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## HSS PLANE RAP NEWSLETTER

The next General Meeting will be in person on Tuesday October 5, 2021 at 7 PM. See P.11 of this newsletter for instructions and map.

The field remains closed until further notice.

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### Coming Events and Soaring Competitions.

October 2021- December 2021

- Monthly General Meeting 7 PM Tuesday 5 Oct. 2021. Nominations of 2022 HSS Officers. See details P.11.
- Monthly Steering Committee Meeting 6-7 PM Tuesday 5 Oct 2021. See details P.11.
- Sunday Oct 17, 2021 One design rubber powered free flight competition held at Sepulveda Flood Basin.
- Monthly General Meeting 7 PM Tuesday Nov 2, 2021. Election of 2022 HSS Officers. See details P.11.
- Monthly Steering Committee Meeting 6-7 PM Tuesday Nov 2, 2021. See details P.11.
- The field is closed until further notice.



**HSS Steering Committee Meeting Minutes, Tuesday September 7, 2021.**

The monthly Steering Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday September 7, 2021 at the Round Table Pizza Restaurant, 1175 Baker Street Costa Mesa. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by President Mike Costello. Attendance included:

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| Joni Whatsitt, Treasurer.       | Kevin Koch, Safety Coordinator.   |
| Mike Gaczowski, Publisher.      | Sid Hood, Grounds Keeper.         |
| Don Wittenberg, Past Treasurer. | Fred Hesse. Secretary and Editor. |
| Henry Smith III, Vice President |                                   |

The meeting was opened at 6:10 PM by Mike Costello.

- Mike Costello brought up the possibility of requesting another Tag Grant from the AMA. Joni brought up the point that since we were applying for a 501c7 non-profit corporation, we were not allowed to take grants from the AMA. If we were categorized as a 501c3 corporation, we could request a grant.
- The question of whether HSS should have a Christmas party this December was put to a vote. Everyone unanimously agreed that we should. It was agreed that we would again have it at Woody's Diner where it has been held the past several years. Fred Hesse was put in charge of making arrangements. See announcement elsewhere in this newsletter.
- Comments were made that the November meeting is the point where we elect officers for 2022. The December meeting and Christmas party is where next year's officers are installed. Mike Costello will compose an E-mail message inviting candidates for the 2022 year. Mike Gaczowski will send that message to all members.
- The order for Sig Cub models has been delayed. To assist event participants in getting their models prepared for the competition. Dave Gee has volunteered to sell HSS eight kits. Henry Smith will pick them up and distribute them to members involved in the competition. HSS will repay the Black Sheep Squadron when our order comes in.

The meeting was closed at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Fred Hesse, Secretary.

**General Meeting Minutes, Tuesday September 7, 2021.**

The monthly General Meeting was held on Tuesday September 7, 2021 at the Round Table Pizza Restaurant, 1175 Baker Street Costa Mesa. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Mike Costello.

In attendance were all officers listed above plus:

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| Gary Gough.      | Jo Gough.          | Charles Billstrom. |
| Rob Askegaard.   | Ron Jongeling.     | Vynce Paradise.    |
| Ralph Siegfried. | Charlie Siegfried. | Randy Wilbur       |

- The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance.
- Mike Costello reported that the application for a 503c3 non-profit corporate tax status is progressing. It needs approval by state of California, after which it will be sent to the IRS.
- Mike C invited all HSS members to the Costa Mesa City Council meeting to be held on Tuesday September 21 at 6:00 PM. It is critical to have as many members present as possible.
- Fred Hesse announced the Huntington Beach Air Show will be held Friday through Sunday November 1-3. The event is free to the public. Just show up at the shore line at the foot of Beach Boulevard.



**General Meeting Minutes, Tuesday September 7, 2021. (Continued)**

- Joni Whatsitt announced the Chino Air Show to be October 30-31. Editor's note: This event has since been cancelled, unfortunately.
- Rob Askegaard reported that the restored B-29 "Doc" will be on display and making demonstration flights at Yanks Air Museum in Chino, on Friday through Sunday September 24-26.

