

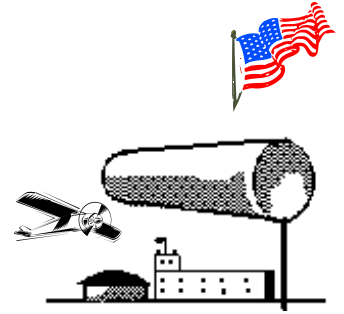
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DOUBLE WHAMMY



Photo by Janet Woods

Left is the maiden flight of Howard Shire's Gee Bee Fun Fly plane. Looks good and flew well with test pilot John Woods at the controls. Look forward to seeing Howard fly this plane in our Fun Flies. It could use a few more decals though to become real eye candy! Right is John Woods getting ready to fly his Polaris XL. Note it is almost sundown and the multicolor LED lighting on the plane. John likes to fly this plane in the evening for the WOW factor and to impress all the locals.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

HOT - HOT - HOT. Sure glad I'm not in Arizona 119 degrees. Still having fun flying at the field especially with hardly any wind.

First, we've had some sad news that Annette McEvoy has cancer. She is undergoing chemo treatments and is on a rigorous schedule. I sent a card on behalf of all our Club members. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jack and Annette for comfort, strength and a full recovery.

I wanted to mention again that at our last Club Meeting I wanted to move our regular Christmas Dinner date back a week to Dec. 5th. It was OK with the those at the meeting so we voted and the motion passed. Mark your calendars now with the new date so you won't miss the party.

Finally, I repaired my Polaris and it's flying again. Ready to get back to night flying off the lake. Very peaceful and enjoyable just taxing across the biggest runway you've ever seen then taking off and switching on the lights. Good Time!

Randy Needham successfully completed his flight training and Soloed his airplane - took off and did one of the nicest landing we've seen in awhile. If you need help with your landing.....ask Randy. We presented him with an official Solo Certificate later that week.

Just a reminder that if you ever need to read over our Club's Safety rules they are always available on our web site. Also available are our Bylaws and Membership form too. If you have any questions, talk to one of the Club's officers.

We had a nice turn out for last months Fly-N-Eat. Several members flew and there were 10 who went for pizza. This month we'll do it again on Thursday, August 24th.

Janet and I saw Roy Steinestel at Walmart last week. He said he just had his 90th birthday and he looks great. He was invited by one of his relatives to Stuttgart, Germany for a week's vacation and he was leaving soon. Roy has never been there and I know he'll enjoy the visit.

Don't forget our next Club meeting - Tuesday, August 8th at 5:30 PM. If the weather is OK we'll meet at the Flying Field. Also, we'll have our Fun Fly on August 12th. Hot Dogs to follow the contest.

Happy Landings John

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Don't forget the Fun Fly on August 12th. It would be great if some new people got in and mixed it up with the old guys. But even if you don't want to compete come on out anyway. You might get to help officiate or keep score. You can always cheer or jeer the competitors and also join us for lunch. A good way to spend a Saturday morning!

Fritz told some of us that the electric fence is malfunctioning and there is evidence of some aradillo activity on the field. Seems when it is hot and the ground dries out the ground return path for the electric fence becomes ineffective. Never fear it will soon rain and solve the problem and Fritz will be looking to repair any holes the critters have dug! Many thanks for doing that Fritz.

Been trying to put some of my less used planes back in the air by making a few modifications to make them fly better-actually making them easier to fly is the goal. Seems like I accomplished this with my long wing foam Pro Twister. I replaced the 3 cell LiPo with a two cell and put on a larger diameter prop with a smaller pitch. I seems to have more thrust now at a lower RPM, Flies slower and seems much more solid and less twitchy in the air but still quite maneuverable. Think I'll try this treatment on my Super Cub.

On the front page is a picture of John with his Polaris XL. This is a great plane and at least three members fly them regularly. Some have had two or even three. It is light with a flat airfoil delta wing and is very easy to fly off grass or water. If you are looking for an electric that is simple to build, all one piece, easy to fly and will do some aerobatics, this could be the plane for you.

