



Prez Sez: Afternoon everyone, Not much going on this month we had the early rain and now things have dried out with some hit and miss fog at the field.

We're into nomination season for club officers. We have all four officers up and it looks like two board positions this year. If you or someone you know has an interest in being part of the club management please feel free to nominate them at a club meeting. If you have questions on what a position entails please let me know and I can shed some light on that as well. We will be voting on those positions at the next club meeting on Saturday Dec 11th 10am at the field.

On a similar note as I leave as President I would encourage all the members of this club to look around at the people that keep this club running. The chair positions, officers and board members, the guys on the field crew, our contest directors. If you see them around the field give them a heartfelt thanks and a pat on the back. There is no one person that is indispensable to this club, but at the same time it takes a great team effort of many to keep things moving and operating for this club. I want to thank everyone around me in those positions that have helped me this year. Thank you all for everything you do!!!

Speaking of effort around the field and for the club, if you have points information to be turned in for renewal you can send that information direct into Stein as the club point's chair. You can also review on the club web site the cur-

Prez Sez

Board Meeting Minutes

General Meeting Minutes

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Modeler's Corner

Forrest Barton

Mike O'Kane

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Rich Geertson



The December General meeting will be held at the Club Field 10AM, Saturday Dec. 11th. Flying is closed during the meeting.

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rent accounting of points that are recorded.

I have been putting together the contest calendar for next year. I have listed the tentative schedule below, as some things are still in flux. One thing that is not is Chilly n' Chili. For those new to the club it is the "come out and fly rain or shine" event no matter the weather. We have been pretty blessed over the last several years with great weather on New Year's day; we'll see if that continues. The event is a pot-luck style so bring something with you: chili, corn bread, snacks, drinks, etc. This is one of my favorite events of the year as it's a great opportunity to see members and what they have been working on. Also a reminder that it's a great time to grab a friend and bring them along and introduce them to the field and the club. If you have questions on the event please let me know.

- **Jan 1st - John Hoppe's "Chilly n' Chili"**
- **April 1st-3rd - Jet Fly**
- **April 29th- May 1st - Float Fly**
- **May 12th-14th - Heli Scale Masters**
- **May 21st-22nd - Fred Burgdorf Pylon Race**
- **June 11th-12th - Open House & Swap Meet is (Sat Only)**
- **Aug 20th-21st - Goyet Stunt Classic**
- **Sept 2nd-4th - Wings of Victory**
- **Sept 24th-25th - Meet n' Meat**
- **Sept 24th-25th - Pattern Contest**
- **Sept 30th-Oct 2nd - Float Fly**



Please everyone continue to be considerate of others around you and their 6ft personal space. We all have different feelings and comfort levels when it comes to Covid.

As a reminder to everyone please pack out what you pack in. We do not have trash service at the field. So please take anything with you that you brought including crashed aircraft and the associated components.

In closing I want to thank everyone in the club for a great year around the field. We can all have our ups and downs, but I personally love this hobby and aviation and cherish the people it has introduced into my life. I want to wish you and your family a blessed and happy holiday season. Be safe and remember to appreciate your time with friends and family, that time is finite.

As always if anyone has questions or concerns please let me know.

I look forward to seeing you all around the field, *Forrest*

Board Members Meeting November 11, 2021 ZOOM meeting

Board Members present: John Eaton, Doug Barton, Jeff Lovitt, Chris Dillinger, Keith Young, Mike O'Kane and Danny white

Meeting was conducted via ZOOM on 11-11-21

Meeting called to order.

Discussion

- Membership is at 101
- John is checking with the Library to see if we can continue to hold meetings at the Leake room, info pending. No response from the County as of yet
- Plaques with Eut Tileston and Roy Holmes names were motioned, 2nd and approved
- Contest Calendar was discussed and the information of the discussion is posted in the General meeting minutes.
- Switching pumping service from Yolo Pumping to Area Portable Services due to billing issues. Agenda item for next December Board meeting.
- Current nominations listed in the General meeting minutes

Next Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday December 9th @ 7pm via zoom.

