

# Thousand Oaks March



# Soaring Society 2010

*TOSS is a District X Member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, CharterClub # 1493*

**Raffle News:** All tickets have been sold, drawing is on  
Sunday March 7th at Redwood  
*(You don't have to be present to win...)*

## Minutes of the TOSS Meeting Held 2/24/2010

### **Attendance:**

Steve Miele  
Gary Felice  
Paul Crittendenb  
Richard Mason  
Bill Bertram  
Jay Harland  
Jon Charnas  
Jim Pendergrass  
Don Northern  
Andy Tiffen  
Bob Swet  
Bob VanLandingham  
Derek Bennet  
Charlie Babcock

### **Old Business:**

#### **Flight Science for Children (Bill Bertram):**

- Bill B has obtained a educational CD/program aimed at introducing young children to the science of flight. He has passed off

info/opportunity to present program to the secretary at Redwood MS and is awaiting reply from them.

- He has passed off info/CD to Peter (father of young fliers Oliver and Henry).
- Peter will pass along info to Oliver and Henry's school which focuses on math and science

#### **Raffle (Committee: Bill B, Jon C, and Paul C)**

- As of 2/24/10 there are 7 tickets left for sale
- Drawing will commence at a pre-announced and public setting. It will likely be at the field on a Sunday

### **New Business:**

#### **Flying Site update (Bill Bertram)**

- Contacted CLU for permission to fly on university land
- Person to contact is Vanessa Webster-Smith
- There will be a staff meeting on 2/24/10 where Webster-Smith will bring up issue

- This is a promising site since a previous club (Conejo Silent Fliers) was granted permission to use field while their primary flying site was temporarily closed

Parking is still an issue that will have to be resolved

#### ***Wildwood HOA has a flying site***

- Chuck A has taken up responsibility of contacting the HOA
- Nothing has been reported by Chuck

#### ***King Gillette Ranch (SE corner of Los Virgines and Mulholland Hwy)***

- The managers of the ranch are soliciting advice on park uses
- Bill B is planning on attending the upcoming weekend meeting
- Paul C has volunteered to prepare a short write-up on the possibility of using the park for soaring

#### ***Treasurer Report:***

Current balance is \$2035.81

#### ***Solicitation of old members to re-new membership***

- Steve proposed that we contact past members and see if they would like to renew their membership
- Steve M has volunteered to contact old members himself

#### ***Website Upgrades***

- Jon C presented his version of a new club website
- Effort has been made to make it more interactive and allow users to post content themselves
- Current server does not have a suitable database hence we will likely have to find a new server to host the website
- Initial response to new website design was very positive.

#### ***Contest updates:***

**SWSA SC2** contest this Sunday at Fish Canyon, Azusa, CA hosted by the SWSA club  
Details can be found at [www.sc-2.org](http://www.sc-2.org)

**Southwest Classic** contest in Phoenix, AZ  
Gary F, Mike R, and Kyle P attended the F3J contest on Thursday and Friday (2/18-2/19) at the SWC. The first day was ten minute flights and the second day was 15 minutes flights.

- Kyle took 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Mike R took 5<sup>th</sup> place

The main contest (TD) took place on Sat and Sun (2/20-2/21)

Gary F, Mike R, Kyle P, Lex M, and Paul C all attended

Conditions were tough with winds, rain, big lift and heavy sink

- Mike R took 9<sup>th</sup> place in Open class
- Kyle P took 10<sup>th</sup> place in Open class
- Paul C took 4<sup>th</sup> place in RES
- Mike R took 5<sup>th</sup> place in RES

Lex M won the slow-stick combat contest held on Saturday evening

#### ***Show-and-tell***

Bob Swet brought his Multiplex fox (a small foam free-flight glider) that he is converting to a fully functional glider. He is adding a rudder and elevator. Last month he brought by some micro electronics. At this meeting, has have installed most of the electronics

Jon C brought by a small RC car that he converted to RC.