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WHAT IS THAT? OH IT'S A ZOOMER



Looking through the May 2018 issue of Model Aviation spotted an article on a 1945 design of the free flight ZOOMER that had been redesigned as an electric RC foamy. Remembering the classic designs of that era with their intricate structures and transparent doped silk covering and floating glides I was intrigued and sent for the full size plans. The model has a 38 1/2 wingspan and a flying weight of 8 3/4 ounces. As advertised the little Suppo 2208 motor and 2 cell Li-Po will haul the plane up in a spiraling assent and transition into a slow glide when the motor is shut down. The RC is really only needed to nudge the plane in the direction you want to go as it will just fly by itself. With a little practice you should be able to land it right at your feet. This beats the good old days where after a 30 second motor run you might have to chase the plane literally for miles or have it just fly away. With just one flight the ZOOMER looks like it will live up to its' reputation.

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 will let you know via email.

We haven't been able to get together for one of our Fly-N-Eat outings. Mainly the weather has been the problem. June was no exception, just too hot. Temperature of 98° and 9 MPH winds. We'll try again for this month, 4th Thursday, July 26th. Hope it's not too hot or windy or rainy or cloudy or.....

A few of our Club members have been selling off some or all of their Airplanes, engines and radio gear. There are a lot of really, really good deals available at a very reasonable price. I usually send out an email listing for them to all our members so keep checking if you are in the market for R/C stuff.

We had a nice turn out for our Fun Flyfive contestants engaged in a knock down drag out contest to advance their standings for the Top Gun Award. Several people also came to enjoy all the action. Our friends George and Sue from Vermont, who we met in Florida a few years ago were there too. Just hope it wasn't too exciting for them. We also had hot dogs (All Beef) with all the condiments and Janet brought her killer lemon cake that everyone enjoyed. Our next Fun Fly will be in August.

The Flying Field looks awesome. With all the rain and mowing it looks a little like the 4th fairway at Top of the Rock..... kinda. Thanks to Bud, Fritz and Greg.

Happy Landings John

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Summer has arrived. Boy has it! Gets a mite warm at the field some afternoons but everyone needs some Vitamin D and fresh air so come on out but bring plenty of cool water with you.

Had a little mishap two or three weeks ago. Had a new F-22 Foamy that had a good maiden flight but on its' second flight I forgot to check the rate settings after flying a different plane and it was set to high rates. After launching the F-22 it was out of control before I realized the rates were set high and into the top of a tree it went. Bud Austin and I located the plane deep in the woods and high in a tree. What to do? Call a tree climber, cut the tree down or wait to see if it would come down on its' own? I decided to wait. We did get some high winds so I went out to the field and Bud was the only one there. I asked him if he would wait around while I went looking for my plane. I found the plane lying on the ground with the battery a few feet away. It fell out when it came out of the tree but had been hooked up for several day so it was ruined. Didn't find the canopy. Bud was waiting for me when I finally made it up the hill. The plane will fly again but will not look as nice. There are some Dos and DON'Ts in the above, hope you spotted them.

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

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		JUN		YTD	
BALANCE	6/1/2018	\$1	,675.14	\$	1,928.49
INCOME-DUES		\$	-	\$	440.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$	-	\$	-
INCOME-FOOD		\$	23.00	\$	37.50
INCOME-50/50		\$	2.50	\$	9.50
INCOME-MISC		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-FIELD			90.24	\$	670.59
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS			-	\$	-
EXPENSE-FOOD		\$	6.35	\$	20.85
EXPENSE-AMA		\$	-	\$	120.00
EXPENSE-Web		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-MISC		\$	-	\$	-
BALANCE	7/1/2018	\$1	,604.05	\$	1.604.05

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

June 12, 2018

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:16PM, at the Club flying field. There were 6 members present including all officers except Gene Fuson. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,675.14 in the Treasury as of June 1, 2018. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the May meeting were approved as written in the June Newsletter. The 50/50 raffle was won again by Fritz Corbin and he received \$2.50 of the \$5 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: John thanked Fritz for repainting the Club sign on the gate.

John asked if anyone had a Spektrum Buddy Cord to loan for student training. Don said he did and got it for John to use.

John also asked if anyone had an 8 cell Futaba transmitter battery. No one seemed to have one.

Fritz said he had renewed our Club as a non-profit corporation.

John said he had called Howard Shire to see how he was doing. Howard said he thought he would be able to get back out to the field sometime in the future.

