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 Society Column**

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**"The Oldest Chartered Soaring Club In the AMA"**  
**Charter # 128**

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**November Club Meeting:** The November club meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 7, 1990, 7:30 pm at the Consolidated Water District Office, 1965 Placentia Ave., Costa Mesa, Ca. The Monthly club contest will be on November 11th, field conditions permitting. Elections for 1991 club officers will be held.

**SWAP MEET AFTER THE GENERAL MEETING (BRING YOUR STUFF TO SELL OR TRADE.)**

**December Club Meeting:** The December club meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 5, 1990 at 7:30 pm at the Water District Office.

# MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER MEETING

10/03/90

The meeting was called to order by the president, George Joy, at 1930 hrs.

New faces: Pete and Bret Young; Rich Johnson; Steve Chan

The minutes of the September meeting were approved as published.

The treasurers report was presented by Frank Chasteler and was approved as read.

Pete Young volunteered his video camera for VCR viewing during club meetings. Art Wohlstedt also offered to make his vcr and monitor available for club meetings when needed.

It was noted that the November meeting will include a swap meet after the general meeting.

The November club meeting will also be club officer elections night.

Ross Thomas discussed the SC2 events and thanked everyone for all the the help.

## Old Business:

The 1991 frequency programs were discussed again.

George Joy recommended the club adopt option #2 (published last month) which included all frequencies (odd and even channel numbers)

A motion was made to vote on all three optios.

The vote was taken, and Option #2 was adopted by vote of the members present.

Full Scale A/C (esp. Helicopters) was discussed. A recommendation was made to form a committee to talk to the Costa Mesa Police Dept.

Frank Chasteler indicated that he had already talked to Matt Collett and Matt had said that the Huntington Beach Police Helicopter incident should not have happened, since our activities are not within their jurisdiction.

The following persons volunteered to serve on the committee: Will Conrad, Matt Collette, Rich Johnson, Bob Sliff, and Art Wohlstedt.

Winch safety switches were purchased and provided to all active winch owners.

There will be a Board meeting on 24 Oct at Frank Chasteler's home.

The Palm Springs (DUST)SC2 contest will be held on the 18th of November, 1990 on the PS Polo Grounds.

## New Business:

Nominations for 1991 club officers <sup>was</sup> opened. Club officer nominations were as follows:

President: Jared Stalls and Curt Nehring

Vice President: Curt Nehring, Brian Germane, and Jim Parsons

Secretary: Dave Nemecek and Brian Germane

Editor: John Ostrowski

Contest Coordinator: Ben Clerx, Ross Thomas, and Frank Chasteler

Treasurer: Frank Chasteler

General Director: Bob Sliff and Jim Parsons.

A motions was made to adjourn the meetin. It was seconded and passed. the meeting was adjourned at 2045 hrs

Dave Nemecek, Secretary

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THE NOVEMBER CLUB CONTEST WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER THE 11TH  
CONTEST DIRECTOR: RICH GARNER  
THE EVENT WILL BE A STANDARD 3 5 7 WITH TAPED LANDING  
FIRST FLIGHT, RIGHT AFTER 9:00 PILOTS MEETING.

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NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS:  
BEGINNING 1 JANUARY, ONLY GOLD STICKERED TRANSMITTERS WILL BE PERMITTED AT THE  
THERMAL FIELD

## HSS 1990 CONTEST SCHEDULE

NOV 11 ..... HSS CLUB CONTEST\*  
 NOV 18 ..... DUST SC2 CONTEST  
 DEC 2 ..... TORREY PINES SC2 CONTEST  
 DEC 9 ..... HSS CLUB CONTEST

## Club Name Tags and Decals

Club name tags and decals for new members are available from Frank Chasteler. Check with Frank to see if yours are in.

## SWAP MEET AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING

BRING YOUR SALABLES AND TRADES

## THE HSS VIDEO LIBRARY

The following club owned videos are available for viewing.

