

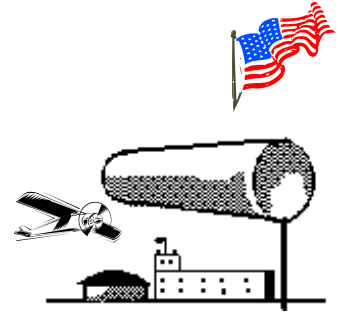
# THE WINDSOCK

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR 2014



Above are the members and guests that braved the weather to get the first flights of the year in and thereby have bragging rights for all of 2014. From left to right, Bud and Joy Austin, Chris Zillig, Dave and Val Medley, Fritz Corbin, Don Johnson, Erv Rohde, John Woods, Gene Fuson and Howard Shire. Not shown is Janet Woods as she was taking the picture. The weather for a new year's day was good, a little breezy at times and a little cold but not bad enough to limit the flying. With plenty hot coffee, hot chocolate, and hot soup it turned out to be a great and enjoyable flying day. Happy New Year!

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It's a New Year ..... 2014.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We enjoyed visiting our family in Texas and California. Janet invited everyone to visit Branson ..... which is the good news, the bad news is they all said they would come !!

Thanks to all our Club officers in 2013. Greg for serving as our President and Gene for stepping in whenever it was needed as our Vice President, serving as our Safety Officer and writing all the "Safety First" columns throughout the year . Roy did a great job taking care of our finances the past two years as Treasurer and Don did all the Secretarial stuff along with publishing our Newsletter. There are many other members who quietly take care of what needs to be done in order to make our Club a success and a great place to fly– thank you all. Thanks also to Mike for taking care of our web site.

This year I look forward to working with Gene (V.P.), Don (Secretary) and Fritz (Treasurer) and thank them on behalf of the Club for helping and contributing their time to serving.

New Years Day Fun Fly was well attended and several people brought food to share. Several of the wives weathered the cold, but with all the wood on the fire it wasn't too bad. Dave and Val brought some hot soup and Janet cooked up some soup also. Fritz made his secret recipe for some fruit cake that was wonderful. Coffee and hot chocolate for drinks. There were nine pilots who all flew. Only one crash but can't remember too well who crashed .....? A nice day.

Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club is a wonderful Club because of its members and their passion for flying and building. Like all of our members I enjoy being a part of a great Club and appreciate all of the Club members very much.

Happy Landings in 2014 - John

## TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2013

		DEC	Y T D
BALANCE	12/1/2013	\$ 916.73	\$ 1,453.98
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 400.00	\$ 1,889.35
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 132.50
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ -	\$ 45.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 248.90	\$ 273.90
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 28.38	\$ 1,931.65
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ 165.92	\$ 217.25
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ 135.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 140.00
BALANCE	1/1//2014	\$1,371.33	\$ 1,371.33

## 2014 DUES

Club 2014 dues were due as of January 1, 2014. If you fly at Rocky Top Field on or after January 1, 2014 you will need a current (2014) AMA card.

If you are going to renew you Club membership at the January meeting, bring your 2014 AMA card. If you are paying by check, make the check out to "Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club. You may also pay your dues in cash.

The dues schedule is as follows:

1. FULL MEMBERSHIP - \$80 per year.
2. ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS - \$5 each per year.
3. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (non-voting) - \$15 per year
4. STUDENTS - Free Club membership but must be a current AMA member.

# MEETING MINUTES

## TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB DECEMBER 10, 2013

President Greg Moody opened the meeting at 6:13 PM, at the Southport Condo Clubhouse. It was Christmas Party time and there were 13 members present including the officers along with 12 wives and one mom present as guests. Dave Medley acted as M.C. for the meeting and Christmas Party activities. The minutes of the November meeting were approved as printed in the December Newsletter.

Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that the Club had \$916.73 in the bank as of December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Committee Report:** A motion was made and passed to close nominations and elect the slate of candidates as presented by the Nominating Committee at November's Club meeting. The 2014 Club Officers that were elected were John Woods – President, Gene Fuson – Vice-President, Fritz Corbin – Treasurer and Don Johnson – Secretary.

