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FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

The February club meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 1986 at 7:30 PM at the Consolidated Water District office, 1965 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa. Bill Forrey will speak on sailplane aerodynamics. Come and find out about all those tiny air molecules and how they affect your sailplane. This is your last opportunity to pay your 1986 dues at the renewal rate.

FEBRUARY ELECTRIC MEETING

The February meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 12, 1986 at 7:30 PM at Crystal Creations Apparel (Hatch's place of business), 1821 Newport Circle, Santa Ana (714-540-7505).

MARCH CLUB MEETING

The March meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 5, 1986 at 7:30 PM at the Consolidated Water District office, 1965 Placentia Ave. Costa Mesa.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 5 Harbor Soaring Society Club Meeting
FEBRUARY 9 Harbor Soaring Society Thermal Contest
FEBRUARY 9 SULA Thermal Contest
FEBRUARY 12 ... Harbor Soaring Society Electric Meeting
FEBRUARY 16 ... Harbor Soaring Society Electric Contest
FEBRUARY 16 ... SULA Novice Contest
FEBRUARY 16 ... PSA Thermal Contest

MARCH 5 Harbor Soaring Society Club Meeting.
MARCH 8 SULA Thermal Contest
MARCH 9 Harbor Soaring Society Thermal Contest
MARCH 12 Harbor Soaring Society Electric Club Meeting
MARCH 15 SULA Novice Contest
MARCH 15-16 ... Rose Bowl Soaring Festival
MARCH 16 Harbor Soaring Society Electric Contest
MARCH 23 PSA Contest
MARCH 23 Easter

APRIL 2 Harbor Soaring Society Club Meeting
APRIL 6 Harbor Soaring Society Thermal Contest
APRIL 6 SULA Thermal Contest
APRIL 9 Harbor Soaring Society Electric Meeting
APRIL 20 PSA Thermal Contest
APRIL 26 Twelfth Annual Astro Electric Championships (HSS)
APRIL 26 SULA Novice Contest

MAY 7 Harbor Soaring Society Club Meeting
MAY 10 SULA Thermal Contest
MAY 11 Mother's Day
MAY 11 Harbor Soaring Society Thermal Contest
MAY 16 Harbor Soaring Society Electric Meeting
MAY 18 PSA Thermal Contest
MAY 24 SULA 2 Meter Contest
MAY 31 SULA Novice Contest

The SULA field is located in Carson at the corner of Avalon and Victoria (Cal State - Dominguez Hills).

The PSA field is located in Anaheim at the corner of Gilbert and Ball (Magnolia High School).

JANUARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Period December 25, 1985 through January 25, 1986

Checking Balance 12-31-85 112.66

Income:

Membership Renewals and New Members	295.00
Contest Entries	<u>40.00</u>
Total Income	335.00

Expenses:

Winch Line (6 Rolls)	<u>42.00</u>
Total Expense	42.00

Checking Balance 1-25-86 405.66

Savings Account * 638.19

Total - Checking plus Savings 1043.85

* Note: Interest for 1985 not yet credited to our account.
Estimated to be approximately \$45.00.

Garner's Flying Trivia

Twenty-two pilots flew the first contest for 1986. That is a pretty good show considering five of our contest regulars had other commitments. We were rained out on January 5 so the contest was held the following Sunday, January 12. The weather was beautiful, with visibility and ceiling unlimited. Soaring conditions were fair to good with near zero sink early in the morning for the first round. The wind began to pick up a little by 11:00 and the lift was spotty, but was there if you worked for it. Five 7-minute flights were completed in the first round, by just cruising at minimum sink. Two of our good pilots lost their ships. It always hurts when you lose a plane because it is a creation and extension of yourself. It can happen to any of us.

Herman Hall announced at the pilots meeting that winners would be awarded paper trophies. Do all you guys realize how much money we would build up in the treasury if we flew for paper trophies? Don Manning likes the idea. Gordon Ritschke was ready for the contest with his Mark 8 - Mod 0 thermal sensor eyeglasses and Bob Gerbin showed up with his version of the Hughes Spruce Goose. Steve Dow and Don Manning worked hard at the score-table taking renewal applications, checking AMA cards and keeping score. By the time the third round was completed, Frank Chasteler and Bob Gerbin had both flown three 7-minute rounds and Jack Durham walked with a "paper trophy" for first place overall with his "Windsong."

I believe this type of contest where the pilot has his choice of a 3, 5, or 7-minute round is different, fun, and exciting. The pilot has to plan ahead by evaluating lift conditions, then make decisions and fly accordingly. The timer is a second set of eyes for you and he can give you information, but it is the pilot who decides whether or not to go for 3, 5,

or 7 minutes. Sometimes we can get greedy or use poor judgment or a combination of both and completely bomb out!

We have some new members at the field. Be sure to give them words of encouragement once in a while. We all need that at times. In closing, I want to remind you of the Rose Bowl Soaring Festival at the Rose Bowl on March 16 and 17. It is two days of really fun contest flying sponsored by the Pasadena Soaring Society. Register by mail before February 10. Registration forms are included in this newsletter.

Please submit your renewals to HSS, if you have not already done so.

Strong thermals and Happy landing.



