## THE WINDSOCK PUBLICATION OF THE TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

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# WHAT IS GOING ON?



Four guys in the middle of the runway all looking around wondering what to do. Ah, Bud Austin has a starter in his hand so maybe he just started the trainer plane. Maybe it stopped when it hit John Woods in the knee and tore his jeans or maybe it just stopped. Isaac Thomas seems to be waiting patiently, with Buddy-Box in hand, for his lesson to continue. Also Fritz Corbin is joining the group to see if they need any help. But it all ended well as John and Isaac went back to the pilot station and got the plane in the air and Bud and Fritz wandered off to see what else they could do. Just another nice relaxing day at the ole' flying field. Come on out and join us!

#### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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'll let you know via email.

Thanks to Fritz for re-painting our Club's sign that hangs on the gate at the field. Looks really sharp. Also, thanks to all the officers and volunteers that keep this Club going. It is a lot of work that most of the members don't realize and without them it would be impossible to continue - thank you all so much. We all appreciate you and what you do.

A few days ago Don and Diane Livermore stopped by the house riding their really nice Can-Am Spyder motorcycle. You may have seen it when Don rode it out to the Flying Field last year. They were out for a day touring and stopped by to see me ...... actually to see Janet. Anyway, we visited about the bike then I ask Don what he's been flying lately. He said he got into EDF Jets for awhile but now is into FPV Drone racing. His runs in the 100 MPH range pretty popular for older guys. It was nice to see them and they are enjoying life.

I wanted to mention Branson Hobby Center (Formally TPA Hobbies) again. The store looks great and everything is somewhat rearranged. It seems like there is a lot more room. Very well stocked. Having a hobby store in our area is a luxury so stop in and buy something - they need out support. See Rusty or Mike.

We haven't been able to get together for one of our Fly-N-Eat outings. Mainly the weather has been the problem. We'll try again for this month, 4th Thursday, June 28th. Hope it's not too hot.

This month we will have our Fun Fly event -Saturday June 16th. The last Fun Fly's scoring was very close so I plan on practicing a lot more. See you there.

Happy Landings ..... John

#### THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

The weather has changed and we are seeing a lot of nice flying days—and the field is in great shape so come on out and join us for some good flying.

Don't forget the Club meeting on June 12th. It will be at the field unless we have severe weather. Come on out and fly before, or after, the meeting.

Our second Fun Fly of the year is scheduled for June 16th. It is getting a little difficult to think up new or unusual events for the Fun Flys. They should be within the abilities of most of our pilots, not too complicated and fairly easy to score. Looks like there are three good events scheduled. The first is simple and quick and timed. The second one is also timed but will be more involved and take some concentration. The last event is measured and should be easy if you plan ahead. If you get confused you will probably rack up some penalties. Have fun.

Unexpectedly had a major repair job on my new F-22 foamy at the beginning of its' second flight. Remembered to pick up all the little pieces of foam and have glued them all back together like a 3-D jig saw puzzle. Doesn't look too bad if you stand back several yards. Will find out how it flies soon.

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

| TRI-LAKI             | ES FINANCIA | LST  | ATEM   | ENT | 2018     |
|----------------------|-------------|------|--------|-----|----------|
|                      |             | MAY  |        | YTD |          |
| BALANCE              | 5/1/2018    | \$1, | 716.99 | \$  | 1,928.49 |
| INCOME-DUES          |             | \$   | -      | \$  | 440.00   |
| INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS   |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| INCOME-FOOD          |             | \$   | -      | \$  | 14.50    |
| INCOME-50/50         |             | \$   | 2.50   | \$  | 7.00     |
| INCOME-MISC          |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| EXPENSE-FIELD        |             | \$   | 44.35  | \$  | 580.35   |
| EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER   |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS  |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| EXPENSE-FOOD         |             | \$   | -      | \$  | 14.50    |
| EXPENSE-AMA          |             | \$   | -      | \$  | 120.00   |
| EXPENSE-Web          |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| EXPENSE-meeting room |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| EXPENSE-MISC         |             | \$   | -      | \$  | -        |
| BALANCE              | 6/1/2018    | \$1. | 675.14 | s   | 1.675.14 |

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB MAY 8, 2018

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:32 PM, at the Club flying field. There were 5 members present including all officers except Gene Fuson. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,716.99 in the Treasury as of May 1, 2018. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the April meeting were approved as written in the May Newsletter. The 50/50 raffle was won by Fritz Corbin and he received \$2.50 of the \$5 pot.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** John commented that all members should follow the procedures for unlocking and locking the field gate as outlined in last month's Newsletter.

