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NOVEMBER MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 7:00 PM Meet at the Branson RecPlex.

Program

Fiberglassing demonstration by Jack and Annette McEvoy. Bring your current projects for "Show and Tell"

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello flyers! It looked like there was a good turnout for the Fun Fly. If you didn't see me, it may have been because I was only able to be there for about 10 minutes. I couldn't be gone from the resort for long, since we had lots of people checking in.

I really need you all to do something before the next meeting. Please purchase a new stuffed animal for the children at Skagg's Hospital. We will be collecting the stuffed animals in Novem-

ber and December and plan to deliver them to the hospital the day after our Christmas Dinner.

The program at our November meeting will be given by Jack and Annette McEvoy. They will be showing us how to fiberglass, which should be interesting. I hope that many of our members will be able to come.

The Christmas dinner will be December 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Rex-Plex. We will start collecting the money at November's meeting.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting, November 14th!

Gary

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2006

BALANCE	10/1/2006
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\$	1,256.94	\$ 1,177.43
\$	-	\$ 1,365.14
\$	-	\$ 92.00
\$	86.55	\$ 225.55
\$	6.50	\$ 79.00
\$	-	\$ 336.00
\$	312.81	\$ 1,528.50
\$	-	\$ 75.33
\$	-	\$ -
\$	78.96	\$ 155.44
\$ \$	5.00	\$ 195.00
\$	-	\$ 200.60
\$	25.00	\$ 125.00
\$	22.72	\$ 89.75
\$	905.50	\$ 905.50

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MEETING MINUTES TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB October 10, 2006

President Gary Acton opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Branson RecPlex. All officers were present. There were 15 members and one members wife, Doris Rohde in attendance. The minutes from the September meeting were approved as published in the October newsletter. Treasurer Erv Rohde reported that the treasury balance as of October 1st was \$1,256.94. The 50/50 raffle was won by Fritz Corbin who received one half of \$13.00.

Committee Reports:

Fritz Corbin brought everyone up to date on the results of the Ladies Day event. Attending members also commented on their own experiences and impressions. Due to the favorable results it was decided to make this at least an annual event, perhaps even hold it twice a year but to schedule it in an "off month" from the Fun Flys. Discussion for improvements for future events took place. All in all everyone was extremely pleased with the results.

Announcements and Old Business:

Bud Austin announced that the power company was out to trim the trees along the power lines that run near our field. They told him that we **must** put our lock though the next lock, **not the chain** (as we have in the past) or it will be cut off so they can gain access.

Gary Acton reported that he has contacted Skaggs Hospital and they are very responsive to our Christmas donation program. They will send him the paper work required. He reminded everyone to bring their teddy bears or other stuffed toys to the next meeting(s). Annette McEvoy said she will look into trying to make up a ribbon or other appropriate item that could be attached bearing the club name or logo. Howard Shire announced that the trusses on the shelter need repair and paint work done before winter. Bud, Erv & Howard will take care of the problems.

New Business:

Bud Austin and Howard Shire volunteered to be a nominating committee to form a slate of Club officers to present at the November meeting. The election of 2007 Club officers will be held at the December meeting.

There was discussion regarding the Christmas party. Gary Acton reported that we have been able to reserve the room adjacent to our regular meeting room however it won't be available until 7:00 p.m. Annette McEvoy asked for a volunteer to help and Howard Shire said that Claudia would again be on the committee.

Don Johnson went over the rules for the upcoming Fun Fly as posted in the newsletter.

John Woods is in charge of the sale of Del Silva's planes and equipment and explained how the "silent auction" will be held on the 14th in conjunction with the Fun Fly.

We will be sending letters to members who have not been attending meetings. We will ask what they would be interested in having included in meetings in hopes to increase attendance. Discussion was held regarding making the meetings more interesting by scheduling program events in advance and advertising it to the members. Jack & Annette McEvoy volunteered to put on a fiberglassing demonstration for the November meeting.

Program:

There was no program.

