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# TWO IS BETTER THAN ONE



Above is John Woods coming in for a graceful landing with his new Twin Star (I think). Keeping with John's aversion of not building anything new, he got this from an estate sale. The two forty something engines get it around the sky In a spirited fashion. And yes, it will fly on one engine. John has proved that once or twice. Not sure if it could take off on one engine though. It's nice to see new planes out at Rocky Top Field. On the next page are a few more new arrivals at the field.

#### THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Yea, its been hot and yes, it is sometimes windy but there have usually been several members out flying on Tuesday and Saturday mornings.

It has been nice seeing new planes out at the field like John's Twin Star on page one. Also Bud Austin brought out a new Edge in patriotic colors. Looked a little skittish when he first took it off but it settled down and looked good in the air. Greg Moody has a nice looking new yellow and white 1/4 scale Citabaria. He hasn't flown it yet and is waiting for his test pilots to show up and get it dialed in for him. We also have some new foamies showing up. West Kistler brought out a good looking delta, with canards, in red and black on white. West made it look easy to fly which it probably isn't. Very impressive in the air. Fritz Corbin has seen the light and has gotten into electric flight with his white foamie F-22 Raptor. Looks like a little offspring of a big gray one Bud was flying a few weeks ago. Fritz is getting good at flying it and is working up to being able to catch it in mid air while landing. Hope to get a picture of that if it happens. Your editor borrowed Fritz' plans and hopes to have a blue foam version ready to fly in a couple of weeks.

Dave Medley also had a nice looking new plane out at the field. While taxiing for takeoff on the hard smooth runway he found the only hole on the field and it broke his fiberglass landing gear. You know what they say about if you didn't have bad luck, you'd have no luck at all! Oh well, a new landing gear strut is probably only \$30 or so.

Time to land for this month.....ed.

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<b>INCOME-MIS</b>	C	\$	-	\$	5.60
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<b>EXPENSE-FO</b>	OOD	\$	-	\$	31.00
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EXPENSE-M	SC	\$	115.00	\$	123.10
BALANCE	8/1//2012	\$ 1	1,407.61	\$	1,407.61









## **MEETING MINUTES**

#### TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

JULY 10, 2012

President Jim Haney opened the meeting at 6:00 PM, at Rocky Top Field. All Officers, except Gene Fuson, were present. There were 9 members present including the Officers. No guests were present. Fritz Corbin won the 50/50 split the pot. He received \$4 of the \$8 pot.

Committee Reports: Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that there was \$1,543.61 in the bank as of July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as printed in the July Newsletter.

Old Business: John Woods reminded the Club that we will host the MV1 Mohawk veterans group for a Flight Demo on October 12<sup>th</sup>. All Club members should put this date on their calendars and make an effort to attend this event.

Three items came up during the meeting that are listed here as reminders.

- -Ticks are bad this year and can carry a couple of very bad diseases so use tick repellant spray and remove any that get on you quickly and carefully.
- -Avoid flying over the house at the south west corner of the field. We have had no complaints yet but complaints can put the use of the field in jeopardy.
- -Guests that fly at the Club field must have a current AMA card, be escorted by a Club member and be observed that they are flying within our safety rules and regulations.

New Business: John Woods suggested that a donation be made to the LUC Boys Ranch in Tom McKenzie's honor, a member that recently passed away. It was moved and passed that \$100 be sent to the Boys Ranch in Tom's name.

President Jim Haney said he would get information out to the membership on a possible Christmas party at a private restaurant near Cape Fair. A decision should be made soon to reserve a date.

The Club Float Fly was cancelled due to weather and rescheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Springfield Black Sheep will have their annual Float Fly on August 4<sup>th</sup>, at Wheatland, Mo. See Springfieldrcclub.com/events for details.

It was announced that Gene Fuson successfully had his knee replacement operation and is recovering well at home.

Jim Haney said he would brush hog around the flying field next week and only asked that the Club pay for the gas he used. The Club was very much in agreement to supply the gas.

Roy Steinestel said he had an electric starter for sale - \$20. Greg Moody said he would buy it.

Program: Roy Steinestel passed out Certificates for the winners of the June Club Fun Fly.

Greg Moody showed his new General Hobbies Citabria ARF and Bud Austin showed his new Nitro Extra 300, See photos for more details.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59PM.

# AUGUST 18TH FUN FLY FIRST EVENT WILL START AT 11:00 AM BBQ AFTER THE Fun Fly

## There will be three events.

Event 1. SPEEDY GONZALES Put plane on plate on runway and Take off. Time starts when plane moves. Do a roll, do a roll and loop, then do two loops, then land and get plane (stopped) on plate. Time stops when plane stops while touching plate. Shortest time wins. Twenty point penalty for not completing any of the three maneuvers satisfactorily—judges decision. Failure to complete event in 3 minutes results in disqualification.

Event 2. HOWARDS EGG DROP Each participant must attach a Styrofoam cup to his or her plane. No bomb launchers or other devices allowed.

You must take off and clear the end of the flying field before making a 180degree turn.

Do a loop

Fly to the far end of the field and make your approach for your egg drop. Attempt to drop your egg in the circle on the field.

Getting off the ground and making the first turn. (1 point.)
Completing the loop without loosing your egg. (5 points.)
Landing the egg on the flying field. (4 point.)
Hitting the circle on the field. (10 points.)

Event 3. CLIMB, GLIDE & SPOT LANDING WITH LOOP. The pilot will be allowed a 20 second motor run after lift off from ground or release from hand launch. At 20 seconds the pilot will shut off the motor and glide to a spot landing. Total time will be from take off or launch to landing (stop). Pilot must do a loop sometime during the flight. If the motor continues to run the flight will be disqualified. Penalties: Minus 1 second for each foot away from the target, minus 60 seconds for not doing a loop and minus 50 seconds if plane lands (stops) totally off the runway. Longest NET flight time wins!

Pilots can use any fixed wing aircraft they want in any event.

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### **SAFETY FIRST**

I will not offer a safety "tip" this month, instead, I want to briefly touch on the subject of "Consideration and Courtesy" as it relates to our flying field.

As you all know, we have lots of diversity in pilots and planes that utilize our flying field. We have pilots of all skill levels and airplanes ranging from small electric powered to very large gas powered airplanes.

Some of our pilots do not enjoy flying with two or three other aircraft in the air at the same time. Other times it is difficult to concentrate on flying our aircraft when a larger aircraft comes down the runway low and fast and maybe a little close to the pit area.

So, if there is any question of your flying in a manner that is at the least, "intimidating" to some of our newer or less experienced pilots then maybe a delay in your flight might be prudent.

The main purpose for flying at the field it to have fun safely.

So.....show your buddies a little courtesy and be considerate that they are flying

to the best of their abilities and give them a little space and time.

Our club is not so big that we are "waiting in line" to fly, so I think time is not a big factor here. You can always ask "Are you ready to go up".

See you at the field, Gene Fuson Safety Officer

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE AUGUST 14, 6:00PM, AT ROCKY TOP FIELD. IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER MEET AT THE COACH-LIGHT VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE.