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**Santa Clara Central Park 2003 – Photo by Roy Spencer**

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## **Fall 2016 Flying Rumors and Stuff**

WOR meeting Aug 16, 2016

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### Entertainment

#### New Members and Guests

Denise (Guest)

#### Great Flights

Jon Lovering had a low save off of Mission Peak on Sunday. Ben Dunn and Wayne Michelsen were at Lakeview for the Umpteenth Annual Festival of Free Flight. They also flew Hurd Peak SW of Bishop, CA. They are interested in setting up a trip to Hurd Peak. Patrick Pannese, Robert Booth and Robert Moore flew at Mt. Diablo, with flights between 22 to 25 miles.

#### President's Report – Robert Booth

**Vice President's Report – Patrick Pannese**  
Discussions are underway for a Fall event at Ed Levin Park with ["flour"] bomb drop and spot landing contests, possibly in September. Patrick requested help in setting up the event.

#### Flight Director's Report – Paul Gazis

none -- Zac is at the European championships

#### Treasurer's Report – Don Herrick

The premiums for site insurance were paid in June. In general balances are stable.

### **Membership Services Report** –Phyl Hamby

There were 342 members who signed up for 2016 so far.

### **Ed Levin Site Report** – Jesse

Jesse Meyer listed the following issues:

- 1) The head EL ranger wants the club to place signage in the park. One sign should be at the 300' level indicating 'No Hiking'. One sign should be at the pickup zone in the LZ indicating that there should be no hiking across the pickup zone.
- 2) Last week a horse and rider went across the LZ.
- 3) The park believes that there is a discrepancy between the 10 hours of volunteer time they require from WOR per year and the actual amount of volunteer work performed. The park wants WOR volunteers to pick up trash, maintain trails, pick up the playground or whatever else they want done. Jesse states that this work will be apportioned to instructors to be assigned to students to perform.
- 4) The park states that there will be a burn in the LZ next year, possibly in June or July. The fire department pays the parks department for using the park burn for training purposes.

The following issues were also discussed:

- The park will pave the road going to the top of Monument Peak at some time. This will

close the road for 9 months. There was a question about using the back road for accessing the peak but there was no answer. - The wind talker is currently broken with no real prospect of repairing it. Phyl is working to find a solution. Colin volunteered to talk with Wayne Ashby (who worked on development of the talker) to see if a solution is possible.

### **Mission Ridge Site Report** - Chris Valley (sent via email)

CRV has been in touch with the EBRPD planner Michelle Julene regarding the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for parking options A & B. Michelle wanted to make sure the EIR included the impact associated with Option A parking location, and how that would affect our landing in the lower LZ. CRV provided Michelle landing information with all wind directions, including overshoots, that clearly show Option A as least desirable of the two parking lot locations. This information will be forwarded to the EIR consultant.

No update(s) on the Fremont parking permit program for now.

End of report.

Also, at the meeting it was mentioned that new restrictions will go into place in October which will limit parking to 120 spots. Patrick requested that further discussion on this topic



be held until Chris Valley can participate.

### **Diablo Site Report –**

Patrick Pannesse flew with Sergio and Robert from the Tower launch. Patrick found the bushes at launch lower than he expected.

### **Coyote Lake / Site Acquisition –**

Ben Dunn is working the Coyote Lake issues. Another Professional Engineer is required to review and sign off on the parking lot engineering study drawings. Site could possibly open in October.

### **Old Business**

Wayne Michelsen mailed USHPA about the possibility of them providing a chapter "web-site in a box", a web template that all chapters

could use to eliminate duplication of chapter web efforts. USHPA responded that they were not interested in taking this project on at this time unless the chapters wanted to fund the effort.

### **New Business**

### **End of Meeting Minutes.**

### **Editorial July/Aug. 2016**

This month the cover photo is a glider I came across in Santa Clara Central Park. The owner had it in a garage for many years.

Send me a photo to publish on the cover.

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