



CLA Gathering of Luscombes—Columbia 2010

Registration Form

This year Columbia will be held on May 21-23, 2010 in Columbia, CA (O22). In order to make this gathering a success, your advance registration is requested although not required.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Postal Code _____

Phone _____ Mobile Phone _____

Email Address _____

Number of people attending _____

Plan to arrive on (circle one) Thursday Friday Saturday

Put my name on the ballot; I'd like to serve as a leader in a 3-year term.

The CLA is a grass-roots organization, and it's important that the leadership NOT be people who are "in the business". That means that your passion and participation are critical to our success!

I'd like to volunteer to help with the following (light duty, we promise!):

Circle Choice(s):

Registration	Friday	Saturday	Flour Bombing Judging
Saturday Flight Ops (direct planes)			Spot Landing Judging

New for 2010! You can pay online with your credit card at www.luscombe-cla.org (but please still return this form via regular mail, in order that we can capture the rest of the info).

	Qty	Price	Total
Friday Dinner (6 PM) Pasta, salad, and bread		12	
Saturday Breakfast		\$8	
Saturday Lunch: Hotdogs & Chips.		\$7	
Saturday Evening: Tri Tip beef dinner		\$23	
Flour Bombing		\$5	
Spot Landing		\$5	
Whatever Fund			
Prize Fund			
US Membership: New or Renewal (1 Year)		\$25	

Return to: Barry Brocato, 700 W Harbor Dr #2204, San Diego, CA 92101, 619.269.5859



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Columbia Airport Rules and Regulations

Event Location: The event will be on the north side of runway 11/29.

Unicom –Columbia: 122.975, AWOS is on 124.65. Norcal Approach: 123.7 north of airport, 125.1 west of airport.

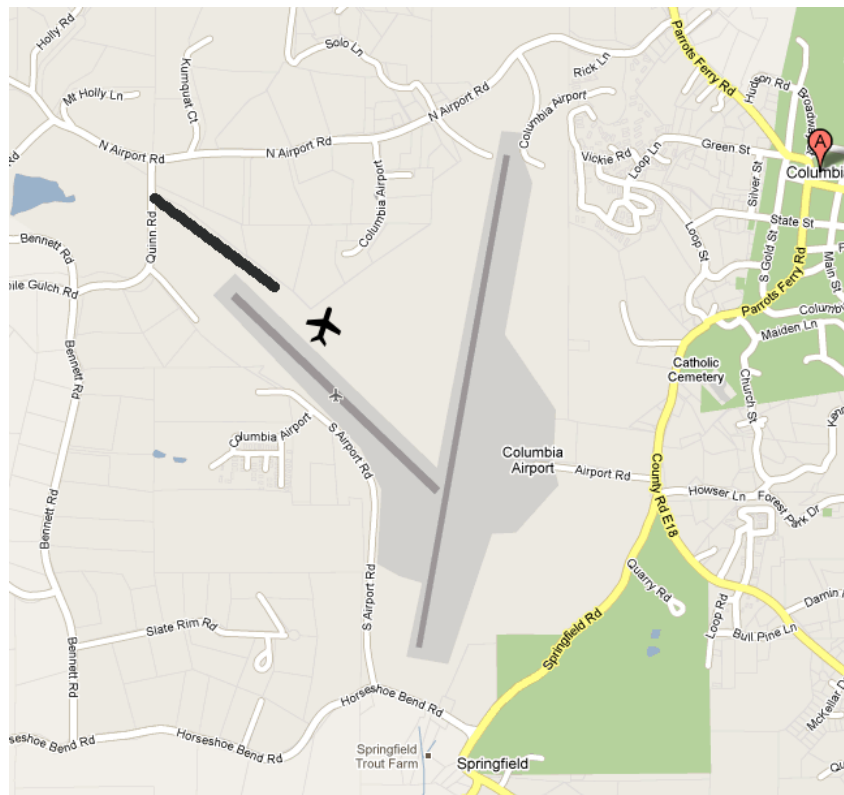
Grass Runway – Grass runway (11/29) will be **OPEN!!**. See separate write-up in the Courant regarding procedures.

