

## Message from the President

August 2024

We will hold a meeting this coming Wednesday, August 7th at La Romeria Park. Meetings start at 7:30 and are held in the Community Room. Consider coming to the meeting and sharing the details of your latest project or flights.

Not a lot to report this month, as we move through the hottest days of the year. Finding windows to fly

has been a challenge with the heat and coastal fog moving in an out. I was flying at Avenue B in Redondo Beach a couple of weeks ago when the fog moved in. The air was thick with moisture and the lift turned very

turbulent. By the time I got the plane down, it was soaked. Additionally, I went over to Entradero Park to fly a couple of early mornings and chose not to fly due to the heavy fog. By the time the fog burned off, it was too windy to fly the planes I had charged up. I know, first world problems.

A friend of mine and I braved the heat last Saturday and went out to the Planes of Fame Museum at the Chino Del Cerro Airport. The museum held their monthly flying event and flew a North

American Aviation OV-10 Bronco. The plane is owned by a private collection at Chino and was made available for the day. This particular Bronco is a combat veteran and flew in Vietnam. The rear seat was occupied by a Vietnam veteran for the flight. He actually flew this particular aircraft in Vietnam. It would have been interesting to have a few beers with him and hear his stories of his service. I'm sure there were a ton of memories flooding back during the flight.

There are only three sanctioned A.M.A events scheduled for August. This is typical for August, as folks are on family vacations or avoiding the heat. If you do attend any of the listed events, please consider taking some photos and write up your thoughts for next month's newsletter.

We still don't know why our F.R.I.A. approval changed status with the F.A.A. However, our new application is being reviewed and we should get approval soon. In the meantime, continue flying and

we will let you know when the approval is received.

Wednesday, August 7th La Romeria Park 7:30pm

Next Meeting

A couple of our members had issues accessing the field last month. Both contacted me and we were able to get

the issue resolved. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any difficulties accessing the field.

Torrance schools start classes August 22nd. With school starting back up later this month, we will have uninterrupted access to Entradero Park weekday mornings!

## Upcoming Fun-Flys

**Entradero** 

**August 10th** None

The current weather prediction for Saturday, August 10th at Del Cerro Park is for partly cloudy skies, temps, in the high 70's with winds of

10 mph out of the west-southwest in the afternoon. The wind direction might make it a bit challenging, if it swings more to the west. I've looked at several wind forecasting apps and they are pretty consistent with each other. So, it should be flyable. Charge up a plane and head up to the hill this coming Saturday.

I hope to see you at the meeting or bending the stick at one of the fields.

> All the best, Jeff

## OV-10 Bronco at Planes of Fame









If you know someone who wants to join our club, please send them to our website.