



The San Diego Flyer



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Glenn Frehafer



Greeting SDUA Members,

Tom Miller, one member of the 3-man appointed Nomination Committee provided the membership with a slate of candidates for club officers at the October meeting which was held at Donnie Eccker's hanger during the Ramona Fly In. This slate of candidates will be voted on at our November meeting and will take office in December.

We have 11 months remaining on our tenancy at Nichols Field with no news of any extension yet and no decision yet on what is to be done. During the last four years we have exhaustively researched our options and presented to the membership. At this time our best option, should no extension be granted by the City of San Diego, is to relocate to Fallbrook County Air Park which has the whole-hearted support of the airport manager there, Meadow Chase. The location is only 10 minutes farther in drive time for most of the membership. We can still maintain our San Diego identify and operate ultralights and light sport aircraft from the same place. Plus, there is fuel there and services for parts and repairs and there are hangers, tiedowns, and a shed for aircraft sheltering. Rome wasn't built in a day and neither will moving our Association be completed very quickly.

Now don't get me wrong, I would love to stay at Nichols just as much as the next guy. These next few months are going to require some shrewd action by our leadership in order to maintain our existence. Fortunately (in my opinion) Larry Faast has graciously put his name forward for our next club president. He is well connected, a great leader, and has a lot of wisdom in dealing with people. I think he is the right man for the job during this turning point in time for the SDUA.

Please come to the November meeting and show your support for our club's officer candidates and vote. Your future and mine depends on it.

Best regards, Glenn

SDUA Meeting Minutes October 5th, 2019

President **Glenn Frehafer** brought the meeting to order (on time) at 10:35AM (Because the secretary was late) with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. This month's meeting was held in Donnie Eccker's hanger at the Ramona Airport. The occasion was so all could attend the annual Ramona Airshow.

Visitors: **Ron Donoforo** is a new visitor and is currently taking lessons in Larry Faast' light sport airplane. Ron flew Cessna 152s when he was younger. **Frank Jernejcic** is also a visitor and has flown a Flight Star.

Membership: **Mike Sandlin** said we have 43 paid members.

Treasury: **Mark Novak** was not able to attend the meeting but through Larry Faast said he has money in the club and field accounts.

Field Manager: **Larry Faast** said he had no news on the status of the extension of our current lease at Nichols Field. Our lease expires September 20th, 2020 and he has had no feedback from the City of San Diego. Larry did say we can go with Bram if he moves his skydiving operation. Larry said Fallbrook, Brown Field or Warner Springs are some possibilities for a new location for our club.

John Adcock said he finished his Kit Fox and spent about 40 hours flying it. John took it out to El Mirage dry lakebed to get the required flight time. He also flew over to Brian's Ranch nearby.

Glenn Frehafer added a larger fuel tank to his Bloop.

Special thanks to **Jay and Donnie Eccker** for the use of their hanger for the meeting.

Tom Miller gave his report on the new year officer search committee. It seems there are few takers for the officer positions. Larry Faast said he would do the president position if no one else could be found. Gene Kendall said he would do secretary position again. Next month is officer elections.

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Jay Eccker donated several hats and T-shirts to the raffle. Ron Donofero won \$ 16 in the raffle and the club received \$ 17. **Al Sayer, John Adcock and Oscar Gonzales** won either a T-shirt or a hat from Jay's business.

15 people attended our meeting.

The meeting ended at about 11:30AM.

** Included in this newsletter are pictures from the annual Ramon airshow, enjoy!





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