

## NCCC EVENT CALENDAR

### NCCC Meetings

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month  
7:30pm, at the Paso Robles  
Airport Terminal

### \*\*Next Meeting\*\*

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008

### NCCC FUN FLY

March 9<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>  
July 13<sup>th</sup>, Oct 11<sup>th</sup>

### Pylon Race Series

Mar 30<sup>th</sup>, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, May 25<sup>th</sup>

### Paso Robles Airport Day

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008

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# "Tail Gate News"

## the "PRESIDENTS CORNER"

### **HERE WE GO AGAIN !**

At the December meeting, we held elections for club officers. The slate of existing officers was re-elected, so it looks like you have to put up with me for at least another year.

Mitch Howe and Richard Harvey have also agreed to serve another term.

The NCCC officers and committee chairs are now in the process of setting up dates for the events to be held in 2008 year. If you have any ideas for events

that you would like to see the club put on, please let us know. Better yet come to the club meetings and take part in the organizing. Our meetings are always the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm at the Paso Robles Airport Terminal.

This is the time of the year that we get quite a few new members, we all need to be helpful and take the time to explain the general **NCCC** field and safety rules, these are posted along side of the Frequency Board, also the

common flight line and pit area courtesies. Even if a new member is a proficient flyer, they may not know of our specific field rules. This is also a good time for us "old members" to read and review the rules.

So remember to be safe, courteous and most of all have a good time.

See you at the field,

*JOE*

## Christmas Dinner & 2007 Awards

On December 17<sup>th</sup> we had our annual Christmas party. Matthew and Mindy of "Matthews at the Airport" served us a wonderful meal including a "Yule Log" for dessert.

At the dinner we presented our awards for the 2007 year. Our **2007 Fun Fly Champion** was Calvin Yun. Finishing in a close second was Bob Martz followed by Ken Bradley in third.

The **2007 MVP** award went to Rick Jones for his work through-out the past year on organizing and running the "Fun Force" racing series.

Congratulations to all of our 2007 winners.

*JOE*



## NCCC 2008 "FUN FLY" contests

It was decided at the January meeting to continue our "Fun Fly" contests with the same format as in the previous years.

We will have 4 contests, (see our schedule under "NCCC Event Calendar" for the dates) with your best 3 out of 4 contest finishes counting towards the "Fun Fly Championship" points.

The club member with the most points at the end of the year will be crowned "2008 Fun Fly Champion."

The contests will be open to all current AMA members,

but only NCCC members are eligible for NCCC championship points. The events for each contest will be picked from the standard "NCCC Fun Fly" list of events and will be announced at the pilots meeting on the day of the event.

All contests will have a pilots meeting at 8:45am and the contest will start at 9am, weather at the NCCC field permitting.

So get a copy of the events list and start practicing. Bob Martz or Richard Harvey can get you a copy of the events

See you on March 9<sup>th</sup> for our first 2008 events.

All contests will have a pilots meeting at 8:45am (no exceptions) and the contest will start at 9am, weather at the NCCC field permitting.

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*Joe*

**"Gentleman & Ladies,  
Start Your Engines"**

**Oops! I mean**

**"Plug in Your Batteries"**

## NCCC "Electric Pylon Racing" series

The 2008 pylon racing season is here. With many planes, motors and batteries tested, Rick Jones and his crew have come up with the new and improved race plane for 2008. I had a chance to fly Rick's plane, I believe he still had his "Kraft" radio in it, but even still the plane flew faster and handled much better than the "Fun Force" planes of 2007 did. But don't throw out your Fun Force planes just yet, Bob Martz has an event planned for them at "Airport Day 2008".

The new plane is made by MS Composites, there are 3 different airframes

to choose from and they come in 2 or 3 different color schemes. The planes are made mostly of EPP foam, which is virtually indestructible, but then again I am sure we can dispel that myth!! The motor is a Great Planes Rim Fire 28-30-1250. The battery can be any brand 11.1 volt 1200-1600mah LI-Poly.

Along with the planes the race rules have also changed. The heats will now be 10 laps with a staggered ROG start, and if you cut a pylon you must make up the

entire lap.

All of the necessary planes and equipment is available at Hobby Headquarters.

I will attach a separate .pdf file of all the rules along with this news letter.

### Race Schedule

**March 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**April 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**May 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**June 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**July 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**August 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**September 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**October 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**November 30<sup>th</sup>**

## **November 6 2007**

- Meeting called to order by President Joe MacGregor at 7:35PM
  - 9 members present
  - November minutes, Motion by Ed Bedrosian, Seconded by Rick Jones. Approved as read
- Treasury report
  - \$6759.86
  - 69 members
- New member recognition
  - None
- Old Business
  - A Frequency board
    - I. The frequency board has been changed
    - II. The 53mhz section is now for 2.4ghz radios.
    - III. All pilots using 2.4ghz are required to put their card on the board.
  - B Electric Fly-In
    - I. There were 20 entrants at our first Electric Fly-In
    - II. The club made approximately \$60.00
- Committee Reports
  - A. Fun-Fly
    - I. There was no report on the October 6<sup>th</sup> fun-fly
  - B. Fun Forces Races
    - I. The October race had 7 entrants
    - II. 1<sup>st</sup> – Kent Nagy, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Larry Matthews, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jack ?
    - III. Rick and Richie brought two planes for possible use for next years races.
  - C. Air Show
    - I. Joe gave a report on this year's Air Show.
    - II. There were approximately 4700 spectators.
    - III. There air show made a profit of about \$145.00
    - IV. Next years air show will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup>.
- New business
  - A Christmas Party
    - I. We will try to have this years party at Matthew's at the Airport.
    - II. Joe is going to check on available dates.
  - B. Nomination for 2008 club officers.
    - I. A motion was made by Tony Gallardo and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed Bedrosian to nominate the current officers for 2008.
    - II. Election will be held at the December meeting
  - C. January Meeting
    - I. The January 2008 meeting will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> because the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday is New Years Day.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

