

# THE SLOW ROLL

**R/C NEWS**

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President - Howard Kennedy Vice President - Walt Freese Treasurer - Gene Peterson Secretary - Paul Steinberg

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Howard Kennedy**



First, I would like to welcome Dr. Paul Steinberg as our new club secretary. As most of you know, David Eastridge has moved out of the area and is no longer able to fill the position; and Dr. Steinberg was recommended, volunteered, and heartily appointed by the board of directors. He will be a great asset to SVF.

Tony Quist did a study of the sound levels of the big gas powered planes at our field. The ones with the larger engines are unable to meet the 100db requirement even with the quietest exhaust options available. After much discussion at the last board meeting it was decided to amend the requirement for engines larger than 60cc to be 100db and 25 feet. All others remain at 100db at 3 meters except turbines.

When we had a gate everyone was doing a good job of keeping closed and locked. Flood control protective services is supposed to repair the gate for us—it may have been done by now. Until it is repaired we have a chain stretched across the road where the gate was. Use the same procedure for it as for the gate.

We still have members who can't seem to drive slow enough to keep the dust down. The city, county and feds are watching our area. The area around our site has recently been closed, and we don't want to be next.

The date for our public open house has been changed from Oct 25 to Nov 8 due to scheduling conflicts with other events. The Electric Turkey Fly-In is on Nov 9. We are going to need all the help we can get for both of these important events. If you can make yourself available, please call or e-mail me to volunteer. Also coming up is a pattern event on Oct 20 and 21. The One Eighth Air Force fly-in is the same weekend, but at another field.

We received a very nice letter of thanks from the Hyatt Regency for the static display that Mike Peck put together for them. Good job Mike; and thanks to the guys who brought and set up their airplanes.

At the August meeting, Dave Linne gave an excellent presentation of sanding materials and methods. Thank you, Dave. Would you like us to have more of these types of presentations at our meetings? If so, we need volunteers to do

them. Any takers? I welcome all comments, suggestions and ideas from you, the members, concerning ways that we can improve the meetings – and the club in general.

I know it seems a long way off, but the spring electric fly will be here before we know it. I would like someone to take charge of that event. I will help all I can, but I need somebody to take charge. Also, we may have a site for a float fly if someone would like to organize it. Step up and take the reins.

Next meeting – Sept 2, 2003. See you there!

### Sun Valley Fliers Club Meeting August 5, 2003

The regular meeting of Sun Valley Fliers was held August 5, 2003 and was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Howard Kennedy. There were 26 members in attendance and with one guest, Bob Handelman from Chicago. The club welcomed Bob with a round of applause. There were no new members in attendance.

Minutes: There were no new minutes from the club meeting held on July 1, 2003 as the club's secretary, Dave Eastridge was not in attendance. Howard Kennedy, therefore did not ask for a motion to approve the minutes and suggested that this will be tabled at the next meeting of the club.

Treasurer's Report: Gene Peterson announced that there have been six new members since May 1<sup>st</sup>. There are currently 378 paid members of the club, making Sun Valley Fliers one of the largest R/C clubs in the State.

#### Old Business:

GATE: Howard Kennedy reported that members have been very compliant with keeping the gate closed at all times. Vandals continue to cut locks one after another and this past week the fence was cut and the large gate on Jomax was destroyed. Since a lock box was constructed by Harold Land, the situation has improved somewhat. The Board will consider offering a monetary reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the vandalism. Members were once again asked to place the lock securely in the box if they are the last one leaving the field and to rotate the combination keys to scramble the code and secure the lock. A new pin has been installed to fix the gate when the lock is not in use. Although the gates are offset slightly from one another (due to the work of a vandal) the pin fits well with a little perseverance and fiddling. For detailed gate procedures see the SVF Web-site.

**DUST:** Howard Kennedy reminded club members to please make every effort to keep the dust down when driving to and from the field. He has found that if the vehicle's speed is maintained at 5 mph, little or no dust is generated. Howard noted the both Park Rangers and The Maricopa County Flood Control Police are constantly patrolling the Cave Buttes area. Club member Jim Moore volunteered to look into the price of dust control compound for the road.

**Safety:** Howard Kennedy reminded members to exercise caution when starting their aircraft. It has been noted that some members continue to lean over the prop to adjust the needle valve, a practice that can be very dangerous. It was suggested to always have a spotter assist you with start-ups. Howard Kennedy announced that all Board Members now have sound meters and will be checking aircraft ad lib. The goal is to ensure compliance with the 100 db sound limitations now in effect. Howard noted that the IMAC members are working with the club to assist it in being compliant with the 100 db noise restriction.

