

THE SLOW ROLL

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R/C NEWS

Get out and vote
Election Night
May 4th @7:30PM

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

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Howard Kennedy



HELLO AGAIN:

We seem to be having some problems with the new gate procedure. Guys, the gate must be locked at all times and the locks must be daisy chained or in series so that the gate may be opened by any one of the locks. This is not rocket science, but some of us don't seem to be able to do it. This is a condition of our use permit and must be complied with. We realize that it is not only SVF members that are having a problem with this. The Security people also have locked some of our members in/out. It is an education process and I am sure we will get through it. By the time you get this, we should have a new road from Jomax to our gate. It should have been done on 4-14-04. Remember, we need to keep our speed down to control the dust. The dust issue is as important or maybe more so than the gate procedure.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The May meeting will be our annual election of officers and board members so please come to the meeting and vote. We have six people running to fill four vacancies on the board of directors. Norm Goodnuff and I are running for president. Please come to the meeting and vote. I will not be able to make the meeting due to a re-certification test that I have to take for work. Norm has been president in the past and I believe did a good job. If re-elected, I will do my best job that I can. Whatever your choice, please vote. There is a list of participants in the next column

KIDWELL MEMORIAL ELECTRIC FLY IN REPORT

We had thirty one registered pilots for this event with aircraft ranging from Dave Marcon's approx eight inch wingspan model to Frank Wallace's eighty plus inch span PT-19. Electric sure have come a long way in the last few years with performance and duration matching or maybe even exceeding glow power. I was amazed by the foamy profile aerobatic models. Built totally out of approx 1/8 thick foam, they will do every maneuver in the book and then some. Plaques were won by: Harold Land—oldest pilot, Nick Depietro—youngest pilot, Dylan Stewart—best aerobatic flight, Dave Marcon— smallest airplane to fly, Frank Wallace—largest airplane to fly, Gary Schlagel—best Civilian aircraft,

Ruff—best military aircraft. From the feedback that I got, everyone had a great time. Raffle prizes were won by : Col Bob Morris—Lil Rascal with radio flight pack and esc, a Wattage SE-5 went to Ron Thomas and a foamy kit donated by a vendor from Fort Mohave, AZ. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bob Purdy for helping with the organization of the event, Jay Stewart for helping with the field prep, Ron Thomas for doing the kitchen, and everyone else that helped with the fly-in.

In November, we are going to do a two day electric fly-in for charity. This time around it will be for children's cancer. The dates are Nov 6 and 7. Mark the date and plan on enjoying the weekend flying or helping to run the event.

All for now.

Till next time.

May you have fair skies, calm wind and smooth landings.

Elections will be held at the May meeting and we hope you will attend and vote for your choice. Below are listed the names of the people running for office and the office they are running for. Nominations can be made at the meeting for other people who would like to be nominated.

PRESIDENT	HOWARD KENNEDY (INC)
PRESIDENT	NORM GOODNUFF (PAST PRESIDENT)
VICE PRESIDENT	WALT FREESE
SECRETARY	PAUL STEINBERG
TREASURER	GENE PETERSON
BOARD	JAY STEWART (INC)
BOARD	TONY QUEST (INC)
BOARD	NATE D'ANNA (INC)
BOARD	GARY SCHLEGEL (INC)
BOARD	RICHARD PETERSON

NOTE TO THE MEMBERSHIP

PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF WHEN YOU'RE AT THE FIELD. WE HAVE PLACES FOR TRASH AND CIGARETTE BUTTS. PLEASE USE THEM AND DO NOT THROW THEM ON THE GROUND. WE APPRECIATE ANYONE THAT BRINGS OUT FRUIT FROM THEIR TREES FOR SHARING WITH THE CLUB. HOWEVER, PLEASE MANAGE THE FRUIT AND TAKE ANY LEFT OVERS WHEN YOU LEAVE. SOME HAVE BEEN LEFT RECENTLY AND, AFTER A DAY OR TWO, THEY ATTRACT BIRDS, FLYS AND RODENTS.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP,

The following are names and phones of the members who did not renew for 2004... Club Bi-Laws require that we publish this list before we drop them as members. If you know any of these people and think they are still flying, give them a call and to see if they want to renew.

