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In Lieu of Meeting Minutes

Wings of Rogallo General Notes

2021-11-1

- Election Call for Nominations ending 11/13
- No meeting occurred due to lack of discussion items.

END

Editorial November 2021

The best flying for several months is likely behind us as we start November in the Bay Area. Wings of Rogallo pilots logged memorable flying days in October for a good Autumn season. Here you will find a summary of dates and events from the month as observed by your editor as well as some reminders on important dates to come and how you can help prolong free-flight here.

Election season is here and the Wings of Rogallo election is set to take place near the end of this month. The entire board have offered to serve another year and that is likely true of the chairs as well but rest assured everyone would love the competition, especially Pam who is now serving USHPA. Please run for VP! Call for nominations ends on November 13th and Josh Cohn offered to serve as Election administrator. The annual club meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 16th 7:30 PM online, third Tuesday.

Although the present condition of the Pacific is La Niña, which tends to coexist with rather dry winters in the Bay Area, October proved one of the wettest. The precipitous flow dumped about four feet of snow on the Sierra Nevada and more is expected in Early November with drops falling now.

The rain brought both sides of the good/bad coin for Ed Levin. The prefrontal and days were excellent with pilots breaking personal records and flying cloud-base at 4,000 feet MSL all over. The rain's erosion has undermined the road close to launch and the next rain event could be the coup de grâce. Good days reported were 10/8 with Dmitry K. flying from the 600 to Mission and back, 10/17 with some launching at 9:30 AM, some flying wave lift and many parked in 30 MPH

wind, 10/18 with 30 minute flight from the 600, 10/23, 10/30 and 10/31 with great turn out.

Mission shined in October too and did not experience the erosion problems. Good days reported were 10/1, 10/2, 10/15 with reports of the smoothest lift ever felt reaching cloud-base, 10/16, 10/18 several pilots flew from Mission to Ed Levin and back, 10/22 with passing rain, 10/25 & 10/31. There were so many awesome photos shared of these days at Mission and Ed Levin that it was very difficult to choose a cover image but the golden hour shot is a nice end-of-season-feel.

The coast let pilots fly a few days as well and Pam is working hard to make improvements at The Stables launch. There is a tentative date of 11/12 for a club talk on what improvements are envisioned. The flying days of 10/6, 10/7 & 10/30 are the only reports your editor found on the forums but there were probably a few more. The winds are light and the sun sets earlier every day but the skies look incredible and the air is nice.

Wings of Rogallo will cover the \$600 cost of Tonia taking a course on first responders in Colorado and sharing locally with the club's interested members. The dates and venues are developing with anchors of 12/11 and 12/12 at Brightworks SF or Presidio Sports Basement. Over 50 people responded with interest in Dan's Mission/Ed Levin Telegram poll as he actively seeks headcount. Please reach out if interested. Dan aims to foster assistance between HG and PG such as with sharing knowledge of things like the hang-check. Please participate.

Another good year to look back on and grow from is in final days. Thanks to all members who helped make it good and productive. Thanks in advance for the leaders of 2022!

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