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None posted

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Editors Turn:

Short issue for the June meeting minutes.
No articles submitted this month

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New Members/Guests

Lipa - Recently retired ranger who worked at Mission peak for many years.
Michael Leary - from Oklahoma; flies a discus.
Bob Newman - H1; flies Ed Levin and Hollister

Great Flights

Steve Delayo - flew all 3 days on Memorial Day weekend at Indian Valley; got to 13000 in Saturday?s glass-off.
Paul Gazis - flew Hard Rock at Indian Valley. Also flew from Mission to Ed Levin.
Joe Haller - reached 11000 at Indian Valley after launching from Red Riding Hood.
Pat Denvan - reported that his son James did a Golden Eagle flight.
Colin Perry - Thermalled up from the LZ at Mission.
Dave - flew for 1:45 and reached 1500 over launch at Mission the day of the meeting.

President?s Report - Juan Laos

Nothing to report.

Vice President?s Report -Wayne Michelson

Nothing to report.

Income is exceeding expenses due to renewals coming in at this time of year. Total revenue is about half of the total budget at this point.

Membership Services -Phyl Hamby

294 people have renewed so far. It is important for the waivers to be filled out legibly.

Flight Director?s Report - Pat Denevan

A PG pilot crashed at Ed Levin after having an asymmetrical collapse due to a rotor on the lee side of the 1200 ridge. The pilot suffered several broken bones. Also, an ATOS was damaged by a dust devil at Hull. The pilot was not hooked in at the time. At Diablo, a pilot overshot the top of the hill at the Blakes LZ and landed in the middle of a street in a residential area. The pilot was knocked unconscious, but was later able to walk away.

Ed Levin Site Committee Report - Steve Pittman

The grass at the top launch needs cutting and culverts need to be opened. Volunteers are needed to do this and other site maintenance. The anemometer on the weather talker is missing a guy wire, which may have been deliberately cut. The road to the top launch needs grading. Steve plans to approach the Parks Dept about funding the needed grading. A Silent Airshow is under consideration, but no plans have been made to organize one.

Mission Peak Site Committee Report - Steve Rodrigues

The special use agreement has been completed. There is a \$1400 annual fee. The number of keyholders has been increased from 50 to 55. The limit on the number of vehicles allowed in the park has been increased to 10; 8 on launch and 2 in the LZ. There is also limited access to the east-facing launch. 3 vehicles are allowed in that area at a time. A USHGA waiver is needed to fly the site.

Mt. Diablo Site Committee Report - Steve Delayo

The incident at Blakes may cause problems with some of the other LZs. There is no formal agreement with the Lime Ridge Open Space area, which is near Blakes.

Site Acquisition -Gene Pfifer, Jim Woodward

Test flights were done at Coyote Lake. One of the rangers cleared a launch area using a weed whacker. Several pilots got 3000 or more over launch this past weekend. Lee Gardner went X-C, while Jim Woodward flew for 7.5 minutes. The rangers have been very supportive of flight activities.

Old Business

At a previous meeting a committee was appointed to find ways of encouraging pilots to renew their membership, to be headed by Pat Denevan. The gate combinations at Ed Levin will be changed, and the new combinations will be given only to members. The new combinations may be put in the members-only area on the club website.

New Business

None.

END OF MEETING MINUTES

Upcoming Events.

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