

# Planes RAP

**AMA Charter #128**  
**The Western Soaring Capital**  
<http://www.thss.org>



JUNE 2003

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From the big "P"

"Well this is a good one!" I heard the other day that someone was out shopping and while in the store, was telling customer to come out to the field and buy out of the back of a car! Well, I know that was not one of our old timers trying to steal a customer right out of the store. It had to be one of the old-timer non-member guys who fly the tables on Wednesday. That is a no-no. What goes on at the field needs to be kept at the field. (If you don't understand the point I am making, call me.)

Now, for the next thing: (Are we having fun yet?) On Wednesday when I was out at the field for the Daily Pilot news reporter, there was some guy flying an electric wing and he flew it right in front of a lady walking on the path. Then he flew it right over my head when I was walking on the path. (How about that?) I went over and asked him about flying right in front of the lady on the path. (Well, this is a good one, but unfortunately I have heard it before.) He didn't see her there until he was right on top of her. My comment to him was "get a spotter." My comment to all of you who were out there flying and anyone that flies at Fairview Park, be a spotter or use a spotter. "I want all of you to save OUR flying field."

Visalia, California.

Visalia is just up the street from Bakersfield on highway 99. It is the gateway to the giant redwoods. It is also the home of the CVRC soaring club. The field is in a drainage area, and since it had rained only the week before, there was still a lot of standing water. In fact, the field was kind of an island with water surrounding nearly 90% of it.

They had a Bent Wing contest on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of May. Ross Thomas and me were up there and we did our thing. But, with the water we had to wonder how many were going to end up in the water. So, for me, the main objective was: (1) bring the plane home dry, (2) bring it home in one piece, and (3) win first place. Well, two out of three aren't bad. Besides, I had a good time there, as it is a nice place and time to get a lot of flying in. Most of the time I was getting my times, but not the landings. The landings were 10% or 20% of your score. So, it was really a landing contest. But overall, Ross and I did well but not great. Besides, I think some six planes got wet, but not mine.

The weekend of June 7-8 is very busy for plane flyers. There is the International Hand Launch Glider Festival (IHLGF) at the Torrey Pines Gull's flying field in Poway, Ca. I think it is off the I-15 above San Diego. I've heard it as a "must see" event. Also, there is an aero-tow event in Visalia as well as our own HSS Club contest on Sunday. We had to move our club contest from the first to the eighth due to a "Jonathon" on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. So, don't come to fly on Sunday between 8:00 and 10:00 AM.

By the way, one more thing: if you don't remember, the City Council asked that we not fly before 8:00AM. So if you fly before 8, make sure it is a "Quite" flier.

Please talk to all the flyers you know who fly at Fairview Park, that: (1) they get AMA and (2) they become a part of HSS so we can have a strong and long lasting stay at Fairview.

On behalf of the club, I want to thank Don for the V-belts for the lawn mower and thank all the others who helped make Fairview Park a great place to fly.

So far, I haven't received any dope on the F5J contest from Jim. I was there and it worked out okay. The guys that flew it want to do it again soon. So, next time it will be done as a fun fly contest.

If you didn't know, HSS makes some of its money by putting on contests. The Club dues just pay for the newsletter. If any one has a contest in mind, lets hear about it.

We are only three months away from September. And that means the third week is the big weekend at Fairview for the Orange County Model Train Engineers Meet. Maybe we can get something going with planes like an all day fun fly/demo for the public to see. Also, maybe we can have a BBQ. So, lest hear from all you PR guys and that mean everyone. Lets make it happen.

And, last but not least, it is time to start thinking about club officers for 2004. From the president, the big "P"

### **May 2003 Harbor Soaring Society minutes**

Note: secretaries comments in ( ).

Called meeting to order 7:30 pm.

(The April meeting went well. 12 in attendance. You could have been there).

Officers in attendance, Karl, Warren, Chris. Larry out of town.

