

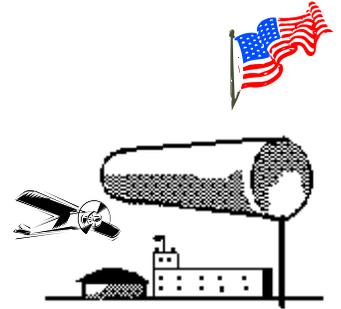
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**PUBLICATION OF THE TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB**

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## IS THIS THE FUTURE ?



This flying vehicle was seen last month at SMALL in Little Rock. It was about two feet in diameter, had six electric motors and a forward looking camera. There was telecommunication between the vehicle and a computer on the ground which guided flight via the computer screen image. Understand all the needed electronic programming was done by the designer-builder-pilot. It was quit impressive and very stable in flight. This may be the future but it seems to take a lot away from our romantic notion of flying through the air. Don't think I am quite ready for this yet!

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our Fun Fly was held on Saturday, June 16 at 11:00 am. We had a lot of fun, but we also had a few crashes. Two members that were flying in the Fun Fly, had never participated before, which was Jim and Greg. Jim Haney brought the fixings for the weenie roast, but he talked Janet Woods into cooking. We all love Janet. John won the Fun Fly. The field, once again, was in great shape thanks to those who did the mowing.

Roy donated a Hobbico trainer, with an extra .40 motor to the Club. All in great shape. The Club thanks Roy very much for his generous donation.

A float fly was scheduled for June 26 at 8 am, but was cancelled for high winds. I hope we get that re-scheduled soon.

STA-U 1 (be strong ) Jim

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2012			
		JUN	Y T D
BALANCE	6/1/2012	\$1,510.61	\$ 1,566.05
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 80.00	\$ 1,085.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ 23.00	\$ 23.00
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 5.00	\$ 27.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 5.60
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 44.00	\$ 899.44
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ 31.00	\$ 31.00
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 105.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 8.10
BALANCE	7/1/2012	\$1,543.61	\$ 1,543.61

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Finally got around to updating the Club Roster which resulted in the list of 22 current members as shown on the following page. This is one less member than we had at this time last year so we are kind of holding our own. Unfortunately 5 members had to be dropped from the list because of unpaid dues. Of course they can catch up with their Club dues any time and be added back on the Roster and we hope they will do that.

We got our second Fun Fly of the year in even though it was pretty gusty at times. In these circumstances it is inevitable that one or two planes get in trouble. And so it was as the wind blew Howard Shire's Magic into the trees. It was recovered by the Bow and arrow method without too much damage. Don Johnson's Lazy Bee got tumbled by the wind on a touch and go that almost broke the tail off. But both planes will be repaired and ready to go for the next Fun Fly. We also had two members compete for the first time in a Fun Fly and they did well. That was neat!

Got an email from Gene Fuson with three pictures



of small mouth bass that he and wife Ellen had caught on a fishing trip in northern MN. Thought I would show what looked like the biggest for a change of pace. Nice fish Ellen!

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

## NEW MEMBERS

We picked up a new member at the June meeting, bringing our current Club membership to 22.

Ed Leonard is the newest member and he lives in Kimberling City. Ed is also an active member and officer in the local Civil Air Patrol.

Ed actually was a Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club member some years back and we are pleased to have him rejoin our Club. Welcome back Ed!

# MEETING MINUTES

## TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

JUNE 12, 2012

President Jim Haney opened the meeting at 6:01 PM, at Rocky Top Field. All Officers, except Gene Fuson, were present. There were 11 members present including the Officers. No guests were present. Jim Haney won the 50/50 split the pot again. He received \$5 of the \$10 pot.

**Committee Reports:** Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that there was \$1,510.61 in the bank as of June 1<sup>st</sup>.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed in the June Newsletter.

Ed Leonard joined the Club as a new member at the June meeting.

**Old Business:** John Woods spoke of the Mid America Float Fly that he and several Club members attended the first weekend in June. He also passed around some photos of the event.

**New Business:** President Jim Haney said he knew of a place in the country that could serve as the Club's Christmas Party with dinner and a play for \$22 a head. He suggested the Club members give it some consideration.

Roy Stienestel said he had a 40 size trainer that he would donate to the Club.

It was reported that the walki-talkies need new batteries. These are used as a safety device when aircraft get lost in the woods and are kept in the desk in the shed. (The batteries would probably last longer if they were removed from the radios when not in use.)

**Program:** President Jim Haney showed a Hobbico 60 trainer that he wanted some ad-

vice on how to convert from a rubber band wing hold down to a bolted hold down.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21PM.