**Old Business:** Gene Fuson passed out the Top Gun 2013 Award Certificates. The winners were John Woods in first place, Bud Austin in second place and Fritz Corbin in third place. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all that participated and helped in the 2013 Fun Flies.

**New Business:** The members reviewed the Club dues and voted to keep the dues as they are, which is \$80 per year for regular members.

**Program:** Our Christmas Party dinner was provided by Gene Fuson and Dave Medley along with side dish contributions by other members. Everything turned out great with more food than we could eat. Wonderful job guys. After the meal M.C. Dave Medley conducted a raffle for hand painted cards done by wife, Val Medley. These were won by Eva Peterson and Margie Steinestel. Dave also auctioned off a jewelry set, (see picture) also

made by Val, and donated to the Club. The winning bid was made by Ellen Fuson with all proceeds going to the Club. Many thanks to Dave and Val for their generosity.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

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## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well, here it is a new year and time to put out another Club Newsletter. This is the 18th year for your Newsletter editor but who's counting when you're having fun.

Don't forget that you need a current (2014) AMA card to fly at the Club field. Also your 2014 Club dues are due now (if you haven't already paid them). Fritz Corbin is our new Treasurer and you can give him your dues in cash or a check made out to "Tri-Lakes RC Flying Club". You can also send a check to Fritz at Francis S. Corbin, 106 Neals Trail, Reeds Spring, MO 65737-9786. The grace period for paying your 2014 dues will be up at the end of February.

On page 4 are several pictures of our Christmas Party and on page 5 are a couple of pictures of our New Year's Day Fun Fly. Both events went off very well. The picture of Dave Medley holding his Polaris XL, on which he had successfully transplanted a replacement nose, turns out to be a "before picture". Rumor has it that John Woods was at the controls when the plane tried to fly through a tree. This may be a candidate for crash of the month but not sure if Dave or John should be awarded the trophy.

Many people noticed that wife, Marge, was having some difficulty at the Christmas party. She did undergo a successful emergency operation for a subdural hematoma the next afternoon and seems to be headed for a rapid and complete recovery. Many thanks to everyone's kind thoughts and prayers.

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



Above left, M.C. Dave medley conducting Christmas Part raffle for hand painted cards by wife, Val. Bud and Joy Austin in the foreground. Right, Dick and Eva Peterson and Margie and Roy Steinestel waiting for dinner to be served.



Above left, enjoying dinner is Doris and Erv Rohde with Fritz and Jean Corbin. Right, Howard and Claudia Shire along with Paula and Chris Zillig during the Club's Christmas dinner.



Sharing a table from right to left is James Woodruff and his mom and Ellen Fuson.

Above is the necklace and ear ring set made and donated by Val Medley. Ellen Fuson made the winning bid.



J Woods Photo

New Year's Day, Dave Medley with his Polaris XL and John Woods on the transmitter. Seems this flight did not go well.



J Woods Photo

Janet Woods with Anna , Dave Medley and Don Johnson taking it easy and watching the flying action on New Year's Day.



J Woods Photo

John Woods with his new E flite Cap 232 that he got for \$20 at the Springfield Swap Meet on January 4th. Looks like a good Fun Fly plane.



This is Chris Zillig's new Stits Special 12 foamy. Delivered price a little over \$130 receiver ready. Flies great on 4 Li-Po cells.



Don Johnson's new stick and tissue Pussycat. Don has built five Pussycats, two with 61.5 wingspans and then three of the 80% version with 50.4" wingspan. They have all flown very well.



## **TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB**

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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. (or download from [bransonrc.org](http://bransonrc.org) web site..ed.)

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 ACADEMY 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

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE  
JANUARY 14TH, 6:00PM, AT THE  
SOUTHPORT CONDOMINIUM CLUB-  
HOUSE.**