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Newsletter of the Santa Fe Dam Radio-Control Modelers

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Meeting September 9, 2009 Arcadia Red Cross

President's Desk

We are sad to announce that Gary Stevens has resigned from the Executive Committee effective August 1, 2009. He will be missed working in that roll. Gary is still active in the club and continues to be a leading contributor at the field. I can't tell you how much he has contributed to the club and to me personally. Gary's help guided us through one of the most difficult times the club has gone through for more than three decades. THANK YOU GARY!

Dennis Souza has volunteered to step in to finish Gary's term on the Executive Committee. We thought it might be fun to invite Dennis to submit a campaign statement. His statement has been included below. We, the club members present at the September meeting, will be voting on Dennis as a replacement EC member.

September 26th will be our next fun fly featuring our plethora of Slow Stick flyers. Keep in mind there will be plenty of time for you to fly all aircraft and get a free lunch as well. Thanks go to Frank Ross for filling in for Sven who normally prepares our lunches.

Gogian Yee photographed the last Slow Stick fun fly and carnage and you can find the record of it on the club website, www.SFDRCM.COM. You can also find the information on our October 24th float fly on our website.

Earle Levine sure does a good job maintaining our website and producing our newsletter. You can get the full color eNewsletters and eMemo if you send us your email address to sfdrmc@hotmail.com.

Thank you all who have responded quickly to the executed return of the Chris Graham safety letter. Keep them coming.

Do not forget that the City of Hope is having a fundraiser October 25th in the form of a Walk-a-Thon. The club makes a donation to the City of Hope each year and we would like to add to this year's contribution by asking you, our club members, to help enhance this donation this year.

See you at the next meeting Wednesday, September 9th 7:30 p.m.

Wayne Brown

Campaign Statement from Dennis Souza: Secretary-in-Training

After acquiring a great secretary for the SFDRCM club, Gary Stevens, I am sad to say that Gary wishes to pass on the baton for the remainder of his term. He has provided exemplary support to the club during his tenure, with big shoes to fill. He will be a tough act to follow. I am willing to take on that responsibility as a replacement for Gary, if the club will have me. And yes, I did demolish my Slow-Stick in the combat to end-all-combats, the Slow-Stick extravaganza.

See ya at the meeting

Thank you



September Birthdays

<i>Richard Arbogast</i>	<i>Gevork Mkrtchyan</i>
<i>Edward Berlanga</i>	<i>Tim Rao</i>
<i>Brad Batesole</i>	<i>Romeo Rodriguez Jr</i>
<i>Bo Cerven</i>	<i>Tony Samaniego</i>
<i>Steve Greek</i>	<i>William Simpson</i>
<i>Winfred Joe</i>	<i>Tom Traeger</i>
<i>Joe Jordan</i>	<i>Dennis Souza</i>

Instructor List

The individuals below have *kindly* volunteered to serve as training instructors. We all had to learn from someone and most of us feel good about giving back. Being an instructor *is* an imposition on time and energy. New instructors are always welcomed. Following the rules below will go a long way to make the student / instructor experience happy and enjoyable for both.

√ Training by appointment only. Do not show up at the field and expect someone to break away from their activities to help you. They might or they might not.

√ **MOST IMPORTANT!** If you make an appointment, **keep it**. If you can't, call your instructor as soon as possible. We all have cell phones. This is our biggest cause of losing instructors.

√ Bring all the supplies you need - fuel, propellers, rubber bands, glow plugs, glow starter. You will need a compatible **buddy box** and **cord**. Bring your own or arrange with instructor. This is a must!

√ Follow the instructors instructions. Some of the things might seem routine or boring but they are all part of the skills you need.

√ If you don't understand, ask why! You will hear new words and expressions. Ask what they mean!!

√ Instruction is free, but that doesn't mean you can't offer your instructor a soda or snack!