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## CURRENT 2012 CLUB MEMBERS as of 7/1/2012

**Bud Austin  
Sid Beckham  
Fritz Corbin  
Gene Fuson  
Jim Halbert  
Jim Haney  
Reeder Jones  
Don Johnson  
Ed Leonard  
West Kistler  
Craig McKenzie  
Tom McKenzie  
Dave Medley  
Greg Moody  
Randy Needham  
Dick Peterson  
Erv Rohde  
Howard Shire  
Roy Steinestel  
Bill Walker  
James Woodruff  
John Woods.**

**If you feel your 2012 Club dues are current but you are not on the above list contact Roy Steinestel for needed corrections.**

# JUNE FUN FLY

It was a nice summer day but the wind was gusting which didn't bode well for some of the intrepid pilots. After a short pilots meeting it was 11 AM and time for the first event.

The first event was a **FIVE LAP PYLON RACE + A HOP**. From the square taxi five circuits around the pylons then take off without delay and do a loop or roll (HOP). Time starts when plane moves and stops when plane passes the square the fifth time. During the taxi a 10 second penalty will be assessed each time all three wheels are clearly off the ground or a pylon is knocked over. Failure to do the HOP will add 100 seconds to the time. Low time wins. John Woods showed the way with a time of 59 seconds and no penalties. Second place went to Erv Rohde with 72 seconds and Third place was a tie between Bud Austin and Jim Haney at 78 seconds. Bud's time included a 10 second pylon penalty. Fifth place went to Greg Moody with 117 seconds.

The second event was **BUD'S 60 SECONDS OF LOOPS**. Maximum Loops in 60 Seconds . Take off from marked square. Do as many loops as possible and land and stop in square in 60 second or less. 2 points for each loop completed. Minus 1 point for each second over 60. Time starts when airplane moves and stops when plane stops with any wheel in the square. Highest score wins. This was hard fought with Bud Austin and John Woods tying for first place with 16 points. Bud had 9 loops less a 2 second penalty and John had 10 loops less a 4 second penalty. Third place went to Jim Haney with 6 loops and a 3 second penalty for a score of 9. Fourth place went to Erv Rohde with a 4 (8 loops—12 seconds) and Fifth place was Don Johnson with a minus 7 (10

loops minus 27 seconds).

The last event was **TWO MINUTES OF T & G'S**. Take off. Time starts when plane moves. Do as many T & G's as possible in 120 seconds. Most T & G's win. Both Bud and John were on a roll and tied for First place with 7T & G's. In Third place was Jim Haney with 4 T & G's, Fourth place went to Erv Rohde with 3 T & G's and Fifth place was Greg Moody with 2 T & G's.

The Overall winner with 270 Top Gun 2012 points was John Woods. In Second place with 210 points was Bud Austin, Third was Jim Haney at 140 points and Fourth was Erv Rohde with 130 points. Fifth place went to Greg Moody with 50 points and tied for sixth was Don Johnson and Howard shire at 30 points .

We had 7 enter into this Fun Fly, including Jim Haney and Greg Moody who competed in a Fun Fly for the first time. They both managed to place in a couple of the events. Great job guys, well done!

Would like to thank Bud Austin for his LOOPS event, Gene Fuson for running the scoring and all the guys that helped him time, count and keep track of things during the events. Also thanks to Jim Haney for getting the grub and Janet Woods for being the chef for the BBQ. Janet didn't bring a lemon cake like she usually did, but she brought a Chocolate cake instead which was equally as good. Last but not least, thanks to Bud Austin and Fritz Corbin for having the flying field in such good shape.

The next scheduled Fun Fly will be August 18th. Hope to see you there.

## **TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB**

### **PRESIDENT**

**JIM HANEY 231-1981**

### **VICE-PRESIDENT**

**GENE FUSON 538- 9346**

### **SECRETARY**

**DON JOHNSON 779-5340**

### **TREASURER**

**ROY STEINESTEL 739-4692**

### **SAFETY OFFICER**

**GENE FUSON 538- 9346**

### **FIELD MARSHAL**

**BUD AUSTIN 561-4466**

### **INSTRUCTORS**

**ERV ROHDE 538-2439**

**HOWARD SHIRE 779-5069**

**JOHN WOODS 338-8419**

## **SAFETY FIRST**

Earlier this year, April 2012, we saw a lot of crashes. Some of these crashes seem to result from having lost contact with the airplane. In other words, no good reason for that airplane to crash. A couple of years ago, I sent my radio in to be checked out after having a couple of "unexplained" crashes with the same radio. The repair shop didn't say if anything was wrong with the radio, but it seems to operate good now.

That is not to say that it couldn't be the receiver or transmitter battery, because that can and does happen.

Batteries are easy to check out, radio problems are not.

If you even suspect that something may be wrong with your radio, send it in to be checked. The cost will usually be around \$50, but you will get a radio that has been checked out, and most importantly some "peace of mind"

See you at the field,  
Gene Fuson  
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE  
JULY 10, 6:00PM, AT ROCKY TOP  
FIELD. IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER  
MEET AT THE COACHLIGHT VILLAGE  
CLUBHOUSE.**