



SANDERSON FIELD R.C. NEWS



CHARTER NO. 3079

Fly-in Sept. 12th

A letter from the President

Economic Awareness

At the last membership meeting of SFRCF It was suggested by former club President Jody Diaz that, the current President write a letter to be included in the upcoming club news letter. The subject of this letter had made itself apparent earlier in this same meeting as the group present discussed the upcoming pylon races scheduled for August 30th and 31st. What we discovered was that a number of the members who usually work these events in a variety of capacities from timers, pylon workers, fuel supervisors and our heroes, the lunch prep crew, had other commitments with family events. This, of course, is not an issue as family should always come first. As the meeting progressed we discussed the importance of these events and how much revenue they produce to support the club's financial commitments and operational goals

Some of these goals are:

Providing a safe and appropriate areas for club activities and events
To maintain active membership and recruit new members
Continue community involvement (Scholarships etc)
Maintain dues costs
Raise revenue beyond regular membership dues to meet financial commitments



Have fun with the hobby we love and the friends we find there

Our membership profile for 2009 is:

INCOME:

43 members total, with six non-paying; 5 children and 1 Lifetime member (WW II Veteran). This gives us 37 members for a total of \$3700.00.

EXPENSES:

The majority of our financial commitments are in the form of lease

fees:

Sanderson Field - \$3581.64/year
Hunter Farms - \$800.00/year

Other costs are incurred:

- Keys
- Locks
- Portable toilets
- Food

As you can see we pay \$4,381.64 in lease fees alone. Subtract this years annual dues of \$3,700.00 and we have a deficit of \$681.64.

Without these scheduled events and the members who work to staff them, the club would be forced to raise the dues to survive; let alone support growth, inflation costs and prosperity.

Typically with dues increases, some members will not renew membership. Thereby the club sinks deeper into financial difficulty. The point of this "Presidential Address", if you will, is to educate the membership on this vital topic and increase awareness of the importance of these events and the much needed membership participation to support them.

CLUB MEETING

*This months meeting will be held
on Thursday September 10th from
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.*

at PUD #3

At 3rd & Cota

Minutes were read and accepted as read.

Treasurers report was read and accepted as read.

New business:

The lock at Hunter farms was broken off and we were asked to use the fisherman's lock. We got 20 keys duplicated @\$3.50 each. John Tupper made a motion to get more keys If we need them. We will hopefully be able to go back to our lock when fishing season is over. Eric Oberg put signs marking the

runway/pits and Gordie Osberg put a sign on the port-a-pot. It seems to be helping keep the campers off the runway and the port-a-pot hasn't been damaged yet.

The fly-in on the 22nd will have food.

John Tupper will do some research on the price of a new BBQ and we will replace ours at the end of this season.

We still need a few people to man the course for the pylon race. We don't have the people for food, Chuck Kentfield asked about doing pre-prepared food for the race, Sharon Diaz volunteered to do that. Bonnie Beatty and the local Lions club will donate their time to cook. Jody Diaz brought up that the pylon races are our big money makers for the year and we need

to have more people participate. These races really help us keep our head above water.

Dick Robb has information on Hotels in Wenatchee for the Scale Masters, If you need that info contact Dick.

Dick Robb showed his Kyosho Ki-61 "Tony".

Meeting adjourned 7:45

A letter from the President (continued)

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I have been a member of other clubs where a certain amount of man hours were required annually to maintain membership. This was a burden and quite cumbersome to support and enforce. I believe that the SFRCF membership, when aware of the importance of this issue, will come forward and support the Club, its goals and do their part to prevent the need to raise the annual membership dues. As a group we can take stock of our scheduled events early in the year and schedule members to staff them with

enough advance notice to prevent shortages of manpower and share the load in a broader group of people.

I myself enjoy these events and have a lot of fun getting to know members better while working. In closing I look forward to seeing you at the field, meetings, and events.

Respectfully
Eric "Obee" Oberg
SFRCF President

DUES ARE \$100.

