

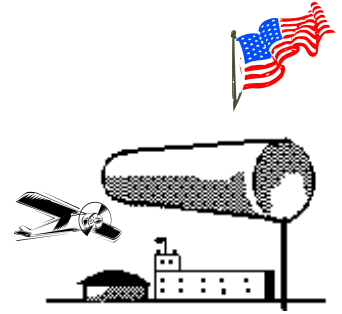
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DANGER



Well we are in the Ozarks, we're out in the woods, There are squirrels, turkeys and deer in the area, as well as other varmints, so it's not unusual to hear gunfire while out flying. However, Gary Merseal's Navy trainer must have looked like some big yellow game bird to some of the local hunters to have sustained so many bullet holes. Gary was heard to say the plane was a little squirrely to fly—maybe because of all the holes. Possibly a camouflage scheme in browns and greens might make it harder to hit.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Getting colder so winter is approaching fast. Be sure and check your airplane's carburetor settings. When the weather changes your plane's fuel settings may be affected and surprise you right at take off.

Welcome our new members, Phil Rogers and Craig Pullman. It's always nice to have new people at the field who haven't heard all our stories – I love telling them again and again. I may not be able to be at the field as often as I usually am so please help our new members if you can.

At our October meeting we will be forming a nominating committee that will select a slate of officers to be voted on to serve as our new 2016 Club officers, i.e. President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. At November's meeting the slate of officers will be nominated and any member may nominate another candidate to be considered for election to one of the positions. The candidates will be voted on at December's meeting. This of course will be held at our Christmas dinner on Dec. 8th.

Just a reminder that the Club voted not to hold meetings for the months of January, February or March. Many people are gone over the winter plus it's really, really cold. We'll keep in touch via e-mail and during those warmer days at the flying field.

Our last Fun Fly will be Oct. 17th at 11:00 AM sharp. We will have 3 events. Don Johnson will be having a special event. Basically it is having to drop two objects from your airplane a piece of rubber hose and a small block of wood. If you haven't picked up your items see Don so you will have time to design some kind of escapement apparatus. Should be no problems for the superior modelers at Tri-Lakes R/C. New members are encouraged to join in on the Fun Flys so if you have any questions please ask one of the members.

Please note that we will be meeting at 5:30 PM not 6:00 PM on Oct. 13th at the Field. As usual we will not fly in the morning but in the afternoon. Come on out and Fly around 3:00 PM then stay for the meeting.

Quote of the Day "It's easy to make a small fortune in R/C flying ... you start with a large fortune."

See you at the Field - Happy Landings,
John

NEW MEMBERS

The Club picked up two new members during September, bringing our membership up to 22 total.

The first to join was Phil Rogers, he and wife Paula live in Nixa. Phil is also a medivac helicopter pilot.

Also joining the Club is Craig Pullman, he and wife Kathy live in Kimberling City.

Welcome to the Club guys, we are very pleased to have you join us.

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2015			
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BALANCE	9/1/2015	\$1,072.96	\$ 1,668.23
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 160.00	\$ 895.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ 5.00
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 64.05
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 3.50	\$ 14.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 96.87
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 104.25	\$ 1,108.79
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 60.70
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 90.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 231.95
BALANCE	10/1/2015	\$1,132.21	\$ 1,132.21

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB September 15, 2015

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5.16 PM, at the Rocky Top Field. There were 9 members present including the officers. Treasurer, Fritz Corbin, reported that the Club had \$1,072 & change in the bank as of September 1st. The Minutes of the August Meeting were approved as written in the September Newsletter. There were no guests or new members present. The 50/50 raffle was won by Howard Shire and he received \$3.50 of the \$7 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Phil Rogers joined the Club as a new member before the meeting but had to leave prior to the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

John Woods went over the rules for the Honorary (retired) Club members. More on this later as the list of past members is finalized.

NEW BUSINESS:

The monthly Crash Trophy was again awarded to the initiator of the trophy, Jim Haney. Jim was doing a great job flying his big Obsession 3D when a little screw came loose, the one that held the wing in position. Jim will be allowed to proudly keep the trophy on his mantel for the coming month.

Fritz Corbin made one new starter stand and it looked good to everyone. A motion was made and passed to build five more new starter stands made with treated lumber (to replace the old ones that are getting quite aged). Estimated cost is \$47 each. The Club will buy the wood and parts and Fritz, Jim and John will coordinate getting the wood to the field so the stations can be constructed on site.

The Club will participate in the Hollister Grape Stomp on October 10th and will have a meeting with Branson hobbies before the 10th. (The Club's participation has since

been cancelled. Ed.)

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

PROGRAM:

There was flying after the meeting with some planes dropping yellow objects.

