



# FLIGHT LINE

**JUNE 2023**

**Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 6:00PM**

**Bruce Wallace Memorial Field, Oroville**

## GENERAL NEWS

The Bruce Wallace Memorial Field will host the June regular club meeting.

### **May Meeting Topic(s) of Interest:**

The topics of discussion at the May meeting were the June Surf-n-Turf Fun Fly and field repairs and upgrades.

### **Surf-n-Turf Fun Fly**

Larry Sheppard coordinated the Surf-n-Turf Fun Fly on June 10 and 11. Camping was available at the field though I think only Larry camped. On Saturday, 15-pilots registered and paid the \$25 landing fee. Several pilots from the Fernley/Fallon area came to fly. Larry said food costs had increased and the cost of lunch increased to \$7. I don't think anyone complained. Lunch consisted of hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and water or soda. The weather was great, a light breeze and high clouds. The float flying side of the field was getting heavy use. At one time, there were 5-float planes in the air. A few 'incidents' required the use of a rescue boat provided by one of the pilots. The rescue boat was set up to retrieve downed aircraft.





On Sunday, many local fliers returned to windier conditions. Bob and Jeff flew their helis laughing at the wind, while the fixed wing pilots waited for calmer conditions. The calmer conditions did not return and flying was sporadic. Jeff added 'wheels' to his heli in response to an editorial oversight, LOL!. Bill brought out his RC construction fleet and entertained us pushing gravel and ripping the parking lot. Bill had a dozer, haul truck, loader and excavator that were detailed, impressive and made of metal. These are not the Tonka's of your youth!

The Surf-n-Turf event was fun. It was great that out of town fliers stopped by to fly, and it was an event to reconnect and fly with club members. In addition, the event paid for itself with a little headed to the clubs treasury.



### Field Repair/Upgrades

Some of the field structures, flight stands, shade cloth, etc. need repair. Of note are the flight tables, they have weathered and the wood on the surface was rotting. Since the May meeting, Paul, Bob and Jeff to name a few, there may be more helpers, worked on the flight tables. Paul found a local business that made metal tops for the flight stands. All the metal tops were installed following the Fun Fly. The tables were cleaned up and painted prior to the metal top installation. They should provide years of service. Remember to wipe down the tables if you use wet fuels in you aircraft.



The shade cloth on the fixed structure was tearing loose; Jeff repaired it but stated that there is still more

work to be done to further secure the shade cloth. The shade cloth repairs may be completed by the June meeting.

The charging station tabletop has been replaced with a piece of marble supplied by Larry. Larry has more marble for tables and will need some help during the install.

Please thank these members noted above, Paul, Bob and Jeff, Larry and anyone else who has taken their time to make our field a great place to fly. Thanks from the OAC.

## CLUB STUFF

### May Meeting Recap

Nine members attended the meeting. Current membership estimated at 50+.

### Old Business:

- April minutes read and approved.
- No Old Business.

### Treasury Report:

- A report on the current funds was provided.

### New Business:

- Surf-n-Turf Fun Fly, June 10-11.
- Items at the field need repair, plane stands and the shade structure. (Most repairs/upgrades completed)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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## CLUB OFFICERS

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RC construction equipment. Battery powered with functional hydraulic controls. Incredible scale details including lights and sounds. Bill said there is a local group who meet near the Oroville Airport to operate their equipment. Contact Bill for more info.

