



AMOS March 2015 Newsletter

AMOS Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m. – March 2, 2015 - Mike Haston Vice-President

New Members - Visitors and / or Guest Guest ,Fred Light, and Randy Sizemore.
(Fred and Randy are members of field improvement committee)

Unfinished Business:

Club Banner – Need to pay Tracy Trammell and Doug Crump for the Club Banner.

Storage Container—The storage container is on site and paid for.

Petromat—10 rolls were approved by the General Membership as presented by Randy Sizemore at the February General Meeting. Actual cost to be \$5120.65. Fred Light was told he had the authority to go ahead and purchase.

Fencing-- The fencing has been purchased and is on site.

New Business :

Left over donations from the Heli Fund.-- The heli fund obtained \$685 for tables and shade. There is presently \$246 left over. It was decided to keep in a separate fund for the time being..

Donating to the Bud Anderson memorial statue in Auburn was discussed but no motion or action was taken.

New Lawnmower. Mike wanted us to consider purchasing a new lawnmower. All agreed we probably needed one, but that we had enough on our plate doing field improvements and that we should try to get through that before tackling the issue of the mower reliability.

UAV Flying Event (As Proposed by Mark Jacobsen)—A very lengthy discussion ensued about the request to John Sorenson from Mark Jacobsen for use of our field for Drone Training of People for the purpose of helping Syrian Relief Efforts. Since it was felt that this would be brought to the General Membership at the next meeting a motion was made to recommend to the General Membership that we not allow the Syrian Group to use our field for Drone Training.

Web Site Upgrade—Richard Cross asked if he and Ian Shere could move ahead and upgrade the AMOS Web site. It was agreed to allow this work as no cost was to be involved.

Board Reports:

Vice President - Mike Haston Handled the meeting He had talked to John Sorenson and John had received verbal approval from the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) for our field improvements.

Treasurer - Gloria IreY Passed out Treasurers report and Cash Flow Analysis. Checking Account has about \$15,000 in it. Adding Savings we have \$48,741.97 in funds available. Total loans outstanding are \$45,000.

Contest Coordinator - Richard Cross Flyer for John Sorensons Float Fly is on the Website.

Also commented about the website software being out of date and calendar needing update.

Field Marshall - John Kinne Need to consider what to do with Lawn Mower grass piles. No action taken at this time.

Past President - Doug Keller Our next Board Meeting on April 6th will take place at the Lincoln Raleys. Also he would check on the availability for May.

Additional Items

Mike Haston said he was looking into shirts for his event. Also mentioned he felt all proposed 2015 Events were approved by the membership. It was pointed out we have 4 Sanctioned Events.

AMOS GENERAL MEETING - DATE March 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Board Reports:

President - John Sorenson chaired the meeting, and thanked Mike Haston for handling the presidents duties in his absence.

Vice President - Mike Haston thanked everyone for their support while he filled in for John.

Secretary - Marv Bennett asked how people liked the separation of the motions when writing the minutes. Most agreed. John Sorenson would like them to be with the minutes in one file for ease of storing on the computer.

Treasurer - Gloria IreY was absent, but John Sorenson Covered the February treasurer report showing that as of 2-28-2015 we have \$15,104.21 in the checking account, savings account of \$33,637.76 for a total of \$48,747.97. We also have outstanding loans of \$45,000.

Membership Jim IreY said we presently have 197 members.

Field Marshall - John Kinne Reminded everyone that as a visitor to the field you must belong to AMA or be on a Buddy Box with a member before flying.

Past President Doug Keller Stated he had secured the use of the Lincoln Raley's multipurpose room for the April May & June Board meetings.

Unfinished Business:

Container/ Petromat/Fence—Container and Fence material on site. Petromat to be delivered Monday March 16,2015 / Fred Light.

New Business:

1. **Syria Airlift Project:** Mark Jacobsen proposal. John Sorenson explained about the request to train Drone Flying. Stated we had done similar training in the past and that AMA insurance would cover the activity. At this point Jim IreY made a motion to NOT allow the field to be used by this group for training.2nd by Dean Crump. (The Board of Directors at their last meeting had recommended to the General Membership by a vote of 5 to 2 with one abstaining to NOT allow the group to use the field.) A lengthy discussion followed . Mostly against allowing this group to use the field. The motion carried by voice vote to NOT allow the field to be used for this purpose. It is noted that there were also 26 proxies supporting the motion not allowing the field use for this purpose.

2. Updating our Website—Ian Shere and Richard Cross are working on updating the website.

3. Swap Meet Event-- The RC Country swap meet will be held April 18th. Tracy Trammell said she needed volunteers to help with the food table that we sponsor. We start coffee and donuts at Midnight, hotdogs later.

4. Float Fly: John Sorenson stated that the Float Fly Flyer is on the Web site and is scheduled for May 13-17th.

Other:

Randy Sizemore said we are waiting for the field to dry out before Jesse can start the runway work. When it starts we will have the gate locked and access to the field prohibited for about 10 days.

There was a question about changing out the bumper poles for concrete ones. It was felt we should wait until we have a handle on our construction costs before taking on additional projects.

There was a discussion on where the extension to the runway should take place. Doug Keller did not want us to go any closer to Catlin Road. It was pointed out we would have to be careful not to affect the drainage on the south end of the field and when we got into the construction we might have to go north somewhat as we could not change the drainage ditches.

SnoBall Raffle-Fred Light said the raffle would start up in May.

