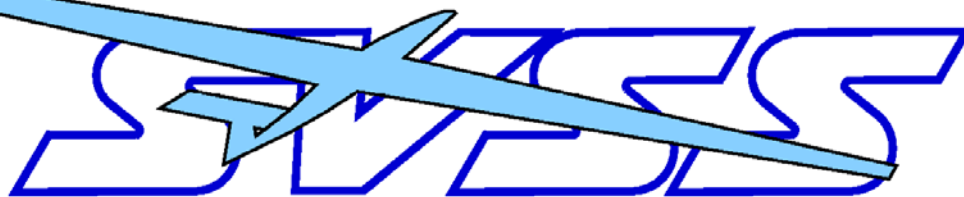


SVSS flying site is located at Yolo county's Grasslands Regional Park south of Davis, CA.
 Directions: From I-80, take the Mace Blvd. exit. Follow Mace south 4.0 miles. The gravel driveway entrance is directly opposite Tremont Rd. Follow it into the park for approximately 200 yards past the horseshoe and archery areas to the field.
 Shortcut for eastbound I-80: From I-80, take Pedrick Rd. exit. Follow the frontage road eastbound on the south side of I-80 for 0.8 miles. Take Tremont east for 5.4 miles.

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August 2006 Monthly Contest Winners!



Meeting Minutes

August 9th, 2006

By Ron Kucera

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Past President Ron Kucera called the meeting to order at 7:00 sharp.
Guests: Matthew McClure and Philip Vardara.

Treasury balance: \$4446

Old Business:

-Ron reported that we could get free shipping if we ordered 2 tables for the field. A motion was passed to order both tables.

-A field maintenance committee has been formed and the following recommendations were made:

Ron Kucera (plumbing) showed how we could install Rainbird sprinklers below ground level so the lawnmower won't keep breaking off the sprinkler heads.

Kipp Geisler (watering schedule) increased the watering time to shock the grass back to life. He plans to water earlier, so the sprinklers are no still on when fliers arrive to fly.

Bob Moser (chemist) Round up needs to be applied to the winchline area in December or January. At this time of year, the best we can do is mow. We can treat the broad leaf weeds in the grass area and possibly do some over seeding. Dudley Dufort said he'll bring out his big mower and work on the field. Paul Myers suggested we take advantage of the expertise at UCD to get advice on the treatment of the local weeds. We discussed the purpose of the logs along the road leading in to our parking area. Peter Dannenfelzer Sr. is going to check with Peter II to see if the Parks and Rec required the logs.

A motion was passed to by the necessary chemicals for the field maintenance.

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More Kontest Komments

By Bruce "What? Me worry?" Moore

I for one, was most impressed with the -900 points I got while still flying almost 30 minutes. I had to walk a long way for those points and finding dull batteries in the plane on that flight, I almost had a Dudley moment. The star-thistle is doing quite well out there where my plane landed, oh so gently. It was great to see so many people out there Saturday. During Jim's first flight (20 minutes) (and who didn't fly 20 minutes on their first flight?) Jim got sunscreen in his eyes and being the good timer I am I took his transmitter and flew the hell out of it until he could see again. Well it turned out that I was flying the wrong plane really well. I heard someone say that someone was flying the wrong plane and saw a potential lawn dart at the same time. Saved it and gave the transmitter back to Jim saying something about a lot a sink where I was flying.

Enjoyed the day and I just have to smile when I think about all the fun.

Thanks everyone
Bruce, What me worry, Moore

Meeting Minutes (Con't)

New Business:

- A New Portal has been made available by Jim Marburger. Kip will find out how to use the service.

- Ed Granger suggested we purchase landing material to put down for planes with wheels. He said he would research the cost.

- There was a discussion on our AMA site insurance and our responsibilities when a flier with no AMA license flies on our public owned site. Ron said he'd check with AMA.

- August 12-Thermal contest
- August 19, 4:00-Fun fly/swap meet and BBQ
- September 1, 10:00-Tuskegee Air Men at Folsom Library
- December 9-Toy Fly
- December 16-Awards banquet (new date)

Show and Tell:

- Ed Granger-Releasable tie wrap for Lipo battery
- Stan Scharosch-Adjustable tow hook

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 13th

Hello sailplaners,

An invitation from Mike Clancy, President SAM 27 and member at large of SVSS.

To all you fellows who may have woodies--ooops--wood constructed sailplanes, maybe some old nostalgia ships, even some home brews, etc.

There is a Society of Antique Modelers contest being held the week before Visalia. One of the events of this multiple day contest is "Sorta Old Time Sailplanes." This would be a great place to practice if you are flying in RES or Woodie. Even if you're not going to Visalia this would be a great place to come and fly your old stuff in a very mild contest.

It would also give you a chance to see some very interesting Old Time model flying.

The sailplane event is on Sunday October 1 at 11:00 a.m.

Entry fee is \$5.

Prizes are cash awards and I believe an entry trinket of some kind is also given. (SAM 27 gives out more prize money than we take in entry fees.)

The task is best 2 flights of 4 attempts with a 10 minute max.

These are duration only flights. No precision time, no landings. There will be a flyoff in case of ties. The flyoff will be interesting.

PLANES: Built-up wood construction, fiberglass fuselages ok. Rudder and elevator control only. (this is after all an old timer contest). It's ok to tape up or disconnect your flaps or spoilers.