Name .....	Comment .....	Rating (0-5)
Saber Jet .....	F-86 History/shoot-em-ups .....	4
Striking Back .....		4
Foam, Fiberglass, Flight .....		4
First Flight .....		0
Monokote 1 & 2 .....	Interesting .....	3
MIG Killers .....		3
Hook Down, Wheels Down .....	NAVY Aviation Hist .....	4
F3E USA Team Selection 1988 ..	Elect flight .....	none
Dawn Patrol .....	WWI Movie .....	4
Thunderbolt, Flight For The Skys .	WWI Air Combat .....	5

More tapes are being added all the time. All tapes are in VHS format. For information about the tapes ask at the next meeting. (ed.)

HARBOR SOARING SOCIETY  
CLUB CONTEST, OCT 1990  
OPEN CLASS

PLACE/NAME	WINS	CLASS	SCORE/NORM	TROPHY
1. STALLS, J		EXP	2962.0 1000.0	E-1
2. MARTIN, T		EXP	2925.0 987.5	E-2
3. KUTCH, N	ONE	ADV	2841.0 959.1	E-3
4. JOY, G		EXP	2834.0 956.8	
5. CRON, A	TWO	ADV	2820.0 952.1	1-A
6. CLERX, B		EXP	2818.0 951.4	
7. CHASTELER, F		EXP	2817.0 951.0	
8. ZINK, D		EXP	2775.0 936.9	
9. YOUNG, B	ONE	SPT	2774.0 936.5	A-2
10. THOMAS, R		EXP	2750.0 928.4	
11. ROWELL, W	ONE	SPT	2719.0 918.0	S-1
12. WHITE, L		EXP	2685.0 906.5	
13. SLIFF, B		EXP	2670.0 901.4	
14. DENNIS, K		GST	2662.0 898.7	
15. GARNER, R		EXP	2634.0 889.3	
16. PARSONS, J	TWO	SPT	2589.0 874.1	2-S
17. GERBIN, B		EXP	2578.0 870.4	
18. DANRICH, D	NON	ADV	2491.0 841.0	
19. NEMECEK, D		EXP	2438.0 823.1	
20. PANTZAR, D		EXP	2422.0 817.7	
21. LACKEY, R	ONE	SPT	2420.0 817.0	
22. GERMANE, B	ONE	SPT	2369.0 799.8	
23. LASATER, J	ONE	SPT	2295.0 774.8	
24. GATES, M		GST	2081.0 702.6	
25. RICHARDSON, P		EXP	1949.0 658.0	
26. AMIES, J	ONE	ADV	1832.0 618.5	
27. STOVALL, L	ONE	SPT	SCRATCH	

AL CRON MOVES TO EXPERT

2 METER RESULTS  
OCTOBER 1990 CONTEST

PLACE/NAME	SCORE	NORMAL	TROPHY
1. RICHARDSON, P	2863.0	1000.0	1ST
2. THOMAS, R	2810.0	981.5	2ND
3. MARTIN, T	2809.0	981.1	3RD
4. JOY, G	2753.0	961.6	
5. WHITE, L	269.0	242.7	
6. YOUNG, B	2623.0	916.2	
7. KUTCH, N	2531.0	884.0	
8. CONRAD, W	2475.0	864.5	
9. LACKEY, R	2171.0	758.3	
10. PARSONS, J	1794.0	626.6	
11. LAWHEAD, G	1609.0	562.0	
12. STOVALL, L	SCRATCH		

STANDINGS 2 METER CLASS  
BEST 7 OF 9

NAME	SCORE	CONTESTS
1. MARTIN, T	6694.2	7
2. WHITE, L	6524.2	7
3. RICHARDSON, P	6510.6	7
4. JOY, G	6506.5	7
5. THOMAS, R	6499.0	7
6. STOVALL, L	5769.0	7
7. DUTCH, N	5245.9	7
8. PARSONS, J	5224.0	7
9. FINK, S	5172.5	7
10. HENDRY, S	4913.5	6
11. ANDERSON, V	4828.2	7
12. BUZOLICH, N	4410.1	7
13. SLIFF, B	4266.8	5
14. LONG, D	3604.9	5
15. BONANNO, T	3232.5	4