AMOS 2015 Events (Four AMOS events will be Sanctioned)

4/18-RC Country Swap - Tracy Trammell

4/25-Rotors over Roseville (NEW-Helicopter Fun Fly) - Basil Yousif

5/13- to 5/17-Float Fly - John Sorenson

6/13- Warbirds over Roseville - Mike Haston

7/11- Club Appreciation Day - John Sorenson, Mike Haston

8/29-Electric Fun Fly - John Heinlen, Basil Yousif

9/12-Presidents Fun Fly - John Sorenson, Mike Haston

9-26-Thunder Valley Rally of Giants - Mike Dunbar, Basil Yousif

10/10- Jet Fun Fly - Randy Sizemore, Mike Haston

12/19-Christmas Dinner - Jim Hill

AMOS Field Renovation

The AMOS field renovation started the weekend of 3-14. Jesse Torrez and crew started the grading on 3-16 and as the week went on the 3" of AB aggregate was spread and watered to create a firm ground support to put the newly purchased Petromat material over. The Helicopter area (old U control area) was also graded and had AB applied and rolled flat.

Jesse and crew did a great job. The field was graded with a slight slope to the east so all rain water will flow away from the Pitts area and off the runway. Mud should not collect in ditches around the Pitts area anymore.

Saturday the 21st a energetic gang of club members headed by the hammer slinging Ron Brugh installed the Petromat material over the newly graded field. I enjoyed hammering away and the weather was great. Adding the extra Petromat that extended the ends of the runway is a great improvement. The project completed at a cost of around \$33,000 - slightly under budget.

The AMOS field is now a first class field thanks to a great show of support by many members!!



Bud Anderson's Visit to the AMOS Field - by Mike Haston

On February 23, 2015, at the AMOS RC flying site, Colonel Bud Anderson visited the field. He is the author of the book "To Fly and Fight".

He gave a very informative account of his experiences in WWII as a Mustang pilot. He flew "Old Crow" and had over 16 kills. He was also a test pilot at Wright field and Edwards AFB.

He brought books that he autographed for those that purchased them. Knowing he was going to be there, I decided give him a simple gift.

I presented him with a coffee mug that was from the 2011 Wings of Victory for best Mustang. It was inscribed with the words "Mustang, The Ace Maker" with a picture of the mustang on it also.

For his age Colonel Anderson, 92 years young... looks remarkably young for his age and gets around quite well. It was great honor to meet and talk with him about his past experiences.

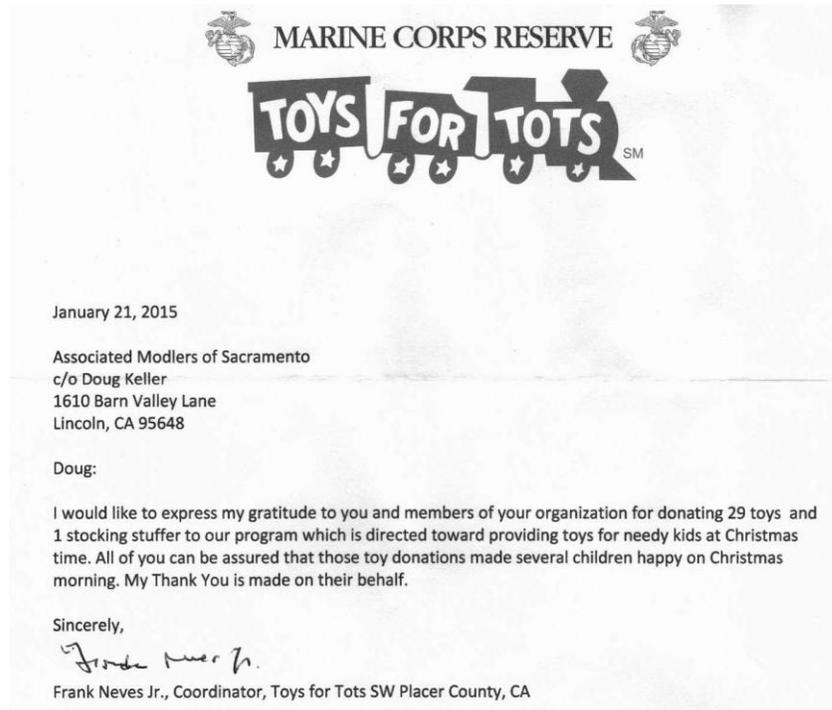


We Presented him with a coffee mug as a small memento of thanks for his service in WWII.



From L to R- Leron Lee, Randy Sizemore, Ben Ponzo, Bud Anderson and Monty Welch.

Doug Keller had received a thank you letter for the AMOS club participating in the Toys for Tots program this last Christmas:



Joke:

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club. A cell phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands free speaker-function and begins to talk.
Everyone else in the room stops to listen.
Man: "Hello"
woman: Honey it's me. Are you at the club?
Man: "Yes"
Woman: "I'm at the mall now and found this beautiful leather coat.
It's only \$1,000- Is it OK if I buy it?"
Man: "Sure-go ahead if you like it that much,"
Woman: "I also stopped by the Mercedes dealership and looked at the new models. I saw one I really liked."
Man: "How much?"
Woman: "\$65,000"
Man: "OK, but for that price I want it with all the options."
Woman: "Great! Oh and one other thing. The house we wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking \$950,000."
Man: . "Well: then go ahead and give them an offer, but just offer \$900,000."
Woman: "OK I'll see you later. I love you!"
Man: "Bye, I love you, too."
The man hangs up. The other men in the room are looking at him in astonishment.
Then he smiles and asks - "Anyone know whose phone this is!!!"