**IF YOU PAY BY MAIL SEND YOUR DUES,
YOUR OLD KEY, PROOF OF 2009 AMA
MEMBERSHIP AND A SELF
ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE
TO THE TREASURER:**

**CHUCK KENTFIELD
3122 Madrona Beach Rd.
Olympia WA 98502**

Make checks payable to SFRCF

CLUB OFFICERS

President	Eric Oberg	(360)426-8777
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Board Member.....	Eric Oberg	(360)426-8777
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Board Member.....	Bob Beatty	(360)426-5601
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Alt Board Member	Chuck Kentfield	(360)866-9473

For Sale



Hanger 9 Pipe Pawnee

Just needs radio gear and a motor.

Only flown once, must make room in shop.

\$250 - Airplane only

\$450 - W/radio gear and Thunder Tiger .75 four stroke.

New ARF would cost \$289 + tax.

Contact Tom Strom Jr. 206-786-0617

August Fly-In



We had pretty good weather for a change this time although the wind did pick up a bit in the afternoon. Thanks to Bob Andrew and Chuck Kentfield for cooking the good lunch.



Pylon Races

First and foremost I'd like to thank Jody and Sharon Diaz (and family) for helping out at the Pylon race last month and the month before. Without their help we would have been very short of course workers. Jody, Sharon and Cameron worked the timing cage and Gauge worked at pylon 1. Cameron's girlfriend, Olivia, worked at pylon 2 on Sunday. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

I'd also like to thank the Shelton Morning Star Lions club for helping out with the food. My wife Bonnie is the president of that organization and regularly ropes a

few of our club members into helping at some of their money makers so she was quick to offer help when we needed it. They donated their time to organize and cook the food.

In the same vein as the letter from the president, I'd like to say it's really a shame to have so many club members unwilling to lend a hand to keep the club afloat! (and I'm not talking about the ones who had other plans). How hard is it to help out a couple of weekends a year... I'll get off my soap box now.

I'd also like to thank Tom Strom and Eric Ide for their great

work getting things organized before, during AND after the two pylon races, and also the local hobby shops who donated great merchandise for the course worker raffle afterwards. Every course worker got a prize.

Even though Saturday was a very long day (I got home about 7:30 or so) things went very well. There were 111 heats on Saturday.

Of course thanks to everyone else who helped, especially Bob and Sue Treinen, Bob spent the entire weekend there with his trailer and took care of the donuts and coffee and any store trips we needed. Thanks. We should be able to get through another year.



We had a good turn out this year with people from Canada and California. Fred Bergdorf owner of APC props also participated in the races.



Course workers with some of the great prizes provided by RC hobbies in Lacey and Covington.



Food prep by the local lions club and our club members.



Rounding the turn at Pylon 2 and 3.

September 2009						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00p SFRCF Board Meeting	2	3	4	5 BAEC
6 BAEC	7	8	9	10 6:00p SFRCF Regular meeting	11	12 FLY-IN
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 NWACC Motor cross
20 NWACC	21	22	23	24	25	26 BAEC
27 BAEC	28	29	30			

As always the dates in the red boxes are no fly days, the ones in green are OK to fly...

Be sure to check the Events page on the Web Site.

<http://sfrcf.quintex.com/Events.html>

Club Scheduled Events for 2009

- January 1st.....First fly of the year - No go... snow and rain
- February 8th.....Pylon Race - Come out and help officiate
- March 15thPylon Race - Come out and help officiate
- April 18thSanderson Field RC flyers annual swap meet 9:00 to 12:00 SHS Sub
- April 19thPylon Race - Come out and help officiate
- May 23rd.....Fly-In - 9:00 a.m. to ?????
- May 24th.....Pylon Race - Come out and help officiate
- May 30th.....Forest festival Parade float
- June 1st.....Public Fly-In 9:00 a.m. to ?????
- June 6th.....Open House Fly-in/work party - Hunter Farms
- June 20th.....Public Fly-In 9:00 a.m. to ????
- July 18th.....Scale fly-in/Public/potluck BBQ - 9:00 a.m. to ?????
- July 24th - 26th.....Pylon Race - Locked
- August 22nd.....Fly-in - 9:00 am to ????
- August 28th-30th.....Pylon Race - Locked
- September 12th.....Fly-In 9:00 a.m. to ????
- October 10th.....Fly-In 9:00 a.m. to ????
- December 10thChristmas Party 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (potluck)

It's time for 2009 dues, dues are \$100.00

Check out our web site at <http://sfrcf.quintex.com>