Meeting adjourned

General Members Meeting
November 13, 2021
Meeting location Burgdorf Henson Field

Board Members present: Forest Barton John Eaton, Mike O'Kane, Jeff Lovitt, Chris Dellinger, Keith Young, Doug Barton and Dan Winters.

Meeting called to order by Forrest Barton. Members present constitute a quorum

New Letter Meeting minutes reviewed, motion for approval, 2nd, and received a majority vote to pass.

Recognition of guests and new members, one present

Officer reports

President: Forest Barton comments throughout the meeting

V.P. position open @ present

Secretary: Mike O'Kane No secretary comments.

Treasury: Monthly income/expenses were \$400.00 income and \$396.00 expenses a \$4.00 gain

Membership: 101 membership cards have been issued.

Membership renewal is ongoing, John can accept PayPal utilizing Friends and relative's method. PayPal address is WDA2100@yahoo.com. Note: Membership work points will be applicable for the 2022 renewal.

Safety Chair: Interim Safety Chair is Mike O'Kane, appointment of new chair person was discussed and will be appointed by the next elected president.

Regarding safety when at the field, control of a model aircraft can be lost at any time for various reasons and a 1st flight of a new model can be exciting to say the least. Keep a heads up whenever an aircraft is in the sky, use a 2nd at the pilot flight line whenever possible. Be the vigilant safety eyes for quests young and old. To the pilot in command, should you begin having issues or all is not good from the moment you lift off let those around you know what is happening.

Your model should be the only aircraft in the sky for 1st flight. Fly safe and keep your head up.

Food events being considered need to be in line with County requirements.

All CO2 extinguishers in the RC Pit area have been inverted and shaken to prevent caking of the extinguishing agent, all pressures are nominal.

Field Chair: Please consider reaching out to Art if you want to assist with mowing and upkeep of the equipment.

There is currently no water available from Yolo County

News Letter: Rich Geertson is always looking for any article you care to see published please send to Rich's attention and mention the article is for inclusion in the NEWS Letter. Share your past or current build with the Club. Articles contributed for publication in the NEWS letter are the opinion of the contributor.

Points Chair: The point tally is current as of this meeting.

WEB Page: Kerry has the WEB current.

Old Business: Woodland Christian after school STEM program. Item closed and will be reopened when the school has a working plan.

This project has been postponed indefinitely due to Covid-19 issues.

New Business:

Roy Homes passed away on October 31st, a commemorative plaque with his name was approved by the Board at the last BOD meeting

A plaque was also approved for Eut Tileston at the last Board meeting.

Both members made significant contributions to the Club over the years

Event scheduling, contact Forrest Barton with the event and date request. Here is the lineup for events as of this writ-

ing:

- April 1, 2, and 3rd Float Fly Awaiting details from Randy. Deposit has reportedly been made for these dates more info to follow
- May 12, 13 and 14th Scale Helicopter Masters Thursday through Saturday Over the past ten years this event has contributed more than \$100,000.00 to Autism Speaks Thank you Gonzalo and all others who make this happen <http://helicopter-scale-masters.com/> RC Flight Line is closed for this event
- May 19, 20 and 21st Fred Burgdorf Memorial Pylon Race. Here is nice bio link re: Fred <https://www.modelaircraft.org/sites/default/files/BurgdorfFredH.pdf> Robert Holik is looking for volunteers to help with this event please give him a call. RC Flight Line is closed for this event
- June 11th and 12th Woodland/Davis Aeromodelers Open House and Swap Meet. Swap meet will be on Saturday only. Flying Field is open to all AMA members, campers are welcome though no hookups available, Proof of AMA membership must be available. Donations: If you would like to donate an item to the Club please contact Mike O'Kane, Keith Young or any Board Officer or Board member for approval. Please do not drop off any items until the Board has approved the donation. The Club will issue a Tax deductible Donation Letter for eligible donations. If you have something to sell bring it, swap meet not limited to Model aviation items, if it does not sell you have to take it with you when you leave.
- August 20st and 22nd. Goyet U-control event U-control circles are closed for this event
- September 2nd 3rd and 4th Wings of Victory: RC flight line is open during this event, confirmation pending
- September 24th and 25th, Meet and Meat U-control event U-control circles are closed for this event
- September 24th and 25th Pattern contest (to be confirmed) RC flight line is closed
- Float Fly Date to be determined
- October "Dawn Patrol" WWI fly-in; date to be determined

Nominations were opened.

