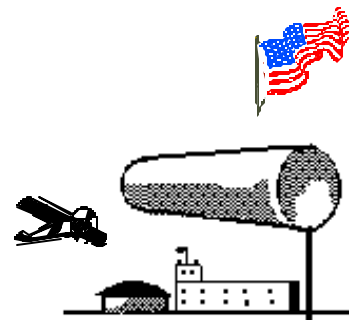


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## OCTOBER MEETING

OCTOBER 12 , 7:00 PM

Meet at the Branson  
Community Center.

### Program

Bring your new projects for Show  
and Tell.

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It is getting to that time of year again when we must choose our officers for the following year. At this month's meeting we will be looking for a nominating committee to assemble the slate of candidates for next year's officers. If you are approached to fill an office or serve on the nominating committee, I hope you will give it much consideration.

In the past few years we have tried to hold

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our October meeting at the flying field. It has either rained or been cold making it uncomfortable. We have decided to schedule this year's October meeting at the Branson Community Center so we will have a warm, dry place to meet. There will still be flying at the field and you will have time to grab a bite to eat before going to the meeting.

That's it for this month. I hope to see you at the meeting.

Howard

### TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT

		SEP	Y T D
BALANCE	9/1/2004	\$ 783.60	\$ 1,645.95
INCOME-DUES	-----	\$ 53.36	\$ 1,099.26
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ 15.00	\$ 102.50
INCOME-FOOD	-----	\$ 6.51	\$ 86.82
INCOME-50/50	-----	\$ 4.50	\$ 56.00
INCOME-MISC	-----	\$ 23.00	\$ 75.00
EXPENSE-FIELD	-----	\$ -	\$ 1,616.93
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ 60.17
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD	-----	\$ -	\$ 112.11
EXPENSE-AMA	-----	\$ -	\$ 130.00
EXPENSE-Web	-----	\$ -	\$ 200.35
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ 60.00
EXPENSE-MISC	-----	\$ -	\$ -
BALANCE	10/1/2004	\$ 885.97	\$ 885.97

# MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

September 14, 2004

President Howard Shire opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the Rocky Top Field. All officers were present. There were 11 members present. We have two new members, James Dodd & Harold Pettyjohn. There was one guest present, Roy Steinestel, who intends to become a member upon receipt of his AMA card. The minutes from the August meeting were approved as published in the September newsletter. Erv Rohde reported that treasury balance as of September 1<sup>st</sup> was \$783.60. The 50/50 raffle was won by Jack McEvoy who received 1/2 of \$9.00.

**Committee Reports:** No committee reports.

## **Announcements and Old Business:**

Howard announced that Don Johnson had checked out the battery situation for the Club plane which seems "OK" but should be replaced due to age. Don may have a battery pack that he can donate to the club, he will check into it and let us know.

At the August meeting John Woods asked that some type of reimbursement for the people that do the mowing be considered and to bring suggestions to the Sept. meeting for discussion. After several issues were brought up it was decided that we would continue as we are now since all of the other people doing work for the club are also unpaid volunteers. It is felt that the field marshal should have a team of volunteers available and schedule them for different mowing dates and not be expected to do all of the job himself. This is everyone's club and we need more people to help out.

Annette McEvoy announced that Futaba reported the "trashing" of their T-Craft was due to a faulty PCM receiver. Futaba replaced the "fried" receiver and crystal at no charge.

Erv Rohde showed everyone a map of the counties surrounding Taney & Stone to help clarify what determines the membership fee for dues. If the county that you live in is adjacent to Taney county the dues are \$40.00 this year. If you live outside of those counties you may be a non-

voting associate member if you prefer for \$10.00 for the current year. There is some confusion regarding this and we will ask Mike Anderson to put the By-Laws on the web page for clarification.

Roscoe Fudge handed out the certificates for the August fun fly to members that were present. Bud Anderson received his for 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Limbo contest and 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall.

Howard read a couple of announcements regarding upcoming events this month and Gary Metzger reminded everyone of the indoor electric fly-in is at the same place in Springfield the weekend after Thanksgiving again this year.

It was announced that Charlie Bower and Williams are both running for president of the district.

The final Fix-all wrench donated the club by Don Johnson was sold for \$2.00.

Roscoe Fudge & Don Johnson reported that the Float Fly in Springfield last month was a big success.

**New Business:** Roscoe Fudge said that the events for the club's final fun-fly this October 16<sup>th</sup> will be announced later.

Howard Shire announced that next month's (October) meeting will be held at the Branson Community Center.

Everyone agreed that the December meeting should be patterned after last years event and have it for family and friends with a dinner.

The nominating committee should be getting organized to put together a slate of candidates for the 2005 year. Howard will look into getting it set up.

Erv Rohde is going to be ordering more club hats and Howard Shire is going to check on the progress of the shirt order.

**Program:** There was no program for this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

O.K. If you haven't noticed it a couple of other places, the October 12th meeting will be at the Branson Community Center at 7 PM. Normally there is a dance group that meets just prior to our meeting and their time ends at 7 PM. As a courtesy and not to interfere with their pleasure we should not enter the building until 7 PM.

