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April 2015

The next MRCF Meeting will be on **WEDNESDAY**, 15 April 2015

Location: American Legion Hall 7815 Armour St.

Corner of Armour and Convoy St.

General Meeting at 7:00 PM

American Legion Hall at 7815 Armour Street.

**Hwy 163 TO BALBOA AVENUE, WEST TO CONVOY STREET, LEFT ON CONVOY TO
ARMOUR ST., TURN LEFT ONTO ARMOUR AND RIGHT INTO AMERICAN LEGION.**

ADDITIONAL PARKING IS ACROSS THE STREET AT CARQUEST.

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CLUB FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Any club member who wishes to have some assistance should call one of our designated instructors. There is no duty instructor at the field, so you must prearrange a time with someone on this list.

| Name | Number |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Richard Barndt | (858) 213-5740 |
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**It's going to be a very dry spring and summer. Please be aware of
the heat and fire hazard at the flying field.**

The Prez' Sez'

April is always a busy month for me. AMA Field Grants are out and I have to vote on them and AMA Hall of Fame voting is just around the corner, so lots of time and effort gets put into preparing for that. Then there's spring break, so Tami, Timothy and Kayla want to "go out and do family things" and once the East Coast starts thawing out I get to go to a lot more meetings in Norfolk and D.C. Lastly the model airplane event schedule really starts heating up and I know I'm really looking forward to Castle again this year (even having to take the red eye back from a meeting in D.C. can't keep me away.)

The local news and water agencies are all saying we're going to have a major drought this year. The upside is that since we won't have to spend as much time on our lawns we should have extra time this summer to build, but the downside is severely increased fire danger at the field. The turbine guys already know to check for Red Flag warnings before going to the field, with the increased risk of fire, it would behoove everyone to check for weather warnings and make sure you're prepared when you go to the field. I know some clubs are now requiring every member to have a personal fire extinguisher and first aid kit in their gear, and that's certainly encouraged, but at a minimum every member should know where the fire extinguishers are and how to get into the field tool shed to get a shovel if needed. We've had 2 fires at the field caused by shorted ni-cads, so there's a chance of fire from any airplane crash, being prepared takes just a small investment of time and money and you could prevent a fire at the field.

See you at the field

Jerry Neuberger

All hands on deck!...

Words from the Vice President

Its April already, time sure is flying by which is hard to understand. With the carpet pulled out from under the Civilian side of the club I been very busy in other areas of the hobby. With a world championship to plan for you can imagine how busy that can get, along with the local contests that have to be planned and participate in time does fly past. Now with that said it is time to remember what some of us long time Civilians did to fly at the field. The number one thing to do is make a friend with a Military member, with a good friendship with that member or even as many as possible, this will make it a lot easier to use the club. The number two item make it worthwhile for that Military member to take the time to be there with you. For me over the years it was lunch on me, helping put a model together etc., this made the friendships that I have enjoyed over the 20/21 years with the Miramar RC Flyers. It's time to work together to maintain the club membership. As a Civilian member do not expect the Military membership to babysit you at the club just because as a reason. They too what to enjoy their time at the club, moving on at this month's club meeting someone please bring in a model finished or not for MODEL of THE MONTH AWARD the club has the awards in hand and we really want to hand them out each month.

I would like to THANK those members that made it to last month's work party, many hands made for light work. We are getting the event calendar posted on the web, but at this time we may ask for a work party for this month, one Saturday after this month's club meeting.

I Thank the members for all you do,
Curtis Kitteringham

Call for articles!

If you have any article that you would like to share with the club, please send it to (insert name and email of person(s) to review here). Here are some examples of things we are looking for.

- Building tips / techniques
 - Custom build equipment / models
 - Custom / special application equipment for servicing / testing components
 - New gadgets / electronics
 - Articles on club events (Synopsis, Summaries of a club event, etc.)
 - Any topics that promote the hobby or club.
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18 March 2015

**Miramar Radio Control Flyers
Minutes of the Meeting**

American Legion Hall

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by Jerry Neuberger with the Pledge of Allegiance (with 24 attendees)

Treasurer: Brad Kuller – February financial report read, report approved by membership

Secretary: Mark Lukens – February meeting minutes reviewed, and approved by membership

Safety: Brian Werner – resigned as MRCF Board Member, Bob Frazier appointed as replacement by board of directors.

Field Marshal: Tom Pham – field cleanup Saturday, March 28 @ 9:00. Bring shovels, rakes.

Old Business:

Tractor tires not done yet.

Field Phone: new phone in possession, working to cut it over. No change in phone number.

Gold Leader Club awarded for year number 6. Thanks to Don Madison for completing the paperwork.

New Business:

Brian Werner resigned as safety officer. Bob Frazier to be the new safety officer.

Security Access: Back to access protocol where a military member must be present for civilian members to be present. No change in security procedures in the foreseeable future.

Longtime members Leroy Brooks and Dave Katagari passed away in the last month. Memorial services for Leroy Brooks will be at Miramar National Cemetery on April 16th @ 1PM

Civilian member request to eliminate the civilian participation worksheets. New member qualification and civilian participation worksheets are both responsibilities granted to membership committee by our bylaws. Motion to change the military to civilian ratio from 2-1 to 1-1, motion approved by membership.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 PM