

January 3rd

La Romeria Park

7:30pm

Message from the President

Wow, 2018 already! Hard to believe we flew through the holidays so quickly. I hope everyone had a very enjoyable holiday season with friends and family.

At the December meeting, those in attendance agreed As me to maintain the Entradero fee structure. Please the Dec contact Don and renew your club and field fee str applications. Don often has the paperwork at the meetings, or you can print it off our website.

The club officers for the upcoming year will be myself, John Spielman (Vice President), Don Rohweller (Secretary),

Chris Newton (Newletter), Treasurer is open. If you would like to support the club by volunteering some of your time, please let us know. Also, I would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to the club in 2017.

The <u>AMA Expo</u> is this coming weekend, January 5th through the 7th. The last few years the emphasis has been on multi-rotors with some FPV and foam electrics thrown in. It is always interesting to talk to

the major vendors to see what direction the hobby is going.

Bob Okita is a long time member of **Del Cerro** PSF and a constant tinkerer. Bob's

interests include sailplanes, electrics, multi-rotors, FPV and everything in between. Bob volunteers with the robotics' lab at one of the local high schools and his interests provide a constant source of inspiration to the students. At the December meeting, Bob stated that he had showed a video to the students of discus hand launch gliders being flown. Their interest was high enough for Bob to pursue developing a low cost DHL that the students could build themselves. A photo is included of the plane that resulted from Bob's efforts. I don't know if it has yet been discus launched. Hopefully, we will get a flight report at the next meeting.

As mentioned above, the members in attendance at the December meeting agreed to continue the current fee structure at Entradero Park for 2018. One of the issues that has reduced the number of members flying

> at Entradero is that some ex-PSF members have not rejoined the club and are flying off the service road at the park. Apparently, some of the 8-10 guys that fly off the road have the West Torrance Little League gate combination. The City is

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working to correct this. In the mean time, please be non-confrontational with these guys when you fly at the park and encourage them to join the club.

Please contact a club officer if there are any issues with gate or field access. Remember that only club officers can distribute the combinations to club members.

There will not be a Fun-Fly at Entradero Park in the

month of January. This month's Fun Fly at Del Cerro will be held Saturday, January 6th. Guys usually start arriving between 12:00 and 1:00. The forecast for the weekend is

for light winds to 8 mph out of the west-southwest. If the weather holds, this should be very flyable. Keep an eye on the weather, as it may change by the weekend.

I hope to see you at the meeting, the fields or, maybe, the AMA Expo. Don't forget to renew your Peninsula Silent Flyers membership.

> All the best, Jeff

<u>Upcoming Fun-Flys</u> Del Cerro January 6th Entradero *None*

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Hot Air

Bob Okita's DLG

"Well here's the dollar tree foam board hand launch glider that I propose the Compton students build. It uses DTFB for the wings (modified Ag03 airfoil). 3/32 balsa tail, carbon shaft fuselage (arrow or fishing tube), \$3 dollar servos and \$10 receiver. Total weight is 5oz. So far, it glides very well. Will find out what happens with a discus launch."

-Bob



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January Modeling Meets in California

1/13/2018 - 1/14/2018 -- Thermal, CA (C) 6TH ANNUAL DESERT WARBIRDS FUN FLY. Site: Canal Regional Park. Alan Williamson CD PH: Email: awilliamson@emc.org. Visit: cvrcclub.com. Sanction #18/49. 2 Days of great flying! Awards for top 3 places in WWI, WWII, and post WWII, plus People's Choice. Food, raffles, and vintage full scale flybys scheduled. RV's/dry camping ok. Grab your Warbirds and join us! Sponsor: COACHELLA VALLEY RC CLUB

1/20/2018 - 1/21/2018 -- Long Beach, CA (A) 9TH ANNUAL JOHN ERICKSON MEMORIAL DLG CONTEST. Site: El Dorado Regional Park. Lex Mierop CD PH: Email: dlgdude@gmail.com. Sanction #18/366. Sponsor: THOUSAND OAKS SOARING SOCIETY T.O.S.S

1/20/2018 -- Perris, CA (C) 2018 HAGGART BOWDEN CONTEST. Site: Club Field. Michael Myers CD PH: 818/241-9154 Email: mikemyersgln@charter.net. Sanction #18/309. Sponsor: SO ALA CNTY RADIO CONTROLLERS INC

1/27/2018 -- Lake Balboa, CA (C) FUN FLY. Site: Apollo XI Field. Robert Smith CD PH: 661-609-2730 Email: bobthesmith2003@yahoo.com. Visit: valleyflyers.club. Sanction #18/315. 1st Valley Flyer event of the new year, Good time to renew at the 'free for Valley Flyer member' event of 2018! Contact Bob Smith for further info. Lunch will be served at a nominal fee.

January is membership renewal time. Please renew at the monthly meeting or download the membership packet from our <u>website</u>. Thanks!