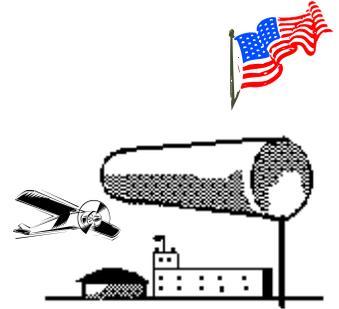


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## QUIET WEEKEND



It's a holiday weekend, the roads are crowded, the restaurants and grocery stores are busy and there are all kinds of boats roaring across Table Rock Lake. But out at the Club's flying field things are quiet and serene. No waiting lines for a pilot station. When your editor arrived at the field about 10:30 on Saturday Bud was working under the shelter on his plane's carburetor and Fritz was messing around with his throttle. Having never worked with liquid fueled RC aircraft my comments didn't help much. After awhile Fritz got his Hobbico trainer running well enough to fly around the field a few times. Was told that Erv had been out earlier and bent his landing gear. After your editor had a flight with each of the three planes he had with him we all decided to call it a day and go home.

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As you read this I will be recovering from my hernia operation. Yep, I had to get it done again. So, when I feel up to it I'll be back out to the field flying again.

We had a great Fun Fly. Five pilots flew the 3 events. There were a lot of creative and inventive maneuvers but no real mishaps. The results will be posted in this month's newsletter. After the event Janet cooked up the Hot Dogs and Bratwurst. The Brats were a big success. We had 18 flyers and guests to enjoy the food and get together ..... a perfect day. Thanks to the Grounds Crew for your dedication - very nice!

One of our new members, Hunter Smith brought an entourage of friends and family to cheer him on during his solo flying. After a safe landing he was awarded the coveted Solo Certificate - way to go Hunter and welcome to the Club.

This month we plan on having our Club meeting at the Flying Field. As usual, due to the weather, we will determine the exact location probably the day before the meeting. I will let you know via email. The meetings are held at 5:30PM. Most members fly before the meeting so come on out and enjoy.

Happy Landings ..... John

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2018			
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BALANCE	8/1/2018	\$ 1,439.58	\$ 1,928.49
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ -	\$ 440.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ 44.50	\$ 82.00
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 2.50	\$ 14.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 41.75	\$ 759.31
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ 30.17	\$ 51.02
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ 15.17	\$ 135.17
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
BALANCE	9/1/2018	\$ 1,409.49	\$ 1,409.49

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Seems like the big trees across the runway have grabbed another plane. Fritz was flying his Pro-Twister and flew behind the trees and it has not been seen since. He has taken one forage into the woods to find it and only found stickers and chiggers. Maybe after the leaves fall he'll be able to locate it.

Your editor mentioned that his Lazy Bee was very squirrely in the Fun Fly due to the fact that it had only three channels. A well trimmed plane with a lot of dihedral will virtually fly by itself (think free flight) but more than a touch of rudder cause a steep bank. Add power and it can become quite wild but reduce power and it will probably return to a stable glide. Well

several years ago I built another wing with no dihedral with two servos for ailerons. I have now swapped wings and swapped the 4 channel receiver with a six channel. The aileron wing does give more control but there still is a couple of problems. The flat bottom and thick airfoil has a tendency to balloon when the air speed picks up and the lack of dihedral means you must concentrate on flying it. Oh well, something to get used to.



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

## NEW MEMBER

The Club picked up a new member during August. This brings our Club roster to 16 members.

Hunter Smith is a junior member and had flown some RC before joining our Club. John Woods had worked with Hunter under the Intro -Pilot Program and Hunter had successfully soloed. Upon joining the Club John presented him with his Solo Certificate. Hunter lives with his parents in Cape Fair.

Welcome to the Club Hunter, we are happy to have you join us.

## MEETING MINUTES

### TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

AUGUST 14, 2018

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:31 PM, at the Club flying field. There were 6 members present including all officers except Gene Fuson. Doris Rohde was a guest. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,439.58 in the Treasury as of August 1, 2018. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the July meeting were approved as written in the August Newsletter. The 50/50 raffle was won **yet again** by Fritz Corbin and he received \$2.50 of the \$5 pot.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### OLD BUSINESS:

John Woods advised that retired member, Dave Medley, is doing well and that he was able to sell all his RC planes, supplies and equipment, so he is now out of the RC business.

John also said he talked to some of the LUC Boys Ranch people and they said they are still flying the RC trainer, at the ranch, that he and Gene Fuson overhauled into flying condition.

##### NEW BUSINESS:

Former member, Don Livermore, asked if he and a friend could fly their turbine jet planes at our field. Don and his friend have the proper AMA documents to fly turbine aircraft. President John Woods polled the other Club officers and there were no objections to flying jets at our field. Don and his friend will probably join our Club as Associate Members since they live a couple of counties away. We will try to notify our members when they plan to fly at our field.

