

PEAK CHARGE

Dedicated to the promotion of electric propulsion in all types of aeromodeling.

SEFSD Newsletter

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CALENDAR

April Meeting

7:00 pm April 23, 2002
Automotive Museum, Balboa
Park

Electro Glide Saturday
April 27 at 9:15 am

April RAFFLE

Pr. HiTec servos.
T-6 Texan kit.
Extra 230 kit.
Kontronik 40A ESC
Airtronics TX

It does happen every now and then. Last month, most if not all of you, received a copy of Peak Charge but no the copy that was addressed to you.

If you will notice, there was a change in the newsletter cover. There was no address label attached to the cover. The address was printed along with the Post Office bar code for your address. This is done by a computer/printer that had a glitch.

The first and last name fields became corrupted and did not print the correct first and last names for the address. Some were addressed with the correct first name, and, I think, all had the wrong last name. Unfortunately, this error/glitch was not discovered until the newsletters were mailed.

The printing service is aware of this glitch and it appears to have been corrected.

This new process of addressing the newsletter by printing the address with the address bar code saves us 6 cents per newsletter in mailing costs. SEFSD now mails an average of 250 plus newsletters each month. Over a year there is a substantial cost savings. It also speed delivery time from the 3 to 5 days before the address bar coding to the next day for local zip codes and 2 to 3 days for more distant zips.

Hopefully, you have received a newsletter that has been correctly addressed.

This month, you will find enclosed in the newsletter and copy of the membership roster. This provided annually as the membership is renewed and update.

Charlie White
Editor

Mission Statement

The objective of the Silent Electric Flyers of San Diego is to promote and further the technology of electric powered R/C aeromodeling: encourage competition in Electric Soaring, Pylon Racing, FAI-F5B/D, Scale, Old Timer, and Pattern Electric categories by hosting major Industry sponsored events and sanctioning "Fun-Fly" types of contests; provide forums for the exchange of technical information, instruction and experience; and participate in demonstrations of electric propulsion in area wide model aviation events.

Silent Electric Flyers of San Diego

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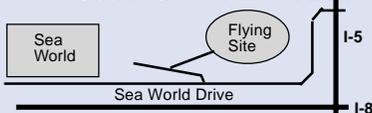
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PREZ SEZ

Oh boy! Time for another exciting column! Where shall I begin? Maybe the bad news first. Due to an underwhelming lack of commitment from the membership, the flight training program (as it was) has been terminated. The club trainer and radio equipment will be sold to the highest bidder and new pilots will now have to seek out training through different means.

Saturday, May 11 (the day before Mother's Day) has been scheduled for a new event. Jet Day at the Bay. If it looks like a jet, come and fly it. Prop-jets like the Wattage Mirage 2000 and YF-22 are welcome, but remember; a Zagi is not a jet. A Pico Jet may say jet, but it's not. Ditto for the Twin Jet, Jet Star etc., etc., etc. Maybe if you made a Zagi into a YB-49 it would be considered a jet, but an XB-35 doesn't make it. There should be several jet jockeys from around the area showing up with their hot-rod hardware and unique curiosities. This would be a good day to leave your propellers at home unless you fly "Target Drones".

There will be another MWE 2002 T-shirts order made within the next few weeks. Contact Wayne Walker to place your order. Hurry, time is limited.

Well, that's about it for now. Remember, this is supposed to be a safe, fun hobby. Let's keep it that way.

Bill Knoll

March 2002 SEFSD Minutes

3/26/02 meeting minutes

Began at 7:00pm

President Bill Knoll brought us up to date with the new field and the hassles with the coastal commission.

New member Mike McGinnis

Several modelers on vacation stopped by to say HI

Viewed video of the NEAT meet

We have been requested to publish a list of trainers in the club and their contact information.

Show and Tell

Nick Vanmader (sp) showed his ZAGI he won in last month's raffle. RED/WHITE/BLUE motif.

Jeff Park from Microflight.org showed a little cub

Steve Belknap showed a converted rubber powered plane called the Eaglet. He reinforced the flying surfaces with fiberglass. Aileron/elevator control at 2 ounces.

Mike Blott showed his all foam 24" wingspan version of the OPTICA. Uses the GWS fan unit. Video on his site.

San Diego Electroglide

The Monthly SEFSD Contest

I wish that I could report the results of the March Electroglide, but it never happened! When 9:15 rolled around on the appointed day, there was only one person who was prepared to fly!! So, CD Bill Knoll declared non conteste .

So let me announce that the April San Diego electroglide will be held on Saturday morning, April 27th and I invite all of you who said that you were preparing an entry to get out on the flight line and GO FOR IT!!

With the advent of Daylight Savings Time, let's slip the start time to 9:30 AM (that way we'll be sure to get the first launch off by 9:45!).

Let me repeat the simple rules and scoring: any 6 volt speed400 motor, and no more than 7 cells.

3 launches make up the competition. Everyone launches at the same time, and motors are permanently shut off at the CD's call. 6 points per minute from launch to the stop on the ground with a--bonus of 20 points if you stop within the 30 foot marked area on the runway. No points for that launch if the motor is started again or if the pilot lands his/her ship off the runway. Special exceptions for junior contestants (under 18) -- no restrictions on motor or cell count. Fly anything!!

Now, come on out!!!! Join in the fun! This is not a "dog-eat-dog" kind of a competition -- no prizes, rewards, psychological harrassments, etc. Just a lot of fun and a chance to hone your skills in our great sport.

Don Wemple

Membership Application

NAME: Last _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: (H) _____ (W) _____

FAX: _____ E-MAIL _____

AMA NUMBER: _____ Dues Paid _____

Date of birth _____ Date _____

Note: AMA Membership **Required**

Flying membership \$25, Newsletter only membership \$15. Join after July \$10. Bring to club meeting or mail with copy of AMA card and check to **Subscription Secretary: Dennis Collins, 5150 Corte Playa Catalina, San Diego, CA 92124.** Do not mail your application or subscription to the SEFSD newsletter.

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