DATE: March 15 & 16, 1986

PLACE: Pasadena Rose Bowl. Seco St. & Rosemont Ave., Pasadena, CA

TIMES: Saturday - 7:00am Check-in (MUST SHOW AMA LICENSE)
 8:00am Pilot's meeting - 8:30am First launch
 Sunday - 8:00am First launch - 2:00pm Raffle & Awards

EVENTS: Saturday - Task T4, cumulative duration,
 3 flights to total 15 minutes
 4 minute precision
 Sunday - 4 minute precision
 6 minute precision
 All flights include a graduated spot landing

ASSES/ AWARDS: Unlimited sailplane, unlimited age (AMA Class C, Open) - 10 awards
 Unlimited sailplane, age 18 & under (AMA Class C, JR/SR) - 2 awards
 Two-meter sailplane, unlimited age (AMA Class D, Open) - 3 awards
 Two-meter sailplane, age 18 & under (AMA Class D, JR/SR) - 2 awards
 Team Awards - Top 4 flyers from any AMA sanctioned club - 4 awards

WINCHES: Winches & line retrieval provided by PSS (6 & 12 volts)

RAFFLE: MANY GREAT PRIZES. Tickets sold at the event. One free ticket.

REGISTER BY MAIL BY FEB. 10, 1986. ENTRY FEES - \$15.00 (OPEN) - \$10.00 (JR/SR)
 OR
 AT THE FIELD BY 7:30AM SAT. (When Freqs. allow) - \$20.00 (OPEN & JR/SR)

SEND REGISTRATION TO: Eric Hanson BY FEB. 10, 1986
 2503 Los Amigos Street
 La Crescenta, CA 91214

 1986 PSS REGISTRATION FORM ROSE BOWL SOARING FESTIVAL

PLEASE PRINT (Only one registrant per form, please)

NAME _____	AMA NO. _____	EVENT/CLASS
ADDRESS _____	PHONE (____) _____	UNLIM/OPEN _____
CITY _____	STATE _____ ZIP _____	UNLIM/JRSR _____
FREQUENCY CHOICE 1ST _____	2ND _____	TWO-M/OPEN _____
	AMA CLUB _____	TWO-M/JRSR _____

ENCLOSE A CHECK FOR ENTRY FEE, PAYABLE TO "PASADENA SOARING SOCIETY"

FEBRUARY THERMAL CONTEST

1. Five flights of 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 minutes each.
Called flight order and flight time.
2. Precision landing, all flights 100 landing points. Landing is to be within the standard 25-foot circle, as measured with the standard landing tapes.
3. Flight scoring (All flights 500 points maximum):
 - 1 minute flight - 10 points off/second over or under 1 minute
 - 2 minute flight - 8 points off/second over or under 2 minute
 - 3 minute flight - 6 points off/second over or under 3 minute
 - 4 minute flight - 4 points off/second over or under 4 minute
 - 5 minute flight - 2 points off/second over or under 5 minute
4. All launches must be by winch. Full winch launch is not required.
5. Contest director - Will Conrad.

Editor's Column

The following letter was received from Beth Goldberg:

Doctor Gottlieb of U.C.L.A. has recently notified me of your generosity in sending a donation to his AIDS research laboratory in Carl's memory. I'm sorry to be so late in acknowledging and thanking you for your kindness. I've had some health problems and picked up a virus in the hospital, and it's taken me some time to recover. I'm OK now and finally can get this letter of thanks off to you.

My wishes to you all for a happy and healthy 1986. Beth Goldberg

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

1. Dale Black withdrew as General Director because of work commitments and his SAM activities.
2. Herman Hall presented the year-end treasurer's report showing a balance, including savings, of \$750.85.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1. Held at Fred Biddle's home. The 1986 Steering Committee was present, with the exceptions of Tony Martin and Dale Black.
2. The treasurer's report was reviewed.
3. 1986 dues were discussed. It was decided to keep the dues at the 1985 levels. The final date for club renewal rates was set for 5 February, the date of the second club meeting of 1986.

4. The board unanimously agreed to plan 10 thermal contests for 1986, beginning in January, with no August and December contests. The best eight of the ten events will count toward year-end standings. There will be no Saturday thermal contests.
5. If details of a contest are not announced in the newsletter before the contest occurs, a default contest will be held:

DEFAULT CONTEST: THREE ROUNDS
 CONTESTANTS FLY A), B), or C) EACH OF THE
 THREE FLIGHTS

- A) 3-MINUTE FLIGHT OF 700 POINTS, 4 POINTS/SEC.
 OFF 3 MINUTES, LANDING AT 300 POINTS.
- B) 5-MINUTE FLIGHT OF 800 POINTS, 3 POINTS/SEC.
 OFF 5 MINUTES, LANDING AT 200 POINTS.
- C) 7-MINUTE FLIGHT OF 900 POINTS, 2 POINTS/SEC.
 OFF 7 MINUTES, LANDING AT 100 POINTS.

Each flight will be judged to the closest of 3, 5, or 7 minutes. Time need not be called prior to landing. The time will speak for itself. Landing is to be within the standard 25-foot circle.

6. The board recommended that the club keep the masters class.
7. Club contest fees for 1986 will be:
 \$2.00 members below masters class, \$1.00 masters class, \$2.00 visit without trophy, \$4.00 visitor with trophy.

DECEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT

Period November 25, 1985 through December 31, 1985

Checking Balance 11-25-85 263.78

Income:

Membership Renewals	48.00
New Members	<u>40.00</u>
Total Income	88.00

Expenses:

Year-End Trophies	172.78
Newsletter and Postage	40.90
January Contest Trophies	<u>25.44</u>
Total Expense	239.12

Checking Balance 12-31-85 112.66

Savings Account * 638.19

Total - Checking plus Savings 750.85