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### 2024

#### Executive Board Meeting Locations

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS  
WILL BE HELD AT THE CHURCH  
UNLESS FURTHER NOTIFIED.

Monthly SkyKnight meetings are held the second Monday of each month through May at the Mountainview Christian Church and at the field from June through September.

# UPDATE

April 6, 2024

## Field Work Party Fri/Sat April 6/7!

### A Message from Dennis Young:

“We have a load of gravel being delivered Saturday morning (4/7/24 sometime between 9am and 11am. Dan Burkett will be bringing his tractor out Saturday in the morning to do some site prep and help spread gravel.

Anyone wanting to come and help can bring rakes and shovels and maybe a wheelbarrow. Should be able to get everything spread out by noonish. **Ryan Ball, Marciano Cenicerros and I** will be out on Friday (4/6/24) around noon to move tables and chairs. Hope to see some smiling faces on Saturday morning.

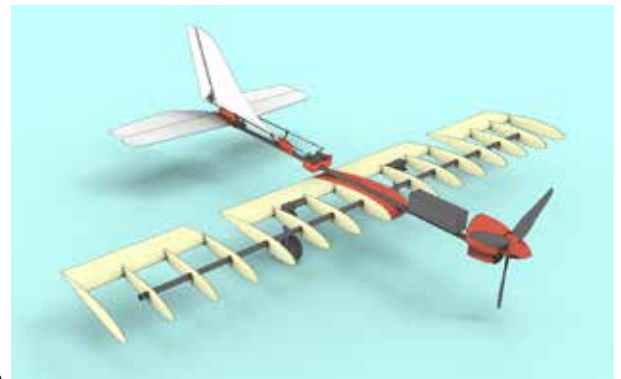
Here is the Facebook link if you want to comment, etc...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/152882401446902/permalink/7274346472633757>

## Winter Build Extravaganza! Sunday, April 28th!

Our world famous SPRING OPENER WINTERBUILD “contest” is moving right along and will be held on Sunday, *April 28th* with a workparty usually scheduled the day before. We have some excellent builds coming to show off, raffles for prizes and great food. Be sure to put it on your calendar. Fun usually starts about 9am but we will be there earlier. Here are some more entries already scheduled to be entered

“Better late than never and kicking it into high gear! My Winter Build will be a personal design called the “Sky Moth”. A low 1.3m wing trainer to compete with all of the T-28’s I see flying around. Will be borrowing heavily from two of my other nearly completed designs (tail from the Bush Stick V2 and general wing design from the Weekender). I still got a lot to do; mainly finishing the laser cut wood design for the wing and fuselage. I’m overtly confident that I will be able to cross the finish line with seconds to spare!”



Drew Shepardson-

## It's Dues Time Again!!

Gee, it seems like only yesterday that you received your superb new, shiny membership card for the SkyKnights. Get set, because the new one for 2024-25 is even better (and shinier).

The image was inspired by our illustrious secretary Steve Connors. After looking at all the dozens of cards we have already made over the years, Steve noted that we evidently never made one with a Corsair F-4. So here it is!

CHANGE!! Due to the problems involved with paying over the internet, the board now requires dues to be paid by **CHECK OR CASH ONLY** from now on. You can either give or send your dues to Membership Chairman Ken Manske or to Treasurer Steve Connors. Then, once your currency for AMA and Trust is checked, you will be made a personalized card and either mailed or given to you. Remember, the last day for dues currency is April 30th. Several people have already sent in their dues for 2024 so don't delay. To get an idea of where your dues goes, please read the excellent minutes of our board and general meetings.



**There are a lot of things going on at the Sky Knight field!! Come join us!**



## Skyknights General Meeting Minutes

Date: 03-11-2024

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 pm By: President Dennis Young

Meeting Adjourned 7:31 pm

Minutes (Read and approved)

**Treasury Report:** Checking: \$2641.77 Savings: \$4000.28 Raffle: \$565.65 Dennis made \$40.00 for the club with engraved tumbler sales.

