



Next Meeting – April 8th, at Round Table Pizza on College Pkwy – 6:30 pm

From Da Prez,

Beautiful day, looking out the window at 69 degrees, and clear blue sky. But I'm sitting at home because the new JR 2.4 that worked on the bench yesterday setting it up for the Pulse was dead when I got to the field yesterday. Will have Ken sort this out Monday (it was not batteries or wiring). It's the 9303 which is really easy to program, much more so than My Futaba 9CAP. Also has some great features, like being able to set the servo speed on almost all channels. There is no engine kill function, but the throttle trim has enough travel to close the throttle instead.

Had an interesting meeting with some city officials on the 21st. Seems that the director of parks and recreation, Roger Moellendorf, a Donna Curtiss whom appears to be Scott Fahrenbruch's supervisor, suggested that Scott call a meeting between themselves, Ken S and myself. I suggested that the safety officer should be included if that was the subject of the meeting, so Tom H attended also. Turned out the meeting was regarding the upcoming VT railroad and any future condo development in regards to the Pony Express Park Operation.

The outcome of the meeting seemed to be that there are two possible solutions, and will be one amendment to our lease contract. The lease will be amended to remove all liabilities to the club in the event of an incident caused by a non-club member participant.

The possible solutions to the VT train appear to be either closing of the aircraft portion of the Park to non club members, with the members policing activities among approved users of the park, or the possible relocation of the road, tables, sun shades and storage building to the north side of the runway, and the actual flight area moved to the south side of the runway. The city is looking into both the costs of the move, and the feasibility of closing the field to members only, which they don't really care to do.

Tom R is reminding me of the Chowcilla event over Memorial weekend. Sounds like this could be a real fun event, with not too long a drive involved.

And then there is the Model Expo down in Pomona Cal in April (19th & 20th). A bigger blowout, but of course a lot further away.

The Sacramento auction is also scheduled for the 19th.

By now Ken should have the club Nexstar airworthy, as well as trimmed out. I understand that Kyle already has one student signed up for lessons with it.

And speaking (or is that writing?) of Ken, please remember folks, we do need a local hobby shop. I know that I mentioned this last year, but I would really be very unhappy if I have to drive to Reno for every tube of glue or sheet of balsa. I know that it is easy to sit at the computer and buy the big items, but those are the very items that ensure a hobby shop' survival, not the nit picking stuff, which you can't even view before buying on the internet. Check with Ken, he will meet most prices.

You might also be thinking about which really nice ship you will want to show at the Operation First Response, and the Silver Springs open house. It seems that more time will be allowed us to fly at there than was first thought.

Sold my full size glider last week, so will surely have more time for RC now, although it is staying in Minden, with my right to fly it if I want.

Happy flying,

Lou

Editor's Notes - I am just jam packed with information this month (NOT!) Writer's block or burn out?

There are a few events in April. The Reno club is having their first T-34 race April 19th. They are also hosting a "Video Day", whatever the heck that is, on the 26th. The Silent Soarers are flying on the 20th. One of these days I will make it to a soaring meet. Can't do it this month because I am off to China for a vacation/business/tour thing!

Our very own "Tony", was in France and visited the Normandy American Cemetery. Very Moving! Pictured below are grave sites and Omaha Beach.

AD 2008 SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 4&5	NCCFC Sierra Champs, Chris Borland CD, Waegel Field
April 26&27	NCCFC Nor Cal, Bill vanderBeek CD, Waegel Field
May 31 & June 1	SAM 21 Ranch Romp, Schmidt Ranch, TENATIVE
June 6&7	NCCFC Western States Champs, Mike McKeever CD, Waegel Field
July 26&27	SAM 30 Annual, Schmidt Ranch TENATIVE
Sept 8 to 12,	SAM Champs, Muncie Indiana
Sept 13&14	NCCFC SGMA Combo Annual, Bill?/Mike Davis CD, Waegel Field
Sept 26 to 28	SAM 27 Crash & Bash, Schmidt Ranch
October 25&26	SAM 26 John Pond Commemorative, Taft CA
November 1&2	NCCFC SGMA Sweeper, Dick Myers CD, Waegel Field
November 15	SAM 21 Collecto

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The thing I miss about Air Force One is they don't lose my luggage.

- President George Bush Sr.

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