Thanks, Gene Peterson, Treasurer

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Phil	Andreula
Philip	Andreula
Philip	Barr
Dale	Beadle
Frank	Bigelow
Mickey	Blumenfurth
David	Brown
Len	Brown
Dennis	Brown
Isaiah	Daw
Daniel	DeVore
Dennis	Donner
Dan	Donovan
Clint	Dunning
Truman	Ellerd
John	Foyen
Elliott	Gordon
Paul	Hamra
Wayne	Hewitt
Alexander	Hunter
Michael	Hunter
Sam	Jado
John	Johnson
George	Julovich
Murray	Kallen
Peter	Kukol
James	Labeledz
Garrick	Lane
Evan	Lane
Rod	LeMense
Richard	Litt
Joseph	Mikrut
Nick	Monastra
Chris	Moore
Adam	Mort
Morton	Muntner
William	Noble
Byron	Olson
Chris	Perkins
Michael	Poggenburg
Rick	Potter
Charles	Randel
Dan	Ratti
Stan	Robinson
Randy	Romo
Richard	Rubenstein
Eric	Sacher
Pat	Santello
James	Scavo
Rockwell	Scharer, Jr.
Mike	Schmidt
David	Smith
Andrew	Smith
Kyle	Snowberger
David	Stephens
Nelson	Stewart, Jr.
Shane	Tillotson
Steve	Timarac
Paul	Toda
George	Veno
James	Welz
James	Wolter

Calculating Horsepower

Horsepower = **Torque** times **RPM** divided by **5252**

INTRODUCING THE "SIGN 3 FLY FREE" PROGRAM

BECOME AN "AMA AMBASSADOR."

Rules:

Any active AMA member is eligible to receive a free one year AMA membership.

Each active AMA member will receive a one year AMA membership credit for each three (3) new or former AMA members who join. (Yes, you can earn more than one free year!)

All new or former memberships must be full Open or Senior Citizen memberships to qualify. New sign-ups cannot be current or recent AMA members. (Their memberships must have expired by 12/31/95.)

Sponsoring member's name and AMA number must be clearly identified on each new member's application.

Current AMA Life Members will receive an AMA merchandise credit of equal value to a 1 year free membership.

Your free membership credit will be applied to the next AMA membership year.

For an application or more information about this program, contact Colleen Pierce, Membership Supervisor. AMA

Masking painted areas

Ever had paint run under masking tape, giving your model a jagged edge? Me too. Then, I discovered a method of masking off those lines. First, use good quality masking tape. Go to the paint department of a home improvement store and look for high grade painters masking tape. This is a plastic backed tape with excellent edges that produce a very sharp color demarcation line.

Next, clean the area to be painted with rubbing alcohol to remove any finger prints, fuel residue, banana pudding, etc., that may be stuck on your model. Mask off the area to be painted. Make sure the edges of the tape are stuck firmly.

Then, spray the area with the same color you have hidden with the masking tape. The paint seals the edges to prevent paint from creeping under them. In the unlikely event that paint does seep under the edge, it will be the same color as the masked area and virtually invisible. When that has dried, continue painting with the desired color of the stripe or panel you have chosen. When dry, remove the tape by pulling it back against itself to lessen the chance of damaging the finish. Clean any tape residue off with alcohol and you're finished.

from the Whitehaven Radio Control Club, via WIRCS Touch & Go, Whidbey Island Radio Control

Protecting hinges

from Gene Davis

Petroleum jelly often has been used on pinned hinges to prevent epoxy glue from sticking to the hinge joint; however, it is difficult to get just the right amount on the hinge and to make sure the hinge is completely coated. A very cool way is to melt the petroleum jelly in a small dish such as a dessert dish (an oven safe type, of course). Use only enough to melt to a depth of about 1/6 of an inch. Fold the hinge and dip the pinned end into the melted jelly. Remove and touch the hinge to a paper towel to remove excess. In a couple seconds, the petroleum jelly cools and has penetrated the hinge. You now have a completely coated hinge joint that epoxy will not stick to.

**Sun Valley Fliers Club Meeting
Tuesday March 2, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by President **Howard Kennedy**. There were 40 members in attendance, no guests, John Dyer was announced as a new solo pilot, but was not in attendance (shame on you John!) and no new members.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of Feb 2, 2004 were presented by Paul Steinberg and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report:

- ❖ **Gene Peterson** announced that 300 out of 363 members have renewed their membership through February
- ❖ A deadbeat membership list will be coming out soon, look for it at a flying field near you! If you find your name on it, you have a little problem.