OPEN STANDINGS OCT 1990  
BEST 7 OR 9 CONTESTS

NAME/CLASS	SCORE	CONTESTS
1. JOY, G	6854.2	7
2. WHITE, L	6780.7	7
3. STALLS, J	6761.7	7
4. ZINK, D	6713.6	7
5. GARNER, R	6644.3	7
6. MARTIN, T	6615.6	7
7. SANDRONI, H	6474.2	7
8. CHASTELER, F	6449.2	7
9. THOMAS, R	6393.0	7
10. NEMECEK, D	6384.0	7
11. CRON, A	6272.1	7
12. KUTCH, N	6072.8	7
13. RICHARDSON, P	6032.6	7
14. SLIFF, B	5606.6	6
15. FINK, S	5551.0	7
16. GERMANE, B	5426.6	7
17. PARSONS, J	5258.2	7
18. HENDRY, S	5145.4	6
19. BUZOLICH, N	5034.2	7
20. STOVALL, S	4961.1	7
21. PANTZAR, D	4848.0	7
22. RITSCHKE, G	4532.0	6
23. ANDERSON, V	4428.9	6
24. AMIES, J	4174.9	5
25. LONG, D	4092.9	5
26. DURHAM, J	3579.2	5
27. GIBBS, D	3395.6	4
28. BONANNO, T	3185.3	4
29. HENDRY, B	2692.5	3
30. LOWERY, R	2691.8	4
31. LACKEY, R	2568.1	3
32. JOY, B	2401.1	3
33. MILLS, A	2164.7	3
34. LAIR, D	2119.5	3
35. DUNCAN, B	1984.7	3
36. NEHRING, C	1984.5	3
37. LUPPERGER, J	1920.8	2
38. GERBIN, B	1854.7	2
39. STOKER, P	1854.7	2
40. COLLETT, M	1706.6	2
41. DANRICH, D	1691.8	3
42. BRATRUD, R	1419.1	2
43. LAWHEAD, G	1289.9	4
44. LAMPRECHT, D	993.2	1
45. CHASTELER, T	955.2	1
46. CLERX, B	951.4	1
47. BRANDT, D	939.6	1
48. YOUNG, B	936.5	1
49. ROWELL, W	918.0	1
50. MAHER, M	909.7	1
51. DeROCCO, C	853.2	3
52. GERBIN, R	843.8	1
53. ANDENBAUER, S	840.0	2
54. ANDERSON, J	824.8	1
55. LASATER, J	774.8	1
56. CHAMBERLIN, R	238.1	1

16. DURHAM, J	2954.3	4
17. CONRAD, W	2567.2	3
18. HALL, H	2375.5	3
19. JOY, B	2374.0	3
20. LACKEY, R	2063.9	3
21. DUNCAN, B	1982.6	3
22. STALLS, J	1947.0	2
23. LUPPERGER, J	1889.8	2
24. COLLETT, M	1738.1	2
25. LAWHEAD, G	1326.3	2
26. STOKER, P	1182.4	2
27. LAMPRECHT, D	945.3	1
28. YOUNG, B	916.2	1
29. NEHRING, C	749.0	1
30. DANRICH, D	683.9	1
31. LAIR, D	579.9	1
32. DeROCCO, C	285.7	1
33. SANDRONI, H	239.2	1
34. CHAMBERLIN, R	210.1	1
35. ANKENBAUER, S	187.8	1

