

Hot Air



Message from the President

November 2021

After over 20 months, we will be able to have meetings at the La Romeria Park community room. Our first meeting will be December 1st at 7:30 PM. A big "thank you" to Don Rohweller, our PSF secretary, for working with the A.M.A. to get the proof of insurance documentation required by the City of Torrance. Bring a model or two to the December meeting for show-and-tell and get reacquainted with your fellow members. The City is requiring everyone in attendance to wear a mask indoors.

Next Meeting

No meeting in November

As we approach the end of the year, please consider supporting the club as a club officer. We need to restart the club after 20 months apart and some new blood would be helpful. Please let John, Don and Chris know that you appreciate what they do to keep the club going. Even during COVID, they have been active, dealing with the AMA to keep our charter current, working with the cities of Rancho Palos Verdes and Torrance, and publishing the club newsletter. Thanks, guys, for all of your work to keep the club alive.

Upcoming Fun-Flys

Del Cerro 11/6
Entradero None

It's time to start the A.M.A. and PSF renewal process for 2022. Don will be pulling together the PSF paperwork and is always willing to help if you have any questions or want to submit the forms yourself. They can be found on our [website](#).

The Planes of Fame Museum in Chino has a pretty neat event occurring November 20th. A de Havilland Mosquito will be visiting the museum and will be available for inspection, and a flight demonstration. This is a pretty rare bird and one that is not seen locally very often. I'm definitely going to be there. More information can be found on their [website](#).

There are some interesting AMA sanctioned events

scheduled in California for November. There appears to be something for just about everyone. Consider sharing photographs and your impressions in our newsletter, if you attend one of these events. Here's the [schedule](#).

The rain we recently received has put a little water in the pond at Entradero Park. The duck and geese population has suddenly increased three-fold, even though there is hardly enough water to float a small duck. Regardless, I was flying my Cermak YAK 54 at the park when a flight of a dozen geese entered the pattern for a landing. Chaos ensued with me yanking the sticks and birds going everywhere. No damage done and the incident was sure good for a laugh.

Guys have been flying Monday and Friday mornings at Entradero. I've been heading over when I have time, but on no regular schedule. The park is wide-open weekday mornings. 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 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. Contact a club officer if you need them.

The Del Cerro parking situation continues to evolve. I suggest check the Rancho Palos Verdes website regularly for changes to the parking policy. John Gil-Gomez let me know that the City of RPV no longer requires RPV parking permit holders to reserve a slot the day before. The rest of us need to



reserve a slot and pay the fee or park in the free zones and walk to the park.

The parking congestion and trail usage at Del Cerro has really lightened up. This is what the City and local residents were hoping for. However, the City is now concerned that so few people are paying the parking fees that the online reservation system won't pay for itself. I would expect more changes to come.

We will be having a Fun-Fly at Del Cerro this Saturday, November 6th. Guys start showing up around noon this time of year. Winds are predicted to be out of the southwest at 9 mph. This should be

very flyable for planes with lighter wing loadings.

Remember to make plans to attend the December meeting at La Romeria Park, Wednesday the 1st at 7:30 PM.

Please consider writing an article for the newsletter and sharing some photographs of what you are up to.

Enjoy the fields. Stay safe.

All the best,
Jeff

