



North San Diego County Vernon Payne Chapter 286

President: John Hubbard Vice President: Mike Talmadge Secretary: Rick Brown Treasure: George Pruitte

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 1, 2006 at 7:00 PM
AFR Hanger, Palomar Airport, Carlsbad

SPEAKER

Ron Watson
Sales Manager Zaon Flight Systems
Manufacturer of the XRX collision avoidance system.

MINUTES for May 4, 2006

The meeting was held at Palomar Airport. President John Hubbard called the business meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Guests: John Nelson and Okita Lancairs

Dinner was discussed and everyone thought it went well. We had \$15 left over

Treasurer: George Pruitte said he plans on putting last month account balance and activity in newsletter each month.

Alan Purdy brought some scales from Chapter 14 for \$100. Alan says the scales are accurate to 400 pounds. We voted to purchase the scales from him and George cut him a check for \$100.

Greg Butler told the members at the meeting that there are 125 new tie downs available at Palomar Airport on the north side of the runway with about 40 more to be added later. The tie down fee will be about \$165 per month. The people that lost their tie down during the building of the new hanger will have first choice. Oh goodie for them.

Editors note: Oceanside City Council is having a meeting to discuss raising tiedown fees at Oceanside. Is \$165/mo in the future there?

Speaker Lt. Col. Charlie Spicka

When Charlie joined the Air Force he wanted to fly fighters like all the guys that joined the Air Force but ended up in C130's then the AC 130 Gunship VIL the beginning of the gunship program that our ground troops so love and our enemies so fear.

He spent 5 years at Wright Field working on June 2006

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new projects and techniques such as helmet mounted sights. Then he moved to Pentagon to get 11 airplanes with gunship mods ready for combat. He retired as a Lt. Col. from the United States Air Force with 30 years of service and over 6000 hours of flight time. About 5000 hours of this was in AC 130 Gunships. He flew combat in Vietnam, Africa and Asia.

Monthly Account Balance	BALANCE
5/4/06 \$143 San Diego County	\$792.25
Rent Dec – Apr	
5/4/06 \$ 60 John Hubbard Stamps	\$732.25
5/6/06 \$78 Deposit – Manion \$ Wills	\$810.25
Dinner \$3 membership	
5/7/06 \$100 Alan Purdy – Scales	\$710.25
Checking Account Balance: 5/7/06	\$710.25

Did you know?

Only two airports have been built in the State of California in the last 20 years — both to replace existing facilities. Most of the state's small airports — many are former military facilities — were built in rural areas in the early 20th century. In the 1930s, the Los Angeles basin had 56 active municipal airports. Today, it has nine

In 1937 Don Luscombe was waiting for the Continental 4 cylinder 50 HP engine to become available. He had designed a 2-place side by side airplane called the Luscombe 8. It was constructed almost entirely of aluminum except for the wings that were metal covered by fabric. In 1939 when the 65 HP Continental became available he used it and the Luscombe now could support floats. Its empty weight was 665 lbs. With a useful load 535 lbs. for a gross of 1200 lbs. The plane cruised at 102 MPH with a 38 MPH stall. He built 1200 Luscombe all totaled before the war began. Are we going backwards with this new Light-Sport Category?

Editors Note: If anyone has something for the news letter email it to me OR someone volunteer to do the minutes of the meeting. Mike Talmadge's sweet wife had to do them this month and she wasn't even at the meeting!

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