

Thousand Oaks

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Soaring Society

2008

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

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Schedule of Events

Meetings Last Wednesday of every Month.

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

<http://toss.freesevers.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: Bill Bertram, Gary Filice, Bob Van Landingham, Richard Mason, Steve Miele, Don Northern, Jim Pendergrass, Mike Stern, Bob Swit, Martin Usher, Greg & Ben Wright.

- Welcome to the 4th TOSS meeting of 2008
- Curren Treasury Balance is \$403.07.
- The club netted \$186 from the SC².
- On the agenda tonight:
- Flight site activity
- Winch motor status.
- BUBW contest.
- Club charter AMA renewal.
- Redwood Middle School, flying site authorization.

SC2 Contest Schedule (<http://sc-2.org/web>)

May 18 SWSA
June 22 EDSF @ ISS
July No Contest
August 24 HSS @ SWSA
September 28 ISS
October 26 TPG
November 16 Rain Date

Flying site retention and acquisition:

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

Tierra Rejada (Conejo Open Space, polo field site) – the door is not yet closed, TOSS will propose high end contests, US Team, etc. to Mike Schwartz



MIKE REAGAN

1st & 2nd place in SC-2 4/20 contest

(property agent) that might generate prestige and revenue. Property ownership may be questionable, Bill will check with the Ventura County tax assessor for the recorded ownership. (This is the property adjacent (south) to 1240 Tierra Rejada Road.)

King Gillette Ranch - Marsha Feldman (Developed Resources Mgr.) simply wants \$240/6 months and \$140/day to allow activities. The field is presently "chunky dirt" and needs grooming is we are going to fly there. There is a consensus that there is a need

to fly the site at least once to scope out any potential problems.

Bordiers Nursery (300+ acres, Moorpark property) - Bob Sands (pres & CEO) contacted. The property coexists with multiple governmental agencies. Many other organizations are also vying for use of the site. The acreage (dirt) is sealed and can't be driven on; is this a non-starter? Don thinks there are ways around the sealed dirt issue. Chuck wisely observed that we should demonstrate a hand launch or bungee flight and emphasize that our use does not in any way alter anything on the land.

Motion made, seconded and all in favor, to form a contest committee, to develop a "business plan" that can be shown to the principals at the above locations. This will demonstrate a high degree of professionalism and dedication to our sport. Members interested in working on this committee are: Bill, Lex, Martin, Jim, Chuck. The proposal may center on a one or possibly a two day contest. The flying site at Redwood School was renewed for

another year.

The AMA insurance and charter paperwork are complete for the next year.

Jim had a winch motor rebuilt by a Camarillo company for \$72; he wants to try it this Sunday. There seems to be about 5 other motors that need rebuilding. We'll try Jim's winch, evaluate its performance and then decide on how to proceed.

We discussed hosting a BUBW in August. August 10, the second Saturday of the month seems to be a good date. It was recommended that pilots take paper flyers announcing the BUBW at the next away contest. Concern was expressed regarding the

power lines around the field. We've been diligent for almost a full year enforcing the no-fly zone. Motion made, seconded and passed by a majority vote in favor to host the BUBW contest. There will be Cash prizes and trophies for winners. The CD should get paperwork into AMA.

Meeting adjourned.





1st & 2nd place RES/Exp. Mike R

3rd place Expert Gary Filice

5th Place Expert Lex Mierop

8th Place RES Dlon Northern

WHAT A CLUB