Motion for Mike O'Kane as Secretary, 2nd made, nomination approved

Motion previously approved for Forrest Barton as the Vice President.

Motion previously approved for John Eaton as the treasurer.

Bill McGaughey nominated for Board position anticipated to be vacated by Jeff Lovitt's election as president, motion to accept nomination made, 2nd and approved by unanimous vote.

Dan Winters nomination approved for his current Board position.

This is the end of year Election meeting plan to attend and cast your vote

Work Party at Eut's Home Saturday the 20th 9:00am 1800 Carmela Drive Carmichael CA

Heavy yard work and clean debris from pool

Monthly Work parties have been re-established and will be held the Saturday following the General Club meeting. No additional work party schedules are anticipated for the remainder of 2021. The field is closed during work parties.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday December 9th at 7pm via ZOOM.

Next General Membership meeting is Saturday December 11th, 10:00a at the Field.

Information regarding use of the Yolo County Library access to the Leake room has not been received, if the room becomes available the Club meetings will resume on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm.

Check the WEB page for current location. Use of the Library is not anticipated.

Meeting adjourned.



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NEWSLETTER

December 1981

EDITOR, Bob Henson

Well, this is the first issue of the newsletter under the guidance of yours truly, Bob Henson. As Jim MacDonald said a while back, I didn't duck fast enough when my name came up for nomination! Not really, as I am looking forward to doing something productive (?) for the club. I hope it turns out that way. Let me know if you have any problems with the way this thing is handled.

To begin with, I'd like to thank Jim MacDonald for the last few years work on the newsletter, and, very importantly, thanks to Judy for the final typing and reproduction, as well as to the Rolf Fecht family for the mailing process. I think that I will find more work in this than I bargained for. Thankfully, Judy has offered to continue the final typing and reproduction. Without that help, I would be stuck.

I suppose the next thing in order is the list of the newly elected officers for the coming year:

President.....John Eaton	Head Instructor.....Jim MacDonald
Vice President.....Ed Morgan	City Liaison.....Larry Hein
Sec./Treasurer.....Gary Darby	New Member Chair.....Lee Helsel
Field Chair.....Arch Pittenger	Board of Directors.....Ken Hook

As these folks were willing to give their time, it is important that all of you give them a hand, as needed. They weren't elected to do all the work that each office requires, but to guide the club, handle the funds, fix the field, etc., with your assistance. That also includes submitting an occasional article to the newsletter editor so that this just doesn't become a monthly paper reflecting my opinions. I would like each newly elected officer to send me an article each month covering their respective responsibilities. If I can have it no later than two weeks prior to the end of each month it would be appreciated.

To start this off, Jim MacDonald has offered to provide the first article for publication:

Flight Instruction Program (article prepared by Jim MacDonald) -- The following people are listed on our books as flight instructors: Fred Adler, Sam Bass, Doug Barton, Gordon Berletich, John Farkas, Rolf Fecht, Larry Hein, Lee Helsel, Ken Hook, Jerry Moorman, Al Pencin, Walt Price, Gary Schroeder, Eut Tileston, Miles Treaster, and yours truly, Jim MacDonald.

I would like to do all I can over the next year to organize and rev up our instruction program. It's an important service provided by our club, and in some respects, has not been as effective as it should. I want to call a meeting of the flight instructors to discuss ways in which this can be accomplished. I have talked briefly to a few people, and some of the suggestions I've received so far are: Add more names to the list; delete names of people who are unable to participate; have instructors wear orange hats (so people know who at the field is supposed to help them); prepare a duty roster and assign instructors specific weekends to be at the field; assign specific instructors (on a rotational basis) to help new members from their first flight to their eventual check-off; and offer workshops on engine break-in and tuning, radio installation, control rods, hinging, etc.