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

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2017			
		JUL	YTD
BALANCE	7/1/2017	\$1,336.31	\$ 2,029.22
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ -	\$ 400.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 16.50
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 3.50	\$ 13.00
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 114.07	\$ 956.77
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 24.96
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 11.25
BALANCE	8/1/2017	\$1,225.74	\$ 1,225.74

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB JULY 11, 2017

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:30 PM, at Rocky Top Field. There were 7 members present including all officers. There were no guests. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,336.31 in the Treasury as of July 1, 2017. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the June meeting were approved as written in the July Newsletter. The 50/50 raffle was won by John Woods and he received \$3.50 of the \$7 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: President John Woods announced that former member Annette McEvoy had been diagnosed with stage four pancreatic cancer and will now begin chemo treatment. We all wish her the best for a speedy recovery.

John also said he will be having an operation for a couple of hernias as soon as the operation can be scheduled.

John also announced that members that had paid \$5 for an FFA drone number can get a refund but the paper work procedure doesn't look like it is worth it.

OLD BUSINESS: Jim Haney brush hogged the area outside the runway for \$90. He said he couldn't do it anymore for that price but maybe for \$250 each time. Usually it is done once or twice a year. The issue was tabled pending further discussion.

John inquired about the current condition of the Club's two mowers. Bud and Fritz both said they felt the mowers were in good shape right now.

NEW BUSINESS: There was more discussion on the possibility of using solar power for the electric fence and battery charging. Any input on this item would be appreciated.

A motion was made and passed that Don Johnson be awarded the Crash Trophy for the month.

John announced that the Fly-N-Eat event would be July 27th. Fly on the forth Thursday afternoon of each month then adjourn to the Pizza Co. in Reeds Spring for supper and socializing. Anyone is welcome.

Still waiting for an update on the LUC Boys Ranch trainer.

Bud and Joy Austin are moving to a smaller residence and Bud brought a bunch of his small planes to sell or give away, as he was running out of room. Seems that many of our members have the same problem.

A motion was made and passed to move the Club Christmas party up a week to avoid some of the rush at that time of the year. The party date will now be December 5, 2017.

John is going to run a test on texting Club notifications in addition to email notifications. So expect a test notice from him soon.

PROGRAM: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12PM.



Above President John Woods is awarding Randy Needham his official Solo Certificate. John said Randy was a very good student and does an excellent job on landings.

AUGUST 12 tth FUN FLY

FIRST EVENT WILL START AT 11:00 AM

BBQ AFTER THE Fun Fly

There will be three events.

Event 1. AIR AND GROUND From the square (time starts when plane moves) Taxi a complete 360 around the red pylon, taxi through the square and do a 360 around the yellow pylon then come to a complete stop with the plane wholly within the square. Take off and do a loop, land and stop with no part of the aircraft overhanging the square lines. Time stops when plane stops. Low time wins. Penalties 15 seconds for becoming airborne while taxiing and 15 seconds for any pylon being moved.

Event 2. John's Touch-n-Go-n-Loop-n-Roll :

Start from Box outlined on the field. Time starts.

Do a Touch-n-Go in the same direction as you took off.

After the Touch-n-Go do a Loop-n-Roll.

Land in the same direction as you took off.

Taxi and stop the plane in the Box. Time Stops.

Lowest time wins.

Event 3. 90 X 8s In exactly 90 seconds do as many figure eights as possible. Time starts when plane moves. Center of the eights is to be in front of the judging station. Eights can be vertical or horizontal. Eights need not be perfectly shaped but must be recognizable (judges decision). Most acceptable eights wins.

Pilots can fly any fixed wing aircraft in any event.

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SAFETY FIRST

Now that summer is here, and the weather is hotter and muggier, make sure you are wearing a high rated SPF sun-block and a hat. Also, sunglasses are a must for flying. When you are not actually flying or helping someone else, try to stay in the shade. Our new shelter provides a lot of shade and someplace to sit down for a bit.

Bring plenty of water or other non-alcoholic beverages to the field. Getting dehydrated can be disastrous. If you are allergic to wasps, bees, or other biting and stinging insects, make sure someone else at the field knows that you are allergic. And bring any antidote medicine with you.

See you at the field,

Gene Fuson

Safety Officer

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
WILL BE AUGUST 8, 5:30PM,
AT THE CLUB FLYING FIELD.
IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER MEET
AT THE SOUTH PORT CONDO CLUB-
HOUSE. FUN FLY AUG. 12TH, 11 AM.