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SOARING CLUBS

RESULTS OF THE SWSA CONTEST, 10-28-90  
IAN DOUGLAS, CONTEST DIRECTOR

PLACE/NAME	CLUB	CLASS	SCORE	NORMAL
1. PERKINS, D	PSS	EXP	2986.4	1000.0
2. BILLMAN, T	PSS	EXP	2952.1	988.5
3. SLOBOD, E	SVSF	SPT	2892.7	968.6
4. TATUM, D	SWSA	EXP	2881.1	964.7
5. JOY, G	HSS	EXP	2879.5	964.2
6. BLEDSOE, R	TPG	EXP	2871.6	963.6
7. BITZBERGER, J	SWSA	EXP	2856.6	956.5
8. SANDRONI, H	SULA	SPT	2846.8	953.3
9. CLIFTON, G	SWSA	SPT	2838.5	950.5
10. GARNER, R	HSS	EXP	2833.4	948.8
11. HARCH, J	DUST	SPT	2789.9	934.2
12. RITTER, C	DUST	SPT	2779.6	930.8
13. RAYMOND, K	NCC	EXP	2747.3	919.9
14. CLERX, B	HSS	EXP	2743.3	918.6
15. MORAN, M	TOSS	EXP	2737.3	916.6
16. DOIG, A	NCC	EXP	2690.5	900.9
17. MARTIN, T	HSS	EXP	2679.8	897.3
18. RICHARDSON, P	HSS	EXP	2676.0	896.1
19. SLIFF, B	HSS	EXP	2675.1	895.8
20. OTHON, M	ISS	SPT	2673.9	895.4
21. WURTS, J	TOSS	EXP	2664	893.5
22. CLARK, D	NCC	EXP	2664.2	892.1
23. FINK, D	SULA	EXP	2646.7	886.3
24. SHELBY, R	ISS	EXP	2646.6	886.2
25. DANRICH, D	HSS	SPT	2635.2	882.4
26. EDBERG, D	SULA	EXP	2634.3	882.1
27. GOLDSMITH, B	TOSS	SPT	2630.8	880.9
28. THOMAS, R	HSS	EXP	2630.3	880.8
29. BRATRUD, R	HSS	EXP	2617.6	876.5
30. CRON, A	HSS	EXP	2560.0	857.2
31. ANDERSON, G	TPG	EXP	2554.5	855.4
32. LASATER, J	HSS	SPT	2547.2	852.9
33. FINK, S	SULA	SPT	2527.7	844.7
34. AVESON, BRUCE	SWSA	SPT	2519.1	843.5
35. RITTER, G	DUST	SPT	2515.6	842.4
36. STOKER, P	SULA	EXP	2514.1	841.8
37. MATSUMOTO, B	PSS	EXP	2487.8	833.0
38. VICKERS, D	SULA	EXP	2487.6	833.0
39. JENKINS, H	ISS	EXP	2482.2	831.2
40. RODRIGUEZ, J	ISS	SPT	2470.4	827.2
41. PEITEN, M	ISS	SPT	2466.1	825.8
42. CHASTELET, F	HSS	EXP	2437.3	816.1

## TROPHY

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43. BURNS, R	PSS	EXP	2421.2	810.7
44. CHASTELET, T	HSS	EXP	2400.1	803.7
45. LARSEN, O	DUST	SPT	2358.4	789.7
46. LEAL, M	TOSS	SPT	2358.4	789.7
47. NOREMBERG, L	SVSF	SPT	2356.6	789.1
48. WEISMAN, E	TOSS	SPT	2336.9	782.5
49. BONANNO, T	SULA	EXP	2296.7	769.1
50. REAGAN, M	TOSS	EXP	2289.3	766.6
51. BARCON, D	SWSA	SPT	2288.7	766.4
52. SADORF, S	ISS	SPT	2288.6	766.3
53. OLSEN, P	SWSA	EXP	2278.9	763.1
54. VAN GUNDDY, D	TPG	SPT	2275.6	762.0
55. HIGGINBOTHAM, M	ISS	EXP	2257.8	756.0
56. DOUGLAS, I	SWSA	EXP	2250.0	753.4
57. HOLLY, M	SWSA	EXP	2219.9	743.3
58. PARSONS, J	HSS	SPT	2142.6	717.5
59. RATNER, M	PSS	EXP	2141.9	717.2
60. GRAHAM, H	SWSA	SPT	1988.0	665.7
61. SMITH, J	SWSA	EXP	1986.8	665.3
62. BRUCE, J	SULA	SPT	1985.5	664.8
63. AVESON, D	SWSA	EXP	1976.1	661.7
64. ANDREWS, R	ISS	SPT	1941.4	650.1
65. LONG, D	SULA	SPT	1914.6	641.1
66. JOY, B	HSS	SPT	1881.7	630.1
67. MILLS, A	SULA	SPT	1767.5	591.8
68. DUNCAN, W	HSS	SPT	1575.7	527.6
69. NEHRUNG, C	HSS	SPT	1547.6	518.2
70. PETRE, B	SWSA	SPT	1539.9	515.6
71. CONRAD, W	HSS	SPT	1498.7	501.8
72. MERENDA, K	DUST	SPT	1498.2	501.7
73. ROHOLT, C	ISS	SPT	1338.5	454.9
74. ZINK, D	HSS	EXP	912.0	305.4
75. FINKENBINER, K	NCC	EXP	0.0	0.0