All these ideas have merit and need discussion. Our club needs an active, interested core of people who are willing to sacrifice some of their own time to help newcomers get started. I believe we have those people, we just need to get them organized.

Thursday, I'd like to schedule a meeting of all the club instructors for Tuesday, January 26, at 7:30 PM. The meeting will be at my house (856 Burr St., Davis). If possible, the club officers should also attend, so we can have their ideas and opinions as well. All the instructors who are interested and feel they can participate in instructional activities over the next year should plan to attend that meeting or contact me by phone (756-6849) to let me know.

December Potluck (article prepared by Jim MacDonald) -- Our 4th Annual December Potluck was hosted this year by Doug & Christie Barton. It was well attended and a lot of fun. Joy Eaton suggested that, as our new First Lady, the club should consider remodeling their home and buying them a new set of China. John "The Shark" Eaton took great delight in drubbing Gary Darby at pool. Gordon Berletich did pretty well at the pool table also--until he started drinking "Shake-'em Ups." Then he had a

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hard time getting that big long stick to hit that little white ball. Doug Barton amazed everyone with his talent at the piano--until we realized it was a player piano. Then Lee Helsel moved in to show how the piano was played for real, and entertained everyone with some humorous ditties about cows and hunters. The company was excellent, the food superb, and everyone's awaiting the 5th Annual. Next is a highly requested recipe from the potluck.

Pumpkin Roll Sherry Berletich

Beat 3 eggs on high speed 5 minutes. Add 1 cup sugar gradually, 2/3 cup pumpkin, and 1 tsp. lemon juice. Set aside.

Stir together: 3/4 C flour
1 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. ginger
1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1/2 tsp. salt

Fold into pumpkin mixture.

Spread into greased & floured cookie sheet 15"x10". Top with 1 cup finely chopped nuts. Bake at 375° for 15 min. Turn out onto towel sprinkled with powdered sugar. Start at narrow edge--roll towel and cake together. Cool. Unroll & spread filling:

1 C powdered sugar
2-3 oz. pkg. of cream cheese
4 T margarine
1/2 tsp. vanilla

ROLL & CHILL.

I guess it is appropriate to comment at this time about the two-day garage sale we had at Ken Hook's house in Woodland on Dec. 12 & 13. All in all, it was a real success. In round figures, we made somewhere near seven hundred dollars. The field fund is getting there. Many thanks to all the members that helped set up, take down, assist customers, and generally keep watch on things. And, a special thanks to Susie Hook for supplying all the real neat food, including hot coffee and some of the best hot rolls I have had in a long time! Following the first day of the sale, on Dec. 12, the group, plus lots of others, split for the pot luck. We may not only have the best model club around, but the chubbiest, if this sort of thing keeps going on!

Speaking of the field fund, while I realize this is the province of the Field Chair, Arch Pittinger, it is time we started to plan for the coming year, as to what we intend to do on the field. It is getting weed-grown, and we need to get the slat roof on the new sunshade addition before too late in the year. It does also need a general clean-up before too long, as, with the good weather we will be using it more, and we will be attracting the general public on occasion. Perhaps Arch will be putting some plans together that we can review.

I might take this opportunity to remind those of you that haven't already done so to get your dues to the club, and to AMA paid as soon as possible. And, how about your FCC license? Do you have one yet? Is your current one about to expire? All these little things seem to be a pain, but they are important to our existence, and they don't really take any effort to speak of.

As I haven't had any input this month, except for Jim's articles, I would like to use space for some things we have run across that all of you might want to take advantage of. This happens to be sources of scale documentation. For instance, Hal Osborn Scale Plans has some really good

large three-views, and some excellent model construction plans available. A lot of these are for lesser known craft, both modern and antique. Most of his three-views are one-half inch to the foot, or larger. We picked up a few several days back, and they are the finest I have seen. Hal advertises mostly in R/C Scale Modeler. Send a stamped, addressed envelope for his plans list, along with a quarter. If you want a really large list of scale drawings, photos, etc., send two dollars to Morrison Repla-Tech in Vida, Oregon. I don't know how many hundred drawings he offers, by himself, Bjorn Karlstrom, and Hirsch (who specializes in racing planes). Another source is Collect-Air Photos, P.O. Box 14234, Milwaukee, WI 53214. A really good source of photos for Antiques, War Birds, Business, Classics, etc. And at a very reasonable price. He even offers a set of photos for the Breezy! I didn't think there was enough framework there to reflect enough light to show on film! There are a lot of other sources that we haven't had a chance to try out yet. If you find something you think others might be interested in, please let me know, and I will pass it on in the next available issue.