**New Business:** Howard Kennedy read a letter from the Hyatt Hotel thanking Sun Valley Fliers and specifically Mike Peck for his contribution recently to a very large full scale avionics meeting held at the hotel. Mike organized a display of 4 Scale R/C aircraft at the meeting and apparently it was a big hit. Hats off to Mike for all his work in organizing this and helping the club gain some notoriety!

**Upcoming Events:** There will be an Open House on Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup> at the field from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The public will be invited and extensive advertising in the media will be employed to publicize the event. There will be specialty flight demonstrations, IMAC, turbine, combat and scale as well as two flight stations open for children & adults to experience a hands-on trial of R/C flying. The club will need all the help it can get for this important event and so please contact Howard or any of the Board Members if you would like to volunteer. Also needed are some trainers & buddy boxes. If you have one that you can loan for the day, it would be appreciated. Any damage to the aircraft or equipment will be taken care of by the Club.

Howard Kennedy announced that club member Jack Joseph will be teaching a model aircraft building & flying course at Scottsdale Community College commencing 9/15 to 10/20, 7:15 pm to 8:45 pm. Contact SCC for further details.

Howard Kennedy announced that Secretary Dave Eastridge has relocated to the South Rim area of the state to accept a management position there. Paul Steinberg (hey that's me!) was approached by Howard and approved by the Board to assume the position. Howard & club members wished Dave much success in his new position! He will be missed at the field and meetings.

#### Door Prizes

Gallon of fuel: Kevin Arquette

John Warner

Dan Jacobson

50/50 Draw: \$35.00 Travis Branen (?sp)

**Show & Tell:** Lee Peister of Hobby Bench (just back from the Winston Cup Brickyard 400 Classic as a guest of Futaba / Delphi) displayed two beautiful aircraft built by Jerry Orme. The Hanger 9 AT-6 Texan ARF with pre-installed retracts, 58" wingspan, 8-9 lb flying weight, .60-.78 2-Stroke, .65-1.00 4-stroke, 5 ch, 5 servos & a retail price of \$255.00. Goldberg's new Tiger 60 ARF set up in a tail dragger configuration (it comes with tricycle gear). It was shown with the new Dubro nylon arched main gear and had a Saito 72 up front. A new line of scale Cermak Pilots are available for \$16-18, and one was in the cockpit of both the Tiger 60 and AT-6. The Tiger 60, 70" wingspan, 7.7 lbs, ultracote, 60-65 2-stroke, 60-85 4-stroke. Also shown was the new Spree Sport by Kyosho, 39" wingspan, 380 motor, 3 servos, ESC, it needs a receiver, and 3 servos and sells for \$117.00. The Seagull (by Horizon) PC-9 40 ARF semi-scale, a Swiss Turbo Prop advanced military trainer, configured in the Roulette Aerobatic Team color scheme & covered in ultracote, 63.4 wingspan, 5-6 lb, .46-.52 2-Stroke, 4 channel receiver 4 servos. Horizon's new Evolution engines were discussed and the new .61 size was shown BB with muffler 10cc \$119.00.

**Coming Soon:** The Great Planes Wright Flyer, 31", 12 oz, 2 hour build time, comes with foam wing & tail feathers, 250 geared motor, ESC, and battery, 3 channel radio required & 2 micro servos, \$99.00 & available in Sept.

The Ultra Stick 120 is coming back as the Ultra Stick Light. It will be a whopping 2 ½ it's lighter than it's predecessor! 76" wingspan, 9-11 lbs, 1.0 1.08 4-stroke or a G23 or G26 gas, quad flap option and counter-balanced rudder, \$219.00 and available in Sept. Great Planes will be releasing an all fiberglass GB 120 in Sept. It will need a 4 channel radio with 5 servos and will retail for \$330.00

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting which was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

## AMA HISTORY PROGRAM

"The future generations of modelers need our experience, our knowledge, and our example to follow—just as we followed in the steps of our modeling heroes," says AMA Historian Norm Rosenstock.

The AMA History Program is an effort by the National Model Aviation Museum to preserve the history of model aviation. The goal of the program is to compile and record the biographies of individual members and industry associates as well as histories of AMA chartered clubs. The records are available to anyone who is interested and copies are placed in the museum's Lee Renaud Memorial Library.

If you are interested in submitting a biography, an outline is available on how to write one. There also is a form for those who prefer not to write the actual biography.

Another form is available if you would like to submit information about your club. Feel free to include photographs, newspaper or magazine clippings, or any other pertinent information along with your written club history.

To obtain a form or more information, contact Assistant Historian Stacey Shannon at (765) 287-1256, Ext. 511, fax to (765) 281-7904, E-mail [staceys@modelaircraft.org](mailto:staceys@modelaircraft.org), or send mail to 5151 E. Memorial Drive, Muncie IN 47302. Information also is available at [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org).

# Sept 2003

SVF MEETING @ 7:30 P.M. American Legion Hall	

		EVENTS	EVENTS
1	MONDAY	Labor Day	
2	TUESDAY	<b><i>SVF MEETING @ 7:30 P. M.</i></b>	
3	WEDNESDAY		
4	THURSDAY		
5	FRIDAY		
6	<i>SATURDAY</i>	TRY OUR WEB SITE – <a href="http://WWW.SUNVALLEYFLIERS.COM">WWW.SUNVALLEYFLIERS.COM</a>	
7	<i>SUNDAY</i>		
8	MONDAY		
9	TUESDAY		
10	WEDNESDAY	<b><i>SVF BOARD MEETING</i></b>	
11	THURSDAY		
12	FRIDAY		
13	<i>SATURDAY</i>		
14	<i>SUNDAY</i>		
15	MONDAY		
16	TUESDAY		
17	WEDNESDAY		
18	THURSDAY		
19	FRIDAY		<b><i>SVF NL ARTICLE DEADLINE</i></b>
20	<i>SATURDAY</i>		
21	<i>SUNDAY</i>		
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27	<i>SATURDAY</i>		
28	<i>SUNDAY</i>		
29	MONDAY		
30	TURSDAY		

# Oct 2003

SWRCF - Speed World	ARCS - Mustang Field
CASL - Rodeo Park	TIMPA - Tucson Modelplex Park
SVF - Cave Buttes Park	1/8th AF - Superstition Air Park

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<b>2</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>		
<b>3</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>		
<b>4</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	Octoberfest - ARCS	
<b>5</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	Sailplane Contest - CASL	
<b>6</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>		
<b>7</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>		
<b>8</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
<b>9</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	Tucson Aerobatic Shootout - TIMPA	
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<b>12</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	Tucson Aerobatic Shootout - TIMPA	<b><i>SVF MEETING @ 9:00 A. M. at the field</i></b>
<b>13</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>		
<b>14</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>		
<b>15</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b><i>SVF BOARD MEETING</i></b>
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<b>17</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b><i>SVF NL ARTICLE DEADLINE</i></b>
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## **20<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FALL FLOAT FLY**

September 20 (8:00 a.m.) – 21 (until noon)  
[www.camodelers.com](http://www.camodelers.com)

**Pecks Lake  
Clarkdale, AZ**

**I-17 to 260 and then turn left on Main St.,  
Cottonwood. Drive to the Tuzigoot National Monument  
and follow the FLOAT FLY signs.**

**LUNCH STAND HOURS – Sat. 11:00 - 2:30 p.m.  
Sun. 10:00 – 12:00 noon**  
**Soft drinks and water will be available throughout the day.**

**NO EVENING POTLUCK ON SATURDAY**

**RETRIEVAL BOAT  
SUNDAY NOON RAFFLE**

**AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED**

**\$10.00 ENTRY FEE**

**For more information, call:  
Barb Stewart (928) 284-9124  
Cliff Hamilton (928) 203-4854**

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Colwell  
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9 AM TO 3 PM

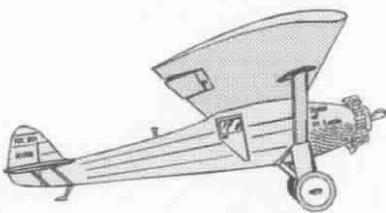
CAVE BUTTES PARK IN PHOENIX, AZ

AT SW CORNER OF CAVE CREEK & JOMAX

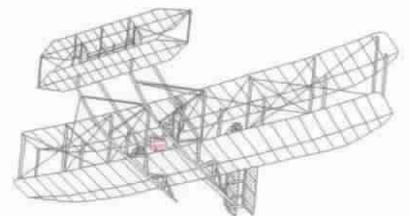
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