John Woods was back flying his third scale(?) Fagen. Seems that Bud Austin was able to reconstruct the broken wings into like new condition. Looks just the same except for a few missing decals. Nice job, Bud.

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

The date (October 13th) is fast approaching for the last Fun Fly of the year. The last chance to gain Top Gun 2015 points, the winner of which will be named at the Christmas Party. Several months ago it was stated that the last Fun Fly would have a bomb drop event. The bombs would be unique (non explosive, of course) and method of dropping was up to the pilot. Later it was decided to use two unique objects. Check out the rules on page 4. Of course the Philadelphia Lawyers have been dissecting the rules to gain some advantage. There is a rumor that one pilot will use a second transmitter and a bombardier! OK, the rules don't prohibit bombardiers. The Club members have shown enthusiasm and creativity for this event which is very rewarding. Makes one wonder what kind of encore would be possible for next year. Remember this is a Fun Fly and everyone is required to have fun while participating! Now everyone keep their fingers crossed for a nice day with light winds on October 13th!

The Club has picked up a couple of new members in the last two or three weeks and both have had some R/C experience. Also another potential member seems ready to join. This is great and will bring the Club membership up to 23 members. But there is still room for several more members.

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

OCTOBER 17TH FUN FLY

FIRST EVENT WILL START AT 11:00 AM

BBQ AFTER THE Fun Fly

There will be three events.

Event 1. 120 SECOND LANDINGS. Take off from square, (time starts when plane moves) do a loop or roll, land and stop with at least two wheels in the square. Earn one point. Do it again and again as many times as possible in exactly 120 seconds. Earn 1/4 point each for the last take off, last loop or roll, last landing and last stop in square. Most points wins.

Event 2. PYLON RACE Pilot will take off and notify the judges when he is ready to start. When plane passes the judges stand time will begin. The object of the event is to make two laps around the pylons in as short a time as possible. Time will end when the plane passes the judges stand after the second lap around the course. You must go around all pylons. Failure to do so will result in a disqualification. You can go back around missed pylons. Spotters will notify the pilot of missed pylons. The shortest time wins.

Event 3. BIG BANG FINALE Drop one or two bombs, released at least 6 feet above target (pylon). Bombs will be a 2 inch square wood block, with a hole and a 6 inch length of garden hose-both supplied. Two bombs can be dropped but each bomb must be dropped on a separate bomb run in the same direction. Any method can be used to drop the bombs but nothing can be **attached** to the bomb when it hits the ground, like tape, glue, nails, screws, wire, rubber bands or knotted cord, etc. Scoring will be **A** -one bomb, distance to the target in feet. **B** -two bombs, total distance from the target in feet divided by 3. **C** -both bombs somehow dropped on same bomb run, distance the furthest bomb is from the target. **Bonus** minus 25 points for dropping both bombs on the runway in two separate runs in the same direction. **Penalty**-plus 25 points for each bomb that lands off the runway. Low score wins. **Double Top Gun 2015 points for the FINALE!**

Any fixed wing aircraft can be used for the Fun Fly!

The Electrify CellMatch is a handy tool when your charger won't quite balance the cells. It will discharge the higher cells until they are all even, then use the charger. About \$20 at Tower Hobbies.



New Club member Phil Rogers cruises over the field on a maintenance flight in his full scale medivac helicopter.





Fritz Corbin has his 6 inch rubber hose bomb attached to his Pro Twister and is starting the engine prior to his bomb run. The second photo shows the rubber hose piece as it is dropped onto the runway.



Bud Austin is busy arming his modified Sig Cadet prior to his practice bomb run. The next photo shows where the square wood block bomb has been released from the plane. He was able to drop both objects onto the runway.



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SAFETY FIRST

SAFETY RULES & REGULATIONS

I am reviewing the club SAFETY RULES for all members, but in particular for our newer members. These rules will continue to be published every month until they are all listed here. If you can't wait to see them all, e-mail me and I will see that you get a copy.

Please read and comply with the following rules:

The following SAFETY RULES were adopted by the TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB Membership in October 1997 and revised November 2010.

All members are expected to know and adhere to the SAFETY RULES set down by the TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB and the ACAD-EMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS (AMA) and to use common sense when operating or observing any R/C aircraft.

Pilots must be insured by the AMA and have in their possession their current AMA identification card.

Guests of Club members must be AMA members and may use the flying field for a period of two weeks. If guests exceed the two-week period they will be required to purchase an Associate Membership.

4. All models must be identified with the owner's name and address or their AMA number on or in the aircraft.

See you at the field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
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5:30PM, AT THE CLUB FLY-
ING FIELD.**