NEW BUSINESS: John passed out Club Officer Pins that AMA had sent to the Club.

There will be a Fly N Eat on June 28th. 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. It will also be cancelled if the temperature gets to 80 degrees F or above.

The grass and weeds are getting tall around the flying field. It was decided to let these areas grow until we find someone to weedhog it at an affordable cost.

Fritz Corbin will have to give up the Crash Trophy for now as it was voted to award it to Bud Austin for his outstanding feats in this area, maybe at least 3 notable events. Hope Bud's new house has a mantle on which to display this coveted award for the next month. Fritz said he would bring it to Bud at the field on Saturday.

New Club member, Greg Armstrong, volunteered to help Fritz and Bud mow the runway and pit areas on Fridays.

PROGRAM: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40PM.



Above shows the great job Fritz did on repainting the gate and signs for the entrance to our Club. Thanks Fritz!

Below is a photo of participants and guests enjoying lunch after the Club's second Fun Fly of 2018.



JUNE 16TH FUN FLY

It was a little breezy but not bad enough to bother most people as five pilots got ready for the second Club Fun Fly of the year. After a short pilots meeting, where difficult terms like "over the runway", "180 degree" and "360 degree" were discussed, It was time to draw for the starting order and go on to the events.

The first event was 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. John Woods came out smoking with a 62 second run giving him a score of 2 and first place. Close on his heels was Bud Austin with 108 seconds and a score of 8 for second place. Fritz seemed to be in a little hurry and had a 48 second run with a score of 12 and third place. Don Johnson somehow landed in the weeds and took 130 seconds to finish earning a score of 70 and fourth place. Erv Rohde was fifth with a DNF after running into a flight station and damaging a wing before even getting in the air.

The next event was John's TAXI & SLALOM & ROOPS TOO. The pilot will start (Time Starts) and taxi around the two cones in a figure 8 configuration crossing over the circle 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 circle 2 times and then continue around the cone and stop in the circle. Time stops – Low time wins. Any part of the plane must be inside the circle. Restarts are OK but time continues. John was still on a roll (pun) and completed the event in 103 seconds for another first place. Bud held his position and finished in 113 seconds for another second place. Being consistent Fritz came in third with 164 seconds. Don had another fourth place finish with 190 seconds. Erv only brought one plane so he was finished for the day.

The last event was 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. Don was able to stay on course for this event and landed 39 feet from the target with no penalties and a first place. Fritz also moved up the ladder stopping only 46 feet from the target without penalties and a second place. John let his plane get a little far out and landed 92 feet from target with no penalties and a third place. Bud also let his plane get far away and had a 153 feet score with no penalties and a fourth.

Overall John was in first place with 250 Top Gun 2018 points. Bud and Fritz tied for second place with 170 points each. Don was fourth with 160 points and Erv was fifth with 60 points.

Even though we had a small turnout everyone had fun. Again many thanks to everyone that participated and helped in the Fun Fly. Special thanks to Janet Woods who cooked our 100 percent beef hotdogs and brought out her usual great lemon cake. Even if you don't like to watch us play with our airplanes, you may want to come out to the next Fun Fly and maybe get a piece of Janet's lemon cake.

The next scheduled Club Fun Fly is August 18th.

Instructor John Woods helping Student member Isaac Thomas get his plane ready to fly. The plane has a long history . Originally built by former member Roy Steinestel, then given to Howard Shire then again given to Isaac. Below you can see they did get if flying. Good job, guys!



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RYNG CLUB

Don Johnson's ZOOMER floating down on its' maiden flight after a short motor run. Will he be allowed to compete in the Time & Glide events without a large handicap?

After a couple weeks in a tall tree we finally had a good wind storm and Don Johnson was able to go down in the woods and find his F-22 foamy lying on the ground under the tree. Looks like it wii take a little repair work to get it back in the air.





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SAFETY FIRST

If you are planning on adjusting anything on your electric powered airplane, make sure you take the propeller off before tweaking any of the settings on your transmitter. Failure to do so can result in an unexpected start up of the motor. An alternative is use of the throttle cut feature on your transmitter, but removing the prop is the best way to ensure your safety.

See you at the field, Gene Fuson Safety Officer

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE JULY 10, 5:30PM, AT THE CLUB FIELD. IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER MEET AT THE SOUTHPORT CLUBHOUSE.