Troy Peterson was elected to the position of liaison to the Friends of Fairview Park. Ross Thomas brought the motion before the board. The motion was seconded by club-member John Krug. Club members voted 12 in favor, 0 opposing. The motion passed unanimously. Welcome Troy. We appreciate your future efforts on the part of HSS (as well as all your past efforts. Troy also participated in the reconfirmation hearings with the city to preserve a place for HSS at Fairview Park. He made a presentation at one of the many meetings he was in attendance at. Troy also helps out with the field policing. Thank you).

The Daily Pilot will be coming out to the field on Saturday May 17, 2003 at 11:00 am. They will be there to do a story. So, lets be in top form. Bring some cool planes and as always, exercise respect for all users of the park. Lets represent the club well and hopefully this media coverage will solidify our position as ambassadors of Fairview Park and RC modeling. Fred Hesse volunteered to call club members to get them all to the field on this day. Thanks Fred.

Karl has been in touch with the AMA. They have been over Fred Hesse's Adopt-a-School program. The program has received an OK from the AMA. So Fred has been granted the OK to continue with his program. The board asked Fred to give monthly updates on the progress of his program. (We look forward to hearing about the monthly progress).

Always be sure to check all posted contest and club-function dates to confirm that they correspond with the correct numerical day.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm.

**Old minutes which are still current.**

The city has approved the HSS flying site and sent the Fairview Park site plans to the state.

A four-fold brochure has been made and approved. Fred Hesse completed it and Karl H. OK'd it. Let a club officer know what you think about it.

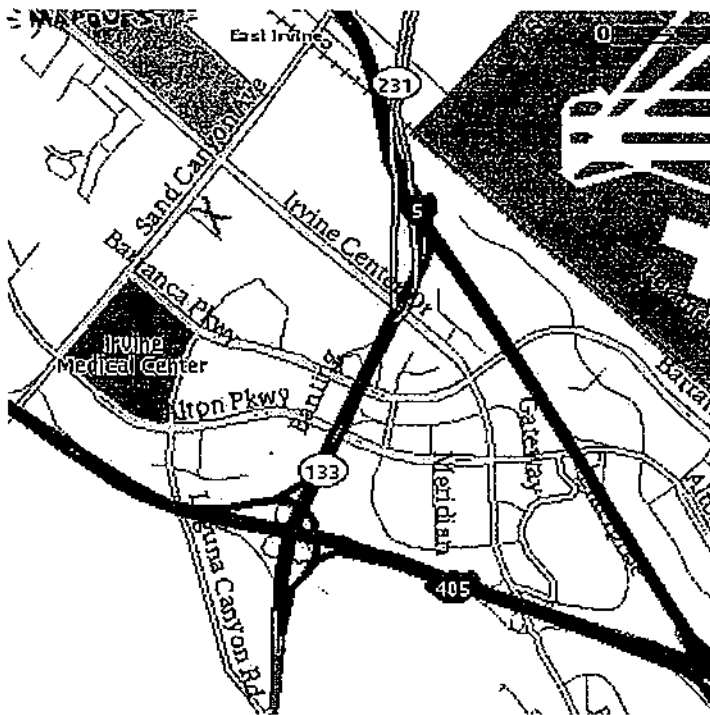
By the time of press, Jim Hanson's F5J contest will have become history. Thank you for heading up this contest Jim. We look forward to more events like this.

Several meetings back, a member mentioned a great point, which should be obvious to all. It is one we often forget, or are just not even aware of though. Fairview Park is owned by the city of Costa Mesa. The city has given us a great gift in our flying site. Therefore, view the flying rules and general etiquette in light of this great gift.

(Get yourself out to the monthly meetings. Suggest how HSS can be better in the future. It is your club!).

