

HSS is now incorporated as a non-profit Public Charity under IRS section 501(c)(3) HSS is the oldest AMA chartered R/C Soaring Club in the USA. Founded in 1964.

November 2024

HSS IS NOW 60 YEARS OLD!

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HSS PLANE RAP NEWSLETTER

Fairview Park flying field is open!

RC gliders can fly 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 8am-2pm, weather permitting. Hand launched & rubber powered free flight models are allowed any day.

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Coming Events November 2024

- NEW MEETING LOCATION!! FIRST TEAM REAL ESTATE OFFICE
- OCMA Scale Un-Contest Nov 2
- Flabob Airport Veteran's Day Parade & Celebration, Nov 9 9am-3pm
- The November meeting will be at our new location on Nov 8, 7:00 – 9:00
- Fairview Park flying days will be Nov 2 & 16

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Officer Elections

Elections for the slate of club officers for 2025 will be held at our next meeting. At our October meeting, we asked for nominations; it was decided to nominate the same group as in 2024. Below is your ballot. Please bring this with you to the meeting to select your club officers.

President	
David Tecker	
	(write in)
Vice President Mat Garcia	
	(write in)
Director Mike Costello	
	(write in)
Treasurer David Tecker	
	(write in)
Secretary Joni Whitsitt	
	(write in)

Meeting Location

We are holding our meetings at First Team Real Estate, 10072 Adams (at Brookhurst), Huntington Beach, in the Stater Bros shopping center. I will arrive with Costco pizzas & Coors Light; I ask for \$5 for pizza and \$5 for beer. There's lots of room, so c'mon down!

OCMA Scale Un-Contest

SCALE SQUADRON

UN-CONTEST SCALE FUN FLY

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2024 A DAY OF SCALE FLYING, SEMINARS, TRIVIA, FLIGHT COACHING, FUN AND FOOD



- -Registration Opens 7am
- -AMA Sanctioned Event
- -Scale Models Only
- -AMA and FAA Required
- -Orange County Modelers Association 5305 Santiago Canyon Rd Silverado, CA 92676 Follow Blue Diamond / Haul Road to the end. Field GPS Coordinates: 33deg 46'18.07 N, 117 deg 41'52.79 w





OCMA rules apply - Fire extinguishers in the pits required, No Turbines, No Spilling fuel, No Smoke, No Open Flame.

- -Scale Competition Flying and Scoring Seminar
- -Scale Flying/Scoring Rounds
- -Fly and Score 3 rounds of a fixed flight routine for fun and prizes.
- -The rest of the day is scale model open flying.

*Entry Fee: 10 dollars *Lunch is Provided. *Everything needed for seminar and rounds will be provided.-Just bring your scale model and have some fun!

For more information: www.scalesquadron.com

CD: Randy Wilbur - Club Commander Mike Greenshields
Contact Us: commander@scalesquadron.com

Old-school "Fun Fly Competition" meets "Scale Squadron Un-Contest."



October Flying Days

We flew two Saturdays, October 12 &19. We had a good turnout on the 12th with a constant stream of studens most of the day. On the 19th we hd a lot fewer folks come by, but still had good flying & severa; student.



















The TRUST Test and FAA Registration

TRUST is <u>The Recreational UAS Safety Test</u>. It provides education and testing for recreational flyers on important safety and regulatory information. If you fly your drone recreationally under the <u>Exception for Recreational Flyers</u> you must pass the test before you fly. To take the test, go to http://trust.modelaircraft.org. This is the AMA Site. Take the test (Don't worry, it is fail proof) then obtain your "Completion Certificate."

All recreational flyers must pass this aeronautical knowledge and safety test and provide proof of test passage (the TRUST completion certificate) to the FAA or law enforcement upon request.

Go to http://faadronezone.faa.gov and create an account for your FAA Registration. Apply for "I fly under The Exception For Recreational Flyers". They will issue you an FAA registration number that must be affixed to the outside of all of your radio control model aircraft. The charge is \$3 for three years, for all of your R/C aircraft.

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HSS Membership

Our 2024 HSS membership enrollment season is running full speed. Note that annual membership dues is now reduced to \$15. The latest membership application 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.. 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, 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.

HSS Club Decals

We now have decals / vinyl stickers with the HSS logo available. There are 3" diameter and would look great on your planes or in the back window of your car. Come to the meeting to get one or several. These cost the club \$1.20 each, so please donate to the treasury if you want more than one.