Old Business:

- ❖ **Mike Peck** announced that the County will allow us to place our lock in tandem with theirs in holy matrimony on the Jomax gate which will eventually be locked at all times. Signage is being completed by the County and once it is only SVF members who are flying will be allowed into the Cave Buttes Recreation area.
- ❖ The Gate will have two locks, and the combination lock will be ours. Mike will post more information on the SVF Website as it becomes available, and will be giving members regular updates at future meetings.
- ❖ The purpose of the gate is to:
 - Discourage balloonists and off-roaders
 - Keep the dust down as noted in the previous minutes. The County is apparently being sued by the State EPA in many other locals and thus is steadfastly minimizing it's liability in this regard. Simply stated, if anyone makes dust (SVF members or not) we are history at Cave Buttes!
 - Reduce liability, many off roaders have been injured and some have been killed while exercising careless abandon. These individuals have turned around and then sued the County. Yes you read this correctly!
- ❖ **Mike Peck** indicated that the county is very pleased with the job we are doing thus far, and assured us that "big brother is watching" very closely!
- ❖ **Road Situation:** The County has indicated that they will assist in improving the road to the Field. We have been instructed that if we purchase the gravel, they will bring in the graders and spread it, creating a more suitable road to the club's gate than exists now after the re-fencing.
- ❖ **A motion was made to allocate \$3,000.00 to complete the project and was approved by the membership.** The motion will be taken to the Board for final approval.
- ❖ **The Hell Fly-in** on March 12-13-14 is coming up and help will be needed for the gate and parking. Members were reminded that the field will be closed for flying all 3 days and there will be a charge of \$3.00 per car per day
- ❖ **The Gene Kidwell Memorial Electric Fun Fly** is on *circuit*, or course that is for April 4th. Members were asked to volunteer for kitchen and parking. It promises to be a *shocking* and *ionizing* good time for all! Gene would be proud!

New Business:

- ❖ **Ken Melbye** reported on the Pattern Contest. It was a success once again with 26 contestants. There was \$550.00 in profit for the club. Ron Thomas was thanked for the kitchen and Ron Marshall was thanked for his expert scoring. SVF members scored very well in this competition.
 - ❖ **Election of Club Officers** is going to take place in May to coincide with the Club's annual Auction. The old club officers will be auctioned off with proceeds to the Club's Field Improvement Fund.
- Howard** is not sure about whether or not he will run for President, and will carefully consider this option and report at the next meeting. Howard announced that **John Neilson** will throw his hat (a new flex-fit one) into the ring for the Board.

Upcoming Events

- ❖ Howard announced that there are a number of events coming up:

the T-6 Race in Mesa, Jet Rally in Tucson and March 20, 21st is the 1/8th Air force Meet in Mesa (by the way where is the other 7/8th of the Air force, anyone ever found it?). April 4th is the SVF Annual Gene Kidwell Memorial Kilowatt Electric Fun Fly... a good buzz and a shocking event!

Door Prizes

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| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Gary Hedges |
| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Jay Steward |
| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Tony Schiano |
| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Howard Kennedy |
| ❖ Patch | Dave Linne (who was very appreciative) |

50/50 Draw: • \$55.00 **Bill Powers** (is there a Hobby Bench conspiracy here? Lee Peister won last meeting!)

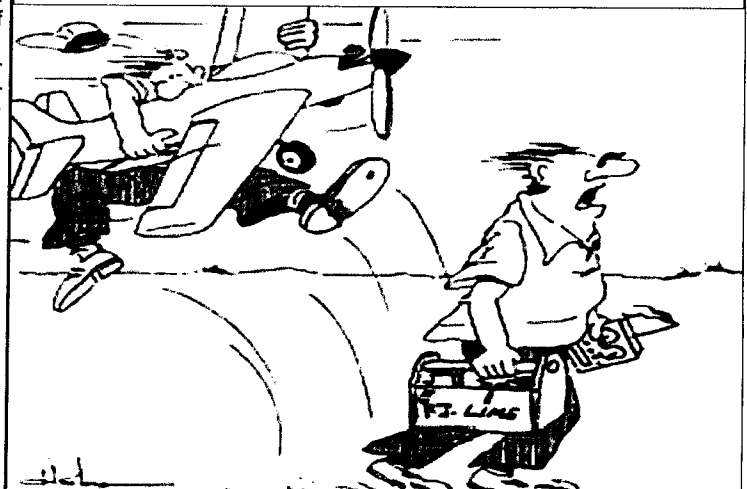
Show & Tell:

1. **Bob Fry** showed club members his Hellcat that recently won first at Gunsmoke in expert class with a near perfect score on static!
2. **Bernie Frank** of Frank's Hobby House Fame, announced that his store would be closed next Monday & Tuesday for the store's Grand Move to the South Side of the plaza. Franks will be in a new store 3 times the size of the old one!
3. **Jay & Jack Steward** demonstrated several very small, and light weight Neuports that Jack designed and scratched built weighing in at 7 ½ oz.!!
4. **Rick Powers** unveiled the latest in the series of Rascals (planes by Sig that is) the **Nitro Rascal**, soon to hit all NHRA Drag strips near you! 049, 074, 061 engines, 49" wingspan, 18-20 oz. 3 channel radio, yours for \$120.00

Worlds Models has released a new 60 size P-51D Mustang, 64" wingspan, 755 sq inch wing, 56" fuse, 8.4 lbs, 100cc 4 stroke recommended, comes complete with flaps, pre-installed retracts, spinner and a better non cataleptic looking pilot. This Cadillac of the Sky can be yours for just \$249.00!

