

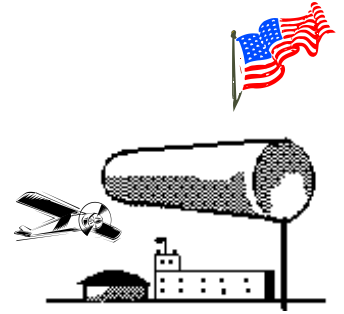
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AND THE WINNER IS



Photo by Annette Mc Evoy

Yep, that's Fritz Corbin, with his Pro-Twister on a bombing run. It was the last event of the last Fun Fly of the year and Fritz was on a roll. With his two bomb drops he was the closest to the target on one drop and fourth closest to the target on the second drop earning the lowest net score and winner of the event. Combined with his scores from the first two events he was also the overall winner of the October Fun Fly. Atta way to go, Fritz!

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Weather has been a little messy to get out and fly lately with winter just around the corner. May be time to fix-up the broken models and work on the new stuff.

At our November meeting the nominating committee will present a slate of officers to be voted on at December's meeting to serve as our new 2016 Club Officers, i.e. President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Any member with voting rights may nominate at November's or December's meeting, another candidate to be considered for election to one of the positions. The candidates will be voted on and elected at December's meeting. This will take place at a brief meeting prior to our Christmas dinner on Dec. 8th.

Just a reminder that the Club voted not to hold meetings for the months of January, February or March. Many people are gone over the winter plus it's really, really cold. We'll keep in touch via e-mail and during those warmer days at the flying field.

Bud finished Gary Samuelson's Dynaflight Piper PA-18 and successfully flew it last month at the field. Gary is the vet who was severely injured and unable to handle building model airplanes anymore. He contacted our Club and Bud was kind enough to take on the project. The plane looks super and flew very nice. Gary was overjoyed that his dream plane was finished and in the air. It was really nice to experience the first flight with Gary and Bud.

Our last Fun Fly was held Oct. 17th. We had a great turnout with all our Honorary Members attending. It was so nice to see them again and hearing what they have been doing. Jack and Annette came bearing gifts – free airplanes. Several of our members now have a really, really nice project for winter and I look forward to seeing their results this April.

Janet sends her thanks to those who were able to attend her ART SALE last month. She sold almost 80 paintings and is happy

that they went to our friends. Enjoy the paintings!

Please note that our next meeting will be at 5:30 PM not 6:00 PM on Tuesday, Nov. 10th at the Field. As usual we will not fly in the morning but in the afternoon. Come on out and Fly around 3:00 PM, then stay for the meeting. If the weather is bad we will be meeting at the South Port Condominium Club House, Point 7, Kimberling City at 5:30 PM.

Quote of the Day "Hovering is for pilots who love to fly but have no place to go."

See you at the Field - Happy Landings,
John

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

This year is rapidly coming to a close and it has been a good year. We have a good balance in the Club bank account, The field looks great due to the efforts of Fritz and Bud and our Club membership is at 23 with four new members since July. And we are not done yet as we will have our annual Christmas party on December 8th. Following a tradition of several years, we will be collecting teddy bears (new stuffed toys) to be donated to Cox Hospital, Branson, which will then be given to kids that are confined in the hospital during the holiday season. Keep in mind that great big teddy bears are very impressive but for the same cost several more kids would be happy to receive somewhat smaller stuffed toys. There is no limit to how many you can donate.

We were able to get in all four Fun Flies for 2015. It was interesting and rewarding that the last event generated a lot of enthusiasm and quite a bit of ingenuity. This is food for thought for next year's events. We will pass out the October Fun Fly certificates at the November meeting and the Top Gun 2015 Certificates at the Christmas party. It was a closer contest than one might think. But, it was fun!

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

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB October 13, 2015

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:26 PM, at the Rocky Top Field. There were 11 members present including the officers. Treasurer, Fritz Corbin, reported that the Club had \$1,132.21 in the bank as of October 1st. The Minutes of the September Meeting were approved as written in the October Newsletter. There were no guests but new members Craig Pullman and Phil Rogers were present. The 50/50 raffle was won by Fritz Corbin and he received \$3.50 of the \$7 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: John introduced new members, Craig Pullman and Phil Rogers.

John also reminded the members that the Club will not have a meeting in January, February and March of next year. There may or may not be a Club Newsletter during the same months.

He also announced that wife, Janet, will begin Chemo again next week. All members were also invited to Janet's art sale this Saturday at their home. Refreshments will be served.

Also the monthly Fly and Feast will be discontinued until further notice.

He also reminded the members of the October Fun Fly this Saturday.

OLD BUSINESS: John said he had contacted

Henry Racette about the Honorary Retired members group.

NEW BUSINESS: Don Johnson suggested that the high grass around the field be mowed again this fall. John said he would contact Jim Haney about mowing it again.

A nominating committee for 2016 Club Officers will be made up of the current Club Officers and will present a slate of officers at the November meeting. Other nominations can also be added at that meeting. The Election will be at the December meeting.

The monthly Crash Trophy was awarded to Howard Shire.

The Club Christmas party will be December 8th, at the Southport Clubhouse. Don will reserve the Clubhouse for that date and November 10th in case of bad weather for the November meeting. We will again be collecting Teddy Bears (new stuffed toy), to be donated to Cox hospital in Branson.

There has been some problems bringing up the Members Only page (Club Roster) on our web site. Don said to bring up the Club site (Home Page) and press the Refresh Button (F5). This will probably correct the problem.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

PROGRAM: There was flying after the meeting with some planes dropping yellow objects.



