

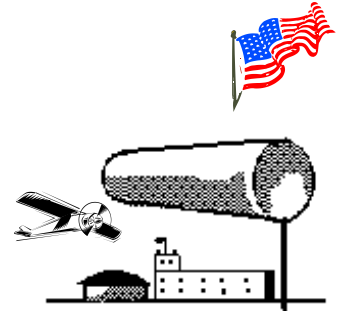
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EVERY ONE HAS TO HAVE A CUB!



Phil Rogers' new Cub is coming in for a landing on Phil's first solo flight with it. Phil wanted to move up from his Sturdy Birdy so he bought this Cub from Bud Austin. Rumor has it that there was a mishap when Bud was doing a demo flight for Phil and it is just now back in service. Phil seemed to fly it like a pro and it flew just like a full size Cub. Nice going. Phil!

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We've had quite a few day of nice weather so were able to get a lot of flying in - sometimes a little windy but of course the wind makes it challenging when it's time to land.

We have had a couple of visitors who have come out to the field recently who may join our Club. I was able to do a little introduction to R/C flying using the Buddy Box so they could experience flying first hand. Charlie Schenk offered his trainer plane and off we went - thanks Charlie. Always feel free to bring a neighbor or friend out to the field and we'll try and let them fly one of the trainer planes if they would like or just watch the action.

We had a nice turn out for last months Fly-N-Eat. Several members flew and there were 12 who went for pizza. This month we'll do it again on Thursday, Sept. 28th.

I am scheduled to have my Hernia operation on Sept. 8th. The Doc said I would probably be in the hospital 4-5 daysyikes! Sounds like I'll be out of commission for awhile so will not be at the field for awhile. Janet will send out an email to let everyone know how I'm doing. I talked to Don and thought since I will not be at September's meeting and Gene will be absent too, we would cancel the meeting. I know you all will be disappointed but we'll meet again in October. I'll send out an email so all Club members will be be informed.

We did have our Fun Fly and everyone did pretty good - no crashes! The results are in this Newsletter.

I wanted to mention again that at our last Club Meeting we voted to move our regular Christmas dinner date back a week to Dec. 5th. Mark your calendars now with the new date so you won't miss the party.

Happy Landings John

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

If you haven't seen it elsewhere in this Newsletter, there will be **no Club meeting in September**. With the President out on medical leave and the vice president touring Europe it was decided not to have a meeting this month. If the weather is nice on the normal meeting day some of us will probably fly in the morning instead of the afternoon. I'm sure some members will be disappointed that the August Fun Fly certificates won't be passed out at the meeting but we'll try to have them at the October meeting.

Since there has been no known spectacular crashes this month, it looks like the monthly crash trophy will remain where it is for another month.

As for the October Club meeting, your editor will be out on the west coast most of the month. Will try to get an abbreviated Newsletter out before I go and catch up with everything in the November Newsletter.

Remember your editor is always happy to receive pictures or articles of interest for publication in our Club Newsletter.

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

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2017

		AUG	Y T D
BALANCE	8/1/2017	\$ 1,225.74	\$ 2,029.22
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ -	\$ 400.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ 13.50	\$ 30.00
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 3.00	\$ 16.00
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 37.76	\$ 994.53
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ 9.75	\$ 34.71
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ 15.17	\$ 135.17
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 11.25
BALANCE	9/1/2017	\$ 1,180.56	\$ 1,180.56

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB AUGUST 8, 2017

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:34 PM, at Rocky Top Field. There were 6 members present including all officers. There were no guests. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,225.74 in the Treasury as of August 1, 2017. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the July meeting were approved as written in the August Newsletter. The 50/50 raffle was won by Bud Austin and he received \$3.00 of the \$6 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: The subject of using solar power for the electric fence and battery charging was discussed again and still no answer to the problem.

NEW BUSINESS: John Reported he sent a thinking of you card from the Club to past member Annette McEvoy who is battling cancer and is now undergoing chemo treatment. Everyone wishes her well!

John also announced that he has four hernias that will be operated on, all the same day, and will probably be in the hospital for four days.

Fritz Corbin volunteered to be the recipient of the month's Crash Trophy. There were no objections.

John announced that the Fly-N-Eat event would August 24th. 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.

John is going to get the LUC Boys Ranch trainer back to them now that it is airworthy.

Bud Austin said he had moved to his new residence in Branson but still has many of his models at this old place.

John reminded the members present that the

Club Christmas party had been moved up to Tuesday, December 5th.

PROGRAM: Gene Fuson passed out the certificates to the winners of the June Club Fun Fly.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01PM.



Above Phil Rogers gets some last minute advice from Bud Austin on how to fly his new Cub that previously had belonged to Bud. Not sure if John Woods is giving advice or trying to learn something. It all must have worked out because Phil proceeded to have a nice flight.

Below Howard Shire returns from the field after flying the Swamy that had been given to him by Roy Steinestel when he retired from flying RC. If memory serves me the Swamy is an old time free flight design noted for its twin rudders and double dihedral wing. This one had been adapted to RC flight.



AUGUST FUN FLY

The weatherman said light winds but it was a little blustery during the Fun Fly but nothing the four brave pilots couldn't handle. After a short pilots meeting it was off to the first event. The flying order was determined by how the pilot finished in the last Fun Fly. So John Woods led off in the First event.

The first event was **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. John Woods was first up and turned in the lowest time with 56 seconds. Bud Austin came in second with a 73 that included a 15 second penalty for moving a pylon. In third place was Fritz Corbin with 94 seconds and Don Johnson was fourth with a 160, which included a penalty for hitting a pylon. This event turned out to be quite difficult due to some of the technical terms used in the directions, like 360 and stop.

The next event was **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. In first place in this event was Bud with 51 seconds. Fritz came in second with a close 53 and John, in his event, came in third with a 58. Don Johnson, with a squirrely plane, came in fourth with 70

seconds.

The last event was **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. John got back in his winning ways with 7 1/2 figure eights. Coming in a close second was Fritz with 7 eights. Bud was third with 5 1/2 eights and Don was fourth again with 5 eights. This event was simple for everyone but it seemed difficult to keep focused for the whole 90 seconds.

First place overall winner was John Woods with 250 Top Gun 2017 points. In second place was Fritz Corbin with 220 points and third place went to Bud Austin with 190 points. Don Johnson was very consistent with his fourth place finish and 90 points.

As always thanks to Fritz and Bud for having the field in such great shape. To John for bringing the grub and Janet for cooking the dogs and bringing her lemon cake. We also thank our enthusiastic gallery which included Joy Austin and Dave and Val Medley. Val also brought some yummy shortbread cookies. Obviously we enjoy all the attention we can get!

The next scheduled Fun Fly is Octobr 14th.



Above is John Woods' Extra 300S as he comes in for a landing. The plane (or is it John that) flies very well. It does look a little dangerous though with no pilot at the controls in that big roomy cockpit.

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SAFETY FIRST

Crosswind takeoffs can be dangerous if you are not experienced. The most hazardous takeoff situation is with the wind at your back and you are taking off right to left. This creates a situation known as "Weather-veining."

This situation is even worse if you are flying a "Tail-dragger." If your experience is limited, avoid this hazardous situation if at all possible. Waiting for awhile, until the wind calms down, or even until another day, may be the safe thing to do.

See you at the field,

Gene Fuson

Safety Officer

The September 12th Club meeting has been cancelled!

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 10th, 5:30PM, AT THE CLUB FLYING FIELD.

IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER AN ALTERNATE LOCATION WOULD NEED TO BE FOUND FOR OCTOBER.