

Hot Air



Message from the President

November 2013

An ex-coworker of mine who retired sent me the link to a short documentary film that was shown at the Sundance Film Festival a few years ago. The film discusses a little known piece of World War II history involving modified Spitfires and American pilots.

The Spitfires had the guns removed and extra fuel tanks installed in the leading edge of the wings. Cameras were mounted in the fuselage behind the cockpit. The pilots flew reconnaissance missions behind enemy lines alone, no cover and no weapons.

The film has great actual footage and interviews one of the pilots. The film is definitely worth watching. You can find it on [YouTube](#).

I don't have a lot of details, but apparently the delay in the scheduled work at Entradero Park is due to delays in the work that has already begun at the other two Torrance sumps. The work to improve the water holding and treatment of storm run-off was scheduled to begin in August. No new dates for the start or finish have been announced. The delay in the start could have an interesting impact to baseball activities next spring.

The work on our field is only supposed to impact the outfield. However, once the project gets going in earnest, we should be able to get some idea of the extent of the work they are going to perform and the impact to our ability to use it for flying.

We have had some fabulous weather over the last couple of weeks with warm, sunny days and cool nights. Good for flying and sleeping. The forecast looks good for the Del Cerro Fun-Fly this Saturday November 9th. Hopefully, we will have good weather for Entradero on November 23rd, as well.

We will have a meeting and raffle Wednesday, November 6th. Bring your latest project to the meeting and share it with the members. Hope to see you at one of the fields or at the meeting on Wednesday.

- Jeff

Next Meeting

**Wednesday,
November 6th
7:30 pm**

**La Romeria Park
19501 Inglewood Ave**

Upcoming Fun-Flys

Del Cerro	November 9th
Entradero	November 23rd



From the Vice President

Here are some pictures from the Big Jolt Electric Fun-Fly event at Prado on November 1-3. The picture of a plane that looks like it's powered by a glow engine is really electric powered. The guy skillfully concealed an electric motor under the gas engine cut-out. No, I don't know why.

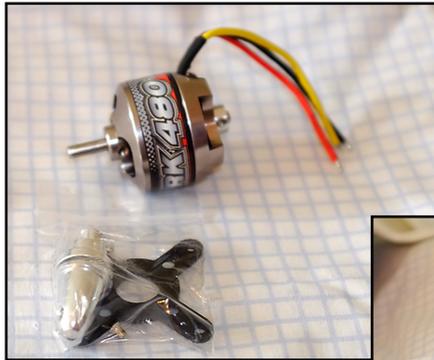
The expensive ducted fan jet wreckage was the result of a head-on mid-air with a cheap foamy Japanese Zero.

-Jerry





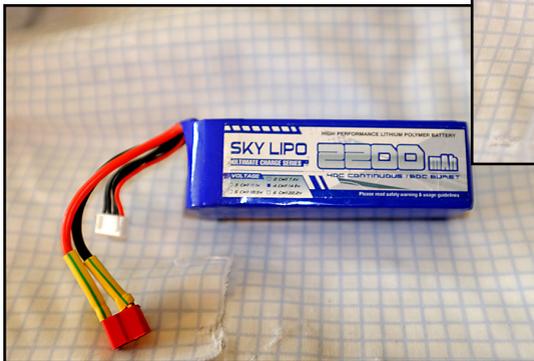
Monthly Raffle



Once again, we will hold a raffle at the November club meeting.



Come on out and win something cool!



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