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FIRST 2015 CLUB MEETING

The first meeting with the new Board was held January 14, 2015. The detailed minutes are available on the Club Website, www.hsrcc.com.

However please note that the membership voted to reduce our dues to \$50 per year and they are due now. If you have not done so already please make your check out to HSRCC and mail it to:

HSRCC
c/o Frank Gomez, Treasurer
#6 Pine View Way
Carson City, NV 89703

Other items of importance from the meeting are; the cancellation of the Christmas Party, (look forward to this year's), consideration of updating our preparation tables at the field (see page 4) and planning this years schedule of events (see page 4). The Calendar will be decided at the February 10, meeting so get your ideas and your interest in volunteering for some of these events to one of your Board members.

At the conclusion of the meeting Don Morse showed off a new acquisition; an electric, ducted fan, foam T-33. It is 58" long with a 66" wing span weighing 7# without batteries The fan is 90 mm. We all look forward to seeing this bird fly!

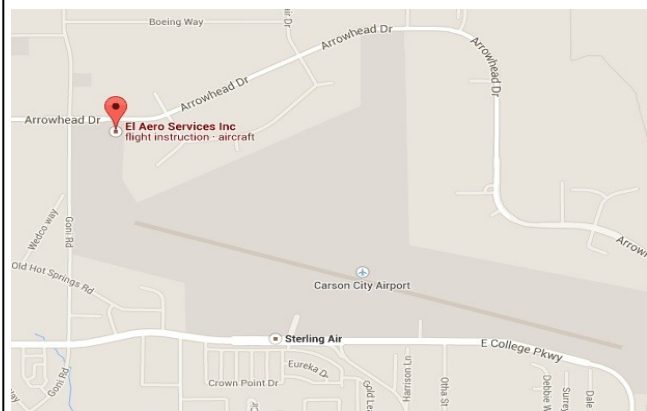


Business Cards

President Dan Etcheto unveiled an idea that was developed by the Board to facilitate club contact with interested parties. This is the size of a standard business card and is available for all members to hand out as needed.



Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 6:30 pm at El Aero Services, 2101 Arrowhead Drive, Carson City



Frozen Finger Fun Fly

Another Frozen Finger Fun Fly on 2015. The weather was sunny, fantastic blue sky, and it lived up to its name of frozen fingers. The runway had a few patches of snow interspersed with dry runway surrounded with ice. No serious trouble for wheeled planes unless the wheels were less than three inches which made taxiing difficult. There were four glow engines among the fifteen electric planes. The electrics were nice as you didn't have to mess with the goo and prop wash when holding them in below freezing temperatures.

Paul Ciotti had his Corsair, the Saucer and the Dragon Plane; Dan Holliman flew his glow powered four stroke Twist; Vince had his Radian and Steve flew his electric glider as well. Bob Sullivan flew the Lanzo bomber, Bob Heitkamp flew his profile Yak (?), Bob Jones had some stick time on my Super Miss, and Bob Barnett (Reno) flew his Delta Wing but seemed to have trouble with his Stearman. Roger Collins brought out a brand new Decathalon with a GoPro mounted, I had my Super Miss and a rebuilt wing on my 40-size electric Swizzle Stik. It was nice to see Ken Seymour with his foam T-28, Dave with his foam T-28 and Fred with his glow powered sixty-sized Ugly Stik. Lance had his P-51 but I didn't see it fly as I think he said the field was too rough for his plane. President Dan flew his Extra and Don Morse brought two, flying his profile foamie and having radio problems with his Cessna 310 clone. Fred Chapin placed first in the crash trophy running for 2015 followed closely by Steve and Dan E.

I want to thanks those of you who came out. It was good to see Kirk Baron, Michael Crafton, and Robert Canadian. Thank you Paul for starting up the heater in the Club House, thanks for binging out goodies Steve and Lance and thank you Vince for summer (?) sausage. Thanks Mike for taking the group picture and Dave for being the designated photographer. It was great flying as I got in four flights and saw lots of planes in the air. Until next time, keep your fingers warm (gloves are good) and wear a hat. See you next January 1 for the Frozen Finger Fun Fly. *Submitted by Gary Fuller*



2015 Frozen Finger Fun Fly



Ken Seymour readies his T-28



Bob Sullivan and his Bomber



Don Morse...what? a crock pot in the pits...



Bob Barnett from Reno coaxes his Stearman to life



Bob Heitkamp gets ready for some 3D



Fred Chapin wishing he had an electric



Gary Fuller supervises Bob Jones' post-op flight



Paul Ciotti and his unique collection of Electrics

DRAFT HSRCC EVENTS 2015

<i>Date</i>	<i>Major Events</i>	<i>Host</i>	<i>Description</i>
May 9, 2015	Annual Roll Out Party and Chili Feed	Reinbolt	First time flight for your winter project including new builds, repairs or new planes added to your fleet.
June 20, 2015	Carson Airport Open House		Participate at the open house!
July 10, 2015	2015 Death Ride	Jones	Volunteer to help with a bicycle ride out of Markleville California. The club will make \$1000!
September 16, 2015	Reno Air Races 16th - 20th Annual Club Picnic Annual Northern Nevada Fly-In		No, we are not doing anything as a club! Bring the family for a BBQ! Open for all clubs in Northern Nevada!
 <i>Minor Events</i>			
May 30, 2015	"Old Timers" Fun Fly		
June 13, 2015	Swap Meet		
June 27, 2015	Scale Competition Fun Fly		
August 8, 2015	"Franken-Plane" Fun Fly	Collins	
August 22, 2015	Electric Fun Fly	Fuller	
September 12, 2015	Fun Fly Contest		

Airpark Safety Design

At the January meeting, members discussed possible ideas regarding the placement of our set-up tables relative to both flyer and public safety. We have never experienced a real issue in the past, and those present at the meeting did not want any accidents in the future to occur. The discussion began with the concept of just turning the flight-line tables around 180 degrees, and discussion evolved from there.

This was a very good discussion, no one taking offense at any idea or concern, and certainly no consensus of opinion. That is what we want....discussion and free flow of ideas.

So let's have a contest...the winner, or winners, get bragging rights....nothing else....just bragging rights.

The Board is looking for interesting lay-out designs, safety related, for the unloading, initial set-up, and final start-up and roll-out to the flight strip of our airplanes. And of course in-flight concerns.

Maybe the prevailing idea, or ideas, will simply incorporate what we now use. But maybe someone, or group of someones, will think outside the box and present to us some new arrangement of our unloading, set-up tables, fencing, and roll-out to fly, and general public areas, in addition to in-flight concerns. We have money in our treasury to make field changes if membership finds some new design more preferable than what we now are using.

So, let's give this about two months gestation, and submit your diagrams, or written narrative to Bob Sullivan, Vice President (or any Board Member if you can't find Bob). Perhaps at the April meeting of the HSRCC Membership, we would have some submittals worthy of beginning a review and discussion among our membership. *Submitted by Bob Sullivan*

