

EVA EXHAUST SYSTEMS

The Newsletter of the East Valley Aviators

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Minutes of the General Membership Meeting Held February 7, 2002

Compiled by Gene Coleman

- EVA would like to thank VDO for the use of their facilities to host our February 2002 meeting. There were 76 members in attendance and coffee was graciously offered to us by the VDO facilities. Thanks again.
- John Pomroy, EVA president, opened the meeting by reading the agenda of items to be discussed.
- Don Manchester, EVA treasurer, gave a financial report and the state of the club's finances at present. He also indicated that we have 16 people on the waiting list for membership. Don also indicated that there were 60 current members who haven't paid their dues and as of March 1, 2002, they will be delinquent and will have to go on the waiting list to re-apply for membership. Don also noted that the new combination will be in effect as of Saturday, February 9th, 2002. Don Manchester displayed the new EVA hat which will be available in the near future for \$10.00. It was very nice looking and several members wanted to order them. Don will have an initial order of 50 hats and more can be ordered if necessary.
- John made note of the fact that someone stole the lock from the main entrance gate. It would be nice if that member returned same to the field. It behooves us all to roll the tumblers after opening or closing the gate lock and close the lock so someone driving by cannot purloin it.
- John explained the duties of a sponsor who allows someone to fly on his or her badge while visiting the field for short stays. The duties are also posted on the board at the field.
- John Pomroy, president thanked those involved in laying the new carpet 2 weeks ago. It looks great and with the fence addition, we have a field we can be proud of. It would help if we all removed any trash that we accumulate while flying, i.e. rubber bands, broken props and drink bottles and cans. Thank you.
- John mentioned that the field would be lightly dragged when it is evident that rain is approaching to rid the field of unwanted rocks and debris.
- Mike Wyman elaborated on the Sport/Fun Fly/Swap Meet that will take place on Saturday, February 9th, 2002. It will consist of a 7 event slate that you can choose 4 to compete in. Mike has an extensive background in Contest Directing so a great time should be had by all. Hot dogs, soda pop and chips will be served to those attending the fly.
- Proposals were made to have a winter banquet for the club that would include wives of members to socialize with. January 2003 seemed the most popular date, time wise. Further effort will be made during the year on this subject.
- Sherman Silbaugh advised the membership of the swap meet to be held at VDO on Sunday February 10th, 2002. Sellers in place at 8AM and buyers at 9AM at the VDO facility.

Location for EVA March Membership Meeting

Palmas Del Sol East
Friday, March 8th
7:00 pm

Located at 3400 S. Ironwood Drive.

Directions are: Go east on highway 60. Exit at Ironwood Drive as if you were going to the field. Go south on Ironwood and take the first right (200 yards) into Palmas Del Sol East park. The gate guard will know that you are coming and will direct you to the clubhouse which is 1/4 mile straight in on the left. Can't miss it.



President's Podium



Submitted by John Pomroy

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In the last issue of my column I lead off by stating "I hope everyone is getting out to the field lately. The flying weather could not be better". This statement is could not be truer last month than it is this month; get out and fly; the water is fine (pun intended).

The last planned field improvement for this year is complete with the installation of the chain link fencing. It got a thorough check out during the very successful Fun-Fly with 30 to 40 people at a time putting their 'elbow prints' on it. It's holding up great and really adds to the aesthetics of the facilities. Note that this fence represents the boundary for spectators. Only pilots and personal required for model operations should be beyond this fence at any time. Another important point: since this new fence is made of metal it makes an excellent antenna (as does the flag pole and ramada). As a result, always perform radio range checks well away from this fence to be assured of proper radio operation. I recommend you perform your radio checks at least twenty feet away from any portion of the fencing to avoid potential interference during ground checks. As for flying, no issues regarding radio interference are expected or have been observed so far given the fence is located well behind the flight stations and the airspace where we fly.

