



SOAR SPOTS

Newsletter of the Pasadena Soaring Society

Academy of Model Aeronautics

Chartered Club #1138

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ACTING President's Message by Dave Farless

Next Meeting: - Please make every effort attend this important meeting!

You may have noticed that the current board is made up of *acting* members. This is because we have not been able to get enough Club members together to have an official election. We will make one more attempt to hold an election at this month's Club meeting. The meeting is at the usual time and place:

Monday March 17, 2003 at 7:30PM
Conference Room 7L
Kaiser Permanente Offices
393 East Walnut, Pasadena, CA

Enter parking garage off Los Robles, just north of Walnut. Push the button at the gate and tell the guard you are going to a meeting in the 7th floor conference room.

Aside from electing a Board of Directors, we need to make some hard decisions about the future of our Club. It is getting harder and more expensive to get the use of Area H at the Rose Bowl so we are looking at other alternatives for flying sites. We also must decide if we really have a viable club! Here is an issue where you can vote with your feet. If no one shows up at this meeting (other than the "group of six" who have been at the last three meeting) then the answer will be apparent.

The next Contest:

We will have another *Casual Contest & Fun Fly* on **Sunday, March 16, 2003**. The contest will begin at 9:00 AM and should be over by Noon. Events and classes will be announced at the Pilot's Meeting. There will be donuts before the contest, cold drinks during the contest, and some hotdogs and chips, afterwards. No entry fees again this month.

We had a good turn-out last month with many visitors from other clubs. Everyone had a good time with lots of flying and talking. So, come on out and support your local Club.

The Future:

We now have a formal contract with the City of Pasadena for the use of Area H for the first 6 months of 2003. The schedule of dates from this contract is shown below, including the cost to PSS for use of the field.

Pasadena Soaring Society Contest Schedule Request: Winter

Event Times

Event	Date	Day	Event Times				Total Hours	Cost
			Arrival Time	Event Begin	Event End	Departure Time		\$38 /hr
Monthly Club Contest *	16-Feb-03	Sunday	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	5.5	\$209
Monthly Club Contest *	16-Mar-03	Sunday	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	5.5	\$209
Rose Bowl Soaring Festival *	19-Apr-03	Saturday	6:00 AM	8:30 AM	4:00 PM	5:30 PM	11.5	\$437
Rose Bowl Soaring Festival *	20-Apr-03	Sunday	6:00 AM	8:30 AM	4:00 PM	5:30 PM	11.5	\$437
Monthly Club Contest *	18-May-03	Sunday	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	5.5	\$209
So. Cal. Regional Contest **	22-Jun-03	Sunday	7:00 AM	8:30 AM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	10.0	\$380

* All of Area H

** Area H, Fields 2,3, 5, 6, and 9. Other fields are in maintenance.

\$1,881

Notice that the contracted cost to the Club for the 6 dates on Area H is \$1,881!! When I negotiated this contract, I asked for all I could get, assuming that we might want to run a 2-Day and an SC². So, we have three dates here where I asked for the field for the full day, driving up the cost. However, we obviously don't have the Club support necessary to run these large contests, so I intend to re-negotiate the contact asking for shorter times. This should reduce the cost for 6 months to about \$1250. If you have a different idea about what should be done with this schedule, *come to the March meeting and speak up!*

Flying Field Alternatives:

Toni Stark has been working with the Army Corps of Engineers to try to define some usable flying areas within their flood control jurisdictions in LA County. Toni is particularly interested in a region above Santa Fe Dam (Irwindale/Duarte) near where Fish Canyon exits the mountains. He and I met at that site with Phillip Serpa from the Corps to discuss this area. Mr. Serpa is the "Outdoor Recreation Planner" for the LA Region of the Army Corps of Engineers. He showed interest in our needs and promised to look into the status of the area. He also said that he would look at other regions in the County with our needs in mind. Toni is still working on this and will report at the March meeting. If you have any ideas about possible flying sites, please don't wait for the meeting. Contact one of the *Acting* Board members with your idea.

(SC)² & Other Contests:

The table below lists the known contests in the Southern California region this year. These are mostly (SC)² contests, but not all. The first of these is at Poway, north of San Diego, later this month. Go to the (SC)² web site to find directions and other particulars for these contests at www.sc-2.org/index.htm

Southern California Soaring Clubs Contest Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Club</u>
March 30	Poway	Torrey Pine Gulls #1 - TPG
April 27	Covina	Silent Wings Soaring Society - SWSA
May 18	Long Beach	El Dorado Silent Fliers - EDSF
June 29	Poway	Torrey Pine Gulls #2 - TPG
August 24	Thousand Oaks	Thousand Oaks Soaring Society - TOSS
September 28	Perris	Inland Soaring Society - ISS
October 26	Costa Mesa	Harbor Soaring Society - HSS

Some other contests:

<u>Date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Club</u>
May 17-18	Visalia	CVRC Bent Wing Contest
June 7-8	Poway	International Hand Launch Contest
Oct 4-5	Visalia	CVRC Fall Soaring Festival

PSS MONTHLY CONTEST RESULTS 2/16/2003

OPEN CLASS

Place	Name	Club	RND1	RND2	RND3	RND4	TOTAL	NORMAL
1	KEITH KINDRICK	PSS	198.0	318.0	428.0	560.0	1504.0	1000.0
2	ALEXANDER EREMENKO	PSS	200.0	310.0	430.0	560.0	1500.0	997.3
3	RICHARD BURNS	PSS	200.0	309.0	430.0	560.0	1499.0	996.7
4	MIKE REAGAN	PSS	200.0	319.0	418.0	558.0	1495.0	994.0
5	JOE NAVE	PSS	187.0	315.0	438.0	536.0	1476.0	981.4
6	LOWELL NORENBURG	SCSA	194.0	300.0	423.0	556.0	1473.0	979.4
7	JERRY MILLETT	EDSF	177.0	309.0	420.0	555.0	1461.0	971.4
8	EBER GRAHAM	SWSA	197.0	271.0	439.0	543.0	1450.0	964.1
9	SCOTT MARNOCK	SCSA	174.0	298.0	420.0	534.0	1426.0	948.1
10	FRANK LEPLA	PSS	187.0	252.0	416.0	548.0	1403.0	932.8
11	HANK SCHORZ	PSS	200.0	298.0	419.0	476.0	1393.0	926.2
12	DAN WERNER	PSS	180.0	298.0	353.0	534.0	1365.0	907.6
13	TONI STARK	PSS	197.0	280.0	428.0	449.0	1354.0	900.3
14	JOHN RODGERS	PSS	190.0	298.0	299.0	550.0	1337.0	889.0
15	GREG NORSWORTHY	PSS	178.0	303.0	439.0	391.0	1311.0	871.7
16	JOHN SNIDER	SCSA	184.0	165.0	418.0	537.0	1304.0	867.0
17	NOWELL SIEGEL	PSS	148.0	132.0	416.0	540.0	1236.0	821.8
18	BRUCE AVESON	SWSA	177.0	245.0	438.0	362.0	1222.0	812.5
19	BELA KENESSEY		152.0	120.0	411.0	509.0	1192.0	792.6
20	ANTHONY BROOKS	PSS	169.0	215.0	418.0	360.0	1162.0	772.6
21	MYLES MORAN	TOSS	20.0	25.0	30.0	50.0	125.0	83.1

2-METER CLASS

Place	Name	Club	RND1	RND2	RND3	RND4	TOTAL	NORMAL
1	TONI STARK	PSS	190.0	308.0	439.0	558.0	1495.0	1000.0
2	NOWELL SIEGEL	PSS	178.0	296.0	438.0	550.0	1462.0	977.9
3	DUKE ROVARINO	SFV	164.0	197.0	146.0	195.0	702.0	469.6
4	HOWARD LITTLE	SWSA	156.0	90.0	0.0	0.0	246.0	164.5

RES CLASS

Place	Name	Club	RND1	RND2	RND3	RND4	TOTAL	NORMAL
1	MIKE REAGAN	TOSS	178.0	319.0	415.0	549.0	1461.0	1000.0
2	GENE HAYS		174.0	313.0	361.0	542.0	1390.0	951.4
3	ED SLOBOD	SFVSF	179.0	300.0	320.0	539.0	1338.0	915.8
4	BRUCE ALLPORT	SFVSF	168.0	291.0	415.0	452.0	1326.0	907.6
5	JOE NAVE	PSS	170.0	157.0	438.0	545.0	1310.0	896.6
6	DAVID FARLESS	PSS	189.0	214.0	419.0	323.0	1145.0	783.7
7	NOWELL SIEGEL	PSS	189.0	109.0	438.0	0.0	736.0	503.8