Next meeting will be November 14^h at the Branson RecPlex.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well the year's Fun Flys are over and we will be giving out the TOP GUN 2006 awards at the November meeting or at the Christmas Party. So be patient until the official results are revealed. Looking over the participation, we only had ten members participate this year and three of those were only in one Fun Fly. Actually only three members participated in all four Fun Flys. Even though this seems like a low level of participation, 10 participants is almost 25% of our membership. Many more members, family and friends show up to enjoy the Fun Fly lunches and watch the competition. There is always room for improvement and we should try to find more ways to increase participation but, all considered, we probably are not doing too bad.

Another thing that went quite well at the October Fun Fly was an auction of deceased member, Del Silva's, model aircraft, supplies and tools. Wife, Cheri, had ask the Club to help in disposing of these items. John Woods took on the project and arranged a silent auction for the big items and then after the Fun Fly was completed he auctioned off all of the other miscellaneous items. Even though most of the items went at bargain prices, Cheri was quite pleased with what she received from the sale. A win—win situation for everyone. The photo to the right shows Cheri and John during the auction. (Photo by Annette McEvoy,)

2006 seems to be a very active year for our Club. In addition to the events listed above, the Club also had three other major events. In July the Club put on a flying demonstration and static display at the Branson RecPlex for participants in the Little League World Series for ages 11 and under. In October the Club went to the Kimberling City Retirement Home and several Club members put on a presentation about radio control model airplanes. The presentation was well received and the Club members were surprised at how active some of the people in the rest home had been in the

SAFETY 1st

Thanks to everyone for making the "Ladies Day" a success and insuring that our field and those attending were safe while enjoying the event. If anyone has a suggestion to improving on safety, please talk to me or bring it up at one of our meetings. There is always room for improvement.

John Woods Safety Officer



aircraft industry. In October the Club also had a very successful Ladies Day which you can catch up with on the next page.

But the year is not yet over and we have a couple of things left. Of course we will have an election of officers for 2007 at the December meeting. We will also have our annual Christmas Party during the December meeting. Put December 12th on your calendar so you don't miss the activities.

Remember the Club is collecting stuffed animals to be donated to Skaggs Hospital. They will hand them out to patients that need a cuddly animal. Bring your donations to the November or December meetings. The animals should be new and about medium size. Hopefully the number we donate will be impressive

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

TRI-LAKES R/C FLYYING CLUB

On Saturday, October 7, 2006, the Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club held the Club's first Ladies Day event. By all accounts it was a huge success and certainly worth making it an annual happening. The weather was perfect except the wind was up a little more than ideal. Club members had the field and facilities in great shape for the fun day. A total of 45 people attended including 17 hard working Club members. We had a total of 21 lady guests for the event.

Fritz Corbin wrote the OPS plan for the event and it worked to perfection. The lady pilots first attended ground school which was operated by Bud Austin. They then went to flight simulator training on a Gen 3 system provided by Fritz Corbin, who also did the training. Flight line coordinator was Tom McKenzie. Our three Intro Pilots, John Woods, Joe Major and Irv Rohde, were busy taking the students up all day. They were assisted on the flight line by Homer Zobel, Bud Austin and Paul Denny. There were three aircraft used for training. Paul Denny and Fritz Corbin contributed the use of their trainers and The Club Avistar was also used. The aircraft were serviced by Gene Fuson, Dave

Medley and Jack McEvoy and all three planes flew all day without a hitch. Annette McEvoy ran the guest pilot registration and photographed the event.

At lunch our guests were treated to a terrific hot dog and chili meal cooked up by Dave Medley and assisted by his wife Val. Additional side dishes and deserts were provided by Club members. During the lunch break Bud Austin flew a great aerobatic routine with his U-Can-Do and Joe Major wowed the crowed with his big Bud Nosen P-51.

After lunch was served the 15 lady pilots, who completed their training, were presented with a certificate by Fritz Corbin. Our lady guests really enjoyed their introduction to R/C flying and some were back for a second flight later in the day. In addition to the lady flyers two grandsons and one son-in-law also took their first flights. Probably the most important part of the event was that everyone really seamed to have a genuine good time and our Club did a first rate job putting it on. Proof of that is that most of our guests can't wait till next year.

