

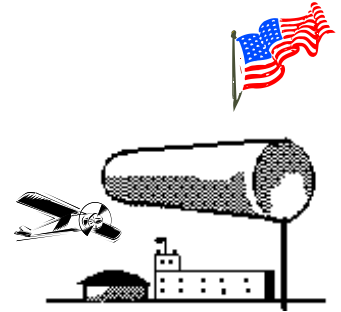
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WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DAY MAKES



John Woods was heard to say "I knew it wouldn't last too long" The insert photo shows John Woods' Twin Star 40 as it appeared as the featured photo in last month's Windsock. There was some question of how it would fly on one engine. For the most part it would do quite well if it was up and running good when one engine stopped. But if it is taking off and one engine quits and the other one is not at peak performance the plane is in for a bad day! As it sits on John's truck tail gate, after being retrieved from the woods, it appears it will be a long time before it is back in the air. More likely parts will be salvaged and appear on other aircraft in the future. Sad day!



Some different planes are showing up at the field. Above is Greg Moody's clipped wing Cub. The Cub has had a tough life to date and is very difficult to control on the ground but is sporting a new neon green covering. Greg says the neon green was very difficult to work with but looks very impressive. Below is Erv Rohde's new Super Sportster. Great looking color scheme. He was trying to get it in the air but the motor didn't want to stay running. He also has a new Wild Thing with a very similar covering job. These planes are replacements for a couple still hiding out in the trees someplace.



TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2012

		JUL	AUG	Y T D
BALANCE	8/1/2012	\$ 1,543.61	\$ 1,407.61	\$ 1,566.05
INCOME-DUES	-----	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,085.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD	-----	\$ -	\$ 23.50	\$ 46.50
INCOME-50/50	-----	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 35.50
INCOME-MISC	-----	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5.60
EXPENSE-FIELD	-----	\$ 25.00	\$ 135.85	\$ 1,060.29
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD	-----	\$ -	\$ 44.03	\$ 75.03
EXPENSE-AMA	-----	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 105.00
EXPENSE-Web	-----	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC	-----	\$ 115.00	\$ -	\$ 123.10
BALANCE	9/1//2012	\$ 1,407.61	\$ 1,255.23	\$ 1,255.23

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Had a problem with my Spektrum DX7 transmitter. The screen went blue. It still worked but couldn't read most of the info through the blue. Sent it in to Horizon Hobby and they fixed it at no charge including replacing the broken gear switch and no return shipping charge! What a deal, however the repair required reinitializing the encoder board. I think this means the same as reformatting the hard drive or the operation was a success but the patient died as 20 model memories were lost! Glad it's fixed but think I would have gladly paid for the repair if the memories could have been saved. Probably take at least an hour to reenter each model. Going to look into the DX8 transmitter that has a removable memory chip.

President Jim Haney wanted me to remind the members that we will have our Club Christmas Party at Ivy Jeans Ozark Homestead just west of Cape Fair. He will have information and directions at the September meeting. Out of curiosity decided to see what kind of a drive it was to Ivy Jean's. From our house at the south end of the Kimberling City bridge it was 23 miles and took about 40 minutes on a clear day with light traffic. Going west from highway 13, highway 76 gets pretty curvy so hope for good weather that night.

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

NEW MEMBER

During August the Club picked up its' 23rd member.

Joe White joined the Club and lives in Branson. Joe is just starting to learn to fly and his immediate goal is to be able to fly an F-86 ducted fan he has purchased.

Welcome to the Club Joe, we are happy to have you join us.

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

AUGUST 14, 2012

President Jim Haney opened the meeting at 5:41 PM, at Rocky Top Field. All Officers, except Gene Fuson, were present. There were 9 members present including the Officers. No guests were present. Greg Moody won the 50/50 split the pot. He received \$4 of the \$8 pot.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that there was \$1,407.61 in the bank as of August 1st.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as printed in the August Newsletter.

Old Business:

Roy Steinestel said he received two notes of appreciation from Tom McKenzie's family for the Club's donation made to the LUC Boys Ranch in Tom's name.

New Business:

President Jim Haney passed out information on the proposed site for the Club's Christmas Party. The restaurant is located in Cape Fair. A motion was made and passed that the Club hold its Christmas party there. Jim Haney will secure a date, probably December 11th, which would be the Club's regular meeting night. When the date is determined, the Club members will need to advise the Club on who will be attending.

President Jim Haney said Joe White, a new Club member, had bought an electric ducted fan F-86 complete with retracts and brakes and could use some help in setting it up to fly.

Jim Haney will be out of town during the August Fun Fly and Fritz Corbin volunteered to take care of the food for the BBQ.