Finally took some decent pictures of some planes in the air, which are shown on the next page. May be finally getting higher up on the learning curve so hope to see better quality photos in future Newsletters.

Henry Racette and Roscoe Fudge have been doing some float flying on Table Rock Lake. This is at a public use area at the end of Cow Creek road, north off Highway 86. There is a Scout camp down there which is used during the summer and Henry and Roscoe gave the scouts a demonstration of float flying three or four weeks ago. Good going guys! Your editor decided to join them a couple of weeks ago. As you can see in the picture to the right and other pictures on page six, it was a beautiful day and the wind was light until about noon. But we had all put in several flights by that time so were ready to quit. It was on a Monday and as you can see in the pictures we had the place pretty much to ourselves, with only a fishing boat or two to watch out for. This is an ideal spot to float fly, especially during fall and winter when there are few people around. Just remember to take some kind of recovery boat with you.

Don't forget the last Fun Fly of the year on October 16th. Join us for a BBQ lunch at noon and the Fun Fly will start at 1 PM. This is the last chance to earn points toward the coveted Top Gun 2004 award. Hopefully we will have at least a dozen contestants participate in the last Fun Fly of the year. Speaking of awards, if trophies are to be awarded to the top three places for Top Gun 2004, it appears

that the Club will have to purchase them this year.

Looks like we will have a holiday pot luck during our December meeting, as we did last year. This is a fun time for all members, spouse and significant others to get together and enjoy some comraderie and good food. So put December 14th on your calendar and plan to attend. By the November meeting Annette McEvoy and Cathy Metzger should be in the middle of planning this event and coordinating the menu.

Finally decided on my winter project. Went to Kinkos and reduced the plans for my deceased Pussycat and Tiger Kitten to 80%. This should make a couple of great planes for brushless outrunner motors of about 150 watts. Hopefully the planes will weigh in at about 32 ounces or less flying weight. Not sure about the batteries, maybe 9 or 10 NiMH 1100 mAH cells or a 3 cell Li-Po at 2000 mAH. Now in the process of cutting parts and getting other materials together. Both these planes flew very well and hopefully the 80 % versions will also fly well. One of the challenges will be to make each plane's fiberglass cowl. Will keep you posted on progress and problems as time goes on.

Time to land for this month.



Henry Racette and Roscoe Fudge enjoying some float flying on Table Rock Lake



Above and below is Sid Beckham's nice looking Spacewalker. It looks great as it flies by but take a good look in the cockpit and you will notice the pilot has a drooping mustache just like Sid's. Great touch Sid!

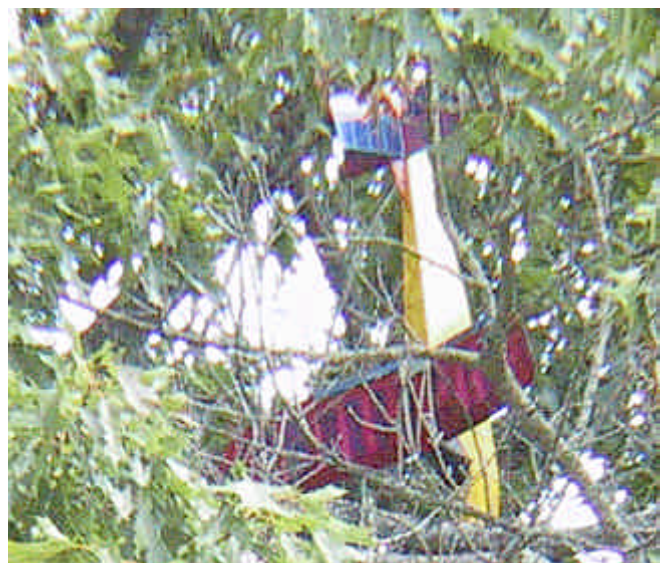


Above is Sid Beckham's large Ultra Stick as it is pictured in a slow fly by.

Below is Howard Shire's Ultimate Bipe as it makes a pass over the field. Howard had a little problem with balance but it seems to be worked out now.



Above is an expensive pile of parts. Wade Stine had a bad day and broke a few things. He suspects that he had radio interference. But the good thing about helicopters is you just buy replacement parts and bolt them on.



Looks like Jim Halbert is up a tree. Not sure what he was doing way down on the south end of the field but it took three guys two days to finally get a rope over the branch to shake it down. Good flying Jim!

# Fun Fly

**When? OCTOBER 16th**

**BBQ starts at noon—pilot's meeting at 1 PM**

**Where? Rocky Top Field**

**There will be three events.**

**One event will be TIME AND GLIDE, another event will be a combination timed event including a loop, take off and touch and go in a box and taxi. The remaining event will be a Lemans taxi event.**

**Pilots can use any fixed wing aircraft they want in any event.**

**Novice pilots (meaning new or inexperienced) are encouraged to enter and can have an instructor stand by or be on a Buddy Box in case of trouble.**

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**Words of wisdom from Club Safety Officer Roscoe Fudge**

Always be a responsible flyer so every one can have fun flying..

**Roscoe**

Below are some photos of Henry Racette and Roscoe Fudge as they enjoy a day float flying off Table Rock Lake.



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