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**October 2009 Meeting Minutes
New Members/Guests**

Greg, a new P2 who has flown Woodrat; recently moved to the Bay Area.

Great Flights

Mark Mulholland flew a Freedom off the 300 ft launch at Ed Levin.
Walter took second place in the speed gliding contest at McClure.

Wayne Michelson flew the Santa Cruz Flats meet in Arizona and made goal.

Ben Dunn reported that Bill Cuddy may organize a regional meet next year.

Roy Spencer e-mailed to say that he got to 4900', a personal best at Mission and also passed 1000 hours total airtime.

President: Eric Froelich

Changes are planned for the WOR website to make the site regulations more readily understandable. An instructor who was not following the site regulations was recently suspended. A mentor page will be added. Wayne Michelson is the mentor program organizer for USHPA.

Vice President: Karl Allmandinger

Karl is keeping an eye on the weather and will post his analysis on the bulletin board.

Treasurer: Don Herrick

Income exceeded expenses for the past month. Dues from recent renewals have been deposited.

Flight Director: Pat Denevan

Vince Endtner reported to Pat on Bill Vogel's fatal accident at Elk. Apparently Bill's glider ground looped after his wingtip contacted the ground while maneuvering to avoid a power line. Bill was flying a large wingspan rigid wing.

At Ed Levin, a student flew over the green after launching from the 300 foot launch. He made a safe landing in the LZ after flying through a gap in the tree line.

Membership Services: Don Herrick for Phyl Hamby

We now have 376 members, with 7 applications pending.

Ed Levin: Steve Pittman

The horses have been getting through the gates for the 300' and 600' launches.

The windsock at the 300' launch needs to be replaced. Phyl Hamby has replacement windsocks. Karl Allmandinger reported that he may have a sock that will work.

A WOR Instructor was recently suspended for one month for sponsoring a Red Sticker (H2) pilot from the top launch in violation of Section V.C.5.a of the Ed Levin Site Procedures, since the pilot did not have 10 flights from the 600' launch.

Before you sponsor a pilot from a launch, please make sure the pilot meets the requirements to fly from the launch. The Ed Levin Site Committee hates to suspend people.

Mission Ridge: Roy Spencer by e-mail

Every Sunday in October has been soarable. Changes to the key allocation process will be presented at the November meeting.

Mount Diablo: Mark Grubbs

The park is expected to stay open, despite the state budget crisis.

Coyote Lake: Jim Woodward

The Roads Dept has OKed an access point to the LZ. The Creek is

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flowing, so the site is not accessible now. Jim is hoping the site will be open for general use by Spring.

Goat Mountain/Wild Ass: Wayne Michelson, Ben Dunn

The sites are currently accessible.

Old Business

Apparel pages will be put up on the WOR website. Eric brought WOR logo products for the raffle.

New Business

Carmela Moreno and others mentioned options for the Xmas party. The Flight Museum in San Carlos was mentioned as a possibility but may be too expensive. A combined party with BAPA was discussed. Pat Denevan offered the use of Mission Soaring's shop. EricFroelich plans to contact BAPAs president.

Eric Froelich flew at the MLSR fly-in at McClure and would like to organize a WOR fly-in at a WOR site. This might include a barbeque at Ed Levin.

Ben Dunn volunteered to organize a competition committee.

Prizes were raffled.

End of Meeting Minutes

This Just In: PARTY TIME!

WOR Christmas Party at MissionSoaring Shop 12 Dec starting at 7:00 PM. Dress code is Blue Snuggies. Be There Or Be Square!

Also, plan for ERLCP Speed Gliding contest early next year, stay tuned...

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