

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

## **THE WINDSOCK - JUNE 2025**

### **ACTIVITIES AT THE FIELD:**

As far as I know, it has been pretty no eventful at the field which is a good thing. The large Road Closed barriers and the No Left Turn signs have been removed and currently there are signs that just say ROAD CLOSED 2 MILES AHEAD.

### **TRUST and FAA Certificates:**

If some of you are hesitant to renew your membership because you don't want to go through the process of getting both the Trust and FAA certificates - NOT TO WORRY! Go ahead and renew and Steve K. , our president will help you through it. The TRUST certificate is super easy. The FAA has become easier thanks to our very own Robert McDonald talking directly with AMA's in house representative for the FAA. He listened to Robert and took action on making a few changes to make it easier and clearer on getting the FAA certificate. Call Steve at 661-755-9721 and he will get you through it.

### **2025-2026 CLUB OFFICERS:**

For the record, all previous 2024-2025 officers have been re-elected with the exception of Secretary. Valerie Krog has been duly elected to be our new secretary. She actually jumped in a month early to fill the vacancy and immediately has done a phenomenal job. Thank you Valerie!

## **FUEL UPDATE:**

If you wish to purchase more glow fuel, just contact one of the Club officers and we can help you. Currently we have 20 gallons of 15% at \$48 per gallon and 4 gallons of 10% at \$35 per gallon. You must bring the exact change or write a check.

## **REMINDER:**

I know this sounds like a broken record but as all of you know our fire season is getting to be almost all year. Any aircraft that uses LiPo batteries has a potential risk of starting a fire if involved in a serious enough crash that would damage the LiPo battery pack. PLEASE take immediate action and get to the crash site to prevent or put out any flames. If it appears that you will not be able to extinguish the fire immediately, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE and call 911 or the Fire Department.

## **SHIRTS, CAPS AND SWEATSHIRTS:**

We have great looking polo shirts, caps, Tee shirts, and sweatshirts available at the field. Costs are \$35 for Polos, \$20 for Tee shirts, \$20 for hats, and \$40 for sweatshirts. See a club officer for yours.

## **MEETING UPDATE:**

Our NEXT regular Club and Board General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at the Black Bear Diner, 23626 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita. A number of us will be there at 6:00 PM for dinner so please join us for that or be there at 7:00 PM for the regular group meeting.

## **SPECIAL NOTE:**

We are always looking for anyone who can participate in a simple "Show & Tell" at the end of our meetings. We have had many great participants that have brought RC projects that are in the near

completion phase and those that are fairly new or even not yet had their maiden flights . Always an educational and fun time.

On behalf of the CCW Board, stay safe and we hope to see you soon at the flying field. HAPPY LANDINGS!

Steve Killian

President

## **June 2025 - Canyon Crosswinds Meeting Minutes**

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1. CCW Secretary, Valerie Krog, read the minutes from our May meeting.

- \*Note: I'm working on printing the remainder of member ID badges. I have the supplies now but am still figuring it all out. Thanks for your patience!

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2. Financial Report given by Jack Allaway, CCW Treasurer

- Membership renewals are probably done since the grace period is ending at the end of June. There is a slight monetary penalty for "late" memberships. Jack noted a decline in memberships this year and theorized possible reasons. There are over 60 members this year as opposed to over 90 members last year.
  - Physical keys need to be returned by people who are not renewing memberships. Bill Ardizzone discussed sending a message to those who are not renewing their memberships notifying them that he would be up at the field on a certain day/time for people to come and drop off their keys.
  - We also discussed alternate options for club keys (keys are pricey...) such as a digital option shared by a member present at the meeting who is also a member at an RC Club in Glendale where they use a digital lock unlocked by people's phones. Discussion was tabled for now to allow for additional research on the feasibility and costs associated with this possibility.

- Float fly expenses and profits were given. There were 23 participants. With the purchase of wagons to haul planes, etc. as well as the landing fees it was fairly close to breaking even, so considered profitable.

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### 3. Float Fly Recap:–

- Feelings were positive about the Float Fly. Members present felt that turnout was good and that participants enjoyed the event. Issues with participants having to pay for parking and another event being scheduled at the same time were mentioned as being a little frustrating, but overall people felt good about the event.
- The possibility of another Float Fly at Castaic Lake in September was discussed. Those present at the meeting were in favor of it as long as it is kept toned down and simple.

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### 4. New Business:

- Club meeting location in summer: Discussion about whether the monthly meetings should take place at the CCW field or continue at Black Bear Diner during the summer.
  - Concerns were expressed about the outdoor environment in summer evenings not being ideal for a meeting (i.e., heat, wind, etc.). Others noted that Black Bear Diner is comfortable and convenient and expressed concerns about losing it as a meeting location if we were to leave.
- Grounds maintenance at the field: It takes a lot of work to mow and maintain the CCW grounds. Bill Ardizzone has been doing the lions share of mowing and cleaning up of the grounds for a long time and this is not sustainable long term.
  - Discussed looking into hiring a company/someone to do a thorough mowing, etc. at least several times a year. Discussion ensued about the possible costs of hiring someone as well as whether soliciting a crew of club member volunteers to sign up to mow might work or whether collecting donations to cover the additional costs would be better. Will continue discussion...

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Our Next meeting is scheduled for July 23 at Black Bear Diner.

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| <b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b> |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  | <b>\$18,129.81</b> |
| <b>CHECKING</b>          |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  |                    |
| <b>ADDITIONS</b>         |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  |                    |
|                          | DATE       |        |               | FOR              |  | AMOUNT            |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/4/2025   |        |               | Membership       |  | \$2,500.00        |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/12/2025  |        |               | Membership       |  | \$1,830.00        |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/20/2025  |        |               | Membership       |  | \$250.00          |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/20/2025  |        |               | Landing Fee-FF   |  | \$220.00          |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/20/2024  |        |               | Return Change FF |  | \$400.00          |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/20/2025  |        |               | Merch            |  | \$140.00          |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/24/2025  |        |               | Fuel             |  | \$196.00          |         |  |                    |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>   |            |        |               |                  |  | <b>\$5,536.00</b> |         |  | <b>\$5,536.00</b>  |
| <b>CHECKING BALANCE</b>  |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  | <b>\$23,061.77</b> |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>          | DATE       | #/CARD | TO            | FOR              |  | AMOUNT            |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/2/2025   | Debit  | ATT           | Internet         |  | \$63.75           |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/2/2025   | Debit  | SCE           | Electric         |  | \$24.10           |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/12/2025  | Debit  | Jack A.       | FF Change        |  | \$400.00          |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/12/2025  | Debit  | Andy Gump     | Porta Potty      |  | \$64.28           |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6/19/2025  | 1418   | Steve Killian | FF Carts         |  | \$408.11          |         |  |                    |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>     |            |        |               |                  |  | <b>\$960.24</b>   |         |  | <b>\$960.24</b>    |
| <b>CHECKING BALANCE</b>  |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  | <b>\$22,101.53</b> |
| <b>SAVINGS</b>           |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  |                    |
|                          | 6 MONTH CD |        |               |                  |  | \$21,384.79       |         |  |                    |
|                          | INTEREST   |        |               |                  |  |                   | \$56.68 |  |                    |
|                          |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  | <b>\$21,447.47</b> |
| <b>CLUB TOTAL</b>        |            |        |               |                  |  |                   |         |  | <b>\$43,459.00</b> |