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***** **SCHEDULED EVENTS, MAY** *****

CLUB MEETINGS, IHOP, MERCED, 7:00 PM | **May 4TH!** Raffle! CLUB CARD DRAWING FOR **\$15!!**
CLUB FIELD FLIGHTS, WEEKDAYS, AT THE MCRC FLYING FIELD, 7761 BERT CRANE ROAD, ATWATER. Turn left into the dirt road at the green Frisbee nailed on the post!! Drive slow! PILOT INSTRUCTIONS AVAILABLE :MON., WED, FRI. (CALL FIRST!) | **HELICOPTERS!!**, SUNDAYS, AT CLUB FIELD!!!!

→→→ THE DERN ECONOMY →→→

The MCRC Meeting was called to Order at 7:10 PM on the evening of the sixth of April. Sec. Jimbo read the Minutes of the prior Meeting. Club Treasurer Chuck Winter stood to make an Award before his Treasury Report. Chuck awarded a fine certificate to new Member Joe DeMatteo as the recognition of Joe's progress through flight training to the point of a "Solo Pilot"! Chuck was Joe's Instructor during his training and Chuck remarked that Joe had paid heed and had listened well enough to go through the training to the point of Solo without even breaking a prop, much less than smashing a long series of airplanes!! Ex-Pres Kermit took a photo of the ceremony and Joe was surprised and pleased! Treasurer then made a very detailed Report of the last year's expenditures. This Report included all the various expenses including, annual rent, annual taxes, Port-a-Pottie, the annual Club Picnic, the annual Club Xmas Dinner, the cost of field grass control, and as the highest expense, the cost of printing and mailing the Club Newsletter. (This Report is available , ask Chuck....) Another Report available here to any Member is the Treasurer's Control Listing of those Club Members who have financially supported the provision of additional funds to allow the completion of the entire field runway in the current Resurfacing/Repair Project. With this augmented amount of funds, the up-grade of the entire facility has become possible. Our great appreciation goes to each generous Member in this select group whose names are featured on the List! It still remains true that the funds we spend on our favorite hobby/sport cost us very little compared to the costs of other hobbies. Club Dues amount to about a buck a week.... Consider for a moment the amount of care and precise control of the MCRC Treasury to allow it to reach such a figure as is in our accounts at this time.

Treasurer Winter's Report explains the cost of each item, expenses led by the cost of the Newsletter. As the Editor of the newsletter, I told of the exact monthly costs of the MCRC Newsletter. In the light of day, when we spend the treasury on the Runway up-grade, we are just about flat broke! *There is not any money on hand to provide the future printing and mailing of the Newsletter.* (I voluntarily produce the Club Newsletter, should I pay for it too?!) I have been informed that some people simply print their Club's Newsletter at the place where they work, thereby stealing it. I continue to refuse such thievery for personal reasons... The cost of the Newsletter should be altered by the fact that the copies are available to those Members who have a computer by the simple act of looking up the Newsletter on the fine Club WEB site constructed and maintained by Member Eduardo Alvear! This fact is in recognition that the Club Dues and the cost of the Newsletter are two separate expenses. The Membership agreed that for the Members not owning a working computer and for those desiring a printed copy of the Monthly Newsletter, those persons ought to pay for the production and mailing by a yearly assessment of a annual \$10 fee. *This concept was presented as a Motion made by Members and was voted Approved by the Members, being a Quorum with the ability to make Club Policy.* As additional information, The Club WEB guru and the Newsletter Editor are in the process of adding pictures and larger articles to the On-line Newsletter. This Newsletter is made in the "Word" context and is easily edited, altered and printed from your printer. We have always been working under the limitation made by the weight of each mailed Letter, three pages of text being the limit of a single stamp. *No such limitation shall hold Computer Newsletters down to any such an arbitrary small size.* The Editor is considering a special part of the Newsletter assigned to electric-powered planes. There exists an obvious need for the provision of required facts to Members with such equipment, batteries, chargers and airplanes. My personal apologies go to each Member concerning the changes in the provision of the monthly Newsletter, but facts prevent me from continuing mailing them in the same fashion when the Club could afford such an expense. The single fact now designated by the Club Membership's Motion and votes is: If you desire to receive the Newsletter in the mail, please send Chuck Winter \$10 for that annual expense. If you need to do this, you shall receive the MCRC Club Newsletter as you have done in the past. Please decide to do this soon so that I may get a copy of each Newsletter to you in your very own mailbox!!!

ACCOLADES!