**Show and Tell**

- Rob Askegaard showed a video of past member Bob Goff flying his Grumman Albatross on a lake in Minnesota.
- Vynce Paradise showed his plane based on the Sea Fury. He has added retracts, and extended the nose to give better balance.
- Ron Jongeling showed his Klingburg flying wing. It was not covered, revealing some very nice woodwork.
- Several hardbound books on aviation were distributed to interested attendees.

Mike C. reminded members that 2022 officer nominations will be made at the October meeting. Officer elections will be made at the November meeting, and officer installations will occur at the December Christmas party.

The meeting was concluded at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Fred Hesse – Secretary.

**City of Costa Mesa Council Meeting Comments, Tuesday September 21, 2021.**

On Tuesday September 21, 2021, the City Council of Costa Mesa met to determine the status of model aircraft flying at Fairview Park. The meeting began at 6:00 PM and it was midnight before they got around to addressing HSS. A number of HSS members attended, and spoke before the City Council.

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|----------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Mike Costello  | Henry Smith III     | John Rittenhouse  |
| Vynce Paradise | Ralph Siegfried     | Charles Siegfried |
| Mat Garcia     | Ted Brough          | James Peterson    |
| Don Wittenberg | Charles Billstrom   | Fred Hesse        |
| Gary Gough     | Anita Gough (Guest) | Rob Askegaard     |

Following are comments from some of our members.

**Mike Costello**

Well, the axe finally fell.

Last night, a bunch of us attended the Costa Mesa City Council meeting, in hopes they would follow the recommendation of the PACS Commission to restore flying at our historical site, with the long term possibility of eventually moving to the east side, in the middle of the train layout. Alas, they instead voted to kick us out of Fairview Park while they study other locations. One suggestion was the Fairview Development Center, but a quick glance at Google Maps shows this property to be completely developed, with no large tract of open land.

Council voted to allow glider flying on the west side, but no mention was made as to how we are supposed to get them into the air. The winch lines used to stretch across a vernal pond, so that's out. The slope lift was destroyed years ago by the grove of non-native trees, so that's out. I guess we need to learn how to do discus launch. Note that we are NOT cleared to go flying tomorrow. City staff needs time to modify the rules, city ordinance, permit process, etc. etc. etc. Their best guess last night was 12-18 months.

Looks like we need to drive to the other area fields: Whittier Narrows, Sepulveda Dam, Black Star Canyon, or Trabuco Canyon. Sorry I didn't have better news, but know that we did the best we could.



**City of Costa Mesa Council Meeting Comments, Tuesday September 21, 2021 (Continued).**

Don Wittenberg

Here is Andrea Marr's motion that carried, at midnight:

"Include in master plan update a more broad analysis for flying . Identify other sites - Fairview developmental center. Permit gliders only going forward in park".

Mayor Pro Tem, Andrea Marr, who met last month with Mike, Henry and me at the park, gave the council a way to kick the can further down the road. They don't really want to make a decision. They can hope to appease all parties.

Henry, you asked for thoughts:

I doubt if most members of the council understand that it is not possible to return to flying gliders off the bluff. How will we launch gliders? Today, Kevin described a "Quick Start?" elastic band, one hundred feet long, that is connected to the glider, stretched to three hundred feet and then released. The glider can reach 100 ft or more altitude. Then you hope to find a thermal or return to the airfield to land. It may be harder than ever to stay within bounds of a smaller flying zone. Sounds to me that would require a lot of skill and would end up in more crashes on the mesa.

Wait 'til they figure out that most people will want to fly electric motor gliders. Also, there is the argument that large gliders circling silently over the mesa resemble raptors, probably more than our electrics.

Who is going to be the "HSS marshal" to enforce the rules at all times that the field is open? Don't ask me.

I don't think the east side of Placentia is practical. I'm thankful to those who tell us where to go. Mile Square is a pipe dream. I look forward to the Council's finding another place in Costa Mesa for an airfield. Good luck with that.

With the inefficiency of government, I don't doubt the \$80,000 cost that Cynthia estimated to update the use agreement and other documents to reopen. I think I heard an estimate of \$100k to move to the east side of the park.

Who has the stomach to refight this every year?

HSS lives to fight another day.

After lunch with a beer I feel a little better.

