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Next Meeting Saturday, March 4th— 10 AM At The Flying Site



Sidney Jerome Denton

It is with great sadness I announce the passing of our beloved friend, Sid Denton.

I met Sid about 3 years ago...and I must say I liked him instantly! He was a feisty little guy with a huge presence and the heart of a giant!! Sid was a veteran of the Marie Corp, and I have the utmost respect for him and all that served. Sid loved flying with everyone at RCFU and just hanging out with his friends. He was loaded with stories and funny sayings that most of us chuckled at every time he said them.

Sid was born September 28th, 1943 and left us on February 13th, 2023 to go home to be together with his true love and wife, Sue

Sid you will be missed until we meet again; blue skies, Semper Fi

RCFU will have a plaque dedication and gathering in honor of Sid in the upcoming months. The date for this will be announced in the next club newsletter.

Services for Sid will be held Friday March 3rd at 11:00 AM at Lakewood Memorial Park, 900 Santa Fe Ave, Hughson if anyone would like to attend.

Sincerely Mike "Stewie" Stewart

President RCFU

Someone once said, "Some people came into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for a while and leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same."

When I think of Sid, I think of five things. Family, Friends, Fun, Faith, Future.

IMAC Contest March 10th and 11th-The field will be closed for sport flying on March 10th and 11th as RCFU will be hosting the first IMAC contest of the season. If the weather is prohibitive for the contest we will let you know that the field will be open to sport fly.

RCFU 26th Annual Swap Meet March 25th-The club will be hosting our 26th Annual Swap Saturday, March 26th, We will “officially” start the event at 7 AM but we will have the gate open at daybreak as sellers and buyers will be lined up at ready to enter. Seller’s fee is \$15. This is a great opportunity to recycle your old gear and maybe find something new for the 2023 flying season.

Take Pride in Our Flying Site-Please take some pride in keeping our flying site looking nice. When fueling your airplanes, whether on a table or on the ground, use a overflow tank capture your excess fuel. The club spent \$14,000 last March, half of which was donated by club members, having the seal coat applied to the runway and pit area. Now there are oil/fuel stains on the asphalt and the same is frequently left on the tables. This is NOT COOL. Nobody wants to put their equipment in someone else’s oily mess. This is not currently in the rules but is common courtesy and common sense. If the officers see you dumping fuel on the pavement we will say something and it will become a rule. Use common sense when fueling aircraft.

Wind and the Chairs-With recent winds the plastic chairs, those that remain, were found up against the barb wire fencing. After you are done using them, return them to the semi enclosed bar area under the east awning. That is about the safest place to put them. We are planning on buying more this Spring but lets try to make them last as long as possible.

Minutes for February 14th, 2023 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM by president Mike Stewart

17 members were present

Treasurer's Report

11/13/2022 thru 2/10/2023

Income \$10,100.24

Expenses \$1,377.48

Ron Lenci has put together a budget for 2023 runway maintaince based on the last 2 years history

Dave Russell made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented and the motion was approved.

Old Business-Nothing was discussed.

New Business

President Mike Stewart outlined the clubs events for 2023

March 11th and 12th-IMAC contest—Event director Mark Huntley

March 25th– The 26th annual RCFU Swap Meet-Shawn Lenci and Jack Cooke to host

April 15“Jets over the Sierras” Jet Rally-This event is for both EDF and Turbine aircraft-Mike and Joe S.

April 29th-EF-1, T-34, FMS Reno Racers-Race event-Joe Delateur-Event Director

May 20th-Warbird Round Up-Warbird aircraft of all types are welcome-Director to be named later

October 14th-RCFU Giant Scale-IMAA legal aircraft only-Jack Cooke-Event Director

Ron Lenci gave a report on renewing the club's charter with the AMA and also discussed RCFU's FRIA (FAA-Recognized Identification Area) application with the AMA. This application is to have our flying site approved by the FAA so that we are not required to have RID (Remote Identification Equipment) modules installed on our aircraft when the new FAA regulations go into effect September 2023.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:32 AM

RCFU 2023 Event Calendar

February

11 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

March

4 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

10-11-12 IMAC—Mark Huntley

25 RCFU Swap Meet—Jack Cooke and Shawn

April

1 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

15 Jets Over the Sierras—CD?

29 EF-1/T-34/Warbird Racing—Joe Delateur

May

6 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

11 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliot

13 Float Fly (Open)—Mike Stewart

18 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

20 Warbird Round Up—CD?

25 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

June

1 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

3 Float Fly (Open)—Mike Stewart

10 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

15 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

22 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

24 Float Fly (Open)— Mike Stewart

29 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

July

1 Field Closed July 4th Fireworks

6 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

7-8-9 IMAC Contest—Mark Huntley

13 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

16 Float Fly (Open)—Mike Stewart

20 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

27 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliot

August

3 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

5 Float Fly (Open)—Mike Stewart

10 Club Float fly—Dick Elliott

12 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

17 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

24 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

26 Float Fly (Open)—Mike Stewart

31 Club Float Fly—Dick Elliott

September

9 Meeting 10 AM-At the filed

30 EF-1/T-34/Warbird Racing—Joe Delateur

October

7 Meeting 10 AM-At the field

14 Giant Scale Fly-In- Jack Cooke

November

18 Meeting 10 AM-2024 Elections-At the field

18 Balloon Bust—Mike Stewart