Coming up, the popular Firebird Series, is about to release several more models in it's line-up of box to field little beauties with 540 motors! Watch for them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm
Paul Steinberg, Secretary



"ONCE WE GET 'ER AIRBORNE, WIND WON'T BE A PROBLEM."

Sun Valley Fliers Club Meeting
Tuesday April 6, 2004

President Howard Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm. There were no guests in attendance, no new solo pilots, but Dick Phillips and Doug Robinson did introduce themselves as new members. Welcome Dick and Doug to the Sun Valley Fliers! Howard noted that Mike Peck would be taking the minutes for Paul Steinberg at this meeting.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the March 2, 2004 club meeting were approved by the membership as published without a formal reading.

Treasurer's Report:

- ❖ **Gene Peterson** announced the "deadbeat" membership list is now out. Members who have not renewed need to do so very shortly or they will be dropped from the membership roles. Gene suggested that if you see your buddy's name on the list, give them a call or a reminder at the field to keep their membership active.
- ❖ SVF Decal kits are now available for sale at \$13 each.
- ❖ Gene reported that the electric fly-in kitchen netted \$156, the raffle netted \$30, and the entry fees resulted in a total of \$465.
- ❖ The club treasury balances were reported as follows:

Checking	\$13,536
Field Improvement Fund	4,744
Reserve Account	24,902
Total SVF Funds:	\$43,182

Old Business:

- ❖ **Nominations:** Howard asked if there were any nominations for club officer or Board of Director positions.
 - Norm Goodnuff was nominated for President and agreed to run.
 - Nate D'Anna was nominated for Board member and agreed to run.
 - Rick Peterson was nominated for Board member and agreed to run.
 - John Neilson was nominated for Board member and agreed to run.

Nominations were left open for the remainder of the meeting in case someone else had a nomination to make.

- ❖ **Gate Information:** The new gate at Jomax road is being locked as of today, with the approval of the Flood Control District. Our combination lock must be locked in sequence (daisy-chained) with the other locks on the gate so that any one lock can be used to open the gate. The gate must be unlocked and relocked by each SVF member as they enter and leave the recreation area; the gate cannot be left unlocked while we are at the field flying, unless it is during one of our events and the gate is manned.
- ❖ **Roadway Construction:** A new road will be constructed from the intersection of the pavement at Jomax road and the old city gate to our gate sometime next week. The club is buying about \$3000 worth of rock to keep dust down on the new roadway, and the labor and equipment is being furnished without charge to us. Charlie Beverson was given a check by the Treasurer to order the delivery of the rock for the roadway.
- ❖ **Cave Buttes Recreation Area Master Plan, Phase II:** Mike Peck reported on the recent public comment meeting held by the City of Phoenix. There were 75 or more Sun Valley Fliers in attendance at the meeting, far more than any other organized group that showed up. The City showed three different conceptual master plan alternatives for comment.
 - Alternative A had our flying site relocated to the north and west with all other activities behind the field to the Southeast. There was no public golf course on this alternative.
 - Alternative B also had the flying site relocated to the northeast. However, there were 5 different other users located to the north of the field, a golf course to the west of the flying site, and five other uses to the east and southeast of the field location. This site alternative appeared to be the least desirable or workable from most members' points of view.
 - Alternative C had the flying site in its present location with other users on the north side of Jomax road, an education center/administration building and a golf course to the west of our field location.

The Board of Directors will formalize one recommendation to present for the club to the City of Phoenix. Mike Peck will draft a letter for Howard's signature to be sent to the City.