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7:00 PM  
**Show + Tell  
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**7:30**

## The Second Leg of The Triad - June 21st & 22nd

The Sacramento Valley Soaring Society is pleased to announce its 13th annual two day thermal duration soaring event. Spring Fling is the biggest event of its kind in Northern California. It's a two-day contest that spans three days of fun June 20th through the 22nd. The days are at their longest at this time of year. The sun rises at 5:30 and doesn't set until 15 hours later. There is a lot of time to fly in between. Join us all day on Friday for some fun flying. On Saturday we start with a five minute round in the morning and then run as many seven minute rounds as we can. The round in effect at 3:30 will be the last round of the day. The same is planned for Sunday with the last round at 1:30. Fun flying precedes and follows the contest on both days as well as all day Friday. Club winches are available for your use the entire weekend. A huge raffle follows the awards on Sunday. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served by Bill McLain and his crew who join us for their third year. Prices are modest and the food is outstanding. The tri-tip and chicken barbecue on Saturday night is worth the trip alone. Transportation is easy. Sacramento International Airport is close by. There are several motels are within three miles of the field. Camping is allowed on the field. Mark your calendar and plan on Spring Fling 2003. It's one of the best soaring events in the country.

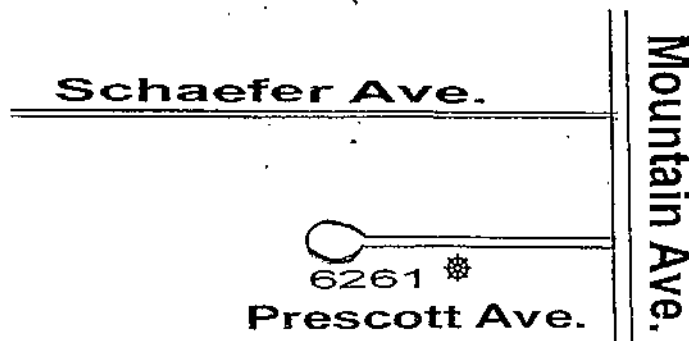
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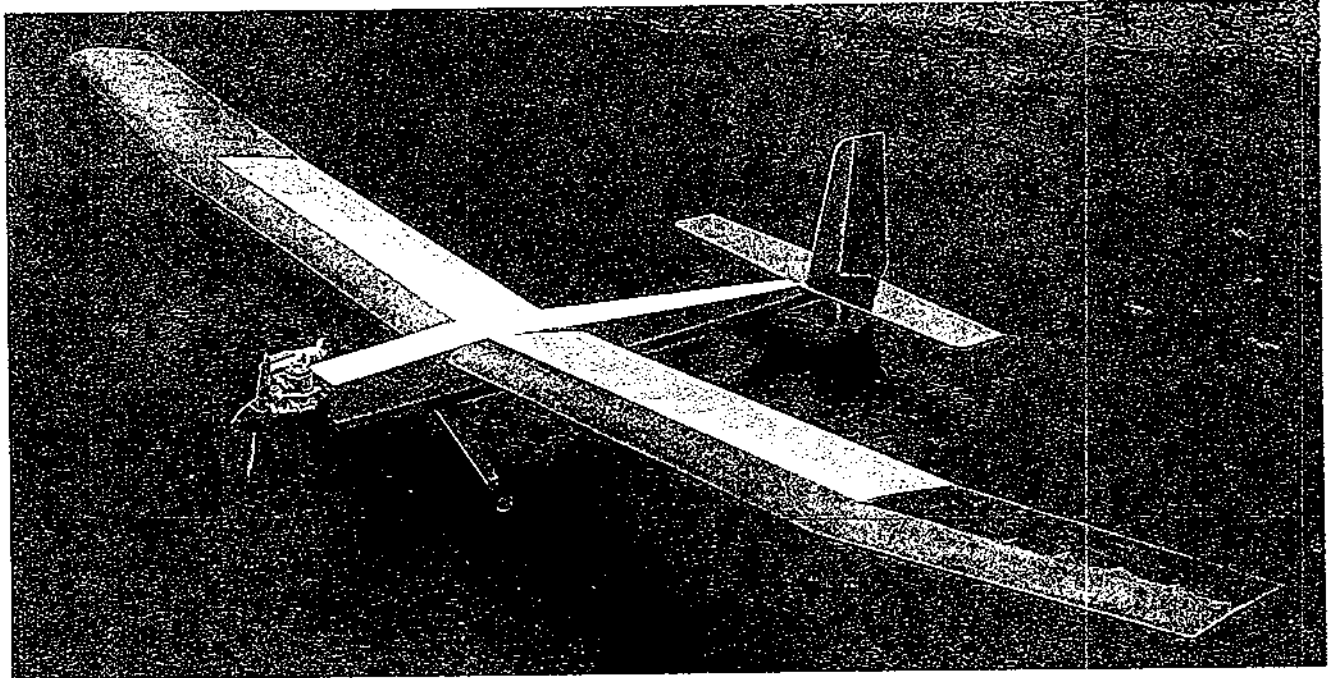
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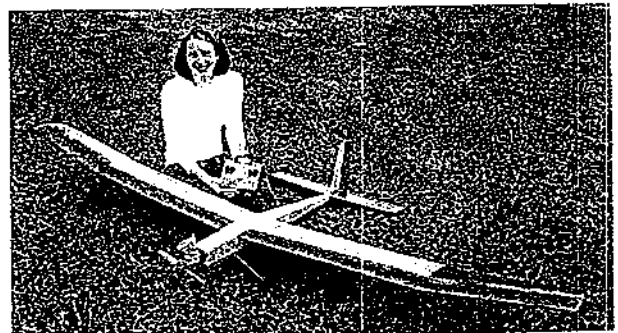