Reported by Jack and Annette McEvoy







OCTOBER FUN FLY

The final Fun Fly of the year arrived and it was a perfect day. The winds were light, the temperature mild and a bright blue sky with a few clouds. Ideal flying weather

As usual the event started out with a lunch of hotdogs, sodas and chips procured by John Woods and cooked up by Chef Roy Stienestel. Dave Medley brought a big pot of chili and other members brought other food items to compliment the meal.

With all participants ready to go, the Pilots Meeting was held early, at 12:30, and the first event was ready to go. Since only two events were held at the last Fun Fly, it was decided to try to get four events in so the early start was welcome.

The first event was ERV'S GOLF OUTING FUN put on by Erv Rohde. Draw a number and give it to the timer without looking at the number. When the number (seconds) is up the timer says "Land" and the second timer starts timing. The pilot lands as quickly as possible, turns off the motor/engine, transmitter and receiver and yells "Off". Second timer stops the clock. Now the pilot goes to the golf tee and hits a ball toward the cup. The score is the time it took the pilot to land (second timer) and one second for each foot away from the cup the golf ball comes to rest. Low score wins. First Place went to Bud Austin with a score of 30 (16 seconds and 14 feet), Second Place was Dave Medley with 39 (30 seconds and 9 feet) and Third place went to John Woods with a 41 (19 seconds and 22 feet). Fourth Place was Don Johnson with a 45 (27 seconds and 18 feet) and Erv Rohde was Fifth with 63 (26 seconds and 37 feet). Everyone completed the event with no penalties assessed.

The next event was TIMED TOUCH AND GO LANDINGS. Take off, do four touch and goes in a 50 foot square in the shortest possible time. Time starts at the start of the take off roll and stops when the plane makes the fourth touch down. One main gear must touch in the square for each T & G and there is a 3 minute maximum time limit. Don Johnson took off first and came in First with a time of 111 seconds, Bud Austin was Second with 112 seconds and John Woods was Third with 113 seconds. The other three pilots killed their engines on touchdown so didn't complete the four T & G's therefore tied for Fourth (or last) place.

The third event was a CLIMB, GLIDE, LOOP AND SPOT LANDING, as requested by Bud Austin. Take off and climb for 20 seconds, shut off the motor/ engine and glide as long as possible and land on a target on the runway. Also do a loop anytime during the flight. Time starts when the wheels lift off or is hand launched and stops when the plane stops. One point for each second in the air and subtract one point for each foot from the target the plane stops. Most points win. Erv Rohde found good air and posted a First Place 176 (194 seconds—18 feet), Don Johnson was Second with a 165 (215 seconds—50 feet) and Bud Austin was Third with 17 (96 seconds—79 feet). John Woods came in Fourth with—20 (73 seconds—93 feet)

The fourth and final event was LOOP, ROLL & SPOT LANDING. Take off, do a loop and roll (or roll and loop), immediately shut off engine/motor and land on target on the runway. Time starts when takeoff run starts and stops when plane stops on the runway. One point for each second in the air plus on point for each foot away from the target the plane stops. Least points wins. Bud Austin, with the biggest plane, took First place with 21 points (20 seconds and one foot), Second was Don Johnson with 48 (26 seconds and 22 feet), and Third went to John Woods with 86 (25 seconds and 61 feet). Fourth place went to Erv Rohde with a 93 (50 seconds and 43 feet)

Overall results of the October Club Fun Fly and Top Gun 2006 points is First Place Bud Austin with 320 points, Second Place Don Johnson with 270 points and Third Place was John Woods with 180 points. Fourth Place was Erv Rohde with 170 points, Fifth Place Dave Medley with 90 points and Sixth Place Howard Shire with 70 points.

That's it for the 2006 Club Fun Flys. Many thanks to all that participated and helped during these events. Until next year!





Above are a couple more photos of the Ladies Day activities. Looks like Fritz Corbin is giving Flight Simulator Training to a couple of our guests. Below is John Woods as he tees off in Erv's Golf Event during the October Fun Fly. Results wise it seems that Janet Woods, above right, probably did better than hubby John, although he did place third in the event. But with a better swing he could have placed first.



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