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May Meeting

The Harbor Soaring Society will meet on Wednesday May 7th at 7:30. The meeting will be held at the Costa Mesa Water Dist. office at 1965 Placentia st. in Costa Mesa. Jim Nikitouplos will be there to demonstrate his excellent fiberglassing technique. He will perform this demonstration on my Vulture fuselage using Kevlar 49 cloth. This should be a good meeting.

May Contest

Jim Wiseman is running an FAI contest on May 11th at Estancia. There will be 2 rounds of 6 min duration, (FAI landing circle), 1 round each of FAI speed and FAI distance (no working time). It starts at 9 am, don't forget your lead and plastic bag.

President's Corner

Well here goes nothing! The first installment of the Ramblings of your Prez. For those very few who wondered why I haven't done this before (and those very many who were glad I didn't). It takes a long time to build up the courage to put your foolishness down on paper!

I'm glad of one thing though. I hope the contest controversy is over. It's taken up a lot of time and energy that should have been used to better the HSS. This club needs everyone to help rebuild. Enough said!

The next couple of months are going to be fairly busy for HSS. By the time you read this the 2 day Spring Soaring Festival in Bakersfield will be history. SC² put on by ISS will be held April 27th in San Berdo..cont..

We need alot of Harbor peaple to attend! May's contest will be the first FAI type to be held this year.

And at the end of the month, the resumption of the North/South challenge at Taft (it has since been cancelled due to lack of interest). Quite alot happening and not a half a year gone.

I guess that's about it. If anybody has any questions or comments about any of the above, give me a call! The number's at the top of the first page.

By the way, did you here about the anti-air craft rabbit? At SULA's SC² a large jackrabbit took a run right through the pits and took out at least one airplane. By the time the contest was over, Frank Chasteler had taken out the rest with a 2949 win! Nice flying Frank!

Good lift,

Dan

April Contest results

1. Gerbin	2636	1000
2. Foster	2590	982
3. Harris	2531	960
4. Jolly	2314	878
5. Wiseman	2138	811
6. Monroe	2129	809
7. Renaud T	2070	785
8. Chasteler F	1954	741
9. Selway	1912	725 S
10. Chasteler T	1811	687 S
11. Nelson	1784	679
12. Brandt	1622	615 S
13. Fink	1483	563 S
14. Reyes	1455	552 S
15. Richardson	1418	538
16. Roy	1270	482 S

17. Pennington	929	352 S
18. Kramer	822	312
19. Smith	795	302

Spring Soaring Festival

Boy you really missed it! Imagine a flying field as flat and as smooth as a pool table. 800 foot winch lines. Mid 80's in temperature and a gentle breeze. Add in 7 rounds of good flying, a very efficient work crew and you have the 2nd annual Spring Soaring Festival put on by SSJSS.

A total of 56 flyers from the Fresno area to San Diego showed up and were glad they did! It had to be the best run contest I had ever seen!

Saturday was 4 rounds. Round 1, 2 minute precision, rounds 2 to 4 were 6 minute. All landings were on a runway entered through a gate on the final approach. Pretty standard except for one thing. In the 2 min round for every second short, you lost 6 points. For every second over you lost 12 points! It made some flights very interesting! Sunday was 1 3minute and 2 6minute rounds. Scoring was the same.

Brent Foster and myself had a good first 3 rounds with Brent in 3rd and me in about 8th place. Unfortunately at the end of the day Brent was still in 3rd and I was out! It appeared the rubber bands on the wing popped during launch and my Mirage rekitted itself from about 400 ft.

By the end of the 7th round on Sunday, Brent finished a very nice 6th! Congratulations!

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If this contest is any indication, the SC² contest held there in May will be great.

Dan (no lift) Fink

April SC² results at ISS

Craig Foxgord was 1st with 2902 points, Here are the Harbor members:

2. Wiseman	2869
6. Chasteler T	2826
8. Nelson	2705
9. Richardson	2688
21. Sheldrake	2575
25. Harris	2467
30. Foster	2405
38. White	2226
40. Brandt	2162
41. Chasteler F	2128
45. Reyes	1860
46. Thacker	1836
50. Fink	1556
54. Monroe	1231

There were 59 entrants at this contest and it went pretty well.

June Club Contest

Two rounds of 7 minute man on man and a 2 minute precision. The 2 minute is split into 700 points precision and 300 points landing. The landing will be of the runway type. This will be a warmup for the June SC² that the HSS will run. We need at least 9 volunteers to help run the SC² so please come forward and help.

SSJSS SC² Contest

Sunday May 18, 1980

Bakersfield

Tree rounds - four if time allows

Round 1 - 3 min precision

Round 2 - 5 min duration

Round 3 - 7 min "

Round 4 - 5 min "

Ama landing option 'D' with gates

4 twelve volt winches

Registration begins at 8 am and closes at 9 am.

This space is for you, if anyone would like to put their words in this newsletter just call me up or send it to me. Maybe an article on the subject of FAI, should we or shouldn't we, contest reports, whatever you feel like.