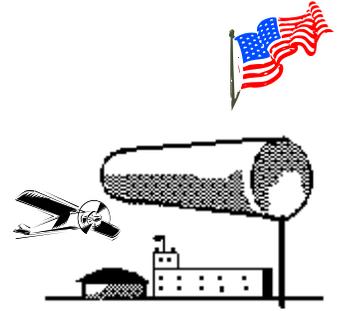


# ***THE WINDSOCK***

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**A VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS AND  
A HAPPY NEW  
YEAR TO ALL**

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As most members know, President Dave Medley had a little home accident in his garage, tripping over some boards, and broke his hip. He had an operation on November 15th at Skaggs Hospital to put a pin in his hip and is now on the mend.

I caught up with Dave on December 1st at the hospital cafeteria where he was having lunch with his daughter and son. He looked good and said he was coming along nicely on his therapy. He said he probably would be released from the hospital on December 8th or maybe before. He also said he may be able to make it to the Club Christmas Party.

Although Dave won't be driving for awhile, he looked like he had his wheel chair under complete control as he headed back to his room for more therapy.

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

It's a little difficult to get back in the swing of things since we just got back from three weeks in Nevada and California. It was an enjoyable trip but it's always good to get back home.

There are still a couple of dates to remember as we close another year for the Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club. On December 14th, we'll have the annual Club Christmas Party at the Coachlight Trailer Park Clubhouse. The cost is \$5 per person and Erv has a request that everyone NOT bring a \$20 bill. Parking is limited so sharing a ride is desirable. Hopefully we will have most of the members and their families in attendance. It will be a chance to thank all the outgoing Club officers for their service and to welcome in the 2011 Club officers. Also the Club has a tradition of holding a Fun Fly on January first of each year. Come on out and join us, it's usually a lot of fun even if the weather isn't very good.

Along with the new year will come some changes in the Club Newsletter. The length of the Newsletter will be reduced from 6 to 4 pages but could vary depending on the news content available. Newsletters will no longer be sent by snail mail. The Club web site is [bransonrc.org](http://bransonrc.org) and [bransonrc.com](http://bransonrc.com). The Club meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month and the Newsletter is normally posted to the web site 5 to 7 days before the meeting. Previous issues of Club Newsletters can also be downloaded from the Club web site. If I have your correct email address you will be notified by email when the new issue is posted. If you have trouble downloading the Newsletter it may be that you do not have the current Adobe Reader program, which is a free download. Any member that does not have access to the internet should notify me and we will work something out so you can get the Newsletter. As always, anyone that wishes to contribute to the Newsletter by way of articles or pictures is not only welcome, but encouraged to do so!

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

### TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2010

|                      |           | NOV         | Y T D       |
|----------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| BALANCE              | 11/1/2010 | \$ 1,087.23 | \$ 2,507.94 |
| INCOME-DUES -----    |           |             | \$ 1,035.02 |
| INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS   |           | \$ 20.00    | \$ 20.00    |
| INCOME-FOOD -----    |           | \$ 50.00    | \$ 145.50   |
| INCOME-50/50 -----   |           | \$ 7.00     | \$ 34.00    |
| INCOME-MISC -----    |           |             | \$ 416.41   |
| EXPENSE-FIELD -----  |           | \$ 130.99   | \$ 2,149.88 |
| EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER   |           |             | \$ 17.60    |
| EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS  |           |             | \$ -        |
| EXPENSE-FOOD -----   |           | \$ 10.53    | \$ 81.20    |
| EXPENSE-AMA -----    |           |             | \$ 105.00   |
| EXPENSE-Web -----    |           | \$ 15.17    | \$ 200.17   |
| EXPENSE-meeting room |           |             | \$ 75.00    |
| EXPENSE-MISC -----   |           |             | \$ 522.48   |
| BALANCE              | 12/1/2010 | \$ 1,007.54 | \$ 1,007.54 |

# MEETING MINUTES

## TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

November 9, 2010

President Dave Medley called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M. at the Coach light Village meeting room. All officers were present. There were 8 members present including the officers. There was one guest Claudia Shire.

Dave Medley won the 50/50 split the pot. He received \$3.00 of the \$6.00 pot.

### **Committee Reports:**

Irv Rohde reported that we had \$1,087.23 in the bank.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as published in the Newsletter.

John Woods Reported on the nominating committees list of candidates for 2011. They were Howard Shire for President, Gene Fuson for Vice President, Roy Steinestel Treasure, and Don Johnson for Secretary.

### **Old Business:**

Gene Fuson read his proposed changes to the club Safety rules. After a short discussion and a few changes, Gene made a motion that the Safety rules be changed as discussed. Seconded by Howard Shire. Motion carried

Claudia Shire reported on plans for the Christmas party. She asked if the members wished to reduce the cost from \$5.00 a person to \$5.00 a couple. After some discus-

sion it was decided to keep the cost at \$5.00 a person. John Woods questioned if we could have guests. The answer was "yes", but they would be expected to pay the \$5.00.

### **New Business:**

Howard Shire read a letter from the AMA requesting all Leader Members and Club contacts to submit their up to date email addresses to Shawn Grubbs at shawng@modelaircraft.org as soon as possible.

There was a short discussion on how we could make our fun fly's more interesting and get more participation from the less experienced fliers. It was decided that we would have to get the opinion of those who don't participate before we could make any changes.

Dave Medley stated that he would like to have a float fly. It was discussed that it might be a good idea to put floats on one of the clubs trainers and let people get a feeling of flying off the water. Nothing was finalized.

John Woods said that he would not be handling the food for the fun fly's next year. There was some discussion as to just having the grill available for those who wished to bring their own food versus having someone bringing the food. The subject was tabled.

John Woods said he would like to thank Bud Austin, Don Johnson, and Jack and Annette McEvoy for their help with his class at Votec.

Meeting adjourned: 6:57 P.M.

### **Program:**

Certificates were handed out for the October fun fly.

# **SAFETY FIRST**

Below is the updated list of Safety Rules for this club. They were discussed and some minor changes were made at the November 2010 meeting. Please read them and heed them. Copies have been made and will be available at the December 2010 meeting or from the club secretary.

## **SAFETY RULES & REGULATIONS**

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

1. All members are expected to know and adhere to the SAFETY RULES set down by the TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB and the ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS (AMA) and to use common sense when operating or observing any R/C aircraft.
2. Pilots must be insured by the AMA and have in their possession their current AMA identification card.
3. 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.
5. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at the flying field nor may they be consumed prior to participation in any model operation.
6. All radio equipment should be ground range checked before the first flight of a new or repaired model.
7. Vehicle parking is restricted to the area adjacent to or behind the shelter.
8. All pilots must have the proper frequency pin, from the frequency board, in their possession before turning on their transmitter. They should also have a pin with their name and or AMA number on it and clip it to the frequency board, where the frequency pin was. The frequency pin is to be returned to the board when the pilot is through flying. You must surrender the frequency pin at the end of your flight if other pilots are waiting to use that channel. Pilots using spread spectrum technologies are not required to have a frequency pin.
9. No aircraft may be taxied in the pit area. All aircraft must be carried onto the flying field.
10. When flying, pilots should stand on or near one of the designated flying spots located adjacent to the safety fence.
11. Flying over the pit or spectator area is prohibited unless beyond the control of the pilot. Aerobatic maneuvers that are directly towards the pit or spectator area are prohibited.
12. When several aircraft are flying a spotter should be used to warn the pilot of possible collision with other aircraft, other aircraft landing or other field mishaps that may endanger the pilot.
13. Pilots must announce that they are going to be landing and taking off to the other pilots on the field.
14. Spectators must remain behind the flying area.

# CHRISTMAS PARTY

6:00 PM December 14th at the Coachlight Trailer Park Clubhouse

Members and families will enjoy a potluck dinner along with a short December meeting. The Club Will furnish BBQ meats and sauces, members will bring the side dishes and desserts.

There will be a \$5 charge per person, which will be collected at the door, to cover the cost of the purchased food.

Please advise Claudia Shire 417 779-5069, if you and members of your family plan to attend and what side dish you will bring, so she can get an approximate headcount.

Ya' all come join us in the model aviation social event of the Year!

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## NEW YEAR'S DAY FUN FLY



2011



**Show everyone how tough a pilot you are. Come out to Rocky Top Field regardless of weather and put in one official flight. GOOD LANDING NOT REQUIRED! This will earn you a Certificate (in color) suitable for framing and bragging rights for the coming year.**

**To be prepared, you may want to have skis or floats for your model if there is snow on the ground.**

**Howard and Claudia Shire will bring some coffee so pilots and guests will be able to stay warm from the inside out.**

**Gather at the field somewhere around noon.**

# DECEMBER MEETING

DECEMBER 14, 2010 6:00 PM

Meet at the Coachlight  
Clubhouse.

Program

CHRISTMAS PARTY !!!

## TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

### PRESIDENT

DAVE MEDLEY 739-5931

### VICE-PRESIDENT

BUD AUSTIN 561-4466

### SECRETARY

HOWARD SHIRE 779- 5069

### TREASURER

ERV ROHDE 538- 2439

### SAFETY OFFICER

GENE FUSON 538- 9346

### FIELD MARSHALL

BUD AUSTIN 561-4466

### INSTRUCTORS

ERV ROHDE 538-2439

HOWARD SHIRE 779-5069

JOHN WOODS 338-8419

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15. It shall be each member's responsibility to police the flying field at the end of each flying session. If you brought it to the field, take it home with you.
16. All rules of the owner of the flying field shall be strictly adhered to.
17. All new members and guests must be checked out by a Club instructor or Club officer before being allowed to fly.
18. All radio transmitters will conform to current AMA requirements. It is the pilot's responsibility to show that the transmitter meets AMA requirements.

See You at the Field,  
Gene Fuson  
Safety Officer

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