Peter Del Colliano	(213) 760-1766
Tom Traeger	(818) 926-0874
Kent Smith	(909) 578-8529
Jerry Suszcynski	(626) 335-3253
Richard Arbogast	(626) 358-9394

Hobby People

FIELD EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

USE ALL 10 DIGIT WHEN CALLING FROM CELL PHONE

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IRWINDALE FIRE	626 337-8919
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DUARTE FIRE DEPT	
1105 Highland	626 444-2581
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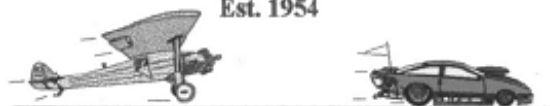
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Member Response Required

We received the enclosed document from Chris Graham, SFD Park Superintendent. Please review the document and make sure you understand the bottom four lines that have been added by LA County before signing the document. We have forwarded the document just as the club received it. The document is primarily the AMA's Safety Code that is published and sent to you in their monthly Model Aviation magazine with the County of Los Angeles's modification of the document. This is now required of all members to continue flying at the field.

Please forward two executed copies of the document in the enclosed envelope to: SFDRCM, PO Box 93, Duarte, CA 91009. The club will forward one of the copies to the SFD Administration Office as they have requested.

From the keyboard of the VP

As those of you that attended the Slow Stick combat on the 22nd know I tried to fill the very large shoes of Sven and took care of the free lunch. Although I have helped with this task before I have learned a greater appreciation for the amount of work he does to provide us with food service. I want to thank him for all the effort he has put into our club events and hope other members will do the same when they see him.

On the subject of electrics I would like to pass on some recent experience with battery use. As we all know many of our summer days are quite hot, well I made the mistake of leaving my little toolbox of batteries in the sunlight while at the field and about half of them swelled up as if pulling too much current. On return home I placed them in the refrigerator for a short period and they recovered. Only time will tell if my mistake is permanent, but they appear to cycle fine. So be warned and don't make my mistake with your batteries.

I will be on personal business during September and October and will not be able to attend next months meeting, but should be able to make the float fly. In my absence hopefully you can all fly extra flights for me.

Frank Ross

Mark Thomas readies his giant scale plane with the smoke from the La Canada "Station" fire in the background. The tragic fire caused amazing scenes in the sky.



Events Listing

Giant Scale Fly In / Night Fly

09/13/2009 Apollo XI Field (Sepulveda Basin) Dave Hendrex 310-214-0613 w/s 80" mono 60" bipe or 1/4 scale; jets ok. Valley Flyers

Canyon Crosswinds Float Fly

9/19/09-9/20/09 - Castaic, CA (C) Canyon Crosswinds Float Fly. Site: Castaic Lake Lower Lagoon. Don Schelling CD, 28219 Stanley Ct Canyon Country CA 93531 PH:661-252-9407 email: don.schelling@L-3com.com. Visit www.canyoncrosswinds.com. Sponsor: CANYON CROSSWINDS

SFDRCM Slow Stick Combat

9/26/09 - SFDRCM Field - Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area.



**Meeting
September 9
Arcadia Red Cross**

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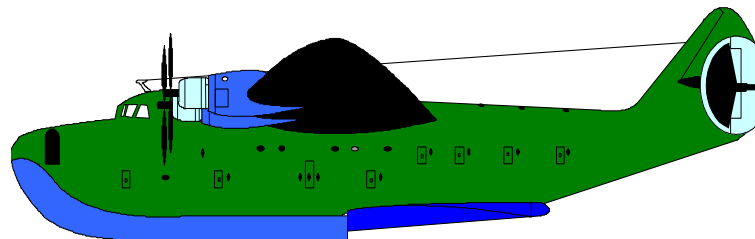


The Santa Fe Dam Radio Control Modelers present

FLOAT FLY

October 24th 2009 AMA Sanction # 09-1701

Visit our web site at www.sfdrcm.com



Boat retrieval will be provided.

Enter at main entrance to the "Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area" Irwindale CA.

Gates open at 6:30am Flying will start at 8:00am until 3:00pm.

County vehicle entry fee applies.

BBQ lunch available - Great Raffle

Pilot's information

AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

Landing Fee \$15.00

CD Kent Smith 626-858-0885

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All 72MHz Radios will be impounded

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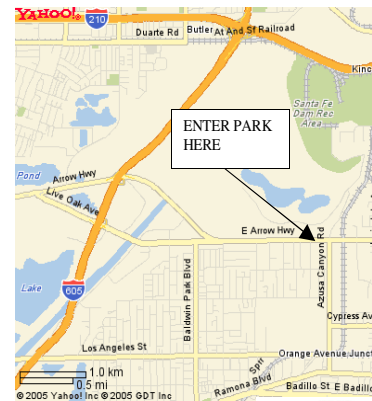
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