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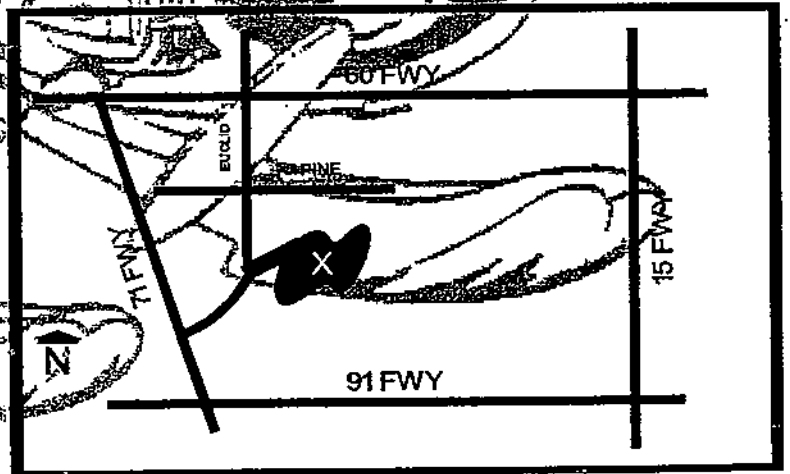


# AMERICAN MODEL AIRPORT ASSOCIATION

## FLOAT FLY

**JUNE 1ST, 2003**

PRADO REGIONAL PARK  
16700 South Euclid Ave.  
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**RAFFLE PRIZES - - FOOD - - FUN**

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00

FOR INFO. : EVENT ORGANIZER

TOM BRIGHT - CLUB PRES. AMA# 40302 (909) 594-0650

PLEASE NOTE:

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Flyer Prior To The Event.*

TIME: 8:00 am SIGN-IN FLYING 9:00 am



# Fairview Park Friends Fundraising Planning Meeting

## Can We Count On You For Assistance?

Join us and assist with Fairview Park's Annual Events. Discover fun and camaraderie while improving the City's largest park!

