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Spring Flying Rumors and Stuff

WOR Club Meeting featuring Lisa Q.T. Tate: May 20
XC League May 17-18@TBD & June 21-22@Dunlap:
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Marina Festival of the Winds: May 10-11
Cerro Cordo Trip: May 10-11 (Eric F)
McClure Coyote Howl Fly-in: May 17-18

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Apr 2008 WOR Meeting Minutes

New Members/Guests

None

Great Flights

Eric Froelich flew 1 ½ hrs at Mission today.

Gary Princeau and Eric Carlson flew Dunlap.

Wayne Michelson launched at Diablo and flew out Blackhawk Ridge with Ben Dunn; made it almost to Pacheco Pass; landed near Lawrence Livermore Labs and was accosted by lab security. Kevin Dutt flew from Diablo to Mission. Eric Froelich went to a fly-in at Reno and flew the Hot Springs site.

President's Report : Wayne Michelson

Welcome new officers.

VP's Report : Lynn McLaughlin

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report : Don Herrick

Income from dues is coming in. Some big expenses are coming up, including grading of the road at Mission.

Flight Director's Report : Pat Denevan

There were 2 recent incidents at Fort Funston. One pilot, a recent H3 who got his rating in Las Vegas, landed downwind. He broke vertebrae in his neck and damaged his glider. Another pilot hit the phone booth.

Membership Services : Don Herrick for Eric Carlson

Dues from a number of renewals have been given to Don. Some applications

have been awaiting processing for some time. Wayne Michelson made a list of members who have not had their renewals processed.

Ed Levin : None

Mission Ridge : Roy Spencer

There have been some good days this spring. A pilot landed downwind of the tree line south of the LZ. It is best to fly a landing approach upwind of the trees.

Mount Diablo : Mark Grubbs

There were 4 X-C flights in 3 different directions this past weekend. The weather station is working.

Coyote Lake : Jim Woodward

Coyote creek is almost low enough to allow access to the launch. The identity of the PG pilot who flew last month is still not known.

Goat /Wild Ass : Wayne Michelson

Not much to report.

Old Business

The X-C contest is underway. Gerry Pesavento has updated the website. The windtalker at Ed Levin is working, according to Stan Boehm. He has been working on the windtalker installation to make it more reliable. Mark Grubbs has been investigating commercially available windtalkers; the ones currently available cost about \$3000. Dan Pifco and Peter Wenn are working on a distributed weather reporting system. The anemometers on the windtalkers tend to require regular replacement.

Phyl Hamby has << >> contacted a contractor about grading of the Ed Levin road. He was quoted \$6800 to do the job. Grading will require a water truck due to the dry weather. Phyl thinks the Parks Dept may be willing to share the cost.

Apparel can be embroidered with a WOR logo by Zazzle. There is a setup fee per design and a fee per item. Mark Mullholland mentioned a possible cheaper vendor, named Micheal Burgonte. Zazzle can also do printed designs. Check out Zazzle.com and search on Wings of Rogallo. The WOR picnic is planned for April 26th. There will be a spot landing contest. Members who plan to attend should sign up to bring side dishes.

New Business

A fly-in in planned for May 10-11 at Cerro Gordo. Eric Frolich has been trying to contact Mike Patterson, the owner of the resort. The Marina Steeplechase and Wind Festival is planned for May 10-11. There is a \$25 entry fee that includes a barbeque. Entertainment was a presentation by Carmela Moreno on items we should carry in our harnesses.

End of Meeting Minutes

Editor's Psycotic Ramblings

Hi kids! Uncle Colin is back to work here at the FlightLine, busy clickin all them there computers keys that the voices tell me to click, which somehow mainfests itself into all the news that's fit to eat (wholesum, organic, and non-fatting). Carrying on in the grand tradition of W.R.Hurst, Rupert Murdick, and Ted Turner, making my fame and fortune in the news media.... Hope y'all enjoy lining your bird cage with this issue at least 1/2 as much as I enjoy composing it.

Spring does indeed apear to be here. With great sadness last week I packed up my ski up gear into the rafters of my garage, there to patiently collect dust till next Thanksgiving, the day when all die-hard ski addicts give thanks for the opening day of the local ski hill. But while in the attic I was gleefully dusting off the summertime camping & flying & rafting gear in prep for some fun times and crazy road trips. *(gotta go now.. be right back, gotta phone call from a cute gal who is in need of dinner and hopefully dessert)*

back now, several hours later with a smile.... Where was I? Oh yeah, Spring. Was up at Mission cruzin at squirrel-hunting altitude last week, between sneezing fits was admiring the yellows and purples blots of colour that adorne our hillsides this time of year. I've been checking the calendars and making big travel plans to make it to some fun flying events this season, not as many as when I am totally unemployed but hopefully enough to have some fun.

We started the Spring season with the semi-annual WOR ERLCP picnic, where it suprizingly did not rain! Plenty of food and beer and entertainment, including a spot-landing contest with the cone placed 50 feet up the lake side of a eucaliptus tree. Most flyers wisely avoided trying to land on the spot, but one kid totally nailed it dead centre. Much thanks to Cram & Lynn for hosting this fine event.

Whoops, outta room, more next month.....

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