Social Media Links

Here's how to find HSS on various social media. Check them out! HSS FaceBook: https://www.facebook.com/harborsoaringsociety

HSS Website: https://www.harborsoaringsociety.org/ (New Vendor Page)

HSS YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@HSS-RC-Glider-Club

Planes for Sale

Through a conversation at Imaginology, the club received a donation of one man's entire collection of RC electric planes. We will be selling these at some upcoming swap meet, or members may contact Mat Garcia to get first crack at them. Most are ~40" span WWII fighters, several UMX models, a ~50" PBY, and more.



































And we recently added a Multiplex Fun Cub, in really nice condition except for a homemade windshield.

OCMA Swap Meet

On Oct 12, Mel Hitchcock, Kevin Koch, and Mike Costello loaded our cars and headed for the OCMA field for a swap meet. HSS has received several airplanes generously donated over the past year or so. We managed to reduce our storage requirements by quite a bit and increased our treasury by \$350.

One of the models we sold was a large-ish white Piper Cub without wings, as we were unable to find them when loaded our cars. We found them! If you were the lucky buyer or know him, please contact us. This buyer also has the same model but with a glow engine, so this purchase allows him to fly electric or glow.

Thanks, Mel, Kevin, and Mike!

HSS Planned Activities and Events

Thanks to John Rittenhouse for the preparation of the following Calendar of Events. 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 second Tuesday of each month. These are now in person.
- Monthly Steering Committee Meetings 6 to 7 PM on the second 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.

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.
- September Club Secretary shall submit annual 501(c)(3) report to IRS (include \$25 payment).
- October Pumpkin Festival/Scarecrow Competition. This is a public service activity for HSS. It is planned by the city, to be held at the Lions 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.
- TBD Letter of Agreement with John Wayne control tower. Renew every two years.

Next Meeting

Our normal schedule is to meet on the second Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 PM at the First Team Real Estate office located at 10072 Adams Ave (at Brookhurst), Huntington Beach, in the Stater Bros shopping center. Phone is 714-875-7994. 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. maskegrd@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. Mike Costello - Plane Rap Editor - mikeftre@gmail.com.

Photos of Your Planes

John Rittenhouse has become the club photographer, with Mike Costello as a backup. This is your newsletter, so if you want to see your models featured, or photos of something that interests you, please send to the newsletter editor.

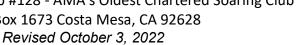


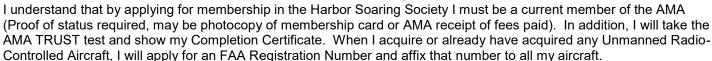
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2024

Harbor Soaring Society

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

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New Applicants (Without Name Tag) (19 years and older): \$15.00 Adult Member (Renewal Without Name Tag) (19 years and older): \$15.00 Junior Member (Without Name Tag) (19 years and under): \$0.00 Family Member (Without Name Tag) (At Same Address): \$5.00. Supporting Member Is non-flying member, includes newsletter. No voting, no AMA, no City permit. \$0.00. Optional or Extra HSS Name Tag: \$15.00 I hereby give my permission to publish my [Name], [Address], [Phone], [Email Address] in the monthly Newslett Strike out those not to be published. Note that the Newsletter is published on the club website (http://www.harborsoaringsociety.org). I request Email delivery of the monthly Newsletter in place of U.S. Mail delivery of hardcopy I request a printed copy of the monthly Newsletter by U.S. Mail. Printing and Mailing: \$20.00/year Only glider aircraft are allowed to fly at Fairview Park. Check all your interests. Duration Gliders Slope Soaring Gliders RES Gliders Electric Motor Gliders Electric	er.		
Indoor Electric Planes Electric Helicopters Free Flight In accordance with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act, this organization prohibits discrimination against anyone base 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 du will make the new member paid in full for the following year. Applications for adult members submitted between July and October 31st will pay a reduced rate of \$15.00 (name tags extra). A signature is required from all Harbor Soaring Society members, agreeing to comply with the current AMA Safety Code, the current HSS and Costa Mesa City Ger 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 multi-rotor aircraft, and/or data transmission, on equipment certified and approved for such use by the AMA, For FCC as applicable. I understand that my failure to comply with the above restrictions will result in nullificational liability coverage for damages caused or claimed. SIGNATURE:	es 1st g eral or AA on of		
Total Dues Owed and Attached: \$			
SIGNATURE OF CLUB OFFICER RECEIVING APPLICATION:			

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