

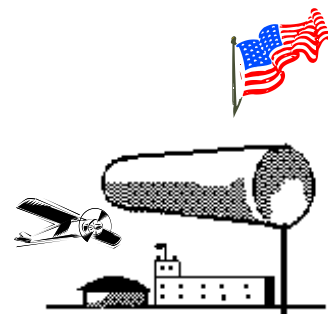
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## FULL HOUSE FUN CUB



Above is Gene Fuson's Multiplex Fun Cub ARF taking off on its maiden flight with test pilot John Woods on the controls. The flight was a complete success with no problems. John remarked that the Cub would make a great trainer. The Cub has a wingspan of 55 inches and is 39 inches long, so it is not a small plane. It is powered by a Turnigy Sk3-3542 brushless motor with aluminum motor mount, 3 cell (11.1 volt) 2200 mAH Li-Po battery and a 11x5.5 electric prop. It carries six servos, two HS 81's for rudder and elevator, two HS 55's for ailerons and two HS 55's for the flaps. A Spektrum 6 channel AR 600 handles all the controls. Setting this plane apart from other Fun Cubs is the Alaska Tundra Air markings from ModelMarkings.com. Yes, Gene sent to England to get these special decals! The big wheels automatically make you think of flying off the Alaskan tundra. Great looking plane, Gene!

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hey Guys, May is here and this weather has been interesting the past week. We had a nice warm day last Friday and several members showed up to fly. Bud Austin and I both seemed to have landing problems this day but I won't get into that.

One thing I wanted to mention as a new flyer, it is always a good idea to inspect your planes and make sure everything is tight. I had a close call a month or so ago with my engine bolts coming out, only one was remaining and it was very loose. I have come to believe in loc-tite or lock washers.

Good Flying To All.

Greg

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well, it's spring and the nice weather is finally here. Riigghhtt!! Yesterday, May 3rd, was the coldest May 3rd in recorded history. It also included wind, rain and SNOW! As I write this it is Saturday, May 4th, normally our Club's flying day but the weather isn't much better than yesterday. The weatherman does tell us that the weather will be much improved in a few more days so take advantage of the down days and get your planes ready to go.

The Club is now up to 20 current members. Last year at this time we had 21, so we're in pretty good shape and hopefully one more of last year's members will renew his dues. But we could sure use some more members so be on the lookout for anyone that looks to be interested in radio control.

Our April Fun Fly went well with five members competing. Looks like most of us are able to deal with the wind better than we used to. If anyone has some ideas on different events, I'd like to hear about them.

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

## NEW MEMBER

We picked up a new member during March bringing our total Club membership up to 20.

Buddy Battriel of Springfield, joined the Club as an Associate member. Buddy has been at the field a few times and flies a Four Star 60.

Welcome to the Club Buddy, we are pleased to have you join us.

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TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2013			
		APR	Y T D
BALANCE	4/1/2013	\$1,977.50	\$ 1,453.98
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 48.35	\$ 1,168.35
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 3.50	\$ 11.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 104.87	\$ 709.35
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ 19.67	\$ 19.67
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
BALANCE	5/1//2013	\$1,949.81	\$ 1,949.81

# MEETING MINUTES

## TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

APRIL 9, 2013

Vice President Gene Fuson opened the meeting at 6:02 PM, at the South Port Condominium Club House. All Officers were present except President Greg Moody. There were 10 members present including the Officers. The split the pot raffle was won by Roy Steinestel, and he received \$3.50 of the \$7 pot.

### Committee Reports:

Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that there was \$1,977.50 in the bank as of April 1<sup>st</sup>.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as printed in the April Newsletter.

Roy Steinestel reported the flying field lease agreement for the coming year had been signed and returned by Brenda Oswald.

Don Johnson reported that he had received the Certificate of Insurance and the Club Charter for the coming year from AMA.

Don Johnson commented on how well the field and the safety fence looked.

### Old Business:

None

### New Business:

Don Johnson reviewed the events for the Fun Fly on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Fritz Corbin will take care of the food for the Fun Fly.

John Woods mentioned that the Springfield Black Sheep were having a Fun Fly

on May 15<sup>th</sup> at their flying field.

Don Johnson passed around a flyer on the Tulsa Glue Dobbers Jumbo Fun Fly to be held May 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Program:

Crash Of The Month Trophy, held by John Woods, was presented to Jim Haney for destroying his second Polaris foamy. Jim said he plans to make a third Polaris.

Gene Fuson's showed his new Multiplex Fun Cub ARF, which he bought from Tower Hobbies. It has a span of 55 inches and is 39 inches long. It also has flaps. See more info and pictures on pages 1 and 5.