During the recent fund drive made necessary by the money needed for the Runway Project, many MCRC Club Members made donations to the Club Treasury. It is right and proper that these generous persons should be recognized and should be earnestly complimented for their financial support at this critical time.

Therefore the following list:

At the \$400 figure; there was Kermit Wilkins!

At the \$300 figure; Gabe Martin, Chuck Winter, Jim Crawford, Dick Nalle, Bob Anderson, Al Layton, Bob Lesmerise, Larry Waggerman, Wayne Frazier, Mark Owen, Tom Newman, Wayne Frazier & Tony Silva.

At the \$200 figure; Bob Halihan, Terry Hays, Bill Yaley, Al Osborn, Richard Loewen.

At the \$100 figure; Larry Smith, Jim Murphy, Allyn Hailey, Jim McComb.

At the \$50 figure; Lenny Jantz.

The great appreciation and admiration is due to these generous folks, for they are very, very important to the completion of the MCRC Runway Project! On behalf of the Club, we heartfully Thank you for your important and vital financial support!!!!!!

BIG DEAL!

Every once in a while there suddenly comes on the market a possibility of a BIG DEAL! *Well, it is happening again!* Member Ed Perry has decided to sell off all his hobby equipment! New challenges to Ed have made it hard to stay in the hobby. Ed has been reluctantly forced to sell off his possessions. Here is a partial list of what Ed has for sale! Ed has a great flying B-25 twin engine WWII bomber which has six successful flights in the log book. The plane is an 82 inch Kondor ARF (present price \$1400!) and it is fitted with two O.S. .50 two-stroke engines which are throttle connected with an electronic device to synchronize the engine's outputs! The twenty pound plane is fitted with custom retractable landing gear and flaps. There are a total of 12 servos installed for throttle, ailerons, elevator, flaps, landing gear and twin rudders. The strong engines, six servos and the main landing gear are permanently installed in the one-piece wing making it easy to prepare for another flight when you proudly get it to the Club field. For aerial steering a Futaba seven-channel PCM radio is provided --and it functions perfectly as has proved in six fine flights so far!

In the case that you have your pocket computer in your hand, figure out the prices of all these factors and you will be amazed at the total worth of this sale. Ed is expecting a low figure of at least \$500 for this fine plane! Included in this sale are a O.S. .61 two-stroke engine, a two-stroke Magnum .61, assorted props and spinners, a box of mufflers., a box of servos, two FM Futaba TXs, a box of landing gear, wheels and retracts (!), a working flight box, a new gallon of glow fuel, a prop balancer, a fuel pump and many more items! For prices and more info on these **BIG DEALS**, please call Mr. Ed Perry at 358-9214 -----for the deal of your life!]

***** **GOVERNMENT PARANOIA** *****

The is an ancient true adage about our everyday life. It says, “No good deed goes unpunished!” They now sell TV cameras which may be installed in the position of a pilot’s eyes and a receiver gizmo which a pilot may wear to give an accurate view of what a pilot would see if ①. A person small enough to fit the plane could be found, and②, that unfortunate little guy could be convinced to ride in a model airplane which you are flying. (?) How could this cause concern and worry in the minds of a minor Government Official? Waal, Pilgrims. If a bad guy wanted to steer a plane into a thing or place to cause damage, it is now possible to buy the television components needed to do this illegal and nefarious act! The Government is now considering the prohibition of such devices in our planes, for it makes more sense to pilot planes like we do now, i.e., *within our sight and under our visual control*. If you are inclined to install a \$284.99 device such as the one advertised on sale from <Hobbyking.com> on the lower right-hand corner of page 67 of the July 2011 issue of Model Airplane News, please have one pilot fly the plane and the **“CO-PILOT”** or the **passenger** enjoy the view! If you do this, minor, uninformed Government clerks who do not know you, your desires and your hobby won’t worry all night about our possibilities --and then do something harmful to us. Hey, thanks to the Internet, you can find formulae for any explosive imaginable!! Let us always be careful about upsetting the our Federal Government in any possible way with our planes!!!!!!

***** **THE CASTLE EVENT** *****

Save the money you got from the aluminum cans that you swiped from my trash can! Save the money that you found under the sofa cushions and that change you got from the grandkids piggy-banks! Bring all the money that you can get to the Castle Scale Event on the Memorial Day holiday, from the 28th of May to the 30th! You need lots’ a STUFF, right!????? There will be many vendors, scads of airplanes, fine flying and a bunch of model airplane fun! Be there and buy a bunch of STUFF, Raffle tickets, hot dogs, soft drinks tools, batteries, engines and planes! Clean out the pick-up for room to carry off your loot! Come out and see the biggest event we have locally!!!