

TRI-VALLEY RC NEWS

January 2008

Club Mailing Address: TRI VALLEY R/C MODELERS, P. O. Box 1402, Santa Maria, CA 93455

Web Site: <http://www.trivalleyrcmodelers.com>

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Ken Van Corbach 934-1834

Secretary: Jerry Miller 934-1396

Vice President: Frank George 929-2045

Treasurer: Cornel Krintz 938-5507

Safety Officer: Mark Serio 934-1967

Web Master: Al Montalbano

Flight instructors

Jay Dangourian.....349-0210

Larry Schlagel.....937-8611

Jim Oberst.....349-0285

Newsletter Editor: Frank L. George

Santa Maria Airport automated weather report: 928-0384 or 121.15 MHz.

NOTICE

***NEXT MEETING IS FEBRUARY 6, 7:00 PM
Veterans Memorial Community Center, Santa Maria***

NOTICE

EDITOR'S COMMENTS: This newsletter is being distributed using the 2007 active member roster. **2008 Dues are now payable to the Treasurer. I will update the mailing list to 2008 paid up members in March.** If you change your e-mail, or any other pertinent information, it is your responsibility to inform the club in order to continue receiving the newsletter and other mailings. Also, I am trying to update the RC frequency usage list (see the last page of the newsletter). Please look at your copy of the roster, and if there is no record of your RC channels, or if the channels listed need to be updated, please send the information to me. Include 2.4 GHz if you have one of those radios. This is to help you and other club members to select channels that are not already crowded. Please use the following e-mail address for club newsletter comments and correspondence to the editor: tvrcc@charter.net .

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: February is almost here and time for another meeting. This time I promise to be there and won't get stuck in San Diego again. I encourage everyone to attend the February 6 meeting as we finally have a tentative agreement with the Elks, which we will discuss and explain in length. Bob Allington had a good contact with the Elks maintenance crew and

between the two of them, swayed the Elks club powers that be, and came away with a trial agreement. Good job Bob! Lets get behind this effort. Everyone needs to be involved it will be a monumental task to get our flying area set up. We will need to establish new committees etc. to make it all work. **Don't miss the meeting!!!**

Jim Oberst (Stubby) has once again removed a portion of his finger thanks to a propeller. I guess you can't teach an old dog new tricks. {*Ed. Note: they just keep doing the old ones.*} Flying seems to be pretty smooth of late, as no other major mishaps have been reported.

The Santa Maria Times has conducted the first interview for a potential feature on our club. We will have an additional interview as well as pictures for an upcoming issue. We are not sure when the photographer and the weather can get together at the field but it will be soon. Stand by for any calls to come out and fly for pictures. In the meantime, keep the wheels down and the rudder up!

NOVEMBER 7, 2007 MEETING MINUTES: (From Secretary Gerald Miller)

The meeting was opened at 7:05 PM by Secretary Gerald Miller

Other officers present: Cornel Krainz, Treasurer.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the November 2007 meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: The 7 day CD balance is \$30,190.39. (Funds returned from field development checking balance.)
The checking account balance is \$5,063.60.

Web Master Report: Bob Allington will maintain the web site with support from Al Montalbano. The roster needs to be updated and the new member application form needs work. Bob will be the contact for any changes. The classified ads currently on the site will be deleted and Bob will put up any new ones that the members desire.

Safety Report: Jim Oberst injured his finger in a propeller. Members are reminded that vigilance prevents such occurrences. Pilot qualifications are ongoing; all of our members who did not re-qualify last year need to do so before May 2008. Al Montalbano has created a sign format on his computer with emergency contact numbers. One of the members agreed to have a sign made up from this format to post at the field.

Contest Director Report: No report.

Field Committee Report: There was general discussion about the situation with the Elks and field search in general. Bob Allington said that a friend of his, Ron Johnson, the concession manager for the Elks, is still trying to change the Elks' earlier decision. Chuck told us that the airport wants us to remove the storage unit and our other property, or pay rent for the space. Wes Vosburg said that he has room to store the things on a property he owns in Nipomo. Larry Schlager and other volunteers will move the items.

LATE BREAKING NEWS: Preparation work is underway on the flying site at the Elks' property -- stay tuned!

Old Business: None to discuss.

New Business: None to report.

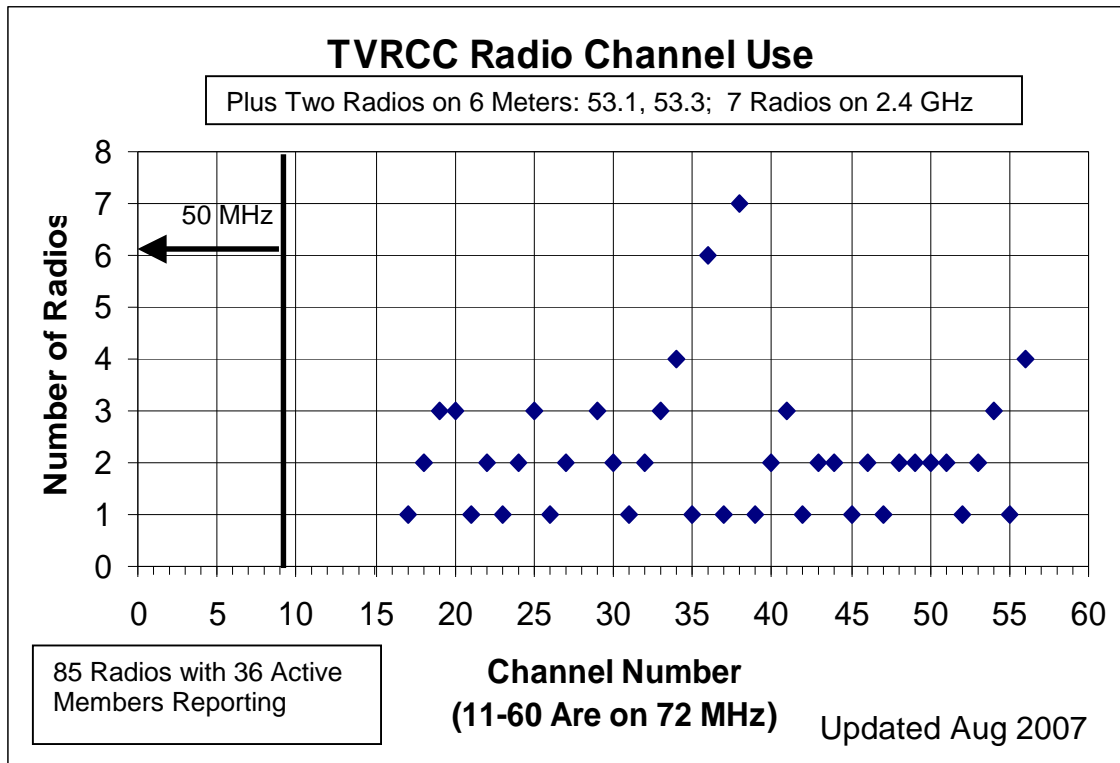
Crash-of-the-month: Jim Oberst was voted the winner.

Show and Tell: Nothing.

50-50 Drawing: Not reported.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30

Current RC Frequency Utilization



The club had 54 active members in 2007 so the chart above is missing data from 18 members!