

Hot Air



Message from the President

July 2021

Hi, everyone! I hope you had a great Fourth of July weekend and were able to get out and fly a plane.

The City of Torrance still hasn't authorized the use of the various community centers for public meetings. The City has also not set a target date for allowing the meeting rooms use. Therefore, we will not be meeting this month.

There are a few places folks have been flying around the area that provide additional options for flying when Del Cerro or Entradero are unavailable. There is a little used park in RPV called Friendship Park overlooking the Harbor and San Pedro. There is a lot of area in this park which provides park flyer and glider opportunities. A second RPV site which used to be called Three Towers is available. The hiking trail has been improved which provides better access. Good glider flying is available when the wind is out of the southwest or south. The third site is in Carson near the CAMS High School and Dominguez Hills sites. Guys have been flying all sorts of planes off the unimproved field near the school. Contact me if you want more details.

You've probably heard that the FAA is requiring a TRUST Test for folks flying RC multi-rotors and other aircraft. The AMA is deeply involved in this and you should have received a notification with information on this test and its requirements. If you'd like further information, go to the [AMA site](#).

Additionally, the videos on the [Drone Valley](#) YouTube channel are very informative and cut-to-the-chase to provide clear information.

There are not a lot of events occurring in California

this month, due to the heat. If you do attend an event or get out to the fields, please consider taking some photos and sharing what you are up to. You can find the [AMA-sanctioned events](#) for July on the AMA site.

I decided to brave the heat and head out to the Planes of Fame (PoF) Museum on Saturday, July 3rd. I'm a sucker for big, powerful radial and straight WWII aircraft. PoF flies many of their restored aircraft, which is rare to say the least. Many of the aircraft at the museum (there are a lot of them) are one-of-a-kind or historically significant. Once a month, they roll an aircraft out and fly it. This month, they flew their F4U Corsair. I've included a bunch of photos of the Corsair.

There are many aircraft at the museum and the hangars are packed. Additionally, there are aircraft stored outside. It is really interesting to see aircraft undergoing maintenance, repair or restoration. I would highly recommend heading out to the museum to see the collection. The annual PoF air show has been moved to October, which should be cooler than in past years. A bunch of aircraft will fly at the show and I plan to be there. You can find more details at the [PoF website](#).

Baseball is being played on all of the fields at Entradero Park. Games and practices are usually in the afternoons and on the weekends. Please remember that we do not fly if there are organized baseball activities underway on any of the fields at the park.

If you are new to flying at Entradero Park, you will need to fill out the City of Torrance release of liability form for COVID-19. If you have previously

Next Meeting
No meeting in July

Upcoming Fun-Flys
Del Cerro July 10th
Entradero None



submitted the form, you do not need to fill out the form a second time.

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. The gate combinations changed a couple of months ago, so contact a club officer if you need them.

Saturday, July 10th, is our scheduled Fun Fly at Del Cerro Park. The long range forecast is for southwest winds of 12 miles per hour. The hill should be flyable. Temperatures are predicted to be in the upper 70's and sunny. With these temps, there

should be thermals working over the lower areas. Bring sunscreen if you head up to the hill. Guys usually show up between 11:00 and noon.

It is not too late to get your membership package submitted for 2021, if you haven't done so. You can find the membership package on the [PSF website](#).

Enjoy the fields, snap a few photos and share them with one of the club officers so we can share them with your fellow members in an upcoming newsletter.

All the best,
Jeff

Jeff's Visit to the Planes of Fame Museum



NOTICE: Parking at Del Cerro

Rancho Palos Verdes has initiated a new parking reservation system for Del Cerro Park. You can find all the details at the [RPV website](#).

All of Jeff's photos from his visit to the museum can be found on our [website](#).