

Servo Chatter

Official newsletter of the SCCMAS "Tomcats"

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NEXT MEETING: Friday, October 26th @ 7:30pm.

Location: Hayes Elementary School, located off of Poston Dr in San Jose. See page 3 for a meeting map.

Future dates: TBA

Program: Raffle prizes will include the usual - a radio, an engine, a kit, glues, and lots of other neat stuff! Bring your latest creation for show and tell and receive a free raffle ticket. Coffee and Donuts as usual.

Cover Photo: Lynsel Miller's beautiful P-38 on a flyby. (Photo by Jim Patrick)

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From the Editor

by Chris Luvara



I don't really have much to say this month. I think every one else covers the important stuff in their articles. I am just glad that things are slowing down for me so that I can be able to fly at my own home field for once. I've had the opportunity to go a lot of places in competition this year, flying in Ohio,

Texas and all over California. I've said it before, and I'll say it again, I still love to come to our field and just be able to fly. Hopefully I will be able to start taking some more pictures at the field again, and coming up with some good material for the newsletter. With all that, I'll keep mine short! Till next month,

Chris (chris@luvaraairracing.com)

Flyin Fast..The VP's News

by Michael Luvara



I hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer with all the great flying weather immanent upon us. If the current conditions are any indication, the fall will be a great flying season too. There certainly has been a lot of activity at the field this year at our events and during

regular flying.

I would like all members to realize that Hayes Elementary School has asked members not to smoke on their school premises in the past. Last year, some members decided not to honor this and almost cost us our ability to use the school facilities for our meetings. So, please note - **NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.**

Much has happened since the last issue of Servo Chatter. This includes our club BBQ in August, a Warbird race, IMAC contest and T-34 races. All events were all well attended and brought in significant funds for the club.

On Sept 12th-14th our runway was re-sealed and re-striped with many cracks being filled, along with the repair of our entrance road. The members have been asking for the repair of the road for some time and we decided to follow up on it. Next on our major to-do list is install the permanent bathroom facilities and rework of the runway ends/grass areas. This includes the possible installation of fencing in the field to keep the wild pigs out. Because we have just re-surfaced the pits and runway, please use an overflow bottle while fueling all airplanes. We need to protect the surface of the field as long as possible and not ruin the \$6000 surface that was just layed down. Your cooperation on this issue is appreciated.

On the smaller side of repair projects, the deck at the shack needs some major repair as it is showing its age. We did some repair to damaged areas, but need to tend to this in the future. If anyone is interested in helping coordinate this project, please let me know.

Please note that there is a new policy regarding fuel containers at the field. If you are to throw away any empty fuel containers at the field, they have to be empty of all residue. Probably the best thing to do is take them home and dispose of them according to local laws and regulations. We have been asked to ensure that containers are clean if disposed of in the trash.

Our on-site payphone was once again stolen this summer and we are currently looking at replacing the unit and preventing it from being stolen again. This is about the 4th time that it has been lost. In the middle of September, our storage

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A big thanks goes to these people for bringing food to the last club meeting!

Macaroni Salad - June McClain

Potatoe Salad - Angie Sunzeri

Chicken Salad - Betty Baggott

Green Salad - Juanita Ribble

Fruit Plate - Ivan Cifuentes

Peach Cobbler - Howard Sosbee

Potatoe Salad - Matt Campi

Cake - Mrs. Firth

Bean Salad - Glen Frazer

Remember, if you've got any submissions, send them to:



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Santa Clara, CA 95051-3950

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From the Secretary's Building Board

March meeting notes:

- 82 members present
- New solos reported:
 - Pete Peterson
- New members present:
 - Jim Blum
 - Mike French
 - Emily Campi
 - Mike Brewer
 - Greg Nielson

by Rich Luvara



Show and Tell.....