Vynce Paradise

We came really close to being closed down for good. The vote to do that was half way done.

At least with the revised resolutions that got proposed by the pro tem mayor and then passed (much to the annoyance of some of our determined opposition) we are still in with a shout and a claim on the existing site. The Parks Committee don't have the go ahead to clear the site.

The glider only solution from the council is either a clever one that doesn't look like they threw us out, but keeps us more or less out of practical operation for the foreseeable future, or they simply don't know much about gliders and thought it was an OK compromise. Last night it seemed like the latter but now I am not so sure. Either way it "punts" the final decision out again to the new Master Plan deliberations in CY22

I would say we work out what the minimum effort required is to hang in there and try to get a better solution with public input to next years updated master plan. If we give it up now we are done for.

Matt Garcia

Yes, I understand the issues with it being glider only field and some creativeness will be necessary. There are a few ways to launch a glider, and we have access to a lot of resources to make something happen.

From what I thought I heard last night, the field is to be re-opened as soon as possible without the time restrictions or 6 month limitations from Option 1.

What time constraints were in place prior to the field being closed due to Covid?

Matt Garcia (Second comment)



**City of Costa Mesa Council Meeting Comments, Tuesday September 21, 2021 (Continued).**

Kyle and I think it is imperative, from a legal perspective, to get a presence back at the field as soon as possible.

The city council's motion last night did not give us everything we wanted, but they did pass that glider flying can resume now, once the paperwork is in place.

I know you and the club have been in this battle much longer than I have. I am interested in helping more where I can. Kyle and I agree that we have a solid legal basis to fight from. We are happy to discuss more with you and get a little more organized.

Henry Smith III

Matt, First of all thank you for taking the time to speak at the meeting last night. I agree, we must continue to work with the city with the goal of getting something open. Problem is we were in renewal talks with the city when Cynthia came on board and still talking now she is gone.

From an Aviation standpoint the field as operated before shutdown was not very useful for gliders. 400 ft hard ceiling is not attractive to pilots flying larger gliders. My guess is permission for mowing the winch trail will be difficult to obtain. This essentially means discus launch only. Not real useful for training young people. Complicated by only a few open hours on weekends. Young people in school can't come out when school is in session. Field is closed due to nesting during months when school is out. All a neat way to shut the field.

Anyway, we should get together and discuss the legal side of this in near future.

John Rittenhouse (My two cents)

Henry brings up some good points. The mayor is certainly "risk adverse" I think his (and the whole council) major concern, was the possible liability to the City as a result of a "take" incident as suggested by the enclosed USFWS document. This is a subject that will have to be dealt with. On that subject the other side was not entirely honest. I don't want to go into details now, but if you review the USFWS pdf I sent yesterday (included again, see attached). You will note that model aircraft were not mentioned... However, you will notice "Pedestrians, Dogs, bicycles" are mentioned. Cynthia, Jason and the others implied we are the culprits. However they knew full well that we are not included as a vector for peril as it relates to the Fairy shrimp.

Going forward...

As I see it, our greatest jeopardy going forward, is sustaining the burden of presenting our case. Speaking for myself, it has been three LONG years of an unceasing effort... I'm tired, we are all tired of unceasing negotiations. As Henry suggest... is it worth the effort? For now, I say yes... Long term I'm not so sure. It appears that our field MAY revert to only glider operations (the specifics of which are unclear). Therefore, I suggest we request the glider contingent to participate in the negotiations and possible field renovations (Yep, I know this is a long shot). (I've Included them as recipients of this email). In the following days/weeks/months we will get more guidance from City Hall regarding timelines and the degree of glider operations permitted.

Henry Smith III (second comment)

Politics is a rough & tumble game. We were neatly outmaneuvered by the mayor.

So at some nebulous time in future the field might re-open as glider only. Few days / week with limited hours although the hours should be Off or gliders.

Can we mow for a winch line? If not hand launch might be the only option. I doubt the city will sell many permits.

Is this offer worth the effort for the club to attend several years of meetings in order to have a restricted glider only field? Thoughts please.

Henry Smith III (third comment)

Nothing will happen in a hurry. Costa Mesa is now searching for Cynthia's replacement. Let's hope the replacement is not worse.

