

Thousand Oaks



Soaring Society

APRIL 2008

TOSS is a Distric X member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics Charter Club #1493

PRESIDENT-----GARY FILICE
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FLIGHT SITE COORDINATOR-----BILL BERTRAM
CLUB HISTORIAN-----CHARLES BABCOCK
CLUB PHOTOGRAPHER-----GREG WRIGHT
WEB/ NEWSLETTER...MARTIN USHER/CHUCK AUERBACH

Schedule of Events

Meetings Last Wednesday of every Month.

See our Web site for more information, maps and directions.

<http://tossfreeservers.com>

Soaring every Sunday at Redwood School

Art McMamee is mailing out the newsletter to members who require a hard copy.

If you need one call Art.

In attendance: Gary Filice, Bill Bertram, Steve Miele, Jim Pendergrass, Mike Reagan, Bob Van Landingham, Richard Mason, Bob Swit, Martin Usher, Mike Stern

Current Treasury Balance is \$642.58.

- Welcome to the 3rd TOSS meeting of 2008
- On the agenda tonight, we covered:
 - SC2 Contest Schedule
 - Our club charter renewal with Redwood Middle School, Paramount Ranch, and AMA. These are all due in March.
 - Flight site activity.
 - Mike Regan,

Contest Landing Techniques. Contest Schedule (<http://sc-2.org/web>)

March 30 SWSA

April 20 TOSS

May 18 SWSA

June 22 EDSF @ ISS

July No Contest

August 24 HSS @ SWSA

September 28 ISS

October 26 TPG

November 16 Rain Date

APRIL Contest - TOSS, we need HELP!

Timers, tables, tarps, canopy(ies), judges,

winch operators, etc.

Step up and help make this a successful event!

Flying site retention and acquisition:

At this time no monies will be disbursed to Paramount Ranch, we will continue to pursue Redwood school as our primary site.

On a recent Saturday, Bill Bertram observed glider fliers flying in an unsafe manner at Redwood school. Gary indicated that club officers can and should discuss site safety rules established by consensus earlier in the year. Gary suspects that he knows who these individuals are and will speak to them if they do not comply with the rules and potentially jeopardize our site.

Craig Bertlesman, WELCOME BACK!

Bill gave his latest, detailed, flying site acquisition report:

Tierra Rejada (Conejo Open Space, polo field site) - Mike Schwartz was contacted and as a follow-up Bill wrote a proposal indicating our needs and willingness/ability to pay

for use of the site. Bill explained our activities to Mr Schwartz and we discussed AMA insurance coverage and the cost of site improvements.

King Gillette Ranch (King Gillette Ranch is owned and managed by the [Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority](#) in cooperation with the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area unit of the National Park Service, the [Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy](#), and [California State Parks](#). <http://smmc.ca.gov/KGRP/guide.html>) Gary, Bill and Chuck met with Marsha Feldman (Developed Resources Mgr.) and Scott Hughes (Site Mgr). The major portion of ranch funding comes from fees from events and movie productions. Bill expects a return call from Ms. Feldman in the near future. Gary indicated that parking is problematic and

should talks continue, will need to be addressed. Field is currently used for water reclamation, is an occasional event and besides, the contract is up in July and will not be renewed.

Redwood School renewal, expires at the end of month. Terry Koplan is in charge of AMA insurance and charter paperwork, He indicated (by phone) that we are covered for this Sunday as the paperwork and check were already sent to AMA. Paperwork for T.O school administration will be delivered as soon as it comes through.

Bill discussed club history and has located the club photo album. He indicated a need for photos of specific events, people, etc.; notations on the pictures will be greatly appreciated.

Mike Regan did a presentation on contest landing techniques and the importance of developing a consistent, methodical landing approach.

**Yous guys nevr sent me
no pítchures. Sos how
dose ya expect me to do
a komplíkated dínq lík a
nooseltr. Dís ís outraguus
Yous guys stínnke!
Yous guys Gott wat ya
desurve! BOO HOO**