At left, John Woods entertains the Fun Fly Spectators with a fly by, by his third scale MX2 trailing smoke. Annette got an interesting perspective with this photo.

Photo by Annette McEvoy

OCTOBER FUN FLY

Here it was. The last Fun Fly of the year. Cool but not cold, a little overcast and a little more wind than ideal but the pilots were ready to go. Three events, with the third and Finale event worth double Top Gun 2015 points. There were seven pilots and fifteen other members, spouses and past members in the officiating and rooting section. After the traditional pilots meeting, it was off to the first event.

The first event was to take off from a box painted on the field, do a loop or roll, land and stop with at least two wheels in the box and earn 1 point. Repeat this as many times as possible in exactly 120 seconds. Get partial score for a take off, loop or roll and landing if the final stop is not completed. Most points wins. Bud Austin came in First with 3 1/4 points, Fritz Corbin was Second with 2 3/4 points and tied for Third was Erv Rohde and Don Johnson with 1 3/4 points. Fifth place went to John Woods with 1 1/2 points.

The second event was Howard's Pylon Race. With a flying start, see how fast you can make two complete laps around two pylons set about 400 feet apart on the runway. Low time wins. John and his potent Pro-Twister made it look easy with a first place time of 29 1/2 seconds. Bud was Second with 35 seconds, in Third was Fritz with 36 seconds and Erv was Fourth with 40 seconds. In Fifth was Howard Shire with 53 seconds.

The third event was the much anticipated bomb drop Finale--last event of the year and double points. The bombs were a 6 inch piece of garden hose and a 2 in square of wood with a hole in the center. The mission was to drop one bomb on the target (pylon) in each of two bombing runs, in the same direction. The scoring is a little complicated but the base score is the combined distance in feet the bombs stop away from the pylon divided by 3. Low score wins There is a minus 25 point bonus for dropping both bombs on the runway and a penalty of plus 25 points for every bomb that does not land on the runway. Fritz and his Pro-Twister were on the money with a 14 and 28 foot drop. That plus the bonus gave him a net -11 and First place and 200 Top Gun 2015 points. John did well also with 19 and 42 feet and the bonus for a net -6 and Second. Bud was Third with 75

and 99 feet and the bonus for a net 33. Erv took Fourth with 78 and 123 feet and the bonus for a net 60. Don was Fifth with 43 and 81 feet with a penalty for being off the field on one drop for a net 66. Dave Medley had the event figured out and had his own bombardier. But a premature drop way out in the weeds on his first negated his second drop of 18 feet, third best of the event. It was very rewarding to see the ingenuity and enthusiasm that went into this event!

The overall winner was Fritz Corbin with a combined total of 320 Top Gun 2015 points and First place. In Second place was Bud Austin with 270 points and Third place went to John Woods at 260 points. Fourth place went to Erv Rohde with 130 points and Fifth was Don Johnson with 90 points. In Sixth place was Howard Shire at 50 points and Seventh was Dave Medley at 20 points.

When we have an event, it is great to know that a member, spouse or even a guest will step up and do whatever is needed to make the event a success. Whether it is bringing the grub and setting things up, bringing extra side dishes. cooking the dogs, mowing the grass, scoring or timing or just rooting the contestants on, it all seems to be done with ease and is very much appreciated.

Unless something changes, the next Fun Fly will be April 15, 2016.

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2015

		OCT	Y T D
BALANCE	10/1/2015	\$1,132.21	\$ 1,668.23
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 80.00	\$ 975.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ 5.00
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ 37.00	\$ 101.05
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 3.50	\$ 18.00
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 96.87
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 42.12	\$ 1,150.91
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 60.70
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 90.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 231.95
BALANCE	11/1/2015	\$1,210.59	\$ 1,210.59



John Woods getting his pro-Twister armed for the bomb run. Below his plane is his plane looking for the target.



Bud Austin getting his Senior Kadet ready for the bomb run.



Just a shot of members and spouses chatting prior to the Fun Fly



All photos courtesy of Annette McEvoy.

Dave Medley and son, David, getting their plane ready to make a run on the target. Eagle eye Dave guiding his plane, upper right, into a successful bomb drop.



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BER 10TH, 5:30PM, AT
THE CLUB FLYING
FIELD, IN CASE OF
BAD WEATHER MEET
AT THE SOUTHPORT
CLUBHOUSE.**

SAFETY FIRST

SAFETY RULES & REGULATIONS

I am reviewing the CLUB SAFETY RULES for all members, but in particular for our newer members. These rules will continue to be published every month until they are all listed here. If you can't wait to see them all, e-mail me and I will see that you get a copy. (Or go to the Club web-site. Ed.)

Please read and comply with the following rules:

The following SAFETY RULES were adopted by the TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB Membership in October 1997 and revised November 2010.

5. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at the flying field nor may they be consumed prior to participation in any model operation.
6. All radio equipment should be ground range checked before the first flight of a new or repaired model.
7. Vehicle parking is restricted to the area adjacent to or behind the shelters.
8. All pilots must have the proper frequency pin, from the frequency board, in their possession before turning on their transmitter. They should also have a pin with their name and or AMA number on it and clip it to the frequency board, where the frequency pin was. The frequency pin is to be returned to the board when the pilot is through flying. You must surrender the frequency pin at the end of your flight if other pilots are waiting to use that channel. Pilots using *spread spectrum* type technologies are *not* required to have a frequency pin.

See you at the field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer