

# Hot Air



## Message from the President

February 2014

Our first meeting of 2014 will be this Wednesday, February 5th. We will be having our annual Swap Meet at the meeting. Gather up any modeling stuff you want to try to get rid of and bring on down. Planes, kits, tools - anything goes. Due to the Swap Meet, there will not be a raffle at this month's meeting.

The AMA Convention in January is always a good barometer of trends in the hobby. Foam has taken over. A few vendors had wood or glass ARF's, but the majority of available airplanes appeared to be constructed of foam. Lot's of World War II aircraft with a mix of civilian and WWI aircraft added. Helicopters and jets were also exhibited, but on a smaller scale. If you are a scratch or kit builder, the exhibits may have left you scratching your head as to where to get kits or supplies.

Our field at Entradero is probably in the worse shape it has ever been. The baseball guys stopped doing any maintenance due to the scheduled sump upgrade that was due to begin last August. Obviously, the work that will result in a large quantity of earth being placed on the field has not yet begun. I plan on doing some light maintenance on the field to try to keep it flyable. This will include leveling gopher

mounds, trapping gophers, dragging the infield (our runway) and mowing the larger weeds. Let me know if you are interested in helping and we will establish a schedule. I am thinking Wednesday mornings?

I have discussed the timetable for the sump upgrades at Entradero and the timeframe for the start of the activity is now tentatively set for the April-May timeframe.

Now that the weather has finally changed and the high pressure system that has been here for months is gone, Del Cerro should get back into a more normal lift pattern. The February Fun-Fly at Del Cerro will be Saturday, February 8th.

Baseball is getting started at Entradero. West Torrance Little League has their opening day activities scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd. It is time for us to schedule around baseball and avoid trying to fly during baseball practices and games on the adjacent fields. Our February Fun-Fly at Entradero Park will be Friday, February 21st.

See you Wednesday for the Swap Meet!

-Jeff

### Next Meeting

**Wednesday,  
February 5th  
7:30 pm**

**La Romeria Park  
19501 Inglewood Ave**

### Upcoming Fun-Flys

**Del Cerro      February 8th  
Entradero     February 21st**



Report from the Treasurer

**Peninsula Silent Flyers  
Balance Sheet  
As of December 31, 2013**

	Dec 31, 13
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Raffle Fund	600.00
WFCU Checking	782.19
WFCU Savings - Entradero Fund	1,561.77
Total Checking/Savings	2,943.96
<b>Total Current Assots</b>	<b>2,943.96</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2,943.96</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	3,411.35
Unrestricted Net Assets	-1,211.46
Net Income	744.07
Total Equity	2,943.96
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>2,943.96</b>

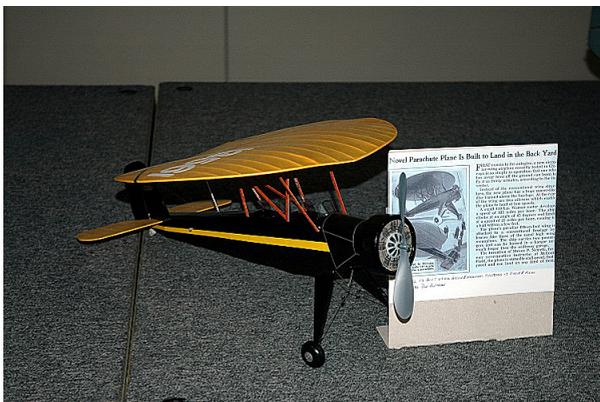
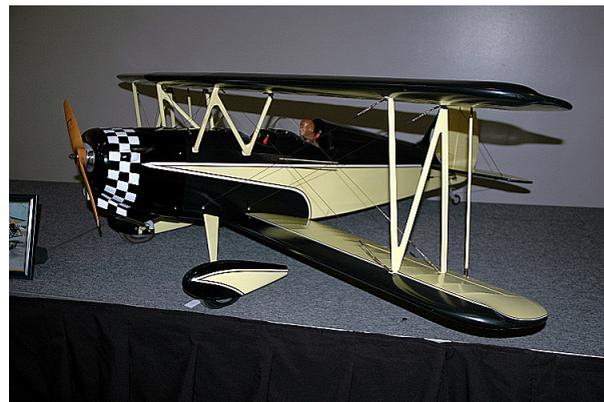
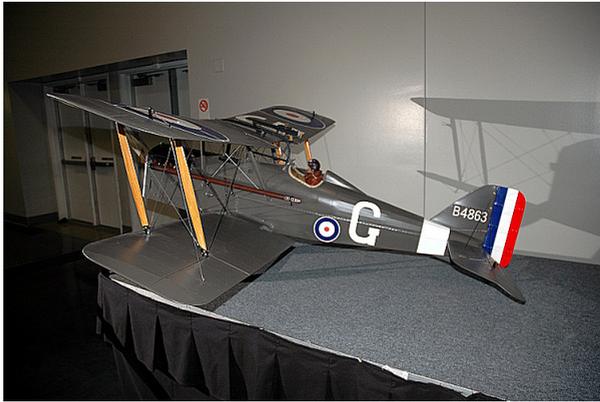
For the fiscal year ending 12/31/13, we saw no major changes from the prior month. Accounts remain steady going into the new year. Happy New Year and see you in February for the swap meet!

- Mike

AMA Expo 2014

Here are a few shots Jeff took at this year's AMA Expo. As before, the event was held at the Ontario Convention Center. See the rest in the [image gallery](#) on the website at <http://peninsulasilentflyers.com>





**Club Officers and Volunteers  
(again) for 2014**

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**Membership Time!**

*With the new year, comes a reminder that membership renewals are now due. You can find the [2014 membership package](#) at the website.*

*Our trusty secretary (John) will certainly welcome your renewal at the next club meeting or via mail.*

***Swap Meet  
This Month!***