Turns After Takeoff – County ordinance 18.16.030 prohibits turns after takeoff until the airport boundary has been reached. Airport personnel **will report infractions** of this law.

Weather – Not certain what conditions are like at the airport? See www.popav.com/webcams.htm or www.popav.com/mobile if using a PDA or mobile phone.

Tiedown and Campground Fees – The transient parking fee is \$4.00 per night per plane. Individuals remaining overnight in the campground are expected to pay the use fee -- \$8.00 per night per plane, which includes the transient parking fee. These fees go directly to the County to help defray airport operating costs. **Please be sure to pay your fair share – these fees are separate from and in addition to registration fees.**

Campground Access – Vehicles are to use the access road connecting to Quinn Road, where the gate is open from 8:00 AM Friday to 5:00 PM Sunday. This is at the northwest corner of the airport (map below is North-up). Use 38.02.143N 120.25.399W if you are arriving by car and have a GPS. Near the campground at the end of the access road is an overnight parking area. Other than those vehicles with permission from the Airport Department, there are to be no vehicles inside the walk-in campground, especially not overnight. **No campfires permitted!**





Fuel

100LL is available on the field from Bald Eagle Aviation, the local FBO. Fuel will be available from a truck, which will be making the rounds on Saturday. (Possibly on Friday too.)

About Columbia, CA

If this is your first trip to the Gathering of Luscombes, you're in for a historic and fun weekend. That is, if you even make it past the long lineup of Luscombes...

The Columbia Airport is within walking distance of the town (approximately one mile, plus the distance across the airport). Columbia is the best-preserved gold rush town in the Mother Lode. The town is a state park, and is full of shops, exhibits, and activities of the 1850s. We expect the town's hotels to sell out, due to several other events that coincide with ours, including the Jumping Frog contest in Calaveras (yes, they still do that!).

Weather

Columbia is usually quite warm in May, although the weather is fully capable of wet and cold. Plan for the nineties during the day, and low forties at night. Unless it rains...

Activities

If you want to seek daytime diversions off the airport, there is an excellent gold mine tour that leaves from the park in town. This tour visits a working mine down a hair-raising road. Best part – natural air conditioning and the tour lasts a good share of Saturday afternoon. Or, for a different kind of "chill", a two-hour Ghost Walk can be arranged with the City Hotel on Saturday afternoon.

Sonora and Jamestown are also nearby and feature antique shopping and steam train rides. Car or taxis are the only way to get there

Rental Cars

Rental cars are available by advance arrangement from Enterprise Car Rentals in Sonora. Enterprise's telephone number is (209) 533-0500. They will come out to the airport, pick you up, and take you into Sonora to pick your vehicle up. You can leave the car at the airport when you depart (details from the rental agency). You don't need one for this event.

Lodging

All of the following are local, and all are unique in some manner. Since some of the buildings are historic, make certain you ask about "features" such as private baths, air conditioning, etc. All of the businesses listed below are walk-able, although some of them are quite a hike.

The economy hit Columbia especially hard: **the City Hotel and Fallon hotels, in the park, are both closed this year.** *Columbia Inn Motel*, (209) 533-0446, 22646 Broadway St., Columbia, CA, \$65-\$95 <http://www.columbiainnmotel.net/>
Harlan House B&B, (209) 533-4862 Schoolhouse Rd., Columbia, CA, \$85-\$140 <http://www.harlan-house.com/>

There is also lodging available in nearby Sonora. Ground transportation will be needed as it's about 4 miles from the Columbia airport to the town of Sonora.

Sonora Days Inn, (209) 532-2400, 160 S. Washington St., Sonora, CA, \$64 to \$73, www.daysinn.com
Best Western Sonora Oaks, (209) 533-4400, 19551 Hess Avenue, Sonora, CA, \$76.99 to \$76.99,
www.rimhospitality.com/html/bwsonora.html

And of course the most popular option remains a tent under the wing of your plane. Bring an air mattress!!!

Additional Information

The local chamber of commerce lists a number of additional hotels at www.tcchamber.com, and even more are listed at www.TheGreatUnfenced.com and www.ColumbiaCalifornia.com. Remember that you'll need transportation for anything outside of Columbia proper, including some of the options that list their address as Columbia.