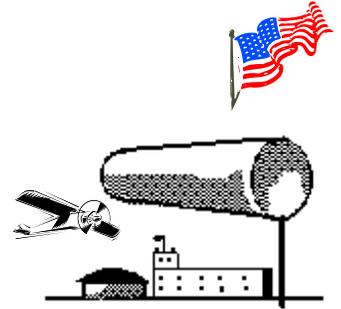


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OCTOBER 13TH MEETING, 6 pm, AT ROCKY TOP FIELD

THEY'RE STILL AROUND



Although the armadillo damage to the field is currently very minor the critters are still around. This one was caught just outside the electric fence and Fritz talked Reader Jones into posing with it. When the weather gets really dry the ground return from the fence gets weak and the critters can get over the fence without being shocked. However Fritz has doubled the fence in some places and the damage being done to the field is very minor.

Photo by Fritz Corbin

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings Fellow Pilots;

The weather has been beautiful for flying these last few days. Unfortunately, I have been busy with other things and have only been out once since our last meeting. I managed to get two flights in before the winds came up and sent me home. I have been working on a building project in my spare time, however. It is a 65" Electric that will weigh about 4 lbs when I get it finished. I'm scratch building, making it up as I go along. I hope to get my 2.4 module for my radio soon. It is on back-order with Tower hobbies.

Next meeting is Oct 13th with the final fun-fly on the 17th. I hope the weather holds out good until after then. See you all at the meeting.

BUD

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2009

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BALANCE	8/22/2009	\$ 1,916.00	\$ 2,524.58
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 160.00	\$ 1,123.36
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 95.80
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 3.00	\$ 43.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 139.05	\$ 1,274.02
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ 8.40
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ 159.26	\$ 159.26
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 76.20
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 110.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ 10.00	\$ 195.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ 75.00
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 133.67
BALANCE	10/1/2009	\$ 1,805.69	\$ 1,805.69

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well, finally back at work (Newsletter) after nearly two months off. I want to thank every one for all the cards, prayers and well wishes during my recovery. Also thanks to Fritz Corbin for stepping in and putting out a Newsletter for August and September. He did a great job along with being Club Vice President, Field Marshal, critter control officer and outhouse restorer. Also thanks to everyone that helped putting on the August Fun Fly. Now maybe we can get back to normal.

Speaking of the outhouse it looks great but it seems to lack a sense of character. Maybe some decorations would be in order—like a nice crescent moon on the door. Maybe some airplanes circling the moon or planes on the door or sides of the outhouse. How about an aircraft mural? Something to consider.

It's mentioned a couple of other places in this Newsletter but instead of being held at the Rex-Plex, the October meeting will be held at the flying field this year. However in case of severe weather it will be at the Rec-Plex.

Don't forget the last Fun Fly of the year on October 17th. It will be the last chance to gain Top Gun 2009 points. Hopefully we will have good weather and a good turn out of participants and spectators.

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

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

President Bud Austin called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. at the Rocky Top Field. All officers were present except Erv Rohde. There were 8 members present including the officers and a new member Mike Porter. There were no guests. Roy Steinestel won the 50/50 pot. He received \$3.00 of the \$6.00 pot.

Committee Reports:

Howard Shire gave the Treasurer's Report for Erv Rohde and reported that we have a balance of \$1,916.00 in the bank account as of September 1st.

Don Johnson stopped by the field before the meeting, but didn't stay for the meeting. Don looked pretty good and said he felt well enough to take over the Editor's job for the Newsletter.

Fritz Corbin reported that Mark Niebrzydowski was going to donate a stronger weed killer that will be applied to the area of the electric fence.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Meeting adjourned: 6:13 P.M.

Program: None

NEW MEMBERS

During August and September the Club picked up one new member and re-signed and old member.

Captain Mike Porter of Kimberling City is the new member. Mike was a member of the U.S. Coast Guard.

Also Mark Niebrzydowski has renewed his Club membership.

Welcome to the Club Mike and welcome back Mark.

CORRECTION

It had been reported in error that Dick Shaler was a new Club member. Dick has decided not to become a Club member at this time. Hopefully he will become a member in the future.

