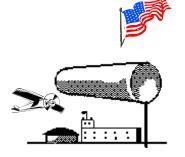
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## **HAPPY NEW YEAR**



Pictured above is Chaplin Virgil, President John Woods and Dave Medley as they presented 15 stuffed toys to the Branson Cox Hospital Children's wing. The stuffed toys were donated by our Club members at the Club's annual Christmas Party. The hospital is always happy to receive these donations and they use them to make the holidays a little brighter for the kids in the hospital during this time of the year.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas with your families and friends. It was really special for Janet and me.

It was sure nice to see everyone at the Christmas dinner and hope everyone enjoyed the evening. Good food and good friends.

I would like to suggest starting in 2015, that we vote for our new Club Officers and determine our next year's Dues amount at the November meetings thereby eliminating the December meeting being held at the Christmas party. Something to think about and vote on at one of our next meetings.

2015 is only a few days away so you should prepare to get out to the New Year's Day Fun Fly. I'll be away but hope to get out to fly too. You do receive Top Gun points for attending the 1<sup>st</sup> Fun Fly. The weather should be nice ......... or maybe not.

You might put on your calendar the KCRC Swap-N-Shop to be held Feb, 7<sup>th</sup> in Lee's Summit, MO. It is a huge R/C sale with a lot of planes and equipment available. Go to www.kcradiocontrol.com for all the information. Get there early!

Have a great New Year – Happy Landings, John

# YOUR 2015 DUES ARE DUE!!

Below are the names of the 9 members that are current in their 2015 Club dues.

Bud Austin, Fritz Corbin, Wayne Edson, Don Johnson, Dave Medley, Dick Peterson, Erv Rohde, Howard Shire, and John Woods.

If you feel your 2015 Club dues are current but you are not on the above list contact Fritz Corbin for needed corrections.

#### THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

2015, Wow! We started the new year in great style with six members showing up to be the first in the Club to fly in 2015 thereby earning their hardship Certificates. Got a picture of every plane that flew except for Erv Rohde's plane since he flew before I arrived at the field, but Fritz did witness the flight. Also got an email from President, John Woods, saying he also got a flight in on New Year's Day. So he will receive a Certificate, however it may be altered a little since I'm sure he flew in shorts, t-shirt and flip flops. The weather can be tough this time of the year in Florida.

With the new year comes the time to pay your 2015 Club dues. The dues are the same as they were in 2014, \$80 for regular members. If you are an out of Towner, you may be able to join as an Associate member for \$15, or if you are a student and an AMA member you could be eligible for free Club membership. If you want to send Treasurer, Fritz Corbin, a check and don't have his address, send me an email at donmarj@outlook.com and I'll send you a return email with his address.

Even though it is winter we usually have many nice days that we can fly and the field is in great shape. Hope to see you at the field.

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

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TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2014					
		DEC		YTD	
BALANCE	12/1/2014	\$	874.80	\$	1,371.33
INCOME-DUES		\$	687.00	\$	1,788.68
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$	-	\$	15.00
INCOME-FOOD		\$	176.00	\$	271.00
INCOME-50/50		\$	-	\$	34.50
INCOME-MISC		\$	94.00	\$	125.34
EXPENSE-FIELD		\$	28.57	\$	1,513.70
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-FOOD		\$	98.05	\$	164.42
EXPENSE-AMA		\$	-	\$	90.00
EXPENSE-Web		\$	-	\$	120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-MISC		\$	18.78	\$	31.33
BALANCE	1/1//2015	\$1	1,686.40	\$	1,686.40

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB DECEMBER 9, 2014

President John Woods opened the meeting at 6:10 PM, at the South Port Clubhouse. There were 10 members present including the officers. V-P Gene Fuson was absent. This being the annual Christmas Party, there were 9 wives present as guests. Also ex member and Treasurer, Roy Steinestel and wife Margie, attended as guests. The Treasurer's report and the Minutes of the October Meeting were approved by voice vote as written in the December Newsletter. There was no 50/50 raffle because of the merchandise raffle to be held during the party.

#### **Committee Reports:**

President John Woods asked if there were any additional nominations for 2015 Club Officers. Being none, it was moved and seconded that the nominating committee's (Club Officers) slate for the Club 2015 Officers consisting of John Woods – President, Gene Fuson – Vice-President, Fritz Corbin – Treasurer and Don Johnson – Secretary, be elected by acclamation. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Based on Treasurer Fritz Corbin's study and recommendation that the 2015 dues remain at \$80, John asked for a motion to accept this recommendation. A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Club 2015 dues remain at \$80.

Don Johnson passed out the Certificates for the winners of the Club's Top Gun 2014 competition. First place was John Woods, second place was Bud Austin and third place went to Don Livermore.

John also mentioned the New Year's Day Fun Fly. Be one of the first to fly in 2015 and brag about it all year.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16PM so the Christmas program could begin.

Program: Instead of buying commercial food for the party, Dave Medley said he would like to cook the main dishes thereby providing tastier food at less cost to the Club. He showed up in white Chef's hat and jacket with a turkey and a ham, dressing and mashed potatoes and a couple of gallons of his special gravy. Everything was delicious. Also many of the member's wives brought side dishes and deserts. It seems that Chef Dave and helper Val spent about three days getting everything prepared, a lot of work but very much appreciated and enjoyed by all. With an \$8 price per person the Club netted \$59.

After everyone had their food, Dave took off his Chefs hat and became the M.C. for the raffle and auction. The first order of business was the raffle. Several nice gifts had been donated to the Club, mostly from Harbor Freight. Every wife needs a good multi-meter. Ticket sales netted the Club \$49.

Dave next moved on to the auction. Val Medley had donated two very nice ear ring sets. Both sets brought in \$10 each. Next was an angel painting by Janet Woods? After a spirited bidding war the painting sold for \$25. Total proceeds from the party was \$153. In addition six members paid their 2015 Club dues for another \$640.

The party was truly a joint effort. A special thanks to Dave and Val for the main dishes, John for support in bringing the drinks, plates, silverware, microphone setup, etc., and Howard for the coffee. Also thanks to everyone that attended, brought side dishes or deserts, donated raffle and auction items, bought raffle tickets and supported the auction, helped set up the clubhouse and helped in the cleanup.



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### **CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Shown here are many of the two dozen members and guests that attended the Tri-Lakes RC Flying Club Christmas party on December 9th. A good time was had by all! Good food, good company and good raffle and auction prizes!



## **NEW YEAR'S DAY FUN FLY**









Gary Merseal does a leisurely fly by with his little electric for his first flight of the year.

Fritz Corbin brought his new Polaris XL out for a New Year's Day flight.



Bud Austin coming in for a landing with his big, hot Yellow tailed red bird electric.



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### SAFETY FIRST

Happy New Year to all of our club members, and WEL-COME! to our newer members.

We have had several safety issues this past year, so now would be a good time to review your safety practices and make a "NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION" to improve on your personal habits to increase your safety and the safety of your flying buddies.

See you at the field, Gene Fuson Safety Officer

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE MARCH 10TH, 6:00PM, AT THE SOUTH PORT CLUBHOUSE. THERE IS NO JANUARY OR FEBRUARY MEETING SCHEDULED.