No show and tell this month

Dumb Thumb

Winner: YOUR NAME HERE



Raffle



- Radio- Erik Cifuentes - Don't forget the doughnuts!
- Kit - Billy Dunning
- Engine - Richard Ludhart
- Power Panel - Babe Caltabiano
- Fuel - George Black
- Fuel - Robert Jamison
- Glow Starter - Ivan Cifuentes
- Dremel - Bob House
- Tach - Dave Barmore

This month, we have to thank *Sheldon's Hobbies & Pic Glues*. for their help with our raffle. Without contributions from sources like this, our raffle would in no way be possible. Please support all of our local hobby shops that are listed on the back cover of the newsletter. **Remember, the local shops are the ones that donate to our club. The mailorder ones do not.**



Update from the Thursday group

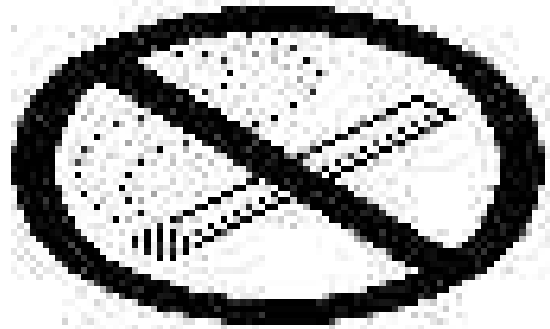
Our thanks goes out to Don Koelfgen and his mowing crew of Max Williams and new member Joel Ledain.

We also have to thank Jack Sunzeri as "pit boss". Jack helps keep an eye out for the pilots wanting to go out and fly when we close the field for mowing the areas close to the runway.

We have John Ribble taking on miscellaneous jobs. My job keeping the mower in running order. Thanks for everyone's help including Ray for the fence repair.

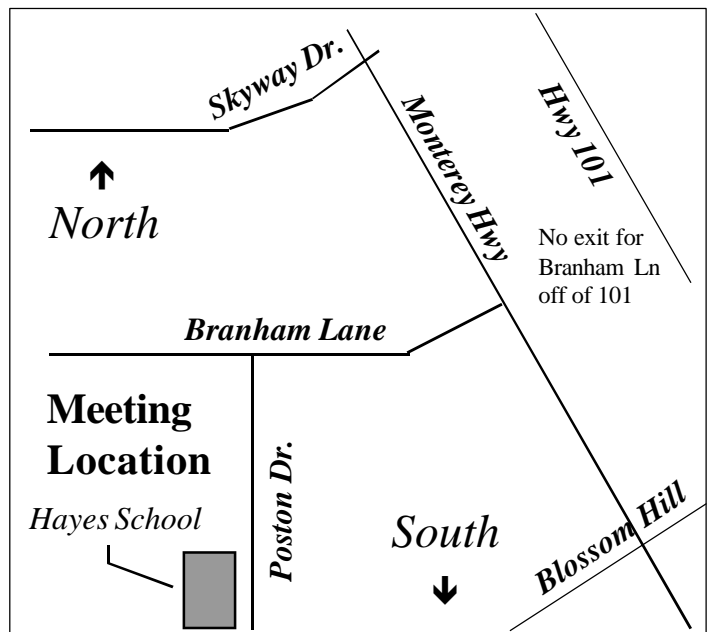
Jim Thompson

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No Smoking on anywhere on the Hayes school grounds, inside or out.

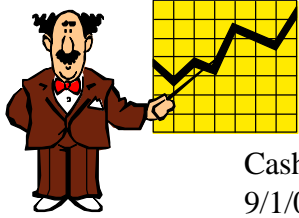
Meeting Location Map



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Trea\$urer's Report

by Babe Caltabiano



Cash Flow Report

9/1/01-10/15/01

Safety/Training

by Jim Patrick



I need to remind everyone again that we have rattlesnakes at and around our field. This means DO NOT walk out into the weeds to retrieve your airplane while wearing sandals.

Also, do not go searching for your plane alone. Help is always available. Get someone to assist you and wear protective clothing. A few weeks ago I was helping someone find his plane. We found it at the bottom of an embankment. I was about to climb down to get it when we saw a small rattle snake just a few feet down the embankment. I went back to the shack to get a pole that we use to retrieve planes. It is there for all to use. Again, we don't want pilots going off alone to get their planes.

The club still recommends using a spotter when flying. You will see a picture I took of a collision that resulted when two pilots did not use spotters. It may not be obvious, but both pilots landed from opposite directions. They hit in the middle of the runway. Most mid-air, and mid-runways, can be avoided by getting someone to help. Help is always available at the field.

The club is still short of flight instructors. Sundays are the most demanding days. Any help is appreciated, from checking out new planes to working on the buddy box. Our new members welcome any assistance. You only have to help one student. Please be aware of these new club members, they tend to be shy.



