



## VVRCF Meeting Minutes

### Feb 11, 2023

President Brandon Vessels opened the meeting at 0900. 16 members were present. There were no minutes or a treasury report due to the unexpected medical issue with the Treasurer. Brandon said that there's 2 meetings left, March 11<sup>th</sup> and April 8<sup>th</sup> there at the Don Reyes Airpark Café. VVRCF Club membership will vote at the March 11th meeting to decide if the meetings remain at Don Reyes or resume back at the field. Once again, the glider field hasn't been used very much. Following a membership vote, the helicopter guys are free to use it as an alternate helicopter flying site due to potentially heavy fixed wing traffic on any given day. Ideas from the club members on how we can utilize this area are welcomed. The importance of utilizing the VVRCF.org website was discussed. Your prior credentials should work if not then try using your last name and AMA number. Be sure to update your information to include an email address and an emergency contact such as your spouse, etc. If we don't have your email address there on our website, you might not receive club newsletters and other pertinent club information. Don't forget, your spouse is also a club member. Club newsletters will be posted there and all pertinent club information as well.

High Speed Low Passes over the runway are permitted so long as you call out to the other pilots that are flying and you received the "OK" from them. All other normal type flying shall be on the outside/deadline boundary of the runway. Please No Taxiing beyond the Red Line back to the pits. If you see a safety issue with something and or other pilots, please take note and send that information to our Field Safety BOD Member Rocky.

If you see a pilot having or creating a Safety issue, go up to that pilot and inform the pilot about what it is that they are doing wrong that may be creating that Safety concern. Yelling across the pits, or the start up benches to the pilot stations is kind of rude. Make the effort to go up to that person and inform them in a Courteous Respectful manner and help them as needed, to understand. That will go a long way towards making it right. Remember, every club member is a Safety Representative!

During the meeting one member asked "Why is this club allowing one member to kick out another member without a club vote". Brian Hueffmeier addressed this member's question by informing him that Tom Galland is serving a 30 day suspension and has not been kicked out of the club. That member further stated this board does not Tom. Brian interjected and told the member that is not true and that he will not stand by allowing those false accusations. That member was so upset that he proceeded by saying "If this is how you're going to run this club, I don't want to be a part of it" and walked out. It should be noted this is the second time this same member has left a meeting in the same disruptive fashion.

Following that member's disruptive exit from the meeting, a past club President spoke up and said "It seems history is repeating itself with Tom Galland". He described behavioral issues which ultimately ended in Tom's removal from the club.

The VVRCF FRIA (FAA Recognized Identification Area) application has been submitted. **What is a FRIA?** An FAA-Recognized Identification Area (FRIA) allows our members to fly their radio control model aircraft as they always have, without the need for Remote ID broadcast equipment. Although Remote ID does not go into effect until September 16, 2023, AMA has already started the process to apply for FRIA status for many club flying sites. All members may want to have a look and become familiar with the The Recreational UAS Safety Test (TRUST) program located here at [faa.gov/uas](https://faa.gov/uas) and there at the AMA website [AMA Safety Programming \(modelaircraft.org\)](https://ama.safetyprogramming.com) It's FREE to all AMA Members. Another program that's in the works now and soon to be implemented is FRIA, FAA-Recognized Identification

Areas. Information about FRIA is here [FAA-Recognized Identification Areas \(FRIAs\)](#)  
[| Federal Aviation Administration](#)

Club Members, Man your Weed Tools! With recent weather(WX) storms passing through we all know what's next,,, WEEDS of all kinds! A date in March is TBD for a Field Day of our Field.

Looking towards future club meetings, there was an Idea of a show & tell about your airplane. Bring it as it will be welcomed for you to present your airplane or any other item for all to see. The return of meeting raffles was also requested.

Meeting adjourned at 1000 hours. The next club Meeting is MAR 11, 2023 at 0900 at the Don Reyes Café (Hesperia Airport Café).