

Wine Country Flier



Next meeting: Sometime next year

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Presidents Report

By: John Cole

Hello club members;

I hope this message finds you well! As this year is coming to an end I can only hope that next year will be better. Social restrictions regarding virus protocols should be relaxed or resolved, and I'm still very hopeful that we will be able to schedule club events for next year.

With winter weather setting in, I like to set aside some 'hobby time' to do thorough inspections of my models and support equipment. While preflight checks are always good at the field, spending time at the bench to really see what is going on will possibly reveal a potential issue. As the old saying says: Don't expect, inspect!

Happy and blessed holidays to you.

John

New Member Intro

By: Rich Debret

My name is Rich Debret and was born and raised in Santa Rosa. I flew gliders back in the late 80's, got out of the hobby until recently and have been flying again for the last month and a half and enjoying the hobby. Everyone I have met so far at the airfield have been very helpful and nice. I'm looking forward to meeting more of you along the way. It's time to fly!

Aircraft pictured:

E-flite P-51D 1.2m Mustang

E-Flite RV-7. 1.1M



L19 Bird Dog Build

By: John Cole

Fuselage is mostly complete, and is ready for final sanding prior to covering. The finish I'll use on this model will be tissue and dope.



The laminated outlines on the stabilizer are very light and very strong.



After block sanding the part, an emory board is used to round off the outlines.

Next time I'll show tail hinging and wing construction.

John



Winter flying

By: Guy Nicholas & Patrick O'Halloran

Patrick O'Halloran and I made it out the other evening for a little flying. He brought both his Lanier RC Ripper and his Night Visionaire, and I had my kids Flex Innovations Extra 300.



Patrick doing a low show pass in his Ripper. This is a a slow survivable combat model with OS 15 CV-A. Anyone wants to chase a streamer it can be arranged.



80 mph combat anyone? The soft ground of winter is great for CL combat.



FAA/TRUST Test

By: Jake Chichiliti

Fellow Flyers, I got bored one afternoon and decided to give the FAA/Trust test a go. I scanned the info pages rather quickly and proceeded to take the test. The questions are very basic and you shouldn't have a problem passing it. I printed a certificate and keep it in my wallet along with my FAA/Small UAS Certificate of Registration with my UAS Certificate Number. Your FAA number should be posted on the outside of each of your models. The size of the number does not matter in this case. To find the test first go to <https://trust.modelaircraft.org/> and click on the Start button.

Jake

Board Meeting Notes

By: Christopher Bailey
9 December

- Meeting started @ 6:30 pm
- Present: Paul, Jake, Bill, Patrick, Steve Cole, Guy, Chris, Eric
- Thanks to Bill's wife Barbara for the delicious cookies!
- Treasurer's report: Paul, 49 members have renewed for 2022, as of 12/8/21, finances look good
- YaKaAma: Guy is still working to obtain a signed copy of our lease agreement, Maria has resigned from their board, Jake will try to follow up at office when he is at the flying field
- WCF Holiday Party: Date is January 20, 2022, fourth Thursday in January(regular general club meeting, tentatively at Charlies' Grill in Windsor
- AMA Grant for flying field development: Details are in November Model Aviation Magazine, Guy will follow up with AMA
- Nature School: Any minors coming to the flying field need to be accompanied by responsible adult while at field, John will contact Director of Nature School
- Club Safety Officer for 2022: John will contact Adan, confirm if he is a current AMA Member, and if he wants to continue as Safety Officer, Guy said he will accept Safety Officer nomination if Adan no longer wishes to hold position for 2022
- YaKaAma policy: No pets while on YaKaAma property
- Conner Murphy, SRJC: All lost plane retrieval requests must continue to go through Guy Nicholas only, Do NOT contact Conner Murphy or Shone Farm Staff, Do NOT enter Shone Farm property; Board discussed and approved suggestion by Patrick to send a card and box of candy to Conner Murphy as a way of saying thank you for working with Guy to retrieve club members downed planes from Shone Farms property, Guy and Paul will obtain card and candy
- Flying Field Table Tops: some table tops are de-laminating, suggestion was made to check into using Trex Decking as table surface, 4x8 table top would cost approx. \$170
- Suggestion was made to put up airplane silhouette (40 size aircraft) on fence at far side of field by Shone Farm (Jake said another club he had been in had done this) to help pilots gauge whether they are beyond our boundary, and over Shone Farms property
- Meeting was adjourned @ 7:39 pm

WCF 2021 EVENTS SCHEDULE

- **General flying...any day the weather is grand!**