Jim Halbert brought his new tri-hulled Catamaran which he also bought from Tower Hobbies. Everything was still in the boxes so we will get more info on it later as it gets put together.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 PM.



Just a nice day to be out at the field. John Woods is seen carrying his Extra back to the flight line and is telling Joe White what a neat flight he had just made.

Photo by G Fuson



# APRIL FUN FLY

It was a beautiful, but breezy day, as five brave aviators prepared to compete in the year's first Fun Fly.

After the pilots meeting at 11 AM it was time for the first event, the **SIMPLE THREE HOP**. Place plane stopped with all three wheels in the box. When pilot is ready the timer will say **START** and the clock starts. Take off and do a roll and stop with all three wheels in box, do a loop and stop with all 3 wheels in box, then do a stall turn and stop with all three wheels in the box. Time stops. Lowest time wins. All maneuvers must be easily recognizable. First up was John Woods and he took First Place with a time of 81 seconds. Second went to Bud Austin with a time of 87 seconds and third place went to Fritz Corbin at 128 seconds. Fourth place went to Jim Haney at 148 seconds and Fifth was Don Johnson with 172 seconds.

The next event was **Erv's 6 TARGET** ground event. Time starts when you touch starting line between 2 targets. Knock over 2 targets, come back and knock over one starting line target. Continue to knock over 2 more targets, then back to the starting line. Knock over remaining starting line target and clock stops. Penalty 5 seconds if you break a stick, 2 pieces. 10 seconds if you get airborne. 15 seconds if you destroy a stick; more than 2 pieces. 20 seconds if you don't follow rules. **ONE WITH THE LEAST SECONDS WINS**. First Place went to Bud Austin with 58 seconds, Fritz Corbin Second with 87 seconds and John Woods third at 96 seconds. None of the top three had any penalties. Fourth place went to Don Johnson with 124 seconds and Jim Haney was Fifth with 158 seconds. The last two finishers each had 25 seconds of penalties.

The last event was the **30 SECOND DEAD-STICK SPOT LANDING**. Take off and climb to altitude and cut the throttle (time starts). Time will stop when plane stops. Glide plane to a stop on the target. Pilot will receive one point for each second over or under 30 sec-

onds plus one point for each foot away from the target the plane stops. Low points wins. Bud Austin again came in First with a time of 26 seconds for a score of 18 (4 seconds plus 14 feet). Fritz Corbin got another Second with a score of 38 (21 sec, 9 plus 29 feet) and Don Johnson had a 45 (28 sec, 2 plus 43). Jim Haney had the best time with 31 seconds for a score of 59 (1 plus 58 feet) and John Woods was Fifth with a score of 85 (45 sec, 15 plus 70 feet).

Overall winners were Bud Austin with 270 Top Gun 2013 points. Second overall was John Woods with 150 points, and in Third place was Fritz Corbin with 150 points. Fourth place went to Don Johnson with 100 points and in Fifth place was Jim Haney with 80 points.

Many thanks to the members that helped timing and scoring the events and to the new Grub Master, Fritz, who provided lunch and to Howard for cooking the dogs and a special thanks to Janet for providing a lemon cake for desert.

The next Club Fun Fly is scheduled for June 15th. Hope we will have an even larger



Above is Howard Shire acting as Chef for the April Fun Fly. He is cooking up the dogs after the last Fun Fly event. Looking good, Howard!

Photo by G Fuson



Another shot of Gene Fuson's Fun Cub at the April meeting. Note the fancy custom decals from England.



Above John Woods does the maiden flight on Gene Fuson's Rhapsody. This plane was featured in the March Newsletter and powered by a 14.8 volt Li-Po battery. It flew very well. Below it comes in for a smooth landing.



If it is too windy, get a sail boat. Jim Halbert shows his new tri-hull catamaran that he got from Tower Hobbies. Jim will probably put some foam inside this one so it doesn't join the last one at the bottom of the lake.



Photo by G Fuson

Above Bud Austin looks happy with his plane at the April Fun Fly and below Don Johnson checks out Fritz Corbin during one of the events.



Photo by G Fuson



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## **SAFETY FIRST**

Do an inspection of your airplane's propeller from time to time. This is especially important after a not so perfect landing. Most of us look at the blades of the prop, but how many look closely at the hub area? Discard that prop if it is less than perfect. Consider painting the tips for better visibility when the prop is turning. This is a plus too, because it looks good.

See you at the field,  
Gene Fuson  
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE  
MAY 14TH, 6:00PM, AT THE CLUB  
FLYING FIELD. IN CASE OF SEVERE  
WEATHER MEET AT THE SOUTH-  
PORT CONDOMINIUM CLUBHOUSE.**