Woodland Davis Wings Of Victory 2001

by Gary Cervo



On Friday 27 of July I was at the SCCMAS field to see Lynsel Miller's first flight of his just completed P-38. After eliminating some engine generated RFI, Lynsel took to the air and had a great shake down flight. After the flight he said he was ready for the WW2 Wings of Victory Fly in at Woodland Davis that weekend (28-29 of July). Having never gone before, I decided this was the year to attend.

Other SCCMAS and SACRC pilots who made the trip to Woodland Davis include: Jeff Kennemer with his Zero, Reggie Del-Aquila who flew Frank Banks P-38 and DC-3, John Mota with his F4U, Meinrad Hanggi with his P-38, John Andrews with his Hellcat, Darryl Rolla with his P-51 and Ken Safer with his Tony.

I arrived at the field in Davis at 9am the 28th to find Lynsel already there and set up despite working late on Friday night to repair some minor dings from his first test flight the day before. The rest of the guys arrived in mass around 10am. The weater was great for the Valley, sunny breezy and COOL. Just right for a few sorties.

The SCCMAS and SACRC pilots had the largest aircraft at the meet and provided the crowd with many exciting flights. Highlights for the crowd included several flights of Frank's DC-3 with Regg at the sticks and a solo sortie with all three P-38's in the air at the same time – AWESOME! They also witnessed a dog flight and down of Jeff's Zero complete with in flight smoke as he spun to the ground (CUT-he pulled out ha!)

All our planes flew numerous times and all came back unscathed after a great day of flying.

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(VP's report Continued from page 3)

bin was found open with the lock missing to it. It is not known if it was accidentally left open or broken into as there is no evidence of the lock or breaking and entering. However, our edgers, blower, and weed eaters were stolen. Please be careful if you happen to lock the bin up when using it.

There has been some confusion recently regarding SACRC members flying at our field. SACRC members are allowed to fly till end of year due to their current field situation. They must display their club card in the frequency impound to do so. We have extended our offer to them till December for their past support when our field was out of commission a few years ago. Their new site is almost complete. Please note that all individuals who are guests of the club are required to fill out a "Guest Policy" form and be a guest of an SCCMAS member for the day. Guest forms are located at the impound.

After the tragic events of September 11th, the club decided to do something to help those affected by the tragedies. The Flea Market scheduled for November 10th was turned into a fundraiser for the September 11th Fund. The event is now a combined Fly-in and Flea Market where \$15.00 gets one a seller space or an entry to the Fly-in (\$15.00 covers both or just one). We hope that individuals will come out and support this cause. All proceeds from the event will be sent to New York.

Until next time,
Michael

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R/C Flea Market & Fly-In

Presented by the Santa Clara County Model Aircraft Skypark
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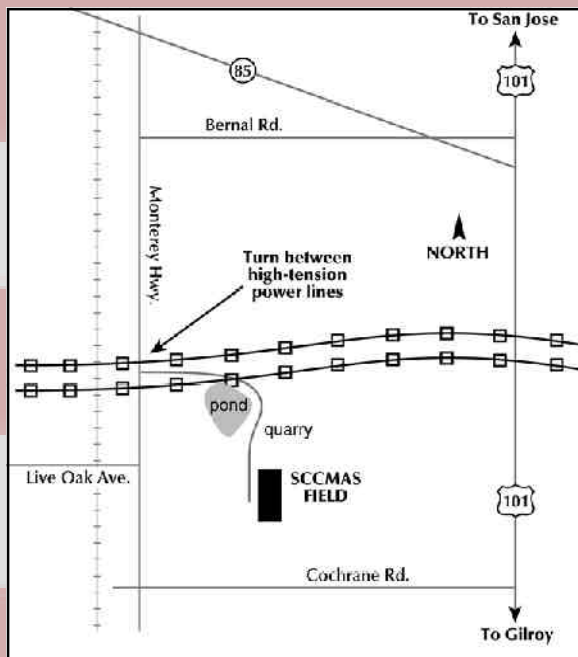
Saturday, November 10th

Due to the recent tragedies, we invite you to come join us for a Flea Market and Fly-In at the SCCMAS field where all money collected by the SCCMAS will be donated to the September 11th fund. Sales will start at 8:00 am and run until it's all gone (around 1pm). Flying starts at 8:30 and goes until dark. Any aircraft type welcome. Our snack shack will be open serving food and refreshments. No pre-registration necessary. Our table space is limited, and is on a first-come, first-served basis, so be prepared to bring your own table. So come join a good cause by participating in flying, selling or just buying. Proof of AMA required for flying.