I suppose it is appropriate at a time like this to wish everyone a Happy New Year. Along with that, I would like to remind you of something I am sure we all really know, but seldom think of:

And that is; how come a lot of us get out to the field on such a regular basis, either to fly, or help fix up, or to just socialize? Is it because we have made sure that all the chores around the house are done during the week? Is it because there is nothing to do, in the first place? Is it because we don't care whether anything gets done at all? Or, is it really because there is someone at home who does the chores, like mowing the lawn, cleaning the garage, taking out the garbage, washing the windows, so you and I can have extra time to build and fly? Who takes care of the children while you attend a club meeting? Who comes out to the field to offer moral support when you are trying out the new model for the first time? Who would sometimes wish you would perhaps spend a little more time with her, instead of building in the workshop, but doesn't complain because she knows it is important to you to get it finished in time for the contest, fun-fly, or just to show off this weekend? Take a minute to think of the support you were given, the encouragement, the little extra free time to indulge yourself in this hobby. This club doesn't exist just because you and I go out and fly, fix up, or socialize. It exists also because of that other person who cares for you, and cares that you enjoy what you are doing.

I suppose that most of you know that the Berletich family is leaving the day after the club meeting, having been assigned to a post in Texas. We will sorely miss Gordon and Sherry, their activity in the club, and just because they have been very good friends. We know Gordon will do well, particularly if he remembers that, on the B-52, as well as other aircraft, the aileron and/or spoiler moves UP when you move the stick toward THAT wing! Seriously, our best wishes to Gordon and the family. It has been a pleasure to have you with us.

And finally, a reminder that the next club meeting is Thursday, January 7th, 7:30 pm.

The best of everything to all for 1982. I hope you have as many good memories as I, and as many good friends.

Bob



Modeler's Corner

As I have stated in the past, If I don't receive any articles for the newsletter, I will write about things that interest me... I am hopeful they interest or inspire you.

After a really stupid landing with the Skyrocket, the right wing sustained some damage. By "stupid" I mean that I slowed the airplane too much and stalled it onto the runway. Full disclosure? When I get nervous, my piloting skills go OUT THE WINDOW. And I can't even tell you WHY I was so nervous, this being the second flight of the day? ...the first being perfectly successful.

IF I had to guess, it was that ugly touch-n-go performed during flight #2 in which I almost lost the plane. That shook me up such that when it came time to land, my brain was pretty well short-circuited, leading to a terminal case of DUMB THUMBS! So WHY the dicey touch-n-go?

