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Photo : Uncle Colin with glider & fuzzy-dice at McClure launch

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## June, 2011 Meeting Minutes

### New Members/Guests

George Gerbin; flying for 1 yr; flies Funston and Ed Levin.

### Great Flights

Walter got to 6500 at McClure and had a low save from 200 over the road.

Wayne Michelson went rafting in Alaska with Ben Rogers and Ben Dunn. They flew into a very small strip in a Cessna.

### President : Paul Gazis

There was a trip to Dunlap last weekend. A trip to Lakeview is planned for July 4th. The Instructor Authorization Appeal Process has been posted on the bulletin board.

### Vice President: Wayne Michelson for Ben Dunn

There is a fly-in in Alaska this coming weekend, featuring a midnight flight.

### Treasurer: Don Herrick

The club's balances dropped slightly over the past month. The biggest expense was gravel for the Mission road.

### Flight Director: Karl Allmandinger

There was a fly-in last weekend.

### Membership Services: Phyl Hamby

There are 341 paid members for 2011 with one application pending. There were 340 members for all of 2010.

### Ed Levin Phyl Hamby

The road to the 600 launch has

been graded. More work including spreading of gravel is planned. Phyl plans to put in stakes to show drivers where they should drive. The road has been moved to the left (viewed from the lower end). The Parks Dept did the work without funding from WOR.

**Mission Ridge:** Roy Spencer by e-mail; essentially the same report was read at the meeting.

Thanks to Steve Rodrigues there is a new sign on the windsock pole at the Mission launch. The new sign commemorates Dave Kilbourne's historic record flight off Mission Peak. I think spectators coming out to watch us launch will be interested to learn a little history. The new sign also replaces the old sign that was deteriorating. Thanks again to Steve.

**Mount Diablo:** None

**Coyote Lake:** Jim Woodward  
Jim and Gene Pfifer plan to meet with Parks officials on June 30th.

**Goat Mountain/Wild Ass:** None

### Old Business

Paul Gazis reiterated that the Instructor Authorization Appeal process has been posted on the WOR discussion board, and noted that the first step is to apply to the site committee for authorization.

### New Business

Don Herrick noted that funds

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are available for projects and requested that members contact him with any ideas they have. The fly-in at Lakeview on July 4th is coming up, as is the King Mt Idaho meet, which will be attended by quite a few WOR members.

Prizes were raffled.

## End of Meeting Minutes

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## July, 2011 Meeting Minutes

### New Members/Guests

None recognized.

### Great Flights

Walter flew Chelan and King; went 68 miles at King, reaching 14000' and staying in the air for 3 hours, 43 minutes, all personal bests. He also took 3rd in the recreational class in the King meet and landed at a private airport.

Wayne Michelson also went to King; won one day's competition with a 60 mile flight. The competitors flew 5 days of the 6 scheduled.

Paul Gazis went to Lakeview and flew Hadley, reaching 1000' over launch after nearly leaving due to the apparently unpromising conditions.

### President: Paul Gazis

Nothing further to report.

**Vice President :** None ; Ben Dunn was not present.

July minutes continued...

**Treasurer:** Don Herrick  
Income exceeded expenses for the past month.

**Flight Director:** Karl Allmandinger  
There have been no incidents to report, although some scary stuff has been happening.

**Membership Services:** Phyl Hamby  
There are now 354 paid members, with 2 applications pending.

**Ed Levin:** Phyl Hamby  
Cows are currently grazing in the LZ. The LZ will be mowed once the cows are moved. A gate was left open. This particular gate is not one used in flight operations. Some cows got loose and got onto the green.

**Mission Ridge:** Roy Spencer  
Due to the unusually unstable weather conditions we have had recently, some people have been getting good flights at Mission. The air has been swirling but fun.

I have received two reports of our lock being improperly locked at the back gate in the past two weeks. Please make sure to tug on the handle to ensure the lock is properly engaged.

The Mission web camera will need to be moved to a new location. George Morford, who currently hosts it, is planning to move. If you have a new location to propose, please contact Roy Spencer missionchair@wingsofrogallo.org

Alan Deikman said that his house has a view of the windsock and he could host the webcam. Alan also questioned proposed changes to the site procedures.

**Mount Diablo:** Robert Moore by e-mail  
Nothing to report.

**Coyote Lake:** Jim Woodward  
Jim and Gene Pfffer met with parks officials. The Parks Dept has changed insurance companies. The new company wants \$7K to insure the site, in addition to the USHPA insurance policy. The insurance company chosen by the Parks Dept wants a \$5M limit. The limit on the USHPA policy is \$1M. It was suggested that Mark Forbes at the USHPA should be involved in discussions with the Parks.

**Old Business**  
Don Herrick stated that projects could be funded and has posted a list of proposed projects on the discussion board. Some good ideas have been submitted including a glider storage facility at Ed Levin and tables and bleachers for Ed Levin.

**New Business**  
Phyl Hamby reported that a 40' storage container can be bought for \$2900 or rented for \$75/month. Fellow Feathers has storage in their clubhouse. Glider storage could be in individually lockable tubes. Wayne Michelson suggested contacting other clubs to find out how they manage their glider storage.

Phyl also proposed installation of a porta potty at the top launch at Ed Levin. He mentioned that it could be mounted on a concrete pad to prevent it from blowing away. There is a \$40 drop fee and maintenance fee of \$90/month.

Wayne Michelson mentioned that he used a spot locator at King Mt. The spot locator reports its position via satellite link every 10 minutes. It costs \$150 and communicates by sending text messages. He and USHPA highly recommend the spot.

Prizes were raffled.

**End of Meeting Minutes**

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**Uncle Colin Speaks**

Hi kids. Sorry 'bout the lateness of this publication recently, I've been outta town & working way too much & had a repair issue with my mac.... Hopefully I'll get laid off soon so I have more time for fun stuff. Perhaps I'll just call in sick next week, load up my van with toys, and hit the road.

Hopefully some of y'all have been getting some fun stuff accomplished, but once again no reports have been submitted. Perhaps it's out there on the some web page that I am unaware of.

That's all for now, gotta go fly....

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