## TEAM SCORES

HSS 19	964.2
948.8	930.8
918.6	842.4
897.3	789.7
3728.9	3497.1
ISS 10	988.5
895.4	833.0
886.2	810.7
831.2	717.2
3601.3	3360.9
SWSA 12	964.7
953.3	919.9
886.3	900.9
882.1	892.1
843.5	789.7
3715.2	3480.7
SULA 10	953.3
886.3	919.9
882.1	900.9
844.7	892.1
3566.4	3112.9
TOSS 6	916.5
930.8	900.9
842.4	892.1
789.7	892.1
3497.1	2712.9
DUST 5	934.2
930.8	1000.0
842.4	833.0
789.7	810.7
3497.1	3360.9
PSS 4	2421.2
2400.1	810.7
2358.4	789.7
2358.4	789.7
2356.6	789.1
2336.9	782.5
2296.7	769.1
2289.3	766.6
2288.7	766.4
2288.6	766.3
2278.9	763.1
2275.6	762.0
2257.8	756.0
2250.0	753.4
2219.9	743.3
2142.6	717.5
2141.9	717.2
1988.0	665.7
1986.8	665.3
1985.5	664.8
1976.1	661.7
1941.4	650.1
1914.6	641.1
1881.7	630.1
1767.5	591.8
1575.7	527.6
1547.6	518.2
1539.9	515.6
1498.7	501.8
1498.2	501.7
1338.5	454.9
912.0	305.4
0.0	0.0
TPG 3	963.6
955.4	762.0
762.0	2581.0

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SOARING CLUBS  
ANNUAL STANDINGS AS OCT 1990  
BEST 6 OF 8 CONTESTS//TOP 40 CONTESTANTS

PLACE/NAME	CLUB	SCORE
1. MARTIN, T	HSS	5910.0 6
2. WURTS, J	TOSS	5845.1 6
3. PERKINS, D	PSS	5791.1 6
4. SHELBY, R	ISS	5722.4 6
5. STALLS, J	HSS	5703.4 6
6. BRATURD, R	HSS	5693.4 6
7. FINK, D	SULA	5670.2 6
8. MORAN, M	TOSS	5666.7 6
9. JOY, G	HSS	5607.7 6
10. CHASTELER, F	HSS	5524.4 6
11. HOLLY, M	SWSA	5405.4 6
12. SANDRONI, H	SULA	5397.9 6
13. WEISMAN, E	TOSS	5386.7 6
14. VICKERS, D	SULA	5364.1 6
15. BLEDSOE, R	TPG	5357.9 6
16. DOUGLAS, I	SWSA	5340.9 6
17. JENKINS, H	ISS	5318.0 6
18. HENDRY, S	HSS	5308.2 6
19. LONG, D	SULA	5268.4 6
20. PETTEN, M	ISS	5207.8 6
21. LARSEN, O	DUST	5188.8 6
22. RICHARDSON, P	HSS	5181.6 6

23. FINK, S	SULA	5107.6 6
24. BONANNO, T	SULA	5086.3 6
25. RODRIGUEZ, J	ISS	5060.9 6
26. ANDERSON, G	TPG	5043.3 6
27. THOMAS, T	HSS	5019.8 6
28. CHASTELER, T	HSS	4972.8 6
29. OTHON, M	ISS	4953.5 6
30. STOKER, P	SULA	4944.9 6
31. BUTOVICH, D	PSS	4927.6 6
32. CRON, A	HSS	4776.9 6
33. SLIFF, B	HSS	4751.0 5
34. RITTER, C	DUST	4737.2 6
35. MEINBERG, K	NCC	4568.5 5
36. RITTER, G	DUST	4482.5 5
37. HATCH, J	DUST	4445.6 6
38. ZINK, D	HSS	4435.3 6
39. DOIG, A	NCC	4277.3 5
40. HIGGINBOTHAM, M	ISS	4180.2 5

## ELDORADO SILENT FLYERS

### SECOND ANNUAL "TOYS FOR TOTS" CONTEST

DATE: DECEMBER 9, 1990

STARTS AT 9 AM

LOCATION: ELDORADO PARK FLYING FIELD.

