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## SDUA Meeting Minutes – Christmas Party! December 1, 2018

Called to order 11:00AM,

## Guests:

Many members brought their wives and significant others to the meeting and Christmas Party, including Dick Snow, Geza Hambalko, Oscar Gonzalez, and Glenn Frehafer.

Cash donations were collected (over \$300!) for victims of the Camp Fire in Paradise, Northern California.

Mike Sandlin Membership report: 51 members. Please pay your 2019 dues, mail checks to Mike Sandlin.

Mark Novak Treasurer's report: \$16,862 in bank.

Larry Faast Field report: No major news or updates this month.

Glenn presented the 2018 EAA Chapter Service Awards to members who volunteered and dedicated time to grow our club over the last year. Members that were recognized were:

Larry Faast - For his work as Field Manager and his countless hours working with Skydive San Diego during the relocation of our clubhouse, and negotiations for hangar owner's compensation. Thank you, Larry!

Glenn Frehafer - For his work as President and his countless hours over the last year working with Skydive during the relocation and watching out for threats and opportunities for our club. Thank you, Glenn!

Mike Sandlin - For his work as Membership Chairman. Thank you, Mike!

Mark Novak - For his work as Treasurer. Thank you, Mark!

Andy Boyer - For all his work managing the club website, and editing / publishing the newsletter. Thank you, Andy!

Pat Moran - For his work taking meeting minutes as Secretary and running the PPG Spot Landing Contest at the Fly-In. Thank you, Pat!

Kevin Warren - For his work as Vice-President. Thank you, Kevin!

Steve Leary - For his long hours coordinating the Fly-In. Thank you, Steve!

Pete Sigrist - For his work mentoring and helping Steve Leary with the Fly-In. Thank you, Pete! Eugene Kendall - For his work running the Airplane Spot Landing / Takeoff Contest at the Fly-In. Thank you, Gene!

Rose Sayder - For all her work bringing baked treats to our meetings, running the raffle at the Fly-In, and organizing food for the Christmas Potluck. Thank you, Rose!

Jerry Blaskey - For managing the Coffee Mess for all our meetings. Thank you, Jerry!

Dean Ganzer - For his work as Master of Ceremonies at the Fly-In. Thank you, Dean!

Jody Morgan - For his work managing the monthly club raffle. Thank you, Jody!

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## SDUA Meeting Minutes continued.....

The Meeting was adjourned at 11:33am, and the Christmas Party began. There was too much food especially ham:) and lots of laughter and music. Thank you to everyone who brought food and desserts! Following the potluck, we did our White Elephant gift exchange, which was fun for everyone. Some of the fun gifts that were exchanged included a Piece of the Berlin Wall (from Mark Morgan), an SDUA hat, an LED shop light, and a F100 Super Sabre model (the same aircraft which Jerry Blaskey flew 1000+ hours in. Jerry signed the model and Mark Morgan was very excited to receive this gift considering Jerry's history with this airplane).

It has been a challenging year for our club, and as we say goodbye to 2018, it is worthwhile to remember what we've been through as a club, and as friends. We helped move our entire clubhouse, we helped each other with consolidating hangar space. Our leaders secured an option in Fallbrook if the upcoming city lease does not favor our club. We lost a contingent of very active members when paramotors were banned from Nichols, and we brought 75+ people together for our Fly-In to share and experience our exciting hobby that is Ultralight Aviation. It has been filled with ups and downs.

As your out-going Secretary, some of my favorite experiences from the last two years have centered around SDUA, namely flying on Saturday Mornings at Nichols bright and early with my Paramotor friends, sometimes too windy from the east in the morning to fly, chatting with Mike and Glenn and watching them fly their Bloops, pulling goat-head thorns out of my wing and shoes, and exploring the wilderness and strange abandoned structures around Nichols from the sky. I hope that sometime in the not too distant future, Nichols will allow PPG's again, and then I'll likely be back. Thank you to Gene Kendall who is stepping in as your new Secretary, to John Adcock as your new Website Editor, and to Dayton Smith as your new Newsletter Editor. And finally, a BIG thank you to Andy Boyer, your Out-Going Website/Newsletter Editor.

Over and Out - Pat Moran







