

**The Fellow Feathers of Fort Funston
Hang Gliding Club**

Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm PST

Officers Present:

- **President: Andy Balk**
- **VP: Chris Valley**
- **Secretary: Jessica Koerner (Absent)**
- **Clubhouse Manager: Rob Johnson**
- **Safety Director: Richard Sibley**
- **Treasurer/USHPA/GGNRA: Steve Rodrigues**
- **Tech Officer: George Artz**

Club Members & Guests:

- Robin T
- Wayne M
- Charlie N

Absent:

- **Secretary: Jessica Koerner**

Notable Flights:

- A few good days of good flying at the Fort every couple of weeks.
- Some club members in Valle De Bravo.
- Dave Lively getting good flights at Waddell. Waddell can be good with WNW winds and when Funston is blown out.
- Some good flights at Diablo.

President's Report (Andy):

- Some PG's ask about why Fort Funston is HG only.
 - My favorite response: There are already two PG sites on the same ridge, one PG only:
 - Mussel Rock: Unregulated, 99% PG
 - The stables: WOR, PG ONLY, HG not allowed at Stables
- Thank you to Steve for doing behind-the-scenes work to keep the club running.
 - GGNRA accident report.
 - USHPA club renewal.
- Thanks to Jess for maintaining the website, IT infrastructure, and sending thank you cards.
- Thanks Dave and Robb for raking chips and keeping the launch looking nice.

VP's Report (Chris):

- **Stickers are up to date and mailed.**
- **Setup area box is stacked with stickers.**

Secretary's Report (Jessica):

- Special thanks to club members for donations and service:
 - Ichi Kurita
 - Frank Schaffer
 - Jeff Morgan
 - Alessandro Calderano
 - Filippo Oppici
 - Dave Kiesling
- We have 120 current/renewed pilots so far for 2024 - it looks like there are a few Fellow Feathers Pilots who have renewed in January who need stickers mailed.
- All but 2 clubhouse pilots have renewed. Rob/Jess checking into this.
- Jessica a reminder email out to 14 clubhouse members with expired USHPAs...one pilot renewed. The rest who are not current are highlighted in red on our pilot database.
- Jeremy Spiegel filled out a storage request on the website. Rob will email or call him to assign a space? I think #57 is available. Jessica added his email to the clubhouse membership levels so he can go ahead and sign up/pay for the space on the website.

Treasurer's Report (Steve):

- Kudos to Jessica for her work on getting everything automated.
- Checking: \$18,221.08
- CD: \$12,011.67
- Total: \$30,232.75
- Glider spaces are full which helps our budget.

Clubhouse Manager's Report (Rob):

- Discussed electronic key entry and if GGNRA would be concerned.
- Looking for a new entry door for the clubhouse.
- Glider spaces are full.
- Discussed security cameras in the clubhouse: One camera inside the clubhouse and one camera pointed toward the clubhouse entry.

GGNRA & USHPA Liaison (Steve):

- NOTAM for Friday, 2/2, performing rescue drills at the Fort. CHP stated they should be done before noon.
- PPG was reported flying at Funston which was reported to the GGNRA. GGNRA is investigating and will take appropriate action, including confiscating equipment.
- RRG insurance renewed. Working toward our annual Chapter renewal.

Tandem Administrator Report (Richard):

- No updates.

Safety Director's Report (Richard):

- No updates.

Tech Officer's Report (George):

- Still pics from Ropes Bldg have not been updating - camera needs to be replaced. George will install the replacement camera.
- Need to replace the dish at the Ropes Bldg.
- Takeo has a new dish and will install it when he returns.

Training Bowl (Takeo):

- No updates.

Old Business:

- More discussion on the use of stickers in the coming years.

New Business:

- Good flying projected at Valle de Bravo in the next few days.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.