The Daily Pilot article was pretty close to what happened.





**City of Costa Mesa Council Meeting Comments, Tuesday September 21, 2021 (Continued).**

The actual motion adopted will be whatever the City Clerk writes in the minutes which should come out next week.

I think the club banner needs to be carried forward by the new administration who will be on the job soon. I wrote to Matt thanking him for showing up and speaking.

**Chino Air Show Cancelled**

Joni Whitsitt reported that the Chino Air Show which was scheduled for October 30 – 31 has been cancelled.

**December Meeting and Christmas Party**

The December meeting will be Tuesday December 7 at Woody's Diner, 10136 Adams Avenue. Phone is 714-965-4555. This is located on the Southeast corner of Adams and Brookhurst, in Huntington Beach. This is in place of the usual General Meeting at Round Table Pizza. This HSS Christmas party and 2022 officer installation will be from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. We will have a semi-private back room, as we had last year. There is a full bar. They have asked that we have a single group check, so it is strongly suggested that everyone bring cash for your dinner and drinks. RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE with Henry Smith III (714-322-6537) as we did last year.

Come join us to celebrate Christmas, enjoy the camaraderie of club members, and install our HSS officers for 2022. We will have a spectacular raffle of neat planes and stuff.

**Glider Photos Seen Previously**

Rob Askegaard has provided a collection of members and their gliders.



Glider Photos Seen Previously. (Continued)





**One Design Rubber Powered Competition**

HSS has been challenged to a one design rubber powered free flight model competition. The challenge is described below. If you are interested, contact Mike Costello. Mike will make a bulk procurement.

**Will the HSS accept the Club Challenge?****Black Sheep Squadron has thrown down the Gauntlet!**

Our club challenges your club to a group-contest during the upcoming SIG Cub national postal meet. This contest is a one-design event for stock rubber-powered SIG Cub models. SIG Cub kits are available from Sig at a group discount.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XD3rFRntAxk>

We will all fly at the infamous Grassy Knoll free-flight area on 8am till blown-out, October 3, 2021. This is a small but pleasant flying field, close-by the main Sepulveda Basin RC airport. Bring a folding chair and table.

The scores from each club's participants will be totaled and averaged to determine the winning club. Single best flight is your score.

Since it's a long drive for HSS pilots, we will provide beverages and doughnuts at the field.

We know you're having serious problems with your flying site, and we hope that this outing will help remind everyone of why we're in this hobby: it's FUN!



-from your friends,  
The Black Sheep Exhibition Squadron





**One Design Rubber Powered Competition (Continued)**

While Mike Costello has not yet taken delivery of our order for Sig Cubs, here is a status of the event. The following are HSS members who have committed to competing. Contact your President or Editor to have your name included.

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|-----------------|---------------|
| Mike Costello   | Rob Askegaard |
| Henry Smith III | Fred Hesse    |
| Kevin Koch      | John Anderson |
| Jordan Lapin    | Jim Peterson  |

We need to add our hot shot free flighters including Emerald Herrington, Dale Tower, and ??

Note that the flyer has a link to a 20 minute video on how to build. That link is:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XD3rFRntAxk>

Delivery of a bulk order has not been made. See comments in the President's Message.

Subsequent to the challenge, your editor responded to Black Sheep Squadron as follows.

OK as any typical competitor would ask, how stock is stock? Following are a number (but not all) of the aircraft specifications that could be subject to refinement.

1. Motor. 1/8" only (or possibly 3/16")?. How long and how many strands to the motor? What about competition indoor rubber?
2. Is rubber lube legal?
3. Can a hand carved balsa prop be used? Are folding props allowed?
4. Can lighter wheels be used. Is ROG required? Can the landing gear be omitted?
5. What types of covering are allowed?
6. Can structural modifications be made? Lighter spars with carbon reinforcement?
7. Changes in flight surface area and/or shape? Modified airfoil?

I don't mean to be a troublemaker, but after all, our club's reputation is at stake. Sunny Regards, Fred Hesse  
Dave Gee, President of Black Sheep Squadron, responded as follows.