WEST OF 605 FWY OFF SPRING ST. EXIT, LONG BEACH, CA

(GRASS FIELD -- WINCHES AND RETRIEVERS -- PARK MAPS AT GATE)

PARK ADMISSION --\$3.00 PER CAR

#### EVENTS:

### ELECTRIC PLANE AND SAILPLANE CONTEST.

THREE ROUNDS OF PRECISION FLYING WITH MEASURED LANDINGS.

900 FLIGHT POINTS -- 100 LANDING -- PER ROUND

ELECTRICS AND SAILPLANES WILL FLY THE SAME TASKS AND WILL BE SCORED SEPARATELY  
RIBBONS TO FIVE PLACES.

ENTRY FEE: ONE NEW UNWRAPPED TOY

PROOF OF AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED -- AMA, FAA, AND PARK RULES (ALTITUDE LIMITATION) WILL APPLY.

ANYONE BRINGING A TOY WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS.

THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WILL PICK UP AND DISTRIBUTE THE DONATED TOYS.

CONTEST DIRECTORS: JIM BARNHART (213) 421-3583; MARK CHILD (213) 866-2257

## JOY OF COMPETITIVE SOARING

By Daniel Danrich

Competition is found in almost every aspect of life. It is the foundation of our sport and our personal lives as well. We are continually concerned with who is the fastest, the smartest, the best builder, the most skilled pilot. Among us there is constant striving to be more correct, more original, more devout than anyone else. Even the best of friends try to outdo each other in their acquired skills.

When we compete without thinking to win, valuing everyone's efforts equally competition can be a very positive motivating force. It can teach us to appreciate our abilities more deeply and it can lead us to an appreciation and a greater respect for the capabilities of others as well. Unfortunately, because competition is the road to success and power in our sport of soaring, it is usually used to gain selfish aims. Instead of competing with others, we compete against them. When competition becomes combat, it loses its power to inspire, and becomes instead a form of pressure which creates disharmony in our sport, upsetting the true nature in the joy of soaring. As we compete with one another to succeed, we widen the distance between ourselves and others. We become so intent on our quest for achievement that it becomes easy to ignore the feelings and hopes of those around us. We become willing to manipulate others to prove we are better than they are, and soon the aspirations and efforts of even our friends are undermined. The enmity and suspicion that result from competing in this way can create barriers between ourselves and others that are beyond our ability to overcome. The urge to win causes us to focus on the negative rather than the positive qualities of those around us so that we will appear more successful; we learn to point out the failings of others to make ourselves look superior. But what is the cost of this pattern? Do we benefit in the long run from treating others like this?

Are we really better than they are, or are we standing on false ground? Though we may laugh at others, if we faced ourselves honestly, what would we have to laugh at?

When we lose touch in this way we are cut off from the satisfying feelings that come from sharing. Caught up in the fascination and excitement aroused by winning, we begin to depend on the thrill of the moment to fulfill us, sometimes even risking our safety in reckless actions to achieve these moments. As our desire to win becomes stronger, competition becomes an end in itself and takes the place of meaningful action. We seek more specialized areas of endeavor --, old-timers, hand-launch, slope -- where we will be sure to win, thus creating grounds for even narrower rivalries. We lose the opportunity to share with others, and we lose interest in things outside our sphere. The energy that we could be using to develop a healthy attitude in our sport is directed instead into petty jealousies and we become increasingly alienated from openness and cooperation, from the real source of true competition. Neither our sport nor our friendships can be truly satisfying.

Competition can become so ingrained in our attitude that we believe it to be a natural quality, but actually we learn it at home, at school, at our work. We teach it to our children, pushing them to compete because we want them to be more successful than we have been. This pressure to succeed, however, often only teaches us to fear failure, a fear which gradually undermines our self-confidence and actually prevents us from succeeding. Perhaps we compete because we believe it will stimulate true motivation. But motivation that emphasizes success alone cannot encourage the well-integrated development of our deepest abilities. In order to succeed, we focus only on our known skills and talents, and thus limit our wider

potential. As long as we meet with success, everything is fine. But if we fail, the disappointment can shatter our confidence and strongly affect the continuing joy of soaring. As long as competition causes us to exploit our abilities, genuine accomplishment becomes blocked by frustration and failure. If we were to emphasize cooperation rather than competition, we would naturally feel more secure, more confident in our abilities, and we would have less need to win at the expense of others. But we cling to familiar ways; we compete believing that this is the accepted way to do things, no matter what the consequences may be.