**Membership Report:** Current number of members: 73 # Members in attendance: 16

### Old Business:

#### Holiday Party:

- Proposed to move the “holiday party” into flying season and hold it at the field. (Received a lukewarm reception.)
- Greg Marshall suggested holding it at Mountain View Church. (Need to check into details.)

### New Business:

#### Pine Hollow

Dale gave us an update:

- The Sherriff returned the marine board permit, Nick to sign it.
- Marc and/or Ken will email a copy of the score sheet.
- Marc made several copies available at tonight’s meeting.
- Marc is willing to barbeque, need to advise Pine Hollow ahead of time to get the grill.
- Club will supply meat and briquettes / charcoal.
- Potluck on Saturday evening.
- Confirmed that the entry fee is \$25.00.

### Field Discussion

Proposed that Tom purchase a new first aid kit to be installed into the frequency cabinet at the field

- Seconded and Passed.

Proposed that we upgrade the field Port-a-Potty:

- Seconded and Passed.

Dennis posted updates on *Internal Combustion Engine* day, and The *Spring Opener* on Facebook.

### Spring Opener:

Dennis mentioned work day ahead of Spring Opener, details upcoming by next General Meeting.

We want to memorialize past members, details will follow.

Briefly discussed safety official attire. Looks like we will be using orange vests.

### Miscellaneous projects:

- Need to check the tent(s) to see if they may be useful for Spring Opener, (Steve and Ryan)
- Create a Lipo Safety video and fire demonstration. Effectiveness of sand buckets?
- Drew Shepardson brought up building out a third charging station. Decided to table this until after auctions to better tell what our budget will be.

## Skyknights E-Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 04-01-2024

Members Present: Dennis Young, Marc Cenicerros, Tom Lincoln, Ken Manske, Steven Connors, Ryan Ball

Meeting Called to Order: 6:55 pm Meeting Adjourned: 7:55 pm

Minutes (Read and approved):

**Treasury Report:** Checking: \$ 3599.84 Raffle: \$ 360.67 (+ Dennis Cash) Savings: \$ 4000.43

Indoor Flying: Generated \$272.00. Merle won the cash prize of \$136.00. \$136.00 to general fund.

Bills: \$49.84 to service the port-a-potty.

Gravel to be purchased by Dennis at Boring Bark. Should be less than \$500.00

**Membership Report:** Current number of members: 22 Paid Members.

NOTE: Dues are due by the end of the month, or a \$10.00 late fee applies.

**Old Business:** Tom Lincoln procured and installed a new first aid kit into the Frequency Cabinet at the field. It includes four blood coagulant packets for severe cuts.

### New Business:

**Gravel:** Several members will do cleanup work at the field on Friday beginning at 3pm.

We return on Saturday at 8am to move gravel.

New Potty Chair: Explore ways to generate \$2400.00 to purchase an upgraded lew... Raffles, Auctions, direct donations??

### Special Project:

This Saturday after gravel work, setup several experiments with LiPo batteries. Video these to put together an educational presentation. Several scenarios will be covered, puncture, overcharge, etc. Goal is to educate on how to deal with a LiPo fire at the field. Drew, Steve will video. Steve can edit if no one else wants to.

**Indoor Flying:** Proposed to limit wingspan of aircraft to 24” or less. It’s a small space after all.

Also, need to find an alternate liaison with Mountain-view Church as Greg Marshall may be moving out of state.

**Main Gate Sign:** Make a new gate sign to reflect operating hours, and training schedule more clearly.

Also, add a QR Code that points to a Training / New Member Orientation page on our website.

(Marc Cenicerros to pass info along to Tiffani)

**New E-Board position:** Ryan Ball appointed to be “Skyknights Event Coordinator”

**New One Day Event:** Ryan will propose a one day Rotor craft only event for June 15th at Gen. Meeting.