**NEW BUSINESS**: President John discussed the new ownership of Branson Hobby Center (previously named T.P.A. Hobby). Longtime employee, Rusty, has acquired ownership of the business after the passing of Mike Wenig. Also Frank is still working there. They have made some changes in the layout and it is a very well stocked hobby shop. Swing by there when you need something in the hobby line or just to look around.

There will be Fly N Eat on May 24. 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.

Fritz Corbin still has position of the monthly crash trophy and is trying hard to retain possession of it. However Bud Austin tried very hard to gain control of the trophy with a mishap with his big gassy by putting it nose first in the middle of the road outside the field gate. Come to the meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup> to see how this turns out.

**PROGRAM:** Fritz passed out certificates to the winners of the April fun fly.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 PM.

At the June meeting there will be a contest for who will receive the coveted Crash Trophy. At top we have Fritz Corbin and his Hog Bipe. Fritz is the current holder of the trophy and seems to want to retain it. At center is Bud Austin's big glow powered Spare Parts Special that looks to be a trophy contender and at the bottom is Don Johnson's entry with his F-22 electric foamy after only its' second launch. Come to the meeting on June 12th and find out who the winner is.







### JUNE 16TH FUN FLY FIRST EVENT WILL START AT 11:00 AM BBQ AFTER THE Fun Fly

There will be three events.

**Event 1. 60 SECOND QUICKIE.** Take off from the circle, do a loop, land and stop in the circle in exactly 60 seconds. Time starts when the plane moves and stops when the plane stops with at least one wheel in the circle in exactly 60 seconds. No timing help allowed. Score is seconds more or less than 60. Low score wins.

Event 2. TAXI & SLALOM & ROOPS TOO. The pilot will start (Time Starts) and taxi around the two cones in a figure 8 configuration crossing over the square 3 times and then take off. Do 2 sets of a roll and loop (or loop and roll) and then land. Taxi around the two cones crossing over the square 2 times and then continue around the cone and stop in the square. Time stops – Low time wins. Any part of the plane must be inside the square. Restarts are OK but time continues.

**Event 3.** PRECISION DEAD STICK. With the plane in the air and the pilot says START he will fly his plane on a north or south course directly in front of the judges while over the runway. He will then do a 180 turn and again fly in front of the judges while over the runway. Once past the judges he will stop his motor/engine, say OFF then do a 180 turn and dead stick to the circle. There will be a 25 foot penalty (each time) if any 180 turns into a 360 no mater how big or ragged or if the dead stick includes a 360 turn. The winner will be the low score of the plane stopping closest to the center of the circle in feet plus penalties.

Pilots can fly any fixed wing aircraft in any event.



At left is Don Johnson's red tip F-22 foamy after dozens of flights and the yellow tip F-22 2 awaiting its' maiden flight. As seen on the page preceding the first flight went well but the second one went bad on the hand launch. When launching you grab a wing tip and swing it out with one hand while advancing throttle with the other hand. Now what can go wrong? **TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB** 

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#### **SAFETY FIRST**

We have quite a few aircraft that are powered by gasoline. When mixing oil into your gas container, DO NOT use a plastic funnel. Using such a funnel can allow static electricity to build up, causing a flash fire. To prevent such an occurrence use only a metal funnel, and only mix your fuel out of doors. That is the best ventilated area there is. Remember, gas is a lot more volatile than nitro methane fuel.

Also, be careful and do not breath fumes from either of these fuels.

See you at the field, Gene Fuson Safety Officer

# THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE JUNE 12, 5:30PM, AT THE CLUB FIELD. IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER MEET AT THE SOUTH PORT CLUBHOUSE.