The Fairview Park Friends Committee will meet to discuss fundraising and increasing awareness for this magnificent park. An upcoming quarterly Friends meeting has been tentatively scheduled for June. At that meeting, you'll hear about aspects of the park from guest speakers, and we hope to enlist your help in ensuring our remaining two annual events are successful. Assistance in event set-up, creating signs and decorations, promoting the events, handling monetary or in-kind donations is gladly welcomed and appreciated. By volunteering your time, you will reap the benefits of improving Fairview Park and our community. For meeting information, call the Fairview Friends Hotline at (714) 754-5698 or check out the website at [cmfairviewpark.org](http://cmfairviewpark.org).

## CostaMazing Pride in the Park Fun Run/Walk

Saturday, February 7, 2004

Fairview Park

All participants in the Fun Run/Walk will receive breakfast and a t-shirt. Invite your friends and family to join you for a fun-filled day in Costa Mesa's crown jewel park. Enjoy live music, food and learn more about what Costa Mesa has to offer. **Event Sponsor: Plums Café & Catering.**

### Our Local Stars!

July 8  
**Tony Fabulous and The Big Shots**  
Big Band

July 15  
**Ready Freddy**  
60's - Motown

July 22  
**Ronnie and the Classics**  
50's Music

July 29  
**The Answer**  
Classic Rock 'n' Roll

August 5  
**Latin Fusion**  
Salsa Band

August 12  
**Orange Colored Sky**  
Surf - Beach Boy's Music

### The City of Costa Mesa

#### 2003 Concerts in the Park Series

Join us at Fairview Park  
6:15-7:45 p.m.

Tuesdays, July 8 - August 12

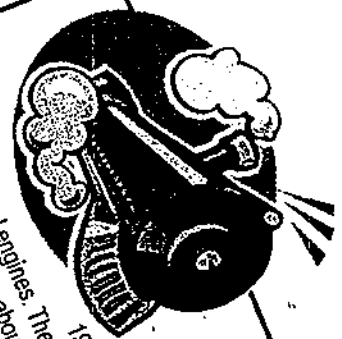
Pack a picnic basket, grab a blanket or beach chair, gather your family and friends and enjoy the musical entertainment at the 4th Annual Concerts in the Park series.

The Concert Series will be presented on Tuesday evenings, July 8 through August 12, 6:15-7:45 p.m. at the Fairview Park, 2525 Placentia Avenue.

The Mobile Recreation Van and staff will have activities for children during the concert with light refreshments available for purchase.

Remember, Costa Mesa ordinances prohibit alcohol in City parks and dogs must be on a leash.

Join us on the bluff watching the sunset and dance to the beats of BeBop, Rhythm & Blues, Swing, Rock-n-Roll, Surf and Salsa bands.



steam and diesel engines. The idea developed and became a reality! Now you can share the experience and learn about the past. The third weekend of each month climb aboard their engines and travel over three miles of track and a 100' bridge. Youth of all ages are welcome to join in the fun at Fairview Park located at Placentia Avenue and Estancia North.

**Train Rides at Fairview Park**  
Information (949) 548-7246  
The Orange County Model Engineers began in 1989 when several devoted engineers wanted to display their engines and travel over three miles of track and a 100' bridge. Youth of all ages are welcome to join in the fun at Fairview Park.





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FAIRVIEW PARK FRIENDS COMMITTEE