- ❖ **Safety Officer:** Prior to all clubs renewing their AMA charters for 2005, each club will be required to appoint a Safety Officer for the club, and that individual will need to have e-mail capability to communicate with the AMA. The AMA Executive Council approved this change at their February 2004 meeting. The SVF will need to find a Safety Officer before next year.
- ❖ **Newsletter:** Howard will speak to our newsletter editor, George Brown, about getting the newsletter out sufficiently in advance so that club members will have it in hand before each club meeting. Everyone agreed it would be helpful to have a newsletter each month as it keeps the membership informed of what is going on.
- ❖ **The Phoenix Helicopter Fly-in:** Walt Freese reported that there were 85 registered pilots at the Helicopter Fly-in. The weather was excellent and there was a lot of great flying by the younger helicopter guys. The event was very successful, netting the SVF \$2700, and Walt wanted to specifically thank Ron

Peteric and Rich Shogren for supporting the club by manning the gate for long hours and taking in parking donations. Howard and Jay Steward also pulled parking gate duties that were much appreciated. Walt also thanked the hard work of the kitchen crew consisting of Charlie Beverson, Norm Goodnuff, Ron Thomas, and Jay Steward for all their hard work. Howard also noted that Walt had worked very hard in the kitchen and handled the money end of things in an exemplary bean-counter way. All were given a round of applause by the club.

- ❖ **The Gene Kidwell Memorial Electric Fun Fly:** Howard reported that this event had just been completed the weekend before and was also a great success. There were 31 registered electric pilots and everyone seemed to have a good time. Howard thanked all the people who had helped him put the event on.

New Business:

- ❖ **SCAT Contest:** Tony Quist reported that 10 SVF members had traveled to and competed in the SCAT Contest recently held in Las Vegas, NV. Our guys did very well and brought home a considerable portion of the loot. See the SCAT website for details on the finishers. Tony also reminded the club that the SVF was holding a SCAT Contest at our field on April 24 & 25, 2004 (in three short weeks). The club will again need gate workers and kitchen help to make the event financially worthwhile. Volunteers should contact Tony Quist or Walt Freese.
- ❖ **New Frequency Board:** Howard thanked Charlie Beverson for the nice new all metal frequency board that Charlie fabricated, painted, and hung at the field. It is a big improvement over the old wood one, that had been vandalized, and looks great. Thank you very much, Charlie. How about some replacement frequency pins for those that have walked off?
- * **Elections:** Howard asked the club whether they would rather have a short business meeting and the election during the May 2 club auction at the flying site, or whether most people would rather have a regular meeting with the election on the normal Tuesday, May 4th, at the Legion Hall? After some discussion, it was decided that we would rather have a regular meeting with the election on the normal Tuesday, May 4th, at the Legion Hall. Most members felt there were too many things going on at the auction to combine the two functions.
- ❖ **Special Thanks:** Howard asked the club to recognize and thank Charlie Beverson, Walt Freese, Jay Steward, and Ron Thomas for the significant amount of hard work those guys have been doing all year in keeping up the field and helping out with events. The club gave the boys a round of applause.

❖ **Door Prizes:**

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| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Dan Redding |
| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Ken Gien |
| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Ron Peteric |
| ❖ Gallon of Fuel | Norm Goodnuff |
| ❖ SVF Sticker Set | Dave Marcon |
| ❖ 2 Individual SVF Stickers | John Wanner |

- ❖ **50/50 Drawing:** \$50.00 – Jay Steward. Congratulations, Jay!
- ❖ **Show & Tell:**

- **Lee Piester of the Hobby Bench** brought some new items to show the attending club members including a Great Planes Sukoi electric ARF; Hobby Zone's Aero-bird Extrem; Kits to build paper airplanes of Warbirds, US Airplanes, and Aerobatic jets; and a new Sig Kavan ARF kit. Lee related that he was unable to attend the recent Toledo show, but had obtained a lot of information on some 25 planned new releases and shared a number of those upcoming releases with us. Some of the ones I could catch and record included:

Great Planes Super Stearman 1.20 ARF due at the end of April
 Great Planes 1.20 size Super Chipmunk due in December
 Park Zone RTF electric J-3 Cub, F-27 Stryker, and a Slo-V
 Hanger 9's 33% Edge 540 coming in the fall
 .90 size Funtana expected in June
 SeaGull Models CAP 1.40 and a Harrier 3D airplane
 Hanger 9's Ultracote Magic covering that changes color in the light

Thanks for the information Lee!

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm
 Michael Peck

May 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SWRMA – Eloy TMPA – Tucson Meodelplex Park CACIC – Esteban Park	CASL – Rodeo Park SWRCF – Speed World					1 Sailplane Contest Rodeo Park (CASL)
2 SVF Auction (SVF) 9:00 AM CAVE BUTTES PARK	3	4 SVF Club Meeting American Legion @7:30 PM Election Night!	5	6	7	8 Sailplane Contest Rodeo Park (CASL)
9	10	11	12 SVF Board Meeting @7PM	13	14	15 Q-500 Race (APRA-428) Speed World (SWRCF)
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Sedona Fly-In US 89A mile post 364 (CAM)
23 Sedona Fly-In US 89A mile post 364 (CAM)	24	25	26	27	28	29
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