



SOAR SPOTS

Newsletter of the Pasadena Soaring Society

Academy of Model Aeronautics

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Quick Monthly PSS Schedule -

January 15th - Monthly Contest (Saturday)

January 22nd - Annual Banquet at Beckham Place

President's Report by Richard Burns

I would like to open the first PSS newsletter of the new millennium by wishing you all a Happy New Year and hope this new century finds you and your family in good health with lots of disposable cash and time to spend on soaring!

There has been a lot of preparation to get this new season of Rose Bowl soaring off the ground. So, here is a brief rundown on what's going on behind the scenes. To bring you another exciting year as a member (Hopeful, a paid dues member) of PSS - The permit committee (me) has finished meticulously going over every remaining available date at area H for the coming year after having researched UCLA, Galaxy, Rose Bowl special events, and AYSO schedules. This was made more difficult by the failure to come to pass of the widely rumored theory that soccer balls across the globe would deflate at the stroke of midnight January 1st, 2000.

Our first contest will be held on Saturday January 15th, at 9:00 am. The remaining (planning) schedule can be found later in this newsletter.

The banquet committee (me) has set up what is going to truly be a great club awards banquet. It will be held on January 22, 2000 at Beckham's Place. The menu consists of a choice of Prime Rib, Chicken or Fish dinner entrees. The complete menu, (down to the dessert) was published in the December newsletter. If you are attending (and I can't imagine why not!) I need you to call me (626) 857-0024 and leave your name, number attending, and choice of entree on my answering machine. I have to turn in an exact entree count by January 18th. The price is only \$20.00 per person! I'm asking that everyone bring any old pictures of club members / events. Frank Leppla will hopefully bring his collection of every club newsletter ever written. It promises to be a memorable evening.

The field contract committee (me) meets with Pasadena city officials on January 7th to negotiate our contract and fees (yes, we pay to use the field) for the next two years. Keep your fingers crossed and hold your breath until this one is over.

The 2-day committee (me-again) has secured a date for this year's 2-day. It will be held April 29th and 30th, 2000. So mark your calendars. An entry form should be ready by the next newsletter. The club generator is up and running (I wish I could say the same for the club trainer!) Dave Schwienger is perfecting our winch limiter (Keep your toes crossed!) And yes, there will be T-shirts this year at our Two-Day Contest (Right Pat?).

A lot of work has been done and there's a lot left to do. One person can't (or shouldn't) do it all. Our investment in this club doesn't end when you pay your twenty bucks!

Contest Schedule for 2000 - Typical 9:00 am start time unless noted. Those dates with a 10:00AM start time means that there is a big event at the Rose Bowl on the day or night before. The SCSC date has not been determined but will fall on one of these dates.

Jan 15th (Sat)	Jul 23
Feb 20	Jul 30
Feb 27	Aug 20
Mar 19 (10:00 am)	Sep 17 (10:00 am)
Apr 16	Oct 22 (10:00 am)
May 21	Oct 29
Jun 18	Nov 19 (10:00 am)
Jul 16 (10:00 am)	Dec 17

2nd Vice President's Report by David Farless

The first meeting of the new year will be on Monday, February 21. For the next few months we are going to try a "door prize" kind of give-away rather than our usual raffle. Everyone at the meeting will have an equal chance at the "grand prize". Selection of the winner may be by a simple drawing or it may be tied to the outcome of a contest, the main ingredient of which is luck, not skill. At each meeting there will be a standard prize of a top-line wing-type servo (something we can all use). There will also be other prizes of lesser or greater value, but the servos will always be there. So, come on out and support YOUR club.

We promise to keep the meetings short and to the point. They will start at 7:30 PM sharp with a discussion of recent news items and a contest report. The business meeting will begin at 7:45 PM and will be over by 8:15 PM. The program will run from 30 to 45 minutes, so we will be done by 9:00 PM at the latest.

The program for February will include a short video on flying in Hawaii, including some soaring (full scale) on the North Shore of Oahu.

Dues are Due -

Twenty dollars will get you one full year of fun and entertainment and an opportunity to be with one of the nicest groups of people around. The older and younger junior members get the same privileges for a mere \$10. Fill out the following and send your check to Al Zimmerman at 1328 Branta Drive, Glendale, CA 91208

 Name _____ AMA # _____

Street Address _____ LSF # _____

City, State and ZIP _____ LSF Level _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email Address _____

Are you an Master, Expert, Sportsman, or Novice Flyer? _____

December 19, 1999 Contest Results

Place	Name	Event	Club	RND1	RND2	RND3	RND4	TOTAL	NORMAL	TROPHY
1	JOHN RODGERS	MASTER	PSS	992.2	1311.5	888.1	781.6	3973.4	1000.0	1ST EXPERT
2	JOHN ERICKSON	MASTER	SCSA	983.5	993.4	861.2	1122.7	3960.7	996.8	2ND EXPERT
3	KEITH KINDRICK	MASTER	PSS	982.9	969.6	832.9	1171.7	3957.2	995.9	3RD EXPERT
4	PHILLIP HALLFORD	MASTER	PSS	981.7	1042.9	1284.0	644.4	3952.9	994.8	
5	KEN DILLON	MASTER	SWSA	977.7	1255.3	1279.7	435.8	3948.6	993.7	
6	TONI STARK	MASTER	PSS	972.2	841.9	1271.2	834.6	3919.9	986.5	
7	MIKE RATNER	EXPERT	PSS	981.4	1297.6	1192.8	427.0	3898.8	981.2	
8	PETER STAIRS	EXPERT	PSS	955.9	1147.4	1092.5	689.4	3885.3	977.8	
9	ARTHUR MC NAMEE	MASTER	TOSS	987.2	1037.4	951.5	880.7	3856.8	970.6	
10	JIMMY WILLIAMS	MASTER	SWSA	954.9	1291.5	548.9	1045.3	3840.5	966.5	
11	RICHARD BURNS	MASTER	PSS	978.7	795.4	730.6	1299.0	3803.8	957.3	
12	NOWELL SIEGEL	EXPERT	PSS	968.6	980.7	528.0	1234.0	3711.3	934.0	
13	GREG NORSWORTHY	EXPERT	PSS	982.2	706.5	805.8	1150.6	3645.1	917.4	
14	DAVID BUTKOVICH	EXPERT	PSS	950.2	1032.6	596.1	943.1	3521.9	886.4	
15	EBER GRAHAM	MASTER	SWSA	987.2	821.3	864.2	725.7	3398.4	855.3	
16	ALBERT FUNFSTUCK	MASTER	SWSA	981.7	430.1	769.6	1021.5	3203.0	806.1	
17	FRANK LEPLA	EXPERT	PSS	965.6	670.2	778.4	735.5	3149.8	792.7	
18	GEORGE KOSTOPOULOS	SPORTSMAN	PSS	944.7	434.5	364.9	753.9	2497.9	628.7	1ST SPORT
19	DAVE SCHWENINGER	SPORTSMAN	PSS	944.2	512.9	556.8	0.0	2013.9	506.8	
20	PETER ILLSLEY	NOVICE	PSS	770.6	382.8	298.2	337.8	1789.3	450.3	
21	DAVID FARLESS	EXPERT	PSS	902.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	902.5	227.1	

COME TO THE BANQUET

A NEW MULTIPLEX RADIO WILL BE GIVEN AWAY

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL