

The San Diego Flyer

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Just received the first draft of the new lease from Bram! He has asked me to meet with him to review it in light of the clauses pertaining to SDUA and the sub-lease to us. The city's consent to sub-lease to us is a big deal for our club and our rights as tenants at Nichols Field.

Discussions with Bram will center around our new monthly rent and what would be a fair amount of increase based upon our area of usage (likely based upon square footage of hanger spaces, taxiways, and clubhouse space). Other considerations will be the amount of time we have access to the runway (number of days per week we are allowed or not allowed to fly).

How the MOU and the money we have collected from hanger owners will play out is certainly something that needs to be discussed with Bram!

Bram expects to have the new lease signed and effective by the 1st of October.

Our upcoming Fly-in, headed up by Glenn Frehafer, is in the final stages of planning with most of the activities assigned to volunteers and members. The YAKs and the Antique Aircraft Club have agreed to participate with grand fly-bys and aerial displays. Oscar will be cooking carne asada with his wonderful original Mexican recipes and side dishes. This is one Fly-in you won't want to miss.

Be sure to attend the Sept 4th meeting to help finalize the Fly-in and hear the latest about the new lease with the city.

Larry

SDUA Meeting Minutes August 7, 2021

President **Larry Faast** brought the meeting to order at 10:12AM. **Larry** led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. We thanked the lovely **Rose Sayder** for bringing in her culinary delights.

Guest Visitors: We welcomed **David Buser**, a long-time flyer. He flies an Air Bike out of Ramona. We welcomed **Brad Ruland**, a new club member. We welcomed **German Mora**. He wants to build his own plane and learn to fly. **German** also does upholstery work.

Mark Novak gave his treasurers report. We have \$ 87,459.08 in the club account. And as a reminder, we may need to pay most of this money back to Skydive when we sign a new lease in 2021.

Mike Sandlin: said we have 34 paid members as of this month.

Adam Li is building an ultralight biplane from a kit. **Adam** also has a background in radio electronics.

Steve Oberecht is building a Flutter Bug. **Steve** has a background in naval mechanics and is now an engineer.

Mike Sandlin has been flying his new plane, the Bluebird. (see attached photo)

Spencer Cash is a new member of the club but was not present for today's meeting.

Larry Faast has communicated with **Bram**, the owner of Skydive San Diego. **Larry** said Skydive SD and the City of San Diego are very close to a master lease agreement for Nichols Field. **Bram** indicated that SDUA would be given a sublease. The details are not yet worked out. However, the city attorney must sign off on the lease and the rent for the property will go up.

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Larry said that we can fly any time provided we've been briefed on safety and signed off by **Robin McGrew**, our club safety coordinator. Flyers must also obtain approval from the military drop zone coordinator and TAC operations. **Tony Goodman** is the skydive field manager or **Zach**.

The annual SDUA fly-in is coming Saturday, September 11, 2021 from 7AM until 2PM. **Kevin Cason** will be the air boss. We will have a possible flyby from a flight of YAKs, Soviet era planes. We may also have an antique airplane flyby. Skydive will have a big flag dropped. Currently we do not have enough planes for the spot landing or short field takeoffs contests. However, we should have some ultralight and light sport flybys along with a drone demonstration. Volunteers are needed. **Oscar Gonzales** is in charge of his always delicious authentic south of the border cuisine. Donations are seven dollars for lunch.

John Collins won \$ 46 in the raffle. **Generous John** donated his entire winnings to the club! So, the raffle generated \$92 for the club.

About 20 people attended our club meeting. The meeting ended sometime after 11AM.



Mike's Bluebird