Don Johnson suggested that Club logo decals might be made by computer and applied to shirts by a hot iron. He will see if this type of decal material is available.

Program:

Greg Moody showed his much repaired Cub now covered in Neon Green. Greg said that the neon colored film is very difficult to work with. Don Johnson showed his F-22 foamy made out of blue fan fold from Lowes. With a length of 48 inches and wing span of 34 inches it weighs only 17 ounces ready to fly.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08PM.



What do you think of a guy that builds his second electric plane, brings it out to the field, swings it into the air by its wing tip and off it goes with just a few trim clicks. That's just what Fritz Corbin did. His first electric was also a foamy F-22 jet with elevon control. This one is an F-18 with aileron, elevator, rudder and motor control. The top photo shows its' maiden flight launch. Note Fritz's follow through in the foreground. The other photo shows it coming in over the field after being way, way out there. Very impressive Fritz! Now a little Blue Angel blue and gold would really dress it up.

AUGUST FUN FLY

The day started out a little breezy but five members lined up for the pilots meeting and were ready to go at 11 AM.

The first event was **SPEEDY GONZALES**. Put plane on plate on runway and Take off. Time starts when plane moves. Do a roll, do a loop and roll, then do two loops, then land and get plane (stopped) on plate. Time stops when plane stops while touching plate. Shortest time wins. Twenty point penalty for not completing any of the three maneuvers satisfactorily—judges decision. Failure to complete event in 3 minutes results in disqualification. The even went well with no major mishaps although a couple of pilots had to hand carry their plane to the finish plate. Bud Austin and John Woods tied for First with 49 seconds each. Fritz Corbin was Third with 60 seconds, Don Johnson Forth at 62 seconds and Howard Shire Fifth with 80 seconds.

The second event was **HOWARD'S EGG DROP** Each participant must attach a Styrofoam cup to his or her plane. No bomb launchers or other devices allowed. You must take off and clear the end of the flying field before making a 180-degree turn (1 point for not dropping egg). Do a loop (5 points for not dropping egg). Fly to the far end of the field and make your approach for your egg drop. Attempt to drop your egg in the circle on the field. (4 points if the egg lands on the runway and 10 points if the egg hits the plate). Fritz Corbin and Howard Shire tied for First with 10 points each by making the turn, doing the loop, then hitting the runway with the egg. Fritz should have gotten some recognition for his egg hitting the ground only 5 or 6 feet from the plate and in the process recovering from a steep dive only a few feet above the

ground. Jon Woods came in Third with 1 point and Bud dropped his egg before the turn for Fourth but 0 points. Don withdrew from the event due to wind.

The last event was **CLIMB, GLIDE & SPOT LANDING WITH LOOP**. The pilot will be allowed a 20 second motor run after lift off from ground or release from hand launch. At 20 seconds the pilot will shut off the motor and glide to a spot landing. Total time will be from take off or launch to landing (stop). Pilot must do a loop sometime during the flight. If the motor continues to run the flight will be disqualified. Penalties: Minus 1 second for each foot away from the target, minus 60 seconds for not doing a loop and minus 50 seconds if plane lands (stops) totally off the runway. Longest NET flight time wins! John Woods came in First with a Net 99 (126 sec—27 ft). Bud was Second with 92 (117-25), Don was Third with minus 23 (92-115 and Fritz was Fourth with minus 262 (38-300). Howard withdrew from this event.

The Overall winner with 235 Top Gun 2012 points was John Woods with Bud Austin taking Second Overall with 185 points. Third was Fritz Corbin at 165 points, Howard Shire Fourth at 105 points and Don Johnson at 80 points.

Would like to thank Howard for his EGG event, Fritz for getting the grub and Erv for being the chef. Erv didn't participate in the events because all his planes were parked out in the woods somewhere. And thanks to all the guys that helped time, count and keep track of things during the events. Also thanks to Janet Woods for sending a cake to the BBQ.

The last scheduled Fun Fly for 2012 will be October 13th. Hope to see you there.

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SAFETY FIRST

We have some new faces at the flying field, and that is a good thing for our Club.

Most of these new folks already have a mentor/instructor that is taking good care of them by helping them and teaching them to fly.

The rest of us should also help these new members as needed. By that, I mean safety too. If you happen to see a new, or actually any, member of our club doing something that is a danger to himself or others, it is up to you to make them aware of their wrong doing. Older members should know all the rules, and new members should make themselves familiar with our rules.

Bottom line, help each other fly safely, it is a lot more fun that way.

See you at the field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE
SEPTEMBER 11, 6:00PM, AT ROCKY
TOP FIELD. IN CASE OF SEVERE
WEATHER MEET AT THE COACHLIGHT
VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE.**