When we examine the role of competition in our sport and the effect it has on our lives, we can see how it is often our fears and disappointments that spur us to compete. It is useful to take the time to look back over past contests, considering the different forms of competition that you have entered into. How much pressure was there on you to win? Were you afraid of failing? Remember how you felt when you won, and when you lost. When you won, did you care about those who lost? When you see how competition has affected you, you can understand that others have the same feelings you have experienced. You will see that competition usually causes discomfort for everyone involved. You can use this insight to develop more of a caring attitude for others and for yourself.

It is not easy, however, to give up the glow of success and ego gratification, even if we know it is superficial and short-lived. But if we are genuinely concerned with our personal growth and with finding ways to improve our sport of soaring, then we must apply this concern to all our relationships with other club members and outsiders as well. As we learn to treat others with more respect, and as we learn to be more honest with ourselves, competing to win loses its hold on us. It falls away before our growing strength, defeated by understanding and sharing. As we learn more about the real joy

of soaring competition, we come closer to the source of its true values. Those around us respond to our skills and knowledge with openness and appreciation, and instead of competing to win we can help each other to become our best.

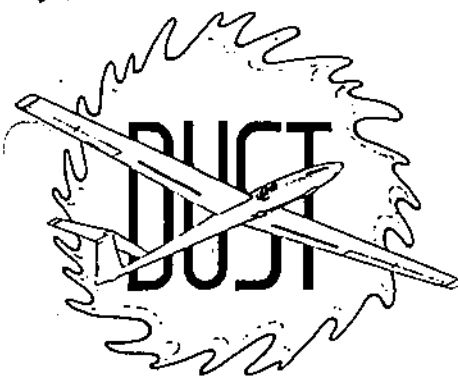
We can enjoy our successes in soaring and find fulfillment in healthy competition if we balance the pleasure of success with a willingness to appreciate and learn from our failures as well. This means that when we do the best we can, even if we fail, we can be grateful for the experience, for it can reveal to us where we can improve our abilities. Rather than approaching a contest as something of major importance, we can look on it with humility and allow it to teach us to know ourselves better. We no longer have to fear failure, for we can see that the worst outcome is not failure but our disappointment in ourselves.

When we relieve the pressure caused by disappointment and fear of failure, soaring becomes rich and fulfilling by the way in which it builds our character. There is no reason to allow such pressure to shape our sport; we can learn instead to enjoy and compete cooperatively. Our sport will be smoother, more meaningful and rewarding. Our sense of satisfaction in soaring will deepen and we can share our appreciation with others. As we influence others to support one another, we will find our own appreciation growing stronger, and our understanding and skillfulness more profound.

Just as competition encourages more competition, so cooperation inspires friendships and caring in those who feel it and receive it. When we see all those friends in a mutual search for fulfillment, we share in the richness of the soaring experience. When all of us work together rather than competing in useless and narrow ways, the possibilities for genuine support and sharing in the great sport of soaring are infinite.



DESERT UNION OF SAILPLANE  
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ANNOUNCES  
SC 2 R/C SOARING CONTEST  
AT OUR NEW PERMANENT FLYING SITE



DATE: Sunday, November 18, 1990

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Times: Practice flying, 8:00 to 9:15 AM  
Pilots meeting, 9:15 AM  
Registration Ends, 9:30 AM

CO-C/D's George Ritter (619) 346-5767

Rex Powell (619) 564-1921

Dave Hall (619) 320-5814

DUST President: Dave Hall (619) 320-5814

LOCATION: DUST Flying field; Empire Polo Club Grounds; Indio, CA (see map on back)

EVENTS: Three rounds of precision duration. Pilots choice of:

3 Min. Scored 700 Pts flight (minus 4Pts/sec over or under time) / 300 Pts landing

5 Min. Scored 800 Pts flight (minus 3Pts/sec over or under time) / 200 Pts landing

7 Min. Scored 900 Pts flight (minus 2Pts/sec over or under time) / 100 Pts landing

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Round 2 Starts 11:00 ends 12:30

