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

July 1997

Wed, July 2nd

HSS General Meeting at Hobby Shack, FV. 7:30 P.M.

Mystery speaker!!!

Sun, July 6th

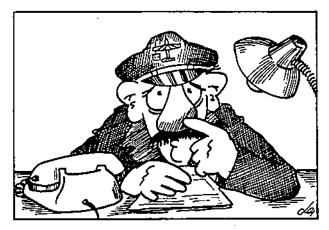
HSS Monthly Contest

"COSTA MESA GOLF CLUB EXPANSION HAS BEEN CANCELLED"

DATE CHANGE ----ROSE BOWL SOARING FESTIVAL
JULY 26TH AND JULY 27TH
REGISTRATION STILL POSSIBLE: CALL AL ZIMMERMAN
(818) 500-9019 APPLICATION INSIDE NEWSLETTER







Fairview Update-Saved Again!

Fairview Park was "saved" again for glider guiders to continue to enjoy thanks to the help of those who wrote and those who attended (Thanks Tony Martin!). Mayor Buffa "decided" to withdraw his concept due to the strong outpouring of sediment against the golf course extension. Hopefully this is the last gasp of this concept and indeed may clear the way for final approval of the Citizen's Committee Plan (which includes our activities). Costa Mesa City Parks will be having a presentation on June 28th that plan *including* the glider area, so feel free to go, learn more, and express your support.

Fullsize Winch Rush

I just got back from a trip to Europe where I was able to take my first winch launch in a full-size glider. Think about how it would feel if you were in your model as it kited into the air at Fairview? About the only difference is that they do not "zoom" at the end for obvious(?) reasons, thus the winchmaster lacks the heavy foot of some HSS members.

HSS Sailboating Opportunity

Enough HSS members expressed an interest in Roger MacGregor's offer of an HSS Sailing Day that we are looking at Aug 10th, after the HSS Thermal Duration Contest. Roger has space for about 18 people, get on the boatlist at the next HSS General Meeting.

Speed 400 Returns

Lyndon's sez the speed demon who dies with the most laps wins...so dust 'em off and get ready. Monthly race now set for the Sunday before the HSS Thermal Duration, tell Lyndon what you think!

Interesting... But True?

According to Reuters, the dazed crew of a Japanese trawler was plucked out of the Sea of Japan earlier this year, clinging to the wreckage of their sunken ship. Their rescue was followed by immediate imprisonment once authorities questioned the sailors on their ship's loss. To a man, they claimed that a cow, falling out of the clear blue sky, had struck the trawler amidships, shattering it's hull and sinking the vessel within minutes. They remained in prison for several weeks, until the Russian Airforce reluctantly informed Japanese authorities that the crew of one of it's cargo planes had apparently stolen a cow wondering at the edge of a Siberian airfield, forced the cow into the plane's hold and hastily taken off for home. Unprepared for live cargo, the Russian crew was ill-equipped to manage a frightened cow rampaging within the hold. To save the aircraft and themselves, they shoved the animal out of the cargo hold as they crossed the Sea of Japan at an altitude of 30,000 feet...believe it or not!

"HSS Is Orange County R/C Soaring"

Minutes of the June 4, 1997 HSS meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Len Johansen. There were 23 people present including two "new guys"; Chuck and Dennis. The minutes were approved. A discussion of the City plans for the golf course expansion as per the meeting of June 2 concluded that the expansion had been rejected.

<u>Announcements</u>: The resignation of Roger Lackey as president of HSS was accepted. Other changes to the structure of the board will be continued to the next meeting.

The treasurer reported we now have 87 members.

Will Conrad reported a change in the newsletter publishing - Pete Young is relocating and no longer able to help with the newsletter. Will also announced the Roy Stowers Memorial contest in late August at SULA with PRIZE MONEY totaling over \$1,000 - more next meeting.

Also Will has a letter from the City regarding our big Scale event in September and the approval of the variance along with the fee request for \$200. Of this \$100 is refundable and a \$100 refund is available for 25 hours of community service. Rick Briggs noted that last year this event resulted in at \$250 contribution to SULA. It was suggested that we get public awareness (newspaper coverage) of our clean up activity. By unanimous show of hands, clean up volunteers are eager to participate. A motion was made and approved to pay the fee now and work out the details later.

Flying field activity during the week has typically 6 flyers, mostly electric power gliders.

Ross Thomas thanked the club for the card and support in his recovery from the stroke. His left side is improving and he is flying again.

New Business - none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

PROGRAM:

Fresh pop corn and soft drinks were available for the video program - Rick B. showed the tape of the Aerotow 1997 scale event. The video had a variety of materials beyond watching scale flying, especially the tow equipment and techniques.

NEXT MONTH:

A surprise speaker ...?

The TRAINING COORDINATOR sez...

A special thanks to Ross, Karl, Les and Hugh for helping the NEW GUYS. With the TG-3 popularity, both the club trainer and new planes, there is plenty to do. Recently there were 5, yes FIVE TG-3s, at the field! I finally have some TG-3 repairs to report from the massive abuse: 1. The receiver case was mashed; replaced free by Futaba, 2. the wires to the on/off switch were pulled off, 3. the nose was stripped down, "goo-ed" back together, rc-taped and re-covered. This was a two evening project - not bad considering the "entertainment and stories" generated by the "bouncing sponge". We have been watching history in the making - the TG-3 is setting a new standard as <u>THE</u> trainer. Check the R/CSD magazine, June 97, page 60 - we are in print! My TG-3 aileron option is now up and flying (not for training use, please). And I do like it.

ROGER SAVILLE

HSS COORDINATORS

DICK PANZER	SLOPE	DAVE SANDERS
DICK PANTZER	ELECTRIC	BRIAN BUASS
ROSS THOMAS	LIBRARIAN	GEORGE AZVEDO
STEVE HENDRY	TRAINER	ROGER SAVILLE
KARL HAWLEY		
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MIKE AGUIRRE	HANDLAUNCH	?
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19th Annual Southern California Scale Glider Festival

September 20th

Saturday, 8,30 to 9:00 check-in, 9:00 pilots meeting, 9:30 to 3:30 open flying 12:00 static judging, 3:30 awards presentation, 4:00 see you next year !!

Hosted by Harbor Soaring Society & L.S.S.A. To be held at the H.S.S. field in Easta Masa, Ca This will be an A.M.A. sanctioned event. call for Maps

MATTER

Aero tow, Thermal and Slope flying all at one site!!

Pilots choice awards for:

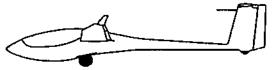
Vintage (1908-1945) 1st, 2nd, 3rd Modern (1945-1997) 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Entry fee \$15.00 Pre registration before August 1st, 97 \$20.00 After August 1st All entrants must have a current AMA card I no exceptions!!!

For information call: Rick Briggs 562-433-6327 eve, fax 562-434-0155

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ENTRY FORM:





Southern California Scale Glider Festival September 20th 1997

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Entry fee: \$15.00 before August 1st, \$20.00 After MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "H.S.S." (Harbor Soaring Society)

Mail To: Rick Briggs 283 1/2 St. Joseph LongBeach, Ca 90803 ph. 562 433-6327

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JANUARY MAKE-UP CONTEST

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