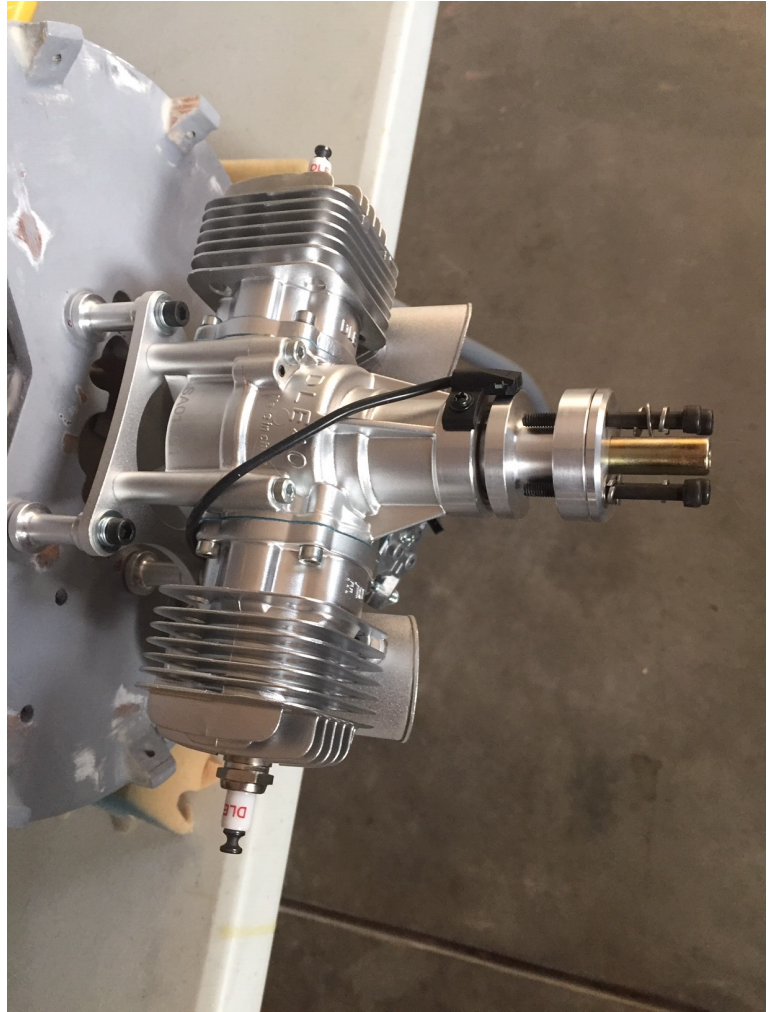
I finally realized that asymmetrical engine thrust was rendering ground handling a nightmare! Actually, John Casey pointed this out and recommended a rudder gyro, which I have since added. When set to Heading Hold, ground handling has improved dramatically. The gyro can compensate for uneven engine thrust much sooner than I can and take-offs are now nearly arrow straight... dittos touch-n-goes! In the air, the Skyrocket does not require a gyro to handle well.

The cold weather and work have conspired to prolong my wing repairs, but as of this writing, I'm ready for one last light coat of primer, a light wet sanding with 600 grit, then the application of yellow paint.

NOTICE both the grey and white primers (and rust colored spot putty) on the wing. You may have your own methods of priming and painting, but what I like to do is first apply Dupli-color GREY primer. For GAS airplanes (that do not require fuel proofing against glow fuel), I am SOLD on Dupli-color primers and paints. The grey is a thicker primer that fills imperfections. After sanding the grey primer, I then apply Dupli-color WHITE primer. The white is a thinner solution with not much ability to fill, but great for revealing minor surface flaws. When final sanding the white primer, I can easily see when I have sanded through the white to the grey, which gives me a gauge on how much to continue sanding. The system seems to work and Dupli-color paints go on very well, are very opaque (good coverage), and the rattle cans come with a spray tip that is superior to what you will find on Rustoleum and Krylon paints. You can find Dupli-Color paints at auto parts stores.



You may have noticed in the first picture that the engine nacelle is no longer sporting an O.S. GT 33 gasser... After battling two issues with the engines, I elected to replace them with two DLE 40cc twins. While the O.S. gassers are good running, high quality engines, I found the vibration of two single cylinder engines to be excessive, creating a constant cowl mounting problem. The other issue is their 2,000 rpm idle. The O.S. engine specs DO indicate an operating range of 2,000 to 15,000 rpm, but that idle speed results in the airplane constantly rolling on the runway; it would not sit still prior to take-off. I am hopeful the DLE twins, with a 1,500 idle spec, will RESOLVE both issues.



As much as I have tried avoid buying Chinese products, there simply was no comparable alternative offered by any of the other engine companies. That said, I must admit that these little DLE twins are GORGEOUS! The fit and finish is second to none. IF they run as good as they look, this should be a great upgrade to the aircraft. I am also hoping the engines will have what it takes to spin the Biela 18x10 3-blade props, as the O.S. 33's did not. I also spoke with a modeler who attempted to run this same prop on a DLE 35cc single, and he felt it was too much prop.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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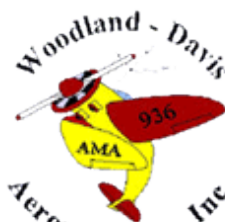
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