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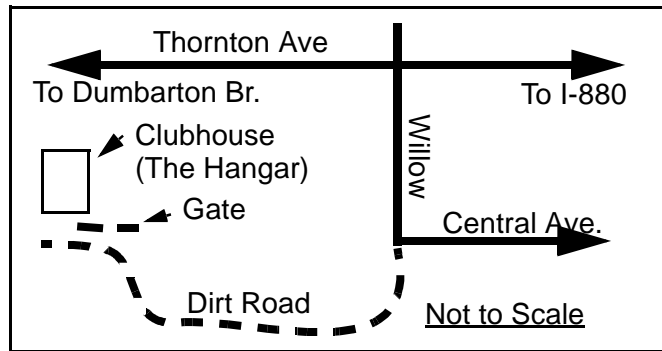
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Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at "The Hangar". The next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., **Thursday, August 12**
ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO BE THERE!



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Prez Sez..

Hi Everyone,

Another month has passed and we are on a two month count down till our beloved field is closed for good. With that in mind, we will need to start ramping up our efforts to start cleaning up the field as soon as possible.

We need to start now, so if you feel

motivated to accomplish some of these much needed tasks I would appreciate any help you can offer. If you see a bench or two that's rotting away, dismantle it and toss it in the bin. The white two seated structure on the north part of the field that used to be used for the field marshals back in the day can be taken apart and tossed as well. Some of the parking lot fencing on the north part of the field with all the weeds in front of can be taken down and rolled up and put next to the shed for later storage. Also all the fences have metal loops that hold the bottom of the fences to a rigid piece on the bottom of the fence. These can be removed with a straight slot screw driver or a large bolt cutter to get the fence ready to roll up later on. As for the large logs we are probably going to cut the long ones down to manageable lengths and I can rent a 5 yard dump truck thru work for around \$250 approx a day so we can dump them off at the hangar area parking lot. I can also get a large fork lift to help with lifting the logs and maybe pulling fence posts the same day. I will let you know when this takes place and we will have to get a work party together to accomplish.

I will be out of town in New York for over a week so feel free to do what you can. I will be missing the BBQ so if any one wants to volunteer to buy the items please let me know and I'll give you a list of items. We will reimburse you for the purchase.

We had a little action a couple of weeks ago with a pick up truck running off the road, hitting the car track, flipping over and catching on fire and burning up a small area along the roadway next to the car track. The car track guys were quick to fix up the damage and they were back in business by early afternoon. It looks like a poor dog was killed in the fire or during the accident and was left next to the track. Will has contacted the local police for more details.

Pete

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Bayside R/C Club

Meeting Minutes

July 8th, 2010

Meeting opened at 7:30

President – Pete Kontorinis – present

Vice President – Dan Sievert – not present

present

Secretary – Frank Goto – present

Treasurer – Will Sievert – present

Attendance – 21 members

Introductions

Just the usual suspects tonight!

May meeting minutes

Were approved as published.

President's Report –

Dominic told Pete that all of the RVs have been moved out and are now at the new RV park in the Auto Mall.

Contacted SACRATS, who agreed to allow us to store the parking lot logs at their field.

VP report –

Nothing additional to report.

Treasurer's report –

Will gave this vital report. Welcome to new member Levent Ismen! Total of 216 members currently.

Safety Chairman (Mike West) – present

No incidents this month.

Chief Instructor (Dave Neves) – present

No soloists this month.

Field Chairman (Guru Mysore) – present

Has been too windy to put up the shades, but is still thinking about how to put up the shades.

Newsletter editor (Phil Cole) – present

The newsletter got to everyone on time as usual! Thanked everyone who contributed!

Website editor (Micah Stroud) – not present

Appears to be working smoothly.

New Field Committee

Dave has been having talks with the city planner about possible areas of the Zanker site we might use. A member met the mayor of San Jose and found out that his son was a Bayside flyer. Dave made sure the planner knew this.

Will in the meantime has been going to the planning commission meetings. Found out that one of them is an owl person and knows how well we get along with the owls.