May 20, 2003

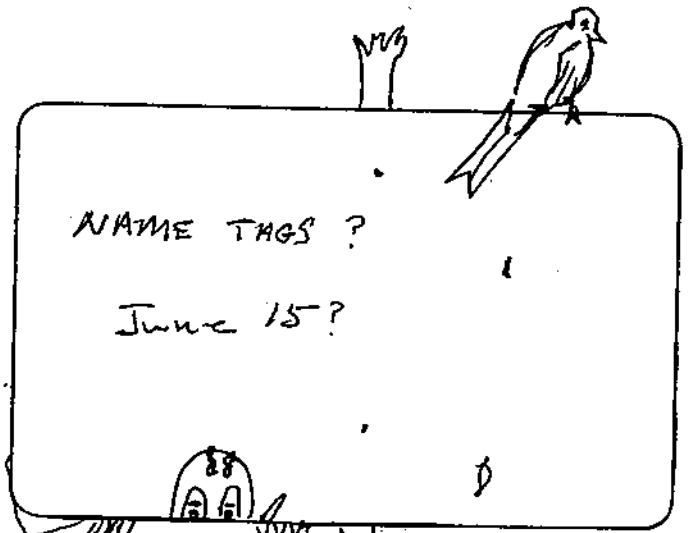
Please join the City of Costa Mesa's Fairview Park Friends Committee at the Costa Mesa Neighborhood Community Center for a special quarterly meeting on June 18th at 6:00 p.m. Highlights of the evening include an overview of our Friend and Fundraising efforts thus far, and how you can participate in future annual events at Fairview Park to meet Park goals. A special presentation by Lena Hayashi with the Friends of Harbors, Beaches, and Parks will focus on the proposed \$20 million dollar Orange Coast River Park project. The Orange Coast River Park (OCRP) is to encompass Fairview Park and would extend southward with connecting trails, wilderness preserve, and park space all the way to the mouth of the Santa Ana River. In addition, Ron Molendyk, Fairview Park Plans Administrator for the City of Costa Mesa, will provide a brief update on the implementation of several approved elements at Fairview Park.

We hope you can attend this informative meeting and sign up to participate in upcoming annual "Friends" events, as well as learn more about Fairview Park and the role it would play as part of the Orange Coast River Park. Beverages and light snacks will be provided. If you have any questions on the quarterly community meeting, please contact the Fairview Friends Hotline at (714) 754-5698, or me at (714) 754-5688.

Sincerely,

Carol Proctor  
Staff Liaison  
Fairview Park Friend/Fundraising Committee

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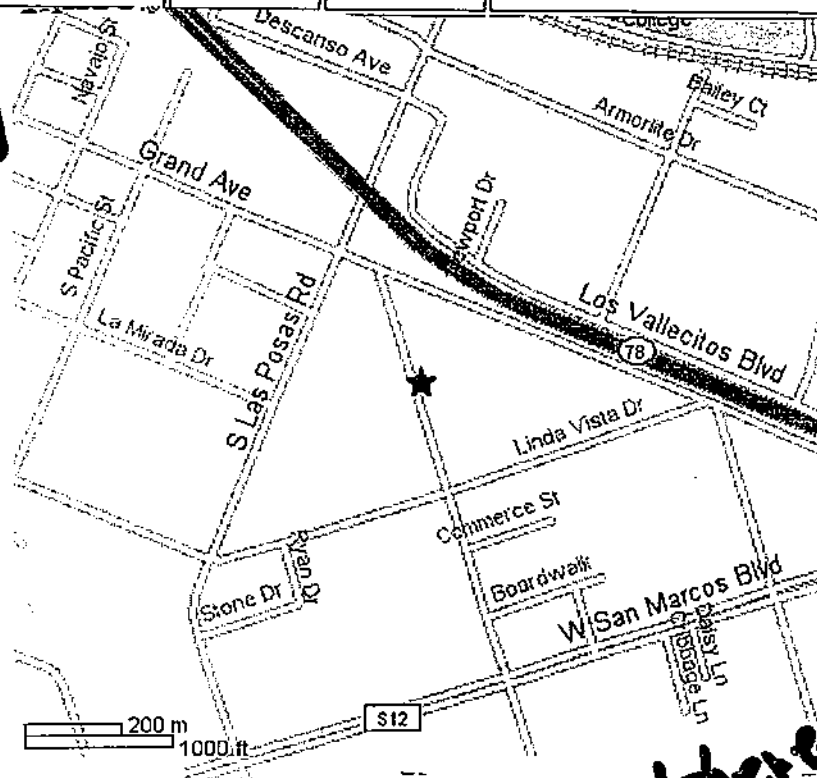
# 2003 Contest Announcements & Results

