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PROP WASH-2024 Frozen Finger Fun Fly

What a turn out for this years Frozen Finger Fun Fly. This was the biggest turn out for a fun fly since I have been here. My best guess would be over forty people at the field including over two dozen pilots. Rather than try to identify everyone by name, some came-flew-left, the pictures taken by President Kohler and past member Kirk Baron will help fill in the article.

Flying was spectacular, no serious crashes. There were ducted fans, biplanes, scale, warbirds, powered gliders, flying wings, big planes, little planes, "Franken" planes, helicopters, and sport planes. A few highlights come to mind. A lot of three planes in the pattern at once also seeing one time five, three in "formation." The flight of the large scale helicopter from Fernley, "Iron Man" in the pits, and scale flying aircraft. This was one event that raised the bar for fun flies. See you next year?

I thank you for coming whether flying or not, the cookies, hot chocolate, hot coffee, all RC flyers and Club members, spouses, photographers, visitor from Fernley, the young flyers that did so well, and the new members that joined our Club.







































Looking for Veco 19 muffler - G. Fuller 775-841-3509

Prez sez by George Kohler

Over the last two years the Club used the Fandango Casino for its annual Christmas Party and it has turned out to be the perfect venue for our activities. The way the Casino charges the Club for its fees is broken down to a flat fee for the banquet room, the tax rate at the time, and a gratuity of 19% for the servers. The meals, however, are charged BY THE PLATE. The meals were \$33.00 per plate. This was a little more than last year which was to be expected.

HERE IS THE ISSUE I MUST ADDRESS TO ALL MEMBERS. I ask for a head count a month or more in advance of the party then a couple weeks prior. Then again I reach out for a FINAL head count requesting how many will be attending. Four or five days prior to the party I will confirm with the event planner and eliminate at the Fandango Casino and we are good to go.

In these last few days leading up to the party is when I am requesting that any member who cannot attend, no matter the reason, to please send me an email, text or call so we can change the head count with the event planner and eliminate the unnecessary per plate charge to the Club. This year we had (8) NO SHOWS, with only (1) call, that cost an extra charge of \$264.00 to the Club.

To correct this issue, the Club WILL BE CHARGING THE DINNER PRICE TO ANY MEMBER who does NOT contact our event person, which will be Vice-President James (JT) Consiglio at 775-230-9005 or college4u2@gmail.com. A text, email or call is all that the Club is asking from its membership to avoid this unnecessary expense. You can also contact any of the Club Officers to relay your information.

Thank you all in advance for your understanding and cooperation with this issue.

Brad A and Dan (Reno President) were also asking if there was any interest in doing a simple fun fly event at least once a year at all (Reno, Carson City & Fernley) fields. Again, think about it and

LET ME KNOW YES OR NO so I can get back to them with a possible head count. A text or email is all I need from our membership BY NEXT MEETING IN FEBRUARY.

We need to put together our event calendar for 2024 by our February meeting. The reason for this is the other clubs tend to wait until we post ours before they put theirs together. Dave V has emailed last years event calendar for our membership to go over and add input if so needed.

Our Safety Officer, Larry, is looking to step down from his position so we are looking for someone to take over this duty. If any of our Club members have an idea who might be a good fit for that position, we are taking recommendations now. You can text or email me directly at 714-335 -4071 or geprge.kohler@yahoo.com. Until next time, George

Dues are due!

Please note dues are payable now at \$50 for the year. After February 1, they will be \$75 for the year. Pay online at hsrcc.com or send your check to Treasurer Tim Ahl.

Interesting Aircraft

The Convair XFY-1 Pogo aircraft was an effort in the 50's to development a vertical short take off and landing (STOL) aircraft. The name Pogo came from the Pogo Stick. It relied on a turbo prop configuration in an era when they were still in the development stage and still had problems.

On November 2, 1954, Convair test pilot James F. "Skeet" Coleman made a vertical take off and transitioned to horizonal flight over San Diego for 20 minutes. The aircraft had a transitional seat that allowed the pilot to be in a horizontal position from a vertical position.



The Pogo was 35 feet long and had a wingspan of "nearly" 29 feet. Empty it weighted 11,750 pounds. Power was provided by a 5,500 hp Alison turboprop driving twin 16 foot counter rotating 3-blade propellers. Only one XFY-1 was built and the project was suspended in 1955.

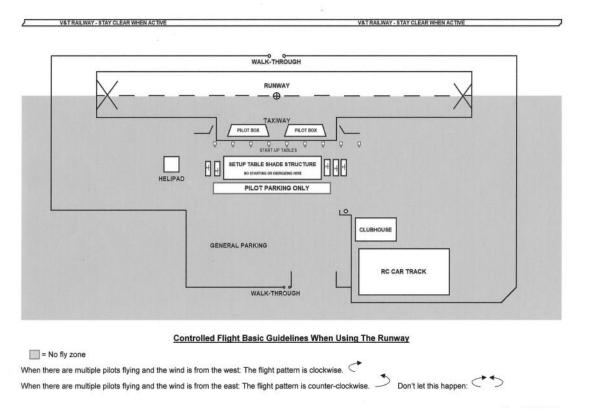


Bob Sullivan's Passing

Long time club member Bob Sullivan passed away on Friday, January 12, 2024 after a brief battle with cancer. Services will likely be later in the spring when it warms up. Bob served as Vice President and Field Marshall (both positions for multiple years) and coordinated the Death Ride fundraiser for a number of years as well. Bob, always looking to the future, helped our club transition from the small 25 member Club to the 90 plus membership club that it is today.

Bob is pictured at the October 2021 Club Meeting demonstrating the launch technique for his Great Planes "Syncro".

Flight Pattern: At the last club meeting a member asked where proper flight pattern is identified. This is covered in the Safety Section of our Safety Rules (see hsrcc.com). The map in "General Field Rules" (below) and item 4 of the "Safety Rules" addresses this. The accepted practice is, unless agreed to otherwise by those flying, passes down the runway are into the wind. If the wind is from the west the flight pattern is clockwise. If the wind from the east then the flight pattern is counter clockwise.



SAFETY OFFICER and FIELD MARSHALL REPORT

No accidents or injuries to report from Larry Raley, HSRCC Safety Officer and Field Marshall Paul Ciotti says the weather station is installed but not operational at the moment.

CLUB MEETINGS

If you are a new, old, or prospective club member please join us for our monthly meetings. We try to hold them the second Tuesday of the month in the evenings.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 6:30 pm





I want to especially thank David Vandenberg for assisting me with the HSRCC Newsletter. He is my "right hand" man and does most of the layout, second proofreader, and computer assistance. Thanks a bunch Dave!