

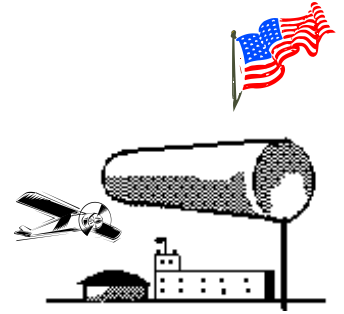
# ***THE WINDSOCK***

**PUBLICATION OF THE TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB**

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## **STUFF HAPPENS!!**



**After a couple of nice slow flights, your editor decided to take his unscarred Polaris XL up for a nice comfortable flight. It had only 8 flights and about 30 minutes of flight time on it and seemed to be an easy plane to fly. But after a nice lift off and gentle left turn to gain altitude the eyes and fingers and reflexes seemed to stop coordinating and the plane rolled over and crashed—kind of putting a damper on a nice day.**

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Seems like everyone has been following our government's policies on the plan of engagement against the corona virus by staying home. The streets are empty and armadillos are enjoying our flying field. I am thankful that all our Club members seem to be well and healthy.

Last Friday several Members came to the field and were able to get several flights in before the wind fired up. I haven't flown in several months like many of you. It felt so good we all came back Saturday morning and flew some more. The field looks great as always and thanks to Bud and Fritz for taking care of it. Great day all day.

I wanted to re-publish the information concerning the FAA's rules presently in place and new rules they are considering regarding our model airplanes and our hobby. The FAA's rules and recommendations for hobby fliers still are in place. Don't fly over 400' altitude and keep the airplane in sight at all times. Additionally, all your models/drones must have your FAA UAS Certification Number attached to the outside of the plane. If you signed up and received a UAS FAA Number and didn't cancel it, the expiration date has been extended to 12/12/ 2020. You can go on FAA's website and fill in the info to receive a new card with the new expiration date if you like. For your information the FAA is trying to implement "Remote Identification". Remote I.D would be required on all model Aircraft/Drones. Your plane would broadcast your Identification, your location and track your flight pattern back to the FAA..... sounds expensive. All the new rules have to go through the bureaucratic process and will take several years but the freedom we had is in jeopardy.

Our next Club meeting will be May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM at the Flying field. Come out early and fly then stay for the meeting. See you then.

Happy Landings ..... John

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well here it is May and we finally got a couple of days that were nice enough to fly. It is also nice that the shelter in place regulations are starting to ease up but remain alert because it is just as easy to catch the coronavirus now as it was a couple of months ago. So practice social distancing whenever you go out to the field or any place else.

Got so bored with shelter in place that I pulled a little rubber powered model out of the cabinet I bought over 25 years ago and built it. 16 inch wing span and 1/16 inch balsa. Found my skills are not what they used to be when working with this little stuff but it was kind of fun and nostalgic.

Speaking of things that are not what they used to be, finding that eyesight and reflexes do not improve with age. When I go out to the field now, I try to take planes that are easy to fly. Even have a couple of R/C free flight planes. I think the whole idea is to get out in the open air and enjoy a sport with like minded people.

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

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2020			
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BALANCE	4/1/2020	\$1,909.46	\$ 1,888.28
INCOME-DUES -----			\$ 640.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS			\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----			\$ -
INCOME-50/50 -----			\$ -
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 50.08	\$ 50.31
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 300.86	\$ 799.91
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER			\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS			\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----			\$ -
EXPENSE-AMA -----			\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-Web -----			\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room			\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----			\$ -
BALANCE	5/1/2020	\$1,658.68	\$ 1,658.68





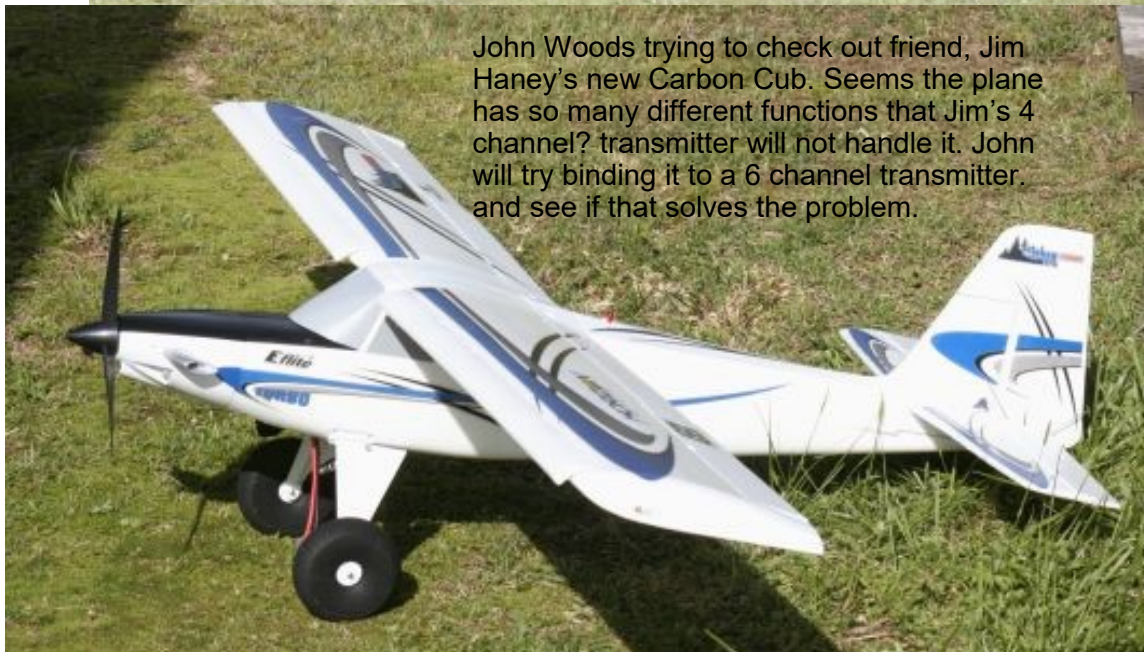
John Woods Helping out Hernando in getting his trainer running good.

## TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB MEETING MINUTES

There were no scheduled Club meetings for January, February, March, or April.



Fritz Corbin giving the new motor in his Twister some taxi time. A little later he took off and the plane and new motor did fine. His Twister now sports a flat bottom wing instead of symmetrical.



John Woods trying to check out friend, Jim Haney's new Carbon Cub. Seems the plane has so many different functions that Jim's 4 channel? transmitter will not handle it. John will try binding it to a 6 channel transmitter. and see if that solves the problem.

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## **SAFETY FIRST**

Hi everyone,

Well, here we are, still in this Corona virus nightmare.

Everyone is trying to stay at home, or at least, practicing social distancing.

I am wearing a mask when I am in the grocery store, or at a doctor's appointment. My wife is cutting my hair because my barber shop is not open.

She didn't do too bad either. Well.....it IS a buzz cut.

I have not been out to the field, I'm not sure if anyone else has been out to fly.

I am staying inside, putting together my new airplane, shown in the newsletter last month.

If you do go to the field, social distance should be practiced. Six feet isn't all that far from each other, so that shouldn't be a problem.

Stay well, stay safe.....and wash your hands!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

See You at the Field,  
Gene Fuson

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