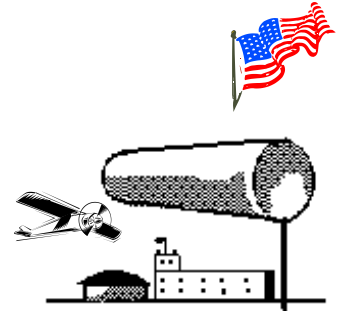


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BIG JUST FLIES BETTER



Jim Haney looks over his Carl Goldberg Obsession 3D after a successful flight. The plane has a 78 3/4 inch span and weighs in at about 11 1/2 to 12 1/2 pounds. Not sure what the motor is but probably in the 1.20 to 1.40 4 stroke size. Jim is getting more comfortable with the plane and soon he will probably be hovering it with the tail swishing the runway. Way to go Jim!

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Gene has a new quadcopter - Blade 350 QX3. He let me fly it and it is very nice. Actually it does most of the work. If you get confused, let go of the sticks and it just hovers and waits for your next command. Quadcopters have had a lot of bad press and rightly so but this technology is here to stay and doing incredible things around the world. This is the Quadcopter reviewed in July's issue of your Model Aviation magazine. Also, Gary Merseal has a DJI quadcopter with FPV and GoPro camera on it. He had it at the field Saturday and is doing great with flying it. Incredible.

Dick Peterson has decided to retire from R/C flying and has given all his R/C stuff to his Grandson to enjoy. We'll miss Dick being a part of our Club for so many years. I told him he is welcome to come out to the field anytime to say hello.

Jack and Annette McAvoy have also retired from flying. They sold all their planes and are doing other things. Jack has been very sick with a jaw infection that started last April. He is still under a doctors care so keep him in your prayers for a speedy recovery. It's been a tough battle.

We have a new member to our Club, Darrell Miers. He and his wife Linda live in Kimberling City. Darrell bought a couple planes from a pawn shop and Jim Haney's Hobbico 60 that we are using for a trainer plane. If you see Darrell at the field welcome him to the Club.

Our "4th Thursday Fly & Feast " was fun. A little hot but we survived. Flew our planes until 5:00 then headed over for Pizza and refreshments. There were 5 couples who were able to come out and

enjoy the time together. Everyone, of course, is welcome. Couples, singles, kids and friends too.

AMA will be increasing our dues soon. The new rates begin 9/15/15. You may lock in your current dues for 1 or 2 years by renewing before 9/14/15. Open membership will be \$75 was \$58. Senior membership will be \$65 was \$48 (30% increase) I think this may affect membership in AMA some what.

We were able to repair the front of the hanger a couple of weeks ago. It was rotting away so several of the guys rebuilt it and it should last for many more years.

Branson Hobby Center (TPA) ask me if we would participate in their "Open House" in December. Set up a table up stairs and answer questions about our Club and airplane fundamentals. We may be able to fly something across the street. It is December so the possibility flying may be a little iffy. I said I would bring it up at our next meeting but it would probably be OK to participate.

Our next Fun Fly will be Saturday Aug. 15th at 11:00. I would like to refer to it as "Aviation Day Fun Fly." AMA has this day set apart as the "National Model Aviation Day" so it would be nice to participate.

Our next meeting will be at the Flying Field. Tuesday 8/11/15 at 6:00PM. As usual we will not fly in the morning but in the afternoon. Come on out and Fly around 3:00 PM then stay for the meeting.

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

JULY 14, 2015

The July Club Meeting was cancelled due to wind and excessive heat. The next meeting will be August 11th.



To the left is Jim Haney's big Carl Goldberg Obsession 3D as it makes a pass over the runway. Notice it's neat shark mouth. For more info on the plane, see the cover page. From the 3D markings on the fuselage, it should really do some tricks. Well maybe in the future.

To the right is Gene Fuson's Blade 350 QX3 drone. Not sure where this drone technology will go but it is a relatively new technology, easily purchased and flown and has a great potential for good and serious problems. It will be interesting to see what uses it will be put to and what regulations will be made to govern its' uses.



THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

This has been a mixed up month. Just got back yesterday (Aug 9th) from a 2 1/2 week tip to California and Nevada to visit friends and relatives, plus a side trip to Zion National Park. It was enjoyable but tiring. It also made it impossible to get the Club Newsletter out on time. So due to being late, your editor sent the Newsletter direct to all Club members in PDF format. If you didn't get it, let me know as there may be an email address problem.

Many thanks to John, Gene and Fritz for having their Newsletter material ready for me.

Don't forget the Meeting Tomorrow (Aug 11th, 6 PM) and the Fun Fly Saturday (Aug 15th).

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

AUGUST 15TH FUN FLY

FIRST EVENT WILL START AT 11:00 AM

BBQ AFTER THE Fun Fly

There will be three events.

Event 1. 8'S REVISITED From the square, taxi around the two pylons twice (two complete figure 8's). If you become airborne or move a pylon, do an additional figure 8. Then take off and do two good (judges decision) figure 8's with the crossing point in front of the judges. A bad 8 will have to be repeated. Land and stop in the square. Time starts when plane starts to move and stops when plane stops in the square, at least two wheels. Low time wins.

Event 2. BUD'S T & G'S PLUS SPOT LANDING The task is; Take off, come around and do a touch and go come around and do another touch and go then come around and land stopping as close to the target as possible. The rules are; All take offs and landings must be in the same direction. You must cut your engine or motor before starting the 180 degree turn to the **final landing**. You may violate the rules but the penalty is 75 seconds. You must complete the task to score. Time starts at the beginning of first take off and ends when your plane stops. Score is time in seconds plus distance in feet from target plus penalty if any. Lowest score wins.

Event 3. SPEEDY GONZALES Put plane in square and take off. Time starts when plane moves. Do a roll, do a loop and a roll, then do two loops, then land and stop with at least two wheels in the square. Time stops. Shortest time wins. Twenty point penalty for not completing any of the three maneuvers satisfactorily—judges decision. Failure to complete the event in 3 minutes will result in disqualification.

Pilots can fly any fixed wing aircraft in any event.

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2015			
		JUL	Y T D
BALANCE	5/1/2015	\$1,246.55	\$ 1,668.23
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 80.00	\$ 735.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ 5.00
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 47.55
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ -	\$ 7.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 20.00	\$ 96.87
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 97.38	\$ 937.23
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 51.80
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 90.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 231.95
BALANCE	6/1/2015	\$1,129.17	\$ 1,129.17

NEW MEMBER

The Club picked up a new member during July, bringing our total membership to 20.

The new member is Darrell Miers. Darrell and wife Linda live in Kimberling City.

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

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SAFETY FIRST

Wow.....it has been, and is, HOT!
So, this is a reminder to all of you to be alert to the heat conditions when you are outdoors. Not only at the flying field, but any time you are outside in the heat.

Wear sunscreen, drink plenty of liquids, and stay in the shade if possible.

If you need to go into the woods to retrieve an airplane, think twice about what you are doing. If you still decide to go, always, always, take somebody else with you. Take a phone, or walkie talkies, liquids, and stop often to rest. We are older people, so take it easy. If you get in trouble in the woods, it could be very dangerous to you. Buddy Up!

Stay cool.....most of us are cool anyway.

See You at the Field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
WILL BE AUGUST 11TH,
6:00PM, AT THE CLUB FLY-
ING FIELD.**