Any size motor, lubed or not. Stock diameter plastic prop, non folding. No gadgetry. Stock airframe, subtle changes OK. Any covering. Hand launch because ROG is a pain for older guys, but gear and wheels must be present 'cause that's part of a stock airframe. Any wheels if stock diameter. Any airfoil, but the stock one works pretty good on this ship.

This challenge was initiated in early July, but now, time is running out, so sign up soon. **The schedule has been extended. The event will be October 17, from 8 AM.**

**HSS Membership**

Our 2022 HSS membership enrollment season is running full speed. The latest membership application, dated 2022, is included in the last pages of this newsletter. This can be mailed to our post office box shown on the last page, or given to a club officer. Alternately, HSS and AMA membership applications can be obtained from any club officer, or available on our club web site at [www.harborsoaringsociety.org](http://www.harborsoaringsociety.org). Applicants must be members of the AMA prior to joining HSS. AMA Membership applications can also be obtained at the AMA web site [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org), download document No. 902 from the publications page. Or you can apply on line. If you renew your AMA membership online, be sure to print the receipt that they provide as proof that you joined. And, don't forget your City of Costa Mesa Flying Permit. Details are shown on one of the following pages of this newsletter.



## HSS Planned Activities and Events

Thanks to John Rittenhouse for the preparation of the following Calendar of Events. Note this has been updated since last published in March 2020. Some of the activities have not been cancelled yet, but are subject to cancellation at a moment's notice.

### Repeating activities include:

- Monthly General Meetings - 7 to 9 PM on the first Tuesday of each month. These are now in person.
- Monthly Steering Committee Meetings - 6 to 7 PM on the first Tuesday of each month. These are now in person. Additional meetings to be planned as required.
- Flying field maintenance on an as-needed basis.
- Quarterly meetings with the Orange County Parks Department. Coordinated by Theresa Sears.

### Singular events:

- September 2022 FRIA (FAA Recognized Identification Area) application submission start date.

### Annual Events:

- 2.10.2023 Wix, website management payment due.
- 3.23.2024 Wix, harborsoaringsociety.org domain name re-registration payment due.
- 7.2023 Network Solutions, website domain name re-registration payment due.
- March AMA charter and "Gold Leader Club" renewal.
- March Club must purchase "Certificate of Liability Insurance" from AMA.
- April Imaginology - This is a public service event held at the Orange County Fairgrounds. HSS provides booths containing static displays of model aircraft, build and fly paper gliders, and model flight simulators.
- June Southern California Soaring Clubs (SC-2) glider competition. HSS hosts local glider clubs, for one of the monthly events held throughout Southern California.\*
- July Concerts at the Park - Three evenings on Tuesday nights in July at Fairview Park. Music is sponsored by the City of Costa Mesa. HSS supports this public service event with a pop-up sunshade, and static display of model aircraft.
- July Bent Wing Glider Competition. This event is open to all club members and guests.\*
- August National Model Aviation Day. Open house, demonstrations, free flying lessons, and acquiring donations for charity.\*
- August Dollar Foam Design/Build/Fly competition. Tentative schedule. Aircraft are original designs, electric powered RC models made from a single sheet of paper backed 1/4" foam. Performance criteria to be determined.
- September Electric Fun Fly Competition. Tentative schedule. Multiple events are planned for club members and guests.
- October Pumpkin Festival/Scarecrow Competition. This is a public service activity for HSS. It is planned by the city, to be held at the Orange County Model Engineers railroad facility in Fairview Park.
- October Nominations made for new club officers.
- November New club officer election. General Meeting.
- December Christmas party and new club officer installation. Location to be determined.

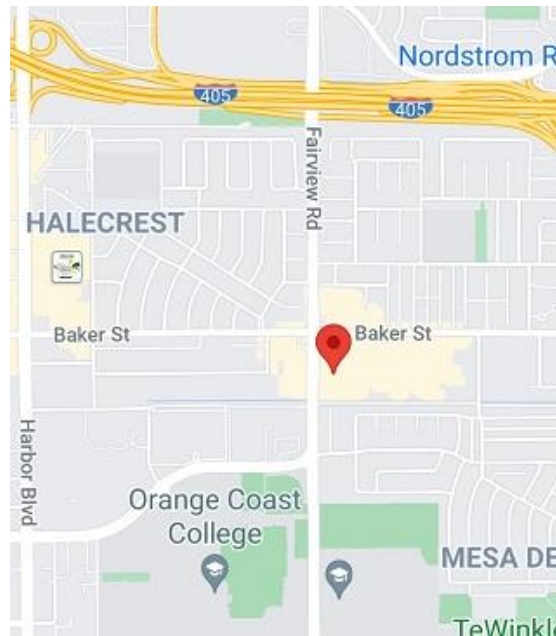
\* Note: Historical events are not currently scheduled, and are included for reference purposes only!



**Next Meeting – Live in Person!**

Live in person HSS General Meetings have been reinstated. Hooray! We are returning to our normal schedule where we meet on the first Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 PM at the Round Table Pizza restaurant located at 1175 Baker Street, at the South East corner of Baker and Fairview. They have a meeting room but no buffet. Individual pizzas and drinks can be ordered. Phone is 714-549-2101. Bring your favorite plane for show-and-tell. Bring your wife, family, and friends. There may be a raffle. The new location map is shown at right.

The monthly HSS Steering Committee meeting is held from 6 to 7 PM just prior to the General Meeting.

**Free Plane Rap Copies**

Rob Askegaard has free near new color copies of HSS Plane Rap newsletters from 2005 through 2017 that he would like to give away. Contact Rob at the monthly meetings or 714-873-7710. [rmaskegrd@gmail.com](mailto:rmaskegrd@gmail.com).

**Invitation To Members For Contributions To The Plane Rap Newsletter**

Your editor would love to hear from club members. If there is anything you would like to share with the rest of us I would like you to send it to me. I will add it to the next newsletter. My favorite things to publish are items sent in by members!! These can be anything like reviews of your plane or equipment, links to good videos, links to articles, and things you have built or created. Bad spelling and/or grammar gladly accepted. Anything from a picture with a caption to a full blown build/review article is good. Letters-to-the-Editor are always welcome as well. Tell us what you think. Please help make the newsletter and website more interesting with your submissions. Embarrassing pictures/videos are the best. I look forward to hearing from you.

Fred Hesse - Plane Rap Editor - [fhesse@socal.rr.com](mailto:fhesse@socal.rr.com).

**Photos of Your Planes**

We are very fortunate to have Rob Askegaard as our club photographer. Rob has a high degree of talent, and supplements that with an excellent camera. His well composed and very realistic photos taken at ground level and his remarkable stop action in-flight pictures are superb. Rob's contributions are what make our newsletter really spectacular. We try to feature everyone and their planes, so if you haven't seen yourself in our newsletter, look for Rob just about any morning and pose for him. Anyone who wishes a high quality print or jpg file of their favorite plane should contact Rob, or your editor. Phone and E-mail information is shown on the last page of this newsletter.





**Free Flight Models at the Park**

Emerald Herrington reports he flies rubber power free flight in Fairview on Sunday mornings. He would appreciate company. Starting around 7:30 or so until 10:00.

**HSS Sponsors**

The following companies are proud sponsors of Harbor Soaring Society. They give us special offers, and make contributions to our monthly raffles. In return, please support them, and mention that you saw them advertised in the HSS Plane Rap newsletter.

**AirPixel Technologies/FrSky Distributor**

I just wanted to reach out on behalf of FrSky, as we are working directly with the manufacturer to do some community outreach to aviation clubs that are close to us here in Southern California, as provided by the AMA Club list. If anyone who happens to be a part of your club or organization is looking to purchase any number of **FrSky radios, receivers, gimbals, or other FrSky products**, we would love to assist in fulfilling these needs. During this outreach, we will be **lowering our prices to assist local clubs** in obtaining the necessary gear to get members flying as soon as possible. If you or anyone in your club is looking for products of this variety to assist in your RC aspirations, please do not hesitate to contact us via email or at our office phone number, which I will attach below, where we can answer questions regarding sales and warranty questions, and assist with any and all FrSky product related technical difficulties that you or your club members might run into. Thanks so much for keeping the hobby alive and I look forward to hearing from you! -Brock

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We all have been concerned about the status of Rob's R/C Hobbies. Your editor recently called and is happy to report that the sale went through. HSS members are encouraged to deal with Rob's as we have quite a shortage of hobby shops in our area.

