

EDITOR'S NOTES

Please welcome our new member, Scott Okerstrom, and our returning original member, Ray Trujillo.

We will be meeting at the new meeting place: The airport restaurant at Deer Valley Airport.

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PRESIDENTS COLUMN

After experiencing last Sunday, I think it's safe to say that we are reaching the winter time of year. Those who ventured out will agree that with the wind chill on Sunday, it was definitely chilly. I would like to start off the column by welcoming back Ray Trujillo to the club. Ray was one of the original members and is a great source of information. We also have a new member, Scott Okerstrom. Scott has mastered flight with the hummingbird, and by that I mean he fly's wind or no wind and can rebuild the Hummingbird blindfolded. He is presently saving his pennies to get a glow bird running. For those who were able to make it, the SRCHA fun fly had great weather with a decent turn out. Bryce Hatfield even managed to make the Runryder video as well as winning the barrel race (after watching everyone else and figuring out exactly what needed to be done). It was while watching the micro heli drag racing that I began to wonder what would be a good micro event for our fun fly. The obstacle course and drag racing have now been done, but what about micro heli pylon racing? Let me know your thoughts on the subject. For those who missed last meeting, the elections are no surprise, all incumbents were re-elected. I think the Deer Valley Airport Restaurant is becoming a nice place for the meeting. It's an adult setting with an aviation back ground and is being warmly received by all the members that have attended meetings there. That's it for this month. Please remember to get your dues paid, there are still a large number that haven't paid for next year. I hope everyone has a merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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TECH TIPS

Here's a nice little comparison between the TREX and the Raptor 50 I found on Runryder ...

Wow, after exclusively flying my REXxie for the last two months, almost everyday, I fired up the Raptor.

The wind was a bit blustery in my backyard, but I had a NEED.

First thing that that caught my attention, was the HUGE rotor disk! Seemed like it filled up the whole place:-)

Second was the awesome stability, I mean, this thing was like on rails.

Third was the power stored in the rotor disk, a gust would push it down, and I only would have to add the smallest of corrections.

Did almost a tank of slow fig 8's.

Then took out the REXxie, man, it was all over the place, couldn't maintain height, the wind would push it this way and that, wasn't a pleasure at all.

Bigger is better :-)

GroundPounder

JOKES

Q. What did the turkey say upon receiving an invitation to Thanksgiving dinner?

A. "No, thanks, I'm stuffed."

A. One.

Q. How many psychics does it take to change a light bulb?