Secretary's report –

Nothing to report.

Snacks –

Will brought the snacks tonight! (applause).

Frank had the raffle stuff there!

Event reports –

Jake reported on another successful float fly up at Lake Hennessy. Members from Bayside, PCC and SACRATS were there. It was a little windy early in the day, but were treated to mirror like water later. Ended up flying until 3:30.

Mike said Bill made him go to the giant scale event at Oakdale 4th of July weekend. Alan Littlewood made it from Oregon!

Dave mentioned that around 15 Bayside members showed up for the Hiller Vertical Challenge, 2 of them did 3D demos, while 2 others demonstrated scale flying. Good show and weather, about 5000 people showed up to enjoy the event.

Upcoming Events –

The Tomcat's airshow will be held this month.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Mike suggested that we should do as much as possible to keep our present members next year even with the field closed. Suggestions included not charging a fee or a very minimal one.

Break - 8:21 - 8:43

Show and Tell –

About 20 years ago **Jake** completed a 1/6 scale Pica Waco biplane. As Jake flew this over the years, it got really beat up and had to redo the covering. He saw the red version somewhere and knew he had to do that scheme. Tonight he showed off the fruits of his labor. Everything is painted (in Brodak of course), including the numbers!



At \$89 **John** found the little RTF Aeronica Champ by Hobbyzone irresistible. It is a bit bigger than the Cub by the same manufacturer, and takes a slightly larger battery. Finds it a ball to fly!



John also showed off the progress he has made on his first kit, a Dumas deHavilland Dragon Rapid. Its been slow going since each step is a learning process, like bending balsa, but has enjoyed every minute. Lots of work left but should come in at



9oz.

SAD Patch

One flying day, Frank was putting together his P-82, twin Mustang. Seemed like it was taking forever (at least an hour) to put it together with all the interruptions at the field. Last thing he needed to do was to connect up the elevator clevis before being asked to do something else. When he was finally able to get a flight, the landing gear looked like it was buckling, so he gave it full throttle to shorten the take-off run. Of course the elevator wasn't connected, so he "crashed" into some bushes. Was able to fly later in the day.

The winner? Frank by default, congratulations!

Raffle –

- 1/18 Scale Static Corsair - Wayne Wood
- Desk Clock - Jack Goodfriend
- Instrument Panel Coasters - Pete Kontorinis

Next Month - Tower Hobbies Kaos ARF

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Track Notes

August 2010

We will be winding down this Month, Starting to disassemble the drivers stand and removal of the track lane pipe will begin in September. We would like to ask for all members to be involved in the dismantle

Process, What a great Club Bay Side RC Club has been! So many people have enjoyed this club and site, it is so important to write BART and thank them for 20 years. Please take time to do so!

Bayside is and has been looking for a new site to continue, Please let us know if you can help!

I am asking for a show of hands in this and a great big thanks to all our clubs officers past and present as these\ are the people that made the club

How can you help? Write Ron or Nate we can help guide you where your skills can help best.

Please send me your Car / Truck pics and Stories

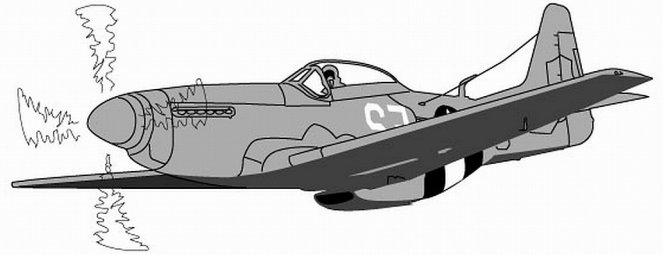
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From the newsletter of the Radio Control Club of Detroit,
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Understanding Deans Connectors

by Phil Laperriere

As I continue to discover more and more about the mysteries of electric flight, I'm never surprised when something that I initially think is a big problem turns out to have a simple solution once I understand the nuts and bolts about it. I'd like to share one of my latest learnings that supports this truth.