Instructor John Woods has been instructing Hunter Smith under the Intro-Pilot program. Hunter has flown RC before and John said he has successfully soloed. Hunter and his dad, Bobby, plan to join our Club and at that time John will award Hunter with his Solo Certificate.

There will be a Fly N Eat on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Meet at the field about 3 PM and fly until about 5/5:30 then go to Reeds Spring Pizza for dinner. Everyone is invited. Weather permitting this is done on the fourth Thursday of the month. It will also be cancelled if the temperature gets to **90** degrees F or above.

John said that by popular demand Fun Fly hot

dogs will be upgraded to 100% beef for \$1.50 and/or brats for \$2.00 each.

Bud Austin will keep the Crash Trophy since no one else had a notable crash during the month.

A Fun Fly rain date was set for August 25<sup>th</sup> if we get rained out on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Don Johnson passed out Fun Fly Certificates for winners of the August Fun Fly.

**PROGRAM:** None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04PM.



Here are a couple of photos taken at the Club's August Fun Fly. We are always happy to have spectators at our events and our two junior members, Isaac Thomas and Hunter Smith, both brought several members of their families. We ended up with a total of 18 members and guests. Brats were also available and those that tried them felt they were a good addition to the BBQ menu.



# AUGUST FUN FLY

The day was nice with a little breeze but it was warm. There were only 5 pilots but we had a good audience, Isaac Thomas and his family and new member Hunter Smith and his family for a total of 18 pilots and spectators. After a pilots meeting it was off to the contest.

The first event was **TWO TRICKS**. From the circle, taxi between the two pylons (time starts when plane moves), take off and do a loop, land and taxi between the two pylons and stop in the circle (at least one wheel. Then taxi through the two pylons, take off and do a roll, land and taxi through the two pylons and stop with at least one wheel in the circle. Time stops. 10 penalty seconds for each time plane hits a pylon. Low time wins. John Woods took first place at 88 seconds with no penalties. Bud Austin was second with 115 seconds and no penalties and Fritz Corbin was third at 118 seconds, also with no penalties. Don Johnson had problems controlling his skittish Lazy Bee and came in fourth at 200 seconds including 2 penalties. Erv Rohde was doing well until he drug his prop on a landing and killed his engine and came in fifth with a DNF.

The second event was **BUD'S 4 TRICK LIST**. Take off and do a loop, touch and go and do a roll, touch and go and do an Immelmann turn, touch and go and do a split "S", land and stop with at least one wheel in the marked area (circle or square). Time from start of take off roll to stop. Lowest time wins. The 4 maneuvers may be in any sequence with a landing in between each one. Take offs and landings may be in either direction. Fritz led the way with 102 seconds and a first place using his Polaris XL. In second place was John with 134 seconds and in third was Don with 192 seconds. Bud hit his prop, killing the engine, had to restart it, and took 272 seconds for a fourth place. Erv again killed his engine for a DNF and took fifth place.

The last event was **DEAD STICK** Take off from the circle, (time starts when plane moves). Fly a circle over the field with the center in front of the judges, then do a loop. Fly another complete circle over the field with the center in front of the judges and do a roll. While headed away from the circle cut engine/motor, turn back and land in the circle. Time stops when plane stops. The score is time in seconds the plane is moving plus number of feet the plane stops from the X in the circle. Low score wins If engine/motor does not stop while plane is headed away from the X it is a DQ. Bud got into the winners circle with a score of 74 (63 seconds + 11 feet) for first place. Coming in with a close score of 76 (52+24) was Fritz for second place. John was third with a 107 (75 + 32). Don was fourth with 114 (64+50) and Erv was fifth with a 125 (62+63).

Over all was a tie for first place with both Fritz and John getting 220 Top Gun 2018 points. In third place with 200 Top Gun points was Bud. Don was fourth with 110 points and Erv was fifth with 60 points.

Many thanks to Chief Scorer, Gene Fuson and every one else that helped in running the events. And a special thanks to John Woods for getting all the grub to the BBQ and to Janet Woods for cooking lunch and bringing her much appreciated lemon cake. Also it seemed the upgrade in the hot dogs and addition of brats was well received.

Our Club's next scheduled Fun Fly is October 13th, the last of the year. Hope to see another big crowd for that event.

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**SAFETY FIRST**

We have added some new members to our club recently.

This is a suggestion that you new members review our current safety rules posted on our web-site at [www.bransonrc.org/Safety.PDF](http://www.bransonrc.org/Safety.PDF)

If you haven't read them in a long time, now would be a good time for all club members to review them.

If anyone has any suggestions or comments regarding our safety rules please feel free to address them to me, or to any other officer of the club.

See You at the Field,  
Gene Fuson  
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING  
WILL BE SEPTEMBER 11TH,  
5:30PM, AT THE CLUB FIELD.  
IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER MEET AT THE  
SOUTHPORT CLUBHOUSE.**