

# TRI-VALLEY RC NEWS

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**NOTICE**

***NEXT MEETING IS FEBRUARY 7, 7:00 PM***

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***Veterans Memorial Community Center***

**EDITOR'S COMMENTS:** As I take on the responsibility of our club monthly newsletter, I have given much thought to what I would like it to be. The reality is that it will be what the club makes it to be. As a minimum, I hope to continue the President's corner and meeting minutes. Beyond that, some notes on safety, some hints and tips, and even some member articles on specific topics will make the newsletter much more interesting. We can incorporate these and other items you may suggest – it all depends on the club members' interest and cooperation.

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER:** Well, it's a new year and as we all are looking forward to another great new year of a hobby we all enjoy, with it comes hope for a new field.

As we start this year, we must remember that this is a club for all and not for one or two. If the club is going to grow, we all need to take an active part. Many are retired and as such, have more time than others to assist. I am hoping to set up several committees this year in an attempt to get a better flying site. We need one or two people to visit the county clerks' office, on

Betteravia Rd., to research owners' names of possible flying site properties. This is very easy and only takes 20-30 mins. per month. We need a fund raising committee. This doesn't have to be too intensive except to come up with ideas for fund raising. I need help on meeting days and evenings to set up the room at the Vets Hall as well as purchasing raffle prizes. As I am still working in the LA and San Francisco areas, it is extremely difficult to get back in town in time for the meetings much less to get these other things done. Devin Wheeler has agreed to try to have a fun fly each quarter. He needs help. If anyone can help in any of the aforementioned items please give me a call. You can reach me almost anytime on my cell phone at 805-268-4975.

We already have had some new members this year and I know of at least one or two more that will be coming on board. Please welcome the new folks and help them in any way possible. Now, let's have some fun!

Ken Van Corbach, President

### **JANUARY 2007 MEETING MINUTES (Provided by Jerry Miller):**

President Ken Van Corbach opened the meeting at 7:00

Returning member Wally [Howater ?] was introduced and welcomed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The 7 day CD balance is \$27,634.79.  
The checking account balance is \$2215.18.

**Safety Officer Report:** President Van Corbach reported that he has observed park flyers flying in an unsafe manner (not at our field). He has a concern that when they do fly at our field that they will have to unlearn some bad habits.

**Web Site Report:** No report

**Fun-Fly Report:** Devin [Wheeler] the CD (Contest Director) has agreed to do one contest per quarter. He could use some volunteers to help with planning and execution.

**Old Business:** 1. President Van Corbach reports that good things are happening with the field search. 2. There is one club jacket left for sale, size small.

**New Business:** 1. Dues are to be paid by February. 2. Frank George will take over the newsletter editing job. 3. President Van Corbach proposed to eliminate the \$50 initiation fee. The proposal was not supported.

**Show and Tell:** No report.

**Crash of the Month:** The award went to Herman Obrikat as a result of his airplane colliding with Frank Bognuta's. Frank's plane was destroyed.

**50-50 Drawing:** Bob Allington won the drawing.