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BEAR TIME



It has been the custom of the Tri-Lakes RC Flying Club to donate new stuffed toys to the Branson hospital to be given to young patients, or old patients, that find themselves confined to the hospital during the holidays. Please bring your donations to the Club's Christmas party and we will take them to the hospital and hopefully bring some holiday cheer and comfort to those that are unable to be at home during the holidays.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving with lots to eat and surrounded by friends and relatives. Turkey, Pie and Friends - what a great day!

We've had mixed weather conditions this month so not too many days of flying. A lot of wind but the temperature has been up around 70 degrees - have to wear my sun screen. Winter is near so get ready.

At the upcoming December meeting the nominating committee for 2018 will nominate a slate of officers to be voted on. The floor will be open for any other nominees then a vote will be taken and the new officers will be voted into office. You still have time to grab one of the office positions so jump in and be counted.

We are all set for our Christmas dinner, Tuesday Dec. 5th. If you haven't received a bunch of information let me know and I'll send it to you. If you would like to bring something for the Pot Luck, bring whatever you like. We're expecting around 24 for dinner. Don't forget your plates and silverware - this really helps with clean up.

Also, if you like, bring a stuffed animal for the kids and other patients at the hospital. We'll deliver them before Christmas.

I know all of our members thank all the officers for serving this year. Also, we thank and appreciate Bud and Fritz for their hard work in keeping our flying field and equipment in shape. It always looks great.

Janet and I wish all our Club members and R/C friends a very Merry Christmas and happy New Year.

Happy Landings in 2018 John

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2017					
		NOV		YTD	
BALANCE	11/1/2017	\$1	,126.31	\$	2,029.22
INCOME-DUES		\$	40.00	\$	440.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$	-	\$	-
INCOME-FOOD		\$	-	\$	58.00
INCOME-50/50		\$	4.00	\$	20.00
INCOME-MISC		\$	-	\$	5.95
EXPENSE-FIELD			31.00	\$	1,098.53
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER			-	\$	-
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS			-	\$	-
EXPENSE-FOOD		\$	-	\$	48.91
EXPENSE-AMA		\$	-	\$	120.00
EXPENSE-Web		\$	-	\$	135.17
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$	-	\$	-
EXPENSE-MISC		\$	-	\$	11.25
BALANCE	12/1/2017	\$1	,139.31	\$	1,139.31

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Here it is, the end of another year. Our Christmas party is fast approaching on December 5th and looks like we will have a good turnout and at \$10 a head, at the door, it will help pay some of the food costs and maybe a little left over for the Club. Also it would be nice if you could bring a donation of a stuffed toy or two for those in the Hospital. Come and enjoy the festivities. At the party we will award the Top Gun 2017 certificates for the top Club pilots of the year. Fritz will also be accepting dues (checks or cash) for 2018 Club dues. Officially dues are set at the December meeting but \$80 is a fairly safe bet.

Even though some of our snow birds will have headed south, we will have our annual New Year's Day Fun Fly regardless of the weather. Come on out and earn the respect of all members with your New Year's Day RC flight and also receive a certificate so stating. Although we scoff at bad weather if the weather becomes dangerous, use good judgment before coming to the field.



NEW MEMBERS

Pat Adams is really not a new member but has renewed his Club dues after a few years absence. Pat, and wife Judy, live in Kimberling City.

Welcome back Pat, we are very happy to have you back in the Club..

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

President John Woods opened the meeting at 5:28 PM, at South Port Condo Clubhouse. There were 8 members present including all officers. Doris Rohde was a guest. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,126.31 in the Treasury as of November 1, 2017. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the August meeting were approved as written in the September Newsletter. There were no Club Meetings in September and October. The 50/50 raffle was won by Erv Rohde and he received \$4.00 of the \$8 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: President John Woods mentioned that Fritz had killed some Johnson grass on the east side of the runway. Also that he is working with new member Isaac Thomas and that he is doing very well in his flight training.

OLD BUSINESS: The subject of using solar power for the electric fence and battery charging or discontinuing electrical service was discussed again and it was voted to continue with the electrical service.

NEW BUSINESS: Pat Adams was introduced as a past Club member that has renewed his membership.

President John Woods announced that the Nominating Committee had nominated John Woods for President, Gene Fuson for Vice-President, Fritz Corbin for Treasurer and Don Johnson for Secretary for 2018 Club Officers. Nominations will be open until the December meeting. At that time nominations will be closed and the election will be held.

It was decided (again) that guest flyers at our Club field must be a current AMA member and be accompanied by a Club member while flying at our field.

John Woods volunteered to be the recipient of the month's Crash Trophy. There were no

objections.

John reminded the members present that the Club Christmas party had been moved up to Tuesday, December 5th. Janet will cook a turkey(s) and gravy. The rest of the dinner will be by member contribution. John will send out an email for members to sign up for what they will bring and how many will be in their party. There will be no raffle this year.

It was decided to continue with the donation of teddy bears (new stuffed toys) to the Branson hospital to be given to patients in the hospital during the holidays. So bring your bear donations to the Club Christmas party or get them to a Club officer if you will not be at the party.

It was decided that again for 2018 there will be no formal Club meetings for January, February and March.

PROGRAM: Gen Fuson passed out the certificates to the winners of the August and October Club Fun Flys.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13PM.



Above is Bud Austin's Spare Parts Trainer as it passes by in the November air. Bud seems to save all the usable parts form crashes and sooner or later they show up as another flying machine. Nice job, Bud!

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SAFETY FIRST

With Thanksgiving over and Christmas right around the corner, I will probably be out of town quite a bit in the coming weeks.

I don't really have a safety message concerning airplanes this month, but would like to say...... If you are driving for the holidays please drive carefully.

There are lots of situations occurring during winter holiday traffic, so be alert to what is happening around you....situational awareness! Never take for granted that someone is going to stop, turn or make some other move. Be ready to make an evasive move if necessary. Try to do it gently if you are on snow or ice.

Have a Great Christmas everyone!

Oh.....don't forget to take a stuffed toy to the party

See you at the Christmas Party!

Gene Fuson

Safety Officer

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE DECEMBER 5, 5:30PM, AT THE SOUTH PORT CONDO CLUBHOUSE. CHRISTMAS PARTY