The club held its annual Fun-Fly/Swap Meet and was one of the most heavily attended events the club has ever held. A big thanks to Mike Wyman and son Phillip for being the contest director and assistant, respectively. They put a lot of work into developing the events, handling registration, and running things smoothly during the course of the competition, as well as providing a great write-up of the results for the newsletter. The swap meet was also a huge success the lots of stuff and \$\$ changing hands. Hope everyone got rid of and/or acquired something they wanted. Also a big thanks to Don Manchester and Gene Coleman for providing muffins for breakfast and hotdogs, chips, and drinks for lunch and to Dick Joslin, Bill O'Brien, and Gene Coleman for the pictures of the event shown in this issue of the newsletter.

We are still looking for a new, permanent meeting location! The ideal locale would be between Baseline and Southern east of Gilbert Rd and west of Power Rd. In particular, Val Vista Lakes or Greenfield Village would be great

if anyone has access to these facilities. If you, or anyone you know, is living in this area please check into meeting locations and let the BOD know of any possibilities.

The next meeting will be at the **Palmas Del Sol** location on **Friday, March 8th** at **7pm**. Directions are located elsewhere in the newsletter.

That's it for now. Fly safe and see you at the club meeting.



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- Brian Sodt, vice president introduced Jon Thompson as the new Training Coordinator for the EVA club. Jon has extensive experience in building and flying both models and real airplanes. He will be a welcome addition to the EVA staff. Thanks Jon.

Show and Tell

- S&T produced an array of items this meeting. First on the agenda was Sam Edmonds and his laser cutting service. Sam showed several items that he could do and showed a wing that Jon Thompson had constructed using Sams laser cut ribs. The wing will be 120 inches when completed and will adorn a 135% Senior Kadet. Sams work was impeccable. Next Bart Phillips displayed and explained a spark ignition tester to isolate problems with spark ignition systems. Robert Ritchie, electrical engineer and EVA member, brought samples of his equalizer units that he designed and gave out 5 to willing members to evaluate for him. A very gracious gesture indeed. Joh Thompson displayed the wing he was building and went into detail how it was constructed and materials used. Gordon Briggs brought 2 wings which he covered in silk span and showed us how to cover a wing using this material. Gordon and Jon explained how the covering is coated shrunk and painted with various dopes. An excellent presentation. Lastly Gene Coleman provided a few laughs with a video from the Joe Nall fly in in North Carolina. Featured were a torque roll contest with our own Ryan Taylor participating, a segment on float flying and lastly a 3 year old boy flying giant scale. The latter brought out the skeptics in all of us but was good for a few laughs. Overall it was a very good meeting and very good attendance.

- We would like to thank Hobbytown and Adventure Hobbies for donating prizes at cost for our meetings. We can return the favor by using their stores.

Membership

Submitted by Don Manchester

2002 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Members whose 2002 dues are not paid by February 28th will be deleted from the EVA Club roster effective March 1st and are no longer entitled to use the Club facilities or receive the Club Newsletter.

The EVA By-Laws specify that annual dues are payable on or before January 1st and are delinquent at the end of February. The By-laws also establish a maximum of 250 members and provide for a waiting list of applicants **including reinstatements** when the maximum membership has been reached. Members who fail to pay their dues will have to apply for reinstatement, pay a \$10.00 reinstatement fee and all dues that are in arrears:

Call Don Manchester (480) 854-8396 if you have any questions about dues.

CLUB ROSTER

The Club Roster is used for the newsletter and other club business so it is important that you keep us informed about changes to your mailing address, telephone number and e-mail account. Several newsletters were returned or rejected by e-mail and it takes considerable effort to track you down. Send changes to Don Manchester, (480) 854-8396 or dmanchesterm@aol.com. If you received the newsletter by mail and would like to get it faster through e-mail, send Don your e-mail address.

The Club Roster contains personal information that is used for Club business. After much consideration, the Board has decided that the Roster should not be released to anyone except for official club business. While the roster is not public, Board members will be glad to help you contact a fellow member.

WAITING LIST

There are currently sixteen individuals on the waiting list. We anticipate that all of them will be invited to join effective March 1st.

GATE SECURITY

There have been several instances where our gate was not securely locked at the end of the day. If you are the last person to leave, please make a special effort to insure that the field is secure. If there are visitors or anyone that you are not familiar with, take a minute to determine whether they are a member and have the gate combination so they can assume responsibility for locking up. When you unlock the gate be sure to secure the lock by spinning

the dials. We have lost one lock because it was not secured.

HERDING THE CATTLE

There are range cattle in the adjacent areas that would like to use our ramada and carpet. We have seen one walk up to the fence and in a single leap clear it. One cow is not too bad, but if they break the fence, there will be a bunch and we all know what they will contribute to the field. Keep your eyes open and let a Board member know right away so the fence can be repaired. And of course, chase them out.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Don Manchester (854-8396 dmanchesterm@aol.com) and Gene Coleman (982-4338 gene505@juno.com) have volunteered to serve on this committee. We have had some recent incidents where we learned too late about members being ill or hospitalized and we want to remedy this. We need your help. If you know of someone who is seriously ill, hospitalized, has a serious family medical problem or worse, make an extra effort to let either Don or Gene know so they can arrange for an appropriate card.

EVA FINANCIAL REPORT

The Club ended the year on December 31st with a balance of \$3573.57. \$3200.00 is earmarked to pay for the carpet and the new flight line fence. Russ Petersen, who is a Club member and a CPA, conducted a financial review of the Club records and wrote to John Pomroy stating that he found the financial records to be in good order and that the bank balance was consistent with the Club's Financial Records.

CLUB HATS

Our new Club hats should be available about February 22nd. You can purchase them from Don when you see him at the field for \$10.00 each. He will also have them at the March meeting. We initially ordered 50, but will get more if there is demand.

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Honorable Mention

Submitted by Gene Coleman

Amanda Mull, junior member and avid flyer soloed in January 2002 after flying with her grandpa for 2 years on the buddy box. Amanda, an engineering student at ASU loves flying R/C and looks forward to the weekends that she can spend at the field with her grandad. Congradulations Amanda!!!

EVA 2002 Fun Fly and Swap Meet February 9, 2002

The fun fly was well attended Saturday morning with 100 or so members. The parking lot was packed. There were a number of Swap Meet participants who brought their wares for sale at the field. The morning started out with a breeze and turned into a gale! There were not as many contestants as I had anticipated, most likely due to the wind. A total of 7 contestants entered 21 events. The net income for the fun fly was \$21. Special thanks go out to Don Manchester for bringing out muffins for the gang to have Saturday morning.

Registration went smoothly and we proceeded to go through all seven events. The contest was run at a leisurely pace so there wasn't any pressure on the contestants. There were no airplane fatalities and everyone who flew seemed to have fun.

These are the final standings for the contest:

Stan Abbott	2 nd in Tanker, 1 st in Musical fruit, 3 rd in Bomber
Danny Faetz	3 rd in Back Taxi, 2 nd in Musical fruit
Rudy Florez	2 nd in Auto Pilot
Ed Nagel	1 st in Las Vegas, 2 nd in 2 min precision, 2 nd in Bomber
John Pomroy	1 st in Auto Pilot, 1 st in Tanker, 1 st in 2 min prec.
Jon Thompson	1 st in Bomber
William Vanek	1 st in Back Taxi, 3 rd in Tanker, 3 rd in 2 min prec., 3 rd in musical fruit

Prizes were awarded per event as follows:

1st place = 3 raffle tickets + EVA club hat
2nd place = 2 raffle tickets
3rd place = 1 raffle

The Club's new hats haven't arrived, but once they come in we will get them to the 1st place finishers.

The highlight of the contest was having Jon Thompson drop the egg dead center of the bullseye on the runway. He did it with such finesse and expertise. Jon also held the spotlight with a great demonstration of his R/C helicopter in a 30 MPH wind. He held it to a solid hover and then transitioned to flight. He made several passes of the field and did many stall turns. Great job Jon!


After Jon's demo, Gene Coleman and Don Manchester worked the food concession and cranked out 80 hot dogs, chips and drinks for everyone.

The contest was wrapped up with the awards ceremonies and then the raffle. Upon completion of the raffle the field was opened to general flying.

I would like to recognize those who provided moral support and volunteered to assist me with the contest. I also would like to recognize my son Philip Wyman for working by my side as timer and score keeper.

East Valley Aviator Ball Caps Now on Sale

Tell the world where you fly, and buy your EVA Cap today





FEBRUARY 2002 FUN FLY PICS