CURRENT 2009 CLUB MEMBERS

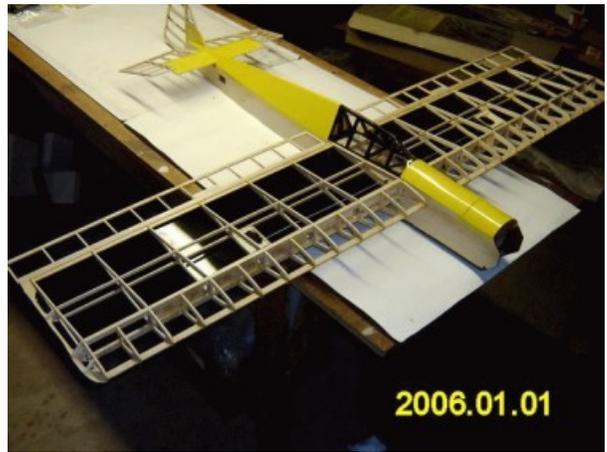
Below are the names of the 29 members that are current in their 2009 Club dues:

Rick Almond, Bud Austin, Sid Beckham, Fritz Corbin, Gene Fuson, Larry Gliser, Jim Halbert, Jim Haney, Don Johnson, Reader Jones, Joe Major, Annette McEvoy, Jack McEvoy, Dave Medley, Tom Mckenzie, Mark Niebrzydowski, Keith Oxby, Richard Peterson, Robert Pilecki, Mike Porter, Henry Racette, Erv Rohde, Howard Shire, Gary Smith, Robert Smith, Roy Steinestel, Joel (Bill) Walker, and John Woods.

If you feel your 2009 Club dues are current but you are not on the above list contact Erv Rohde for needed corrections.



Left -Photo by Annette McEvoy



Right -Photo by Bud Austin

Above left is new Club member, Mike Porter, with his Horizon Hobby T-34 Mentor. He is getting some advise from Fritz Corbin. Mike is a retired Coast Guard Officer. The T-34 is a 25 size electric and flies very well in its' trainer configuration. Above right is President Bud Austin's scratch built 65 inch electric. It will have a Turnigy C4250-600 out runner motor and a 3 cell 4400 mAH battery (2-2200 batteries in parallel). This is equivalent to a .30 or .40 glo engine. Bud estimates it will have a flying weight of about 4 pounds.



Above left is a Seagull Models plane flown by Bud Austin. If you take a good look it has some resemblance to the Electric he is scratch building. Hope the new one flies as good as this one does. Above right is Don Johnson's old timer free flight "The Lancer" converted to electric and 3 channel radio control. It has a 6 foot wingspan and should fly at about 2 1/2 pounds.



Photos by Annette McEvoy



Here is an update on Jack and Annette's McEvoy's 10 foot Ercoupe. A lot of detailing is going into the cockpit. Is that Jack at the controls? Well the Ercoupe was supposed to be an easy plane to fly! At right is the horizontal stabilizer covered with aluminum foil. It's probably about 3 feet long. Great job guys!

When? OCTOBER 17TH
BBQ starts at noon
Pilot's meeting at 12:30 PM

There will be three events.

Event 1. THREE CITY BARNSTORM Place plane in circle and draw barnstorm routine for first city. Take off (time starts when plane moves) do routine and land at second city and taxi (or carry) plane into circle and draw the second routine, Take off do the second routine and fly to the third city. Land and draw third city routine. Take off, do the routine, land, taxi (or carry) plane into circle and stop. Time ends when plane stops in circle. Shortest time wins. Restarts OK with clock running. Routines may be rolls, loops, stall turns or figure eights. Time limit 5 minutes.

Event 2. BUD'S CLIMB AND GLIDE TO SPOT LANDING Climb for 25 seconds, shut down engine and glide to spot on the field. Time starts when plane moves. Score = total time in seconds minus feet from spot. Land off the mowed area is a disqualification. High score wins.

Event 3. TIMED FLIGHT WITH LOOPS & ROLLS Take off and do a loop followed by a roll as many times as possible in a 90 second flight. Timing starts when plane moves and stops when plane stops. Pilot will receive 5 points for each decent loop & roll (judges decision) and 1 point penalty for each second off the 90 second mark. There will also be a 20 point penalty if the plane stops totally off the runway. Pilot can receive timing help. High score wins.

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

OCTOBER MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2009 6:00 PM

Meet at Rocky Top Field. In-
case of bad weather meet
at the Branson Rec-Plex

Program

Bring your current projects
for show and tell.

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SAFETY FIRST

A couple of weeks ago we had an air-
plane crash into the pit area. Two of our
members dove for the ground to avoid
being hit. One of them was successful,
but the other one was hit by the crash-
ing airplane. John Woods, moving faster
than a speeding bullet was spared, but
his younger, slower moving, student pi-
lot, Bob Pilecki, was hit a glancing blow
by the misguided missile. Bob was not
injured seriously, but the airplane was
pretty much shredded. The only way
that this could have been avoided was
NOT to over fly the pit area. I believe the
pilot tried to avoid this incident, but the
airplane just got away from him at the
last moment.

SO..... stay away from the
pit area while you are flying. This could
have been a real serious accident.

See You at the Field

Gene Fuson

Safety Officer

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