Historical Winch Competition Summary (since 1974) 11/02/02

Historical HLG Competition Summary (since 2000) 03/03/03

Individual Year End Standings - Winch  
 Team Year End Standings - Winch  
 Year End Standings - HLG

Date	City	(SC) <sup>2</sup> Contest	Link to Club	Launch Method	Map	Dir.
Sun, Mar 30	Poway	YES	<u>Torrey Pine Gulls #1 TPG</u> CANCELLED - High Winds	Winch	<u>MAP</u>	<u>DIR</u>
Sun, April 27	Covina	YES	<u>Silent Wings Soaring Society- SWSA</u>	Winch	<u>MAP</u>	<u>DIR</u>
Sun, May 18	Long Beach	YES YES	<u>El Dorado Silent Fliers-EDSF</u>	Winch Hand	<u>Map1</u> <u>Map2</u>	<u>DIR</u>
Sun, June 7-8	Poway	NO	<u>International Hand Launch Glider Festival (IHLGF) - TPG****</u>	Hand	<u>MAP</u>	<u>DIR</u>
Sun, June 29	San Marcos	YES	<u>Torrey Pine Gulls #2-TPG</u>	Winch		



SC<sup>2</sup>  
 June 29 see you there  
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## Red-tailed hawk



Male and female adults have reddish-brown tails, with gray-brown feathers on their backs and wings, and white feathers on their breasts.

The red-tailed hawk hunts small animals such as squirrels and rabbits, and will also eat road kill. It is a type of bird called a raptor. Its eyesight is about eight times as sharp as a human's. Courting hawks perform amazing dances in the air, often rolling in the sky with their talons hooked together.

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<del>May 17-18</del>	<del>Visalia</del>	<del>NO</del>	<del>CVRC Bent Wing Contest **</del>	<del>Winch</del>	<del>MAP</del>	<del>DIR</del>
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Sun, June 7-8	Poway	NO	International Hand Launch Glider Festival (IHLGF) - TPG****	Hand	MAP	DIR
Sun, June 29		YES	Torrey Pine Gulls #2-TPG	Winch		
Sun, Aug. 24	Thousand Oaks	YES	Thousand Oaks Soaring Society- TOSS	Winch	MAP1 MAP2	DIR
		YES		Hand		
Sun, Sept. 28	Perris	YES	Inland Soaring Society-ISS	Winch	MAP	DIR
Oct. 4-5	Visalia	NO	CVRC Fall Soaring Festival **	Winch	MAP	DIR
Sun, Oct. 26	Costa Mesa	YES	Harbor Soaring Society-HSS	Winch	MAP	DIR
		YES		Hand		

### Planned HSS Dates for 2003

-Note: Board Meetings Are Held 30 Min Before Club Meeting

- May 17<sup>th</sup> 11:00AM The Dail Pilot Will Be At Our Field This Saturday To Do A Story On HSS. Come One Come All, Lets Put On A Show Of Fun And Attendance.
- May 17<sup>th</sup> Visalia Bent Wing Contest. CD Fred Hover
- June 1<sup>st</sup> HSS contest. TBA, Need A CD
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 7:30 PM HSS Meeting @ Irvine Water Dist.
- June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> International Hand Launch Glider Festival (IHLGF) TPG
  
- June 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> SASS Spring Fling 2003 2<sup>nd</sup> Leg of Triad
- July 13<sup>th</sup>, HSS contest. TBA, Need A CD
- August 13<sup>th</sup>, HSS contest. TBA, Need A CD
- September 14<sup>th</sup>, HSS contest. TBA, Need A CD
- October 12<sup>th</sup>, HSS contest. Visalia.
  
- November 2<sup>nd</sup>, HSS contest. TBA, Need A CD
- December 9<sup>th</sup>, no contest. HSS award banquet dinner.