I've always been very mechanical and understood mechanical things. I also have always had a great deal of confidence about using tools and getting the feel for them very quickly in order to make them work for me. That being said, I found myself getting a little rattled just using a soldering gun as I was putting together the "system" on my first electric-power project. After purchasing the motor, speed controller, and battery, I eagerly started to string things together.

I started by soldering the bullet connectors to the three wires coming off the motor. I spoke with Matt at the Prop Shop and he instructed me to fill the pocket of the bullet connector with molten solder, then plunge the wire in, holding it until the solder cooled. The first obstacle I had here was that I simply didn't have enough hands to hold the clamp while trying to melt solder into the bullet connector. I overcame this by wrapping a rubber band around the handle of a pair of needle nose pliers. I was then able to position the bullet connector with no problem for assembly to the wire. I also quickly realized I had to slide the shrink tubing as far up the wire as possible before putting the bullet connector on. There is enough heat transmitted an inch or so up the wire to shrink the shrink tube.

Now it was time to solder the Deans-style connector onto the battery leads and the speed controller. One month ago I didn't have the foggiest idea what a Deans Connector was. Now, here I am buying them at the Prop Shop and trying to tie them into my power system.

I read the instructions on the back of the pouch that the connector set came in, and the instructions told me to tin (pre-apply solder) to the wires and connectors then touch the two together, add a little heat and you should have a good bond, ready for shrink tubing right? Wrong! By the time I was able to melt the solder on the connector, the tab had melted the outside of the connector, allowing the tab to move out of position. Also, it seemed like an extended period of time before the solder would cool enough for handling due to heat being retained in the connector body. I also found that the bond between the wire and the tab was not very strong and was easily pulled free.

After a long frustrating struggle, I was successful at getting one set of connectors soldered in place. However, when I tried to plug the two connectors together, the tabs were so far out of alignment due to the melting of the outside shell, they simply would not go together. After ruining three or four pairs of connectors, I finally stumbled upon a solution.

I found if I first plugged a set of connectors together and afterward started the tinning/soldering process. I had much better success at a well aligned connector. I also noted that the solder joint seemed to cool quickly along with the tab alignment remaining intact and showing great bond to the wire. Having the connector plugged together also gave me enough material to hold in a vise for soldering. A couple of other observations I want to point out that seem to make sense to me after going through the process of

assembly are as follows:

- Lightly sand the tab where you intend to solder, giving the material an opportunity for "tooth."
- Always assemble the female portion of the connector to the battery side. By doing this, you won't be as likely to inadvertently short out your battery because the terminals are not exposed.
- Maintain a standard for your connectors for positive versus negative. Doing this, you'll finally have flexibility for switching between batteries and speed controllers. Typically, Deans Connectors recommend the wide end be utilized as the positive side.
- Have an extra set of connectors available that are used only for the assembly process. This way you won't power up the speed controller when doing assembly. Also, if you do utilize a set only for assembly, be sure to put the shrink tube over the exposed terminals to minimize the risk of a short.
- Use shrink tube over your solder joints. Shrink tubes serve two purposes. First and foremost, it acts as an insulator, minimizing the potential for a short. Second, it adds strength to the wire just behind the solder joint reducing the opportunity for wire fatigue.

Good luck and don't let the electricians scare you. I've been finding that when I first started getting involved with electricians, the amount of confusing information was intimidating. Learning and understanding a piece at a time starts to add up quickly, making the process manageable. Hopefully I've been successful giving you a tip that will help you in your own building.

Free Swap Meet



Saturday
14 August 2010
FREE to sellers
FREE to buyers

Where? - Gold Country Flyers field, Lone, CA. On Michigan Bar Road between Hiway 16 and the City of Lone


When? - Starts at 7:00 AM until ?

Food? - Yes, there will be food at a nominal cost.

Map? - Yes, on the club web site:
GoldCountryFlyers.com

Questions? - call Tom @ 209-296-0622

We will allow flying as soon as it seems safe to fly. All swap meet attendees are welcome to fly at our field that day (you **MUST** have an **AMA card WITH YOU**).

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