Round 3 Starts 12:30 Ends 14:00

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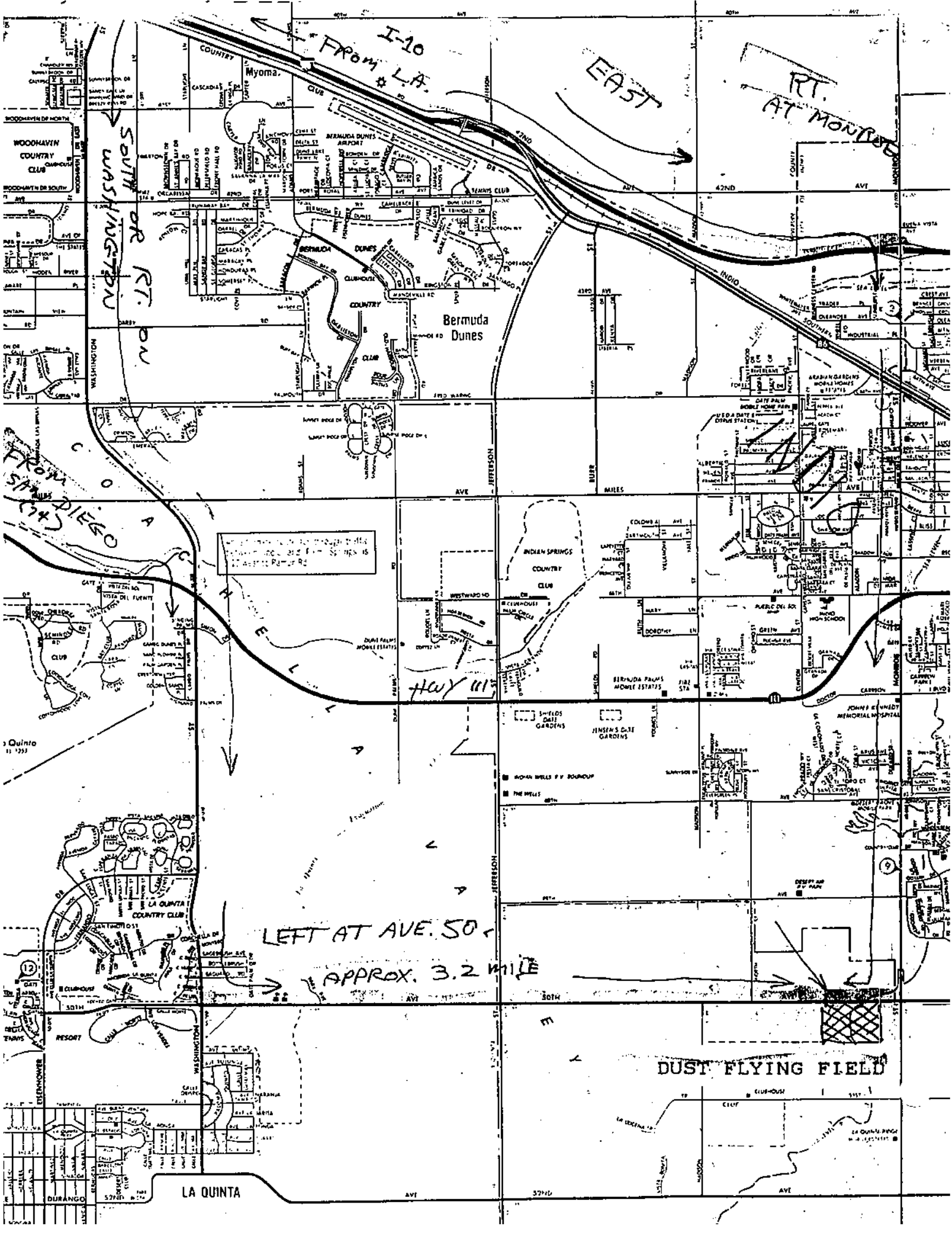
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WINCHES: DUST Club winches, 12 volt DC With Mechanical Retrieval

LINE LENGTH: 700' plus to the turn around

LANDING SURFACE: Mowed grass

SPECIAL RULES: NO ZOOM LAUNCHES!!!



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