Fly-in/Space rental \$15.00

For more info, contact Michael Luvara at (408) 292-1212

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From Hwy 101 heading North:

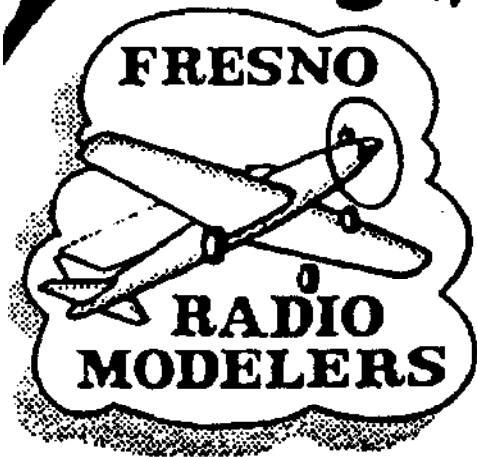
Exit on Cochrane Road heading west. Proceed to Monterey Hwy (approx 0.6 of a mile). Turn right on Monterey Hwy and head north for approximately 2.6 miles. Just after you pass Live Oak, you'll see some high tension power lines and an 8 x 10 sign for the SCCMAS. Turn right at the power lines and proceed straight down the paved, private road to enter the SCCMAS. Speed limit is 15 mph.

From Hwy 101 or 85 heading South:

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Please note- While on the private entrance road, use caution and obey the 15 mph speed limit. Stop at all stop signs and yield the right of way when a bicyclist is present! Thanks, the SCCMAS.

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Introductory Buddy Box Flights available.

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Saturday Night BBQ and Night Flying

Pilot Fee \$20 - BBQ Dinner \$12

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4pm-7pm Open Flying

7pm-9pm BBQ Dinner

9pm-11pm Night Flying

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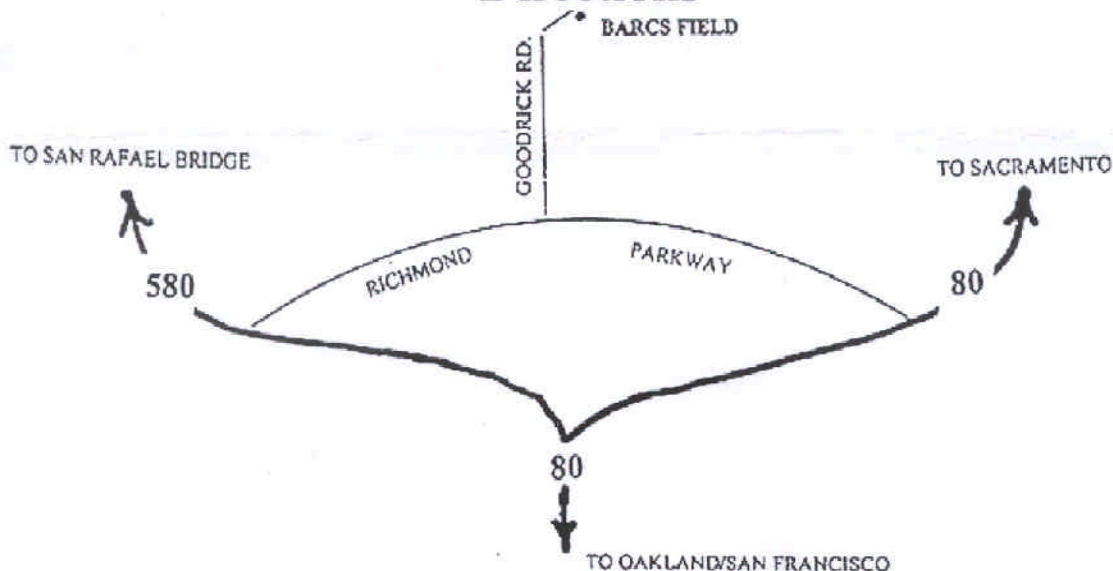
BARCS Breuner Field, Richmond, CA

All donations will be used by the Richmond Fire Department for the Toys For Tots program.

Entry Fee: One or more \$15.00 value NEW TOY for boy or girl (DO NOT WRAP). Spectators are invited to join the pilots in donating one or more toys. Free hot dog lunch for donors. We will be there rain or shine.

For information, contact: Jerry Edwards (510) 522-4235

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*The 'future' of our hobby build Delta Darts at Airshow 2001.
(Photo by Jim Patrick)*

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