See the attached advertisement. Full details of the contest will be on the SAM 27 website soon. Here's a short list of some pilots who have shown interest in old sailplanes that I'd like to see at the event.

Bob McGowan

Ray McGowan

Robin McGowan

A.J. McGowan

Tom Ball

Kevin Webb

Shawn Lenci

Ron Lenci

Mike Clancy

Bob Umberger

Bob Film

Bill Kenney

Jim Thomas

Andy Tickle

Rob Persons

Dust off your old Sagittas, Birds of Time, Aquilas, Oly's, Spirits, and especially any real antiques Thermics, etc. (I'm going to suggest a handicap advantage for planes that meet the SAM Old Time Glider rules.)

In any case the competition will be secondary to just plain fun with old gliders.

Even if you don't want to fly come out and be a spectator at the meet. It is very interesting, especially if you've not seen Old Time flying before. We can also always use people who would like to act as timers etc.

Also the food served here is great. See the ad if you'd like to come to dinner.

Call if you have questions. Mike Clancy(415) 897-2917

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Purpose

SVSS is a social organization whose purpose is to promote the efficient use of radio controlled model sailplanes. SVSS is an AMA chartered club (Number 2752). Membership is open to the general public.

SVSS Officers for 2006

President	Dave Finberg	
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V.P. Equipment	Vacant	
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Related Websites

<http://www.svss.org>

<http://www.modelaircraft.org>

<http://www.silentflight.org>

Monthly Meetings

SVSS general membership meetings are usually held each month in Sacramento, California. Our club meetings are open to the public, and visitors are always encouraged to attend. The meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at:
SMUD, 6201 S St., Sacramento, CA

Club rules

1. Have fun.
2. See rule #1.

AMA

Membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics is required prior to flying in any SVSS organized event or using any SVSS equipment.

Field

The SVSS flying site is located at Yolo County Grasslands Regional Park south of Davis, CA.

Contests

Monthly contests are usually held on the second Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. Beginners and spectators are always welcome.

Training

Training is usually on the Saturday following the monthly contest.

August Contest ID's

Jim Thomas - 3rd Place Master, Scott Meader - 1st Place Master, Pretty Young Lady, Marty Falarski - 3rd Place Expert, Bob McGowan - 1st Place Master, Andrew Ouellet - 1st Place Sportsman, Bill Curry - 3rd Place Grey Cup, Neil Nolte - 1st Place Grey Cup, Mehrdad Amir - 1st Place Expert, Don Doe - 2nd Place Grey Cup

August Contest

29 pilots showed up for a truly, incredible day of flying. Contest Director Bill Curry declared the contest a four round, 30 minute Add Em Up. To avoid penalties; none of the rounds could be less than three minutes and on field landings were mandatory. Good lift was abundant today with many pilots nailing 20 minutes in their first round. The remaining rounds were short and sweet, with a few exceptions. Unfortunately the CD picked a timer who was mathematically challenged causing him to fly into overtime. Sorry Bill. Dave London and John Kozusko, who are masters in their own right, prepared barbecued hot dogs to everyone's delight. Thank you gentlemen. The grass area looks better than most parks. Our equipment worked almost flawlessly. You couldn't ask for a better contest. All in all it was a beautiful day with a great bunch of folks having a wonderful time.

SVSS Preliminary Financial Statement

July 31, 2006

Checking Acct.	Description	Income	Debits
	Starting Balance		\$4,346.25
Income	Annual Dues	\$120.00	
	Monthly Contests	<u>104.00</u>	
	TOTAL	\$224.00	
			<u>4,570.25</u>
Expenditures	PortaPotty (Monthly)	\$123.00	
	TOTAL	<u>\$123.00</u>	
			<u>4,446.52</u>
	Ending Balance		\$4,446.52





Membership Renewal Form

Membership in the Sacramento Valley Soaring Society is open to the general public. Dues are \$45 per year for individual membership and \$60 per year for a family membership. Dues are only \$6 per year for anyone 18 years and under. Membership runs from January 1 through December 31. There is a \$5 initiation fee for new members and a \$5 late fee for renewing memberships received after March 1. Dues are prorated after April 30 at \$5 per month for each month remaining in the year. SVSS is an AMA chartered club. Membership in AMA is required. Please send a copy of your AMA membership card with your application or indicate that your AMA membership is pending.

Benefits include:

Camaraderie with the finest group of soaring enthusiasts you'll find anywhere. SVSS has more than 120 very active members. SVSS is one of the largest soaring clubs in the country.

The club has three flight instructors.

Use of club planes (4) including the 14' Constellation for cross country tasks.

Use of the club's winches and retrievers and one of the finest obstacle-free, flying sites in the U.S.

A monthly newsletter with up to date information on contests, events and meetings.

Nine monthly club contests and the incomparable Spring Fling 2-day thermal contest in June.

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Work Phone _____

City _____ State/Zip _____

E-Mail _____ AMA No. _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

I am aware that I must maintain current membership in the AMA to be eligible for membership in the Sacramento Valley Soaring Society.

Signature _____ Date _____

Welcome to SVSS. Please make check payable to Sacramento Valley Soaring Society. Mail this application, dues and a copy of your AMA card to the club treasurer:
Stan Scharosch, 313 Canyon Falls Dr., Folsom CA 95630