## **Thousand Oaks**

May



## **Soaring Society**

2010

TOSS is a District X Member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, CharterClub # 1493

http://www.tosoaring.com/

### Minutes of the TOSS Meeting Held 4/28/2010

Members present:

Paul Adalian (former member has joined club

again)

Steve Miele

Bill Bertram

Paul Crittenden

Derek Bennett

Richard Mason

Bob VonLandingham

Andy Tiffen

Peter, Sharon, Henry, and Oliver Pick

Jay Harland

Don Northern

Jim Pendergrass

**Bob Swet** 

Meeting highlights:

-frequency board is being updated to reflect current, usable channels, per our frequency sharing agreement with neighboring flying club.

-Bill Bertram gave update on flying site acquisition. He was directed to a lot by Gary Felice. Has been unsuccessful contacting owners.

-Andy Tiffen gave an overview of his position at Mattel Toys. Andy is a toy designer/modeler/prototyper.

#### Hello All.

Last week at the club meeting, a fellow flier told us that he discovered that TOSS and a neighboring flying club are sharing some channels. The fliers at the other club are largely using 2.4GHz technologies, yet there is still some risk of inadvertent channel conflicts.

The frequency board at TOSS has been updated to reflect the channels that are open to us. Please check the board before you fly each week to make sure that we are not using a previously claimed channel by the other club.

We are currently working on a channel sharing agreement. You will all be updated when the process has been completed.

Thanks

Paul Crittenden

TOSS Club Secretary

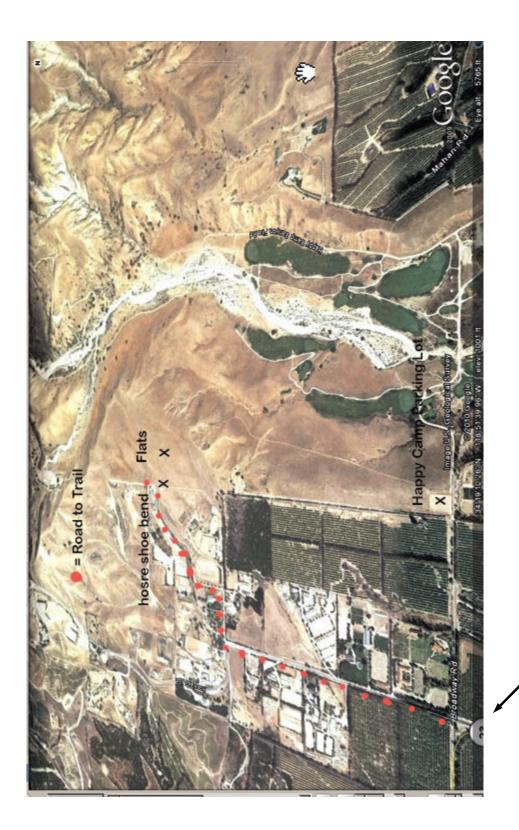
#### AND THE SEARCH GOES ON...... (Bill Bertram)

Don Northern and I a couple of weeks ago went looking for a new flying site. Don said he wanted to look at Happy Camp Regional Park in Moorpark, so off we went. First we went to the East entrance to the park, just east of the golf course that is part of Happy Camp Park, there was a small parking area and fence that did not allow you drive into the park. There were two guys standing at the fence, so we asked them if they were with the park, they said no they were coaches for a cross country running team at a local school and that they were timing the runners. Don asked them what they knew about the park and if there were any flat areas along the 12, mile loop, they said no, it was all hills and valleys. No help there. We drove into the golf course and, ask the people at the desk what they knew about the park, and did the have any property that was useable for our purpose, again no, but they did say they would ask the owners of the lease if they could help with our quest. I gave them my card. Never heard from them! Then we went over to the West entrance to the park at the corner of Broadway and Happy Camp road, where there was a large parking lot, rest room (portable) and trail going down in the park. I walked about 200 yards down the trail where the land was almost completely flat, Dom figured it to be about a 2 to 3 % grade, with heavy grass about 6 in, high, no bushes or trees, we thought we had found the perfect site for both flat field and sloping, no matter which way the wind was blowing. Where we were standing you could slop with an East wind all day long. We then drove up Happy Camp Road about a mile north of the parking lot and found an even better area, larger than the first and at about the same grade %. We noticed when we started walking the trails, there were many, that the trails had been cut very recently, with a small track vehicle with a scraper, they went in all direction. Again we thought we had found the perfect flying site. We stopped at one of the farms that had a sign at there gate that said WELCOME so we drove in looked around, but could not find anyone to talk to, on our way out the person that leases the farm came out and talked to us, and said the ranchers and farmers cut he trails for there horse back riding, but never ask anyone if it was ok. We asked if he knew, whom was the authority running the park, he did not know, but he thought it was just Ventura county land. He also said not many people use the area we had walked.

I stopped at the Ventura County Sheriff office the next day to see if they had any information about Happy Camp, the officer I talked to aid it was run by the Santa Monica Mountain Conservancy, and gave me a number to call, which was the Rangers that patrolled the park, I called that day, but only got an answering machine, I left my number, and was called back a couple of days latter by one of the Rangers. The Ranger said that as far as she knew you could not fly manned, aircraft (hang gliders, Para gliders) or powered models, but MODEL GLIDERS were ok. The Ranger said she would look into finding out exactly what the rules were, and get back to me. The Ranger then told me that I should talk to the county parks people in Ventura, because The SMMC had an agreement with the county and a joint, authority within the park. The Ranger gave a number and name to call; it was Teresa Lubin with Ventura County Park Department.

Teresa set up a meeting with myself, Don, Gary, and Richard, and said she could not allow flying of gliders at Happy Camp, but would show us a map of all VCPD land and if there was anything that meet T.O.S.S's needs she do her best to accommodate us. After looking at the map we could not come to an agreement about any land that might be usable for T.O.S.S.

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- Civic Center Application for Rental of School Facilities

  1. Application must be submitted two weeks prior to proposed facility use.

  2. After completed, return to the District Office with the Application Fee and an original Certificate of Insurance.

  3. The signed pink is the permit and is mailed to the requester. The pink permit notifies the organization of estimated fees.

  4. Pees are assessed based upon facilities requested. Fees are due upon receipt of a CVUSD Invoice.

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