**December 4, 2007**

- Meeting called to order by President Joe MacGregor at 7:45PM
  - 6 members present
  - November minutes, Motion by Bob Martz, Seconded by Rick Jones. Approved as read.
- Treasury report
  - \$6563.02
  - Approximately 73 paid members
- New member recognition
  - None
- Old Business
  - A Christmas Party
    - I. Date – December 17<sup>th</sup> a Mathews Restaurant.
  - B January Meeting
    - I. The January meeting will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> instead of the 1<sup>st</sup> due to New Years.

## Committee Reports

- A Fun Force Races
  - I. Results of November 25<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> – Kent Nogy, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Ashley Lightfoot.
  - II. The next race will be held on December 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - III. There was a discussion about possible planes to use for next year.

- New business
  - A Club Dues
    - III. Club dues for 2008 are now due.
  - B Club Officer Elections
    - I. There was a vote to keep the current officers for 2008.
    - II. The vote was unanimous to keep the current officers.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

**January 8, 2008**

- Meeting called to order by President Joe MacGregor at 7:35PM
  - 8 members present
  - December minutes, Motion by Kent Nogy, Seconded by Ed Bedrosian. Approved as read.

- Treasury report
  - \$7596.00
  - 32 paid members
- New member recognition
  - None
- Old Business
  - A Christmas Party
    - I. Seventeen people (10 members and 7 guests) attended the party.
    - II. Joe Macgregor presented the clubs annual awards for MVP and Fun-Fly.
    - III. Rick Jones won the MVP award and Calvin Yun Won the Fun-Fly award.

## Committee Reports

- A Pylon Races
  - I. Rick Jones was not present so there has no decision on what plane will be used this year.
  - II. The first race will probably be held in March
- B Fun-Fly
  - I. The fun-fly events this year will use the same format as last year.
  - II. The dates are March 9<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup> and October 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - III. Bob Martz brought up a discussion about having a later starting time. It was decided to leave it the same.

## Meeting Minutes – JANUARY cont'd

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## C Field

- I. We will need to spray the weeds soon.

## D Air Show

- I. This year's air show will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup>.
- II. Joe has submitted the necessary paperwork.
- IV. Tony Gallardo has agreed to be in charge of the raffle again this year.
- V. Ed Bedrosian will see if he can get the prize for this year's raffle.

## •New Business.

## •A Contest Schedule

- IV. Dates need to be set for pylon races.
- V. The dates need to be coordinated with Rick Jones.

## B Donation from Calvin Yun

- I. Calvin has a trainer and radio that he would like to donate to the club or a needy person.
- II. If the club takes it for a trainer Bob Martz offered to store it.

## C AMA Park Flyer Membership

- I. There was a discussion about the new AMA park flyer membership and how the club should handle it.
- VI. It was decided that anyone coming to the field with the Park Flyer membership would be allowed to fly under our guest guidelines. After that they would be required to have a regular AMA and club membership.

## D. 501c Non-Profit &amp; Incorporation

- I. There was a discussion about incorporating the club and filing for non-profit status.
- II. Incorporating would cost approximately \$500.00 plus \$100.00 filing fee plus a \$25.00 annual fee.
- III. Benefits of being incorporated are in the case of a law suit we are only liable for our club assets and members cannot be sued individually.
- VII. Being a non-profit organization will help getting sponsors for the Air Show.
- VIII. There will be more information at the February meeting and a vote at the March meeting.

## E. Hosting Boy Scouts

- I. Larry Rose brought up a discussion about the possibility of bringing his Boy Scout troop out to the field to introduce them to radio controlled aircraft.
- II. It was agreed that this would be a good idea and we could have some trainers available with instructors to let them fly on buddy boxes.
- III. There will be more discussion on a possible date at the next meeting.

## •Meeting adjourned at 8:55PM

**February 5, 2008**

- Meeting called to order by President Joe MacGregor at 7:43PM
  - 6 members present
  - January minutes - Not available
- Treasury report
  - \$8199.26
  - 49 paid members
- New member recognition
  - None
- Old Business
  - A 501C - Incorporation
    - I. It was decided that we need more information before we make a decision.  
There will be further discussion next month.
  - B Boy Scout Troup
    - I. Larry Rose was not present at the meeting
    - II. Bob Martz will contact Larry to try and set up a date.
- Committee Reports
  - A. Pylon Races
    - I. The planes used this year will be the M.S. Composites foam airplanes.
    - II. There will be a standard motor, prop, and battery still to be determined.
    - III. All necessary components should be available at Hobby Headquarters.
  - B. Fun-Fly
    - I. The first fun-fly of the year will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup>.
    - II. Kent Nogy will be the C.D...
  - C Air Show
    - I. We have approval from the airport advisory committee.
    - II. We are on the agenda for March city council meeting.
- New business
  - A Sway Meet
    - IX. Tony Gallardo would like to have a swap meet on September 20<sup>th</sup>, the weekend after the air show. He would also like to advertise it at the air show.
    - II. It was approved if Tony wanted to be in charge.
  - B Club Name Tags
    - I. Bob Martz brought up a discussion about member name tags.
    - II. Bob is going to get some information on cost and art work.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM