metal posts. Setting these posts in concrete is recommended. This fence would be in front of the current metal fence at the pilots' stations. Also, the metal fence will be lowered to forty-two inches to accommodate kids and wheelchair users. Mike O. has cut two sections of metal to length and will need help installing them. A work party will be scheduled if needed.

Jeff asked for status reports on the current projects. We need dirt for the runway perimeter, cracks and trenches. The problem is finding clean dirt. If anyone knows of a source let us know.

New Business:

The club is working on obtaining "right of first refusal" in the event the field property comes up for sale. We would have to purchase about 75 acres. It was suggested that we form a group of members to purchase the property not as a club. John estimated the current price for farmland at ten grand per acre. Meeting adjourned at 1859 hours.



Next Club Auction Plane



Here are photos of Larry Hein's Chinook Ultra-light model which Ed Morgan won in the 2011 Christmas raffle. Ed repaired the plane and updated most of the radio system components. He's flown it a couple of dozen times since then. It flies very well and handles like a trainer plane -- though it's not recommend for a beginner. It is not a trainer model. It has a 78" wingspan; 4-channel operation; powered by a Saito .50 Golden Knight 4-stroke glow-engine in excellent condition. This model comes ready to fly, except for transmitter and receiver.







Modeler's Corner

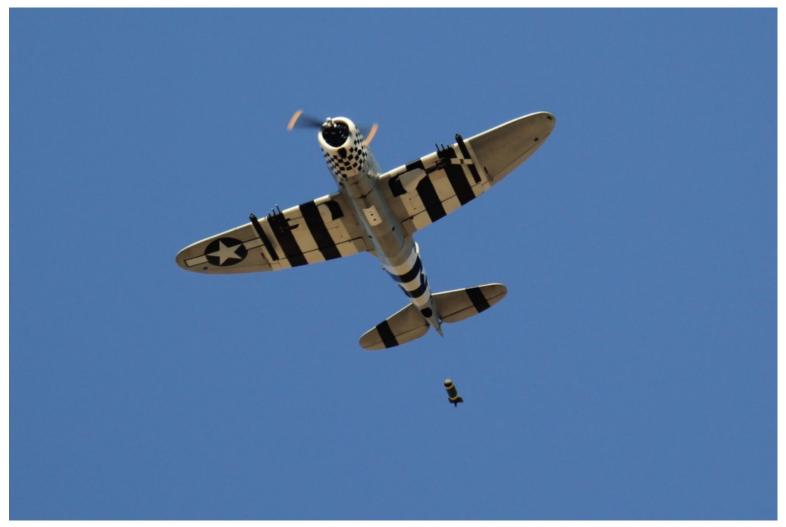
20+ years of dropping bombs, John Casey's legendary Top flight Gold Edition

In a perfectly timed photo, John's P-47D lets go of another egg at Rich Geertson's Old School RC Jamboree! Hundreds of flights OS 1.20FS for power, 16-6 master air-

screw, century jet retracts and struts. Vortac bomb release, wooden bomb turned on a lathe, coated in epoxy, fins made out of those credit cards we get in the mail almost every month.

Glassed with polyester resin, painted with Pactra flight aluminum, Black Baron epoxy white, and black for the stripes. Pilots head turns on a separate channel for taxi-in realism.

It's rare they last this long.....the expiration date is still lurking somewhere inside the model yet to be found.



My ACE Dick's Dream is DONE. Cox TD .020 and Mattel 1 ch. pulse proportional radio. BLAST FROM THE PAST!





"CHILLY N' CHILI"

1/1/2018











John Eaton took LOTS of great photos... they can be seen at our website: wdarc.org Go to PHOTOS and look for Chilly n Chili

If you are interested in bidding on the club auction plane, please send your bids to CBarton328@aol.com. Your bid will be part of a group bidding email. Each time the bid goes up, the group will be emailed and everyone will have an opportunity to adjust their bid. The bidding will commence at the release of this newsletter and continue until the March WDA club meeting, where any final bids can be submitted. At Show N Tell, the highest bidder will be awarded the aircraft!







The Annual Castle 2018 ~ Giant Scale Fly-In Hosted by the Central California Model Flyers

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYBODY! Wow how time flies. Incredible. Well consider this a SHOT ACROSS THE BOW. Castle is closing in fast. AMA sanction and insurance are in the approval process and dates are set for May 24-27. Same venue as last year with the large groups coming in on Wednesday. Registration will start 2nd week of February. As always you need to get ahold of Scott Malta to lock in your parking permits. Again this year all are required to show proof of AMA as well as FAA UAS numbers. I REPEAT, AMA and FAA UAS numbers and I.D. cards are required to fly your aircraft at castle. No exceptions. Otherwise "THERE'S THE GATE" and we all

know what that means. Also GATE HOURS this year: opens at 7am and closes at 10pm daily. Exceptions will be for the folks that stay for the night flying on Saturday eve. Aircraft to follow the old IMAA guidelines for size. Open flying after 5pm, but flight and line boss will still control the field. This year again if we have folks that bring out U-Control I will set aside a time for them to fly as well as large helicopters. Lets get some big choppers going. Last year was pretty cool. So dust off those big birds, cycle your batteries and oil up your landing gear. Castle Giant Scale Fun Fly 2018 is coming to town. Ho! Ho!

See you all very soon as well as see you at the AMA Expo on Saturday.



Chow baby, Rick Maida

p.s. I have been invited to give a quick presentation at the AMA Expo this year by the Warbirds West guys about the Castle Fly In.



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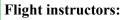
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