

USRA PRESIDENTS REPORT

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Greetings everyone! How is the 2016 building season going? Hope everyone is in the process of building a new race airplane or tuning up the old one. Following are a few items your USRA Board has been working on.

2016 RACE DATE

This year's Rabbit race in Victorville, California will be held October 13-16th. We are working hard to get our attendance up from previous years. I will be updating our web site as more information becomes available (Motels, etc.). So get busy, schedule your time off, and get building. It will be an exciting event!

USRA WEBSITE

Check out our new website! It is up and running and is much more powerful than our previous version. Your old login and password should let you login to the new site. Tom is looking for feedback to make improvements if needed so send him your suggestions.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership renewals went into the mail the end of January. Renewals are trickling in so please help us out and get them back ASAP.

BOARD MEETING

We had our first meeting on January 27, 2016. I believe it was very productive. Our major focus was on Annual Rule Review. For details please refer to the minutes on the USRA web site.

NEW SPORTSMAN PRO CLASS

At the Rabbit Race, we will be introducing a new class called the Sportsman Pro Class. This class will be just like our Sportsman class except will have a breakout time of a minute forty seconds (1:40). This class should be just as exciting as our Sportsman class.

TIMING & SCORING

You may have noticed during the October race our score sheets had some missing data, specifically turn times. We are working on tuning up the computers, making sure all equipment and software are working as designed, and procuring spare parts to help reduce or eliminate downtime during the races.

ENCLOSED TRAILER FOR USRA RACE EQUIPMENT

It is important to keep our race equipment secure, organized, and in one place making it easier to transport and maintain. The board has authorized a purchase of an enclosed trailer. We will be attending the Castle 2016 2nd Annual Giant Scale Fun Fly on May 26th-29th to promote the USRA. We will have an informational booth set up along with a Hanger 9 Valiant kit donated by **Horizon Hobby** to raffle off in support of the purchase of the USRA enclosed trailer. A special Thank You to **Horizon Hobby** for making this possible!

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