Green Valley RC Flyers Meeting Highlights

November 8, 2010

Pot Luck Dinner: The December 13 dinner will start at 5 PM. Jim Knudson will be handling the arrangements with La Posada. Jerry Case will send out a reminder and solicit any last minute sign-ups.

Flying safety issues: The officers and membership talked about flying safety at the FICO field. Some of the points made are:

Members should review the rules posted at the field. We are becoming lax and careless.

Pilots need to agree on the takeoff/landing pattern to avoid collisions.

No aerobatics over the runway.

Don't fly directly over the runaway, stay farther out.

Spectators must remain by the cars, not near the plane stands.

Don't run up an engine behind a pilot who is in the air.

Holler out loudly when walking onto the field.

Remember: the AMA will NOT pay an insurance claim if the pilot is breaking the safety rules.

Club elections: The nominating committee (Ted Dore) announced the following slate, with two positions to be determined:

President: Gary Johnson

Vice President: to be determined

Treasurer: Ben Butters Secretary: Jerry Case

Member at Large: Ted Dore

Safety Coordinator: to be determined

The slate will be presented at the December meeting. Elections will be held in

January.

RC Equipment for Sale: Carl Wilson, who attended the meeting as a guest, announced that he is selling off his RC equipment, planes, radios, etc., since he is get out of the hobby. He passed out his list of available stuff.

New flying site: It was suggested that the club could rent a grader to smooth off the flying site and begin using it. The consensus is that the county won't allow us operational access.

Mary Hemple: Ken Fleshman told the group that the club sent a Get Well card to Mary, co-owner of Hobby Barn.

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Guest: Bob Orr brought a guest who is an experienced private pilot and stunt pilot. He is taking up the RC hobby and Bob is training him.

Show and Tell:

Jim Heuer brought his new Skybolt biplane. He built it from Wendell Hostetler plans. Jim had Precision Cut Kits prepare the wing structure. The covering is Solartex. Jim used a spring steel landing gear instead of a bungee cord arrangement. With a DL50 engine, it weighs 17 lbs. and flies extremely well.

John Ferrara brought back his work-in-progress, the Stearman 4E. He finished the structure back of the luggage compartment. Controls and cables are installed. He started applying the Stits Poly Lite Fabric to the frame. It is glued onto the frame, heat shrunk, and sealed with a water-based polyurethane.

Gary Johnson brought his Dad's "Stinger 60" with a Magnum 91. He put it up for sale.