**ROB'S R/C HOBBIES****Sales / Parts / Repair****Radio Control Airplanes, Helicopters, and Cars.****15071 Goldenwest St. Huntington Beach****S.W. Corner of Goldenwest & Bolsa Ave****(714) 372-3777**

All HSS Club members with proof of club membership, will get a 10% discount on most parts and accessories. Discount does not apply to plane kits, helicopter kits, radios, and other already marked down products. Please ask staff if you have any further questions.

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2022

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### Harbor Soaring Society

AMA Chartered Club #128 - AMA's Oldest Chartered Soaring Club

P.O. Box 1673 Costa Mesa, CA 92628

I understand that by applying for membership in the Harbor Soaring Society I must be a current member of the AMA (Proof of status required, may be photocopy of membership card or AMA receipt of fees paid)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ AMA # \_\_\_\_\_

FAA Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Registration \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ New Applicants (Without Name Tag) (all ages): \$25.00
- ☐ Adult Member (Renewal Without Name Tag) (19 years and older as of July 1st): \$25.00
- ☐ Junior Member (Without Name Tag) (19 years and under as of July 1st): \$10.00
- ☐ Family Member (Without Name Tag) (At Same Address): \$5.00
- ☐ Optional or Extra HSS Name Tag: \$15.00
- ☐ I hereby give my permission to publish my [Name], [Address], [Phone], [Email Address] in the \_\_\_\_\_ monthly Newsletter. **Strike out those not to be published.** Note that the Newsletter is published \_\_\_\_\_ on the club Website (<http://www.harborsoaringsociety.org>)
- ☐ I request a printed copy of the monthly Newsletter by U.S. Mail. Printing and Mailing: \$20.00/year

My primary interests in radio control flying are? Check all that apply. Show future interests with the letter F.

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| Thermal Duration Gliders _____      | Slope Soaring Gliders _____     | RES Gliders _____            |
| Large Scale Gliders _____           | Hand Launched Gliders _____     | Electric Motor Gliders _____ |
| Park Flyer Electric _____           | Acrobatic Electric Planes _____ | Scale Electric Planes _____  |
| Electric Drones / Multi-rotor _____ | Indoor Electric Planes _____    | Electric Helicopters _____   |

In accordance with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act, this organization prohibits discrimination against anyone on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, age, individuals with disabilities or veterans. New applicants making application between November 1st and December 31st will pay the annual rate indicated above and such dues will make the new member paid in full for the following year. Applications for adult members submitted between July 1st and October 31st will pay a reduced rate of \$15.00 (name tags extra). A signature is required from all Harbor Soaring Society applicants, agreeing to comply with the current AMA Safety Code, the current HSS and Costa Mesa City General Field Rules, and FAA rules and regulations applicable to the flying of RC model Aircraft.

**The undersigned attests that: I will operate my model using only radio frequencies for the control of fixed wing or multi-rotor aircraft, and/or data transmission, on equipment certified and approved for such use by the AMA, FAA or FCC as applicable. I understand that my failure to comply with the above restrictions will result in nullification of liability coverage for damages caused or claimed. I understand that my monthly newsletter will be delivered by E-mail unless the U.S. Mail request (shown above) has been selected.**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Dues Owed and Attached: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF CLUB OFFICER RECEIVING APPLICATION: \_\_\_\_\_



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**IN PERSON CLUB MEETINGS ARE NOW REINSTATED. FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.  
 THEY ARE HELD AT ROUND TABLE PIZZA, 1175 BAKER ST. CORNER OF BAKER AND FAIRVIEW.  
 OUR NEXT MEETING IS OCTOBER 5, AT 7:00 PM. SEE PAGE 11 FOR DETAILS.**

**BRING YOUR FAVORITE PLANE FOR SHOW AND TELL.  
 BRING YOUR FAMILY, WIFE, AND FRIENDS FOR DINNER.**

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