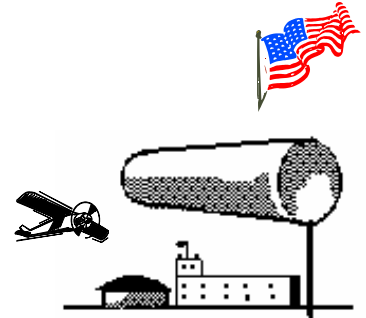


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JULY MEETING

JULY 11, 7:00 PM

Meet at Rocky Top Field. In case of severe weather meet at the Branson RecPlex.

Program

Fly before and after the Meeting. Bring your current projects for "Show and Tell".

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope all you flyers are having a great summer so far. The big event at the Rex-Plex is just around the corner, on July 9th. Be sure to wear your fly shirts and hats to the event.

I heard that more flyers were able to go to the Fun Fly, which was held on the third week, since it was rained out the week before. We have been having some half-way cool mornings, so if you can get out to the field early, come and fly. I usually start my workday at 6:00 a.m. and it seems to

be cool for the first 3 hours, until the sun gets high.

I've really enjoyed checking out the recipes in our new cook-book. I plan to fix elephant stew for my upcoming family reunion. Does anyone know where I can purchase one medium elephant? Please let me know if you find them!

Hope to see you at the Rex-Plex on the 9th or at the field on the 11th for our monthly meeting.

Happy 4th of July!

Gary

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TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2006

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BALANCE	6/1/2006	\$ 1,305.18	\$	1,177.43
INCOME-DUES	-----	\$ -	\$	1,300.14
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS	-----	\$ 20.00	\$	87.00
INCOME-FOOD	-----	\$ 37.00	\$	114.00
INCOME-50/50	-----	\$ 7.00	\$	53.50
INCOME-MISC	-----	\$ 220.00	\$	236.00
EXPENSE-FIELD	-----	\$ 56.11	\$	1,111.13
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER	-----	\$ 7.80	\$	24.14
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS	-----	\$ -	\$	-
EXPENSE-FOOD	-----	\$ 13.42	\$	51.70
EXPENSE-AMA	-----	\$ 40.00	\$	185.00
EXPENSE-Web	-----	\$ 191.40	\$	191.40
EXPENSE-meeting room	-----	\$ -	\$	100.00
EXPENSE-MISC	-----	\$ -	\$	24.25
BALANCE	7/1/2006	\$ 1,280.45	\$	1,280.45

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

June 13, 2006

President Gary Acton opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Rocky Top Field. All officers were present. There were 17 members present. The minutes from the May meeting were approved as published in the June Newsletter. Treasurer Erv Rohde reported that the treasury balance as of June 1st was \$1,305.18. The 50/50 raffle was won by Mark Niebrzydowski who received one half of \$14.00.

Committee Reports:

Bud Austin thanked Fritz Corbin for helping with the mowing and he can use some help this Friday to ready the field for Saturday's fun fly. Tom McKenzie volunteered to help. Howard Shire said he will take care of treating the area for insects.

There was discussion regarding getting the field brush hogged. Roscoe reported that Sid Beckham's equipment was not available right now. Annette McEvoy will contact Mike Anderson to see if his friend would be interested in doing this for us again.

John Woods reported that the July 9th RecPlex demonstration plans are shaping up. The time has been changed to setup at 1:30 with the actual demonstration time being from 3:00 to 4:00. A PA system has been arranged for and Ray Dixson will do the announcing. Everyone needs to bring their own chairs and coolers if needed. Since this is the first event the RecPlex is putting on they will possibly have some "glitches". John reviewed arrangements that everyone has been working on and feels that we are in pretty good shape for our first attempt at an event like this, again stressing that safety is the number one issue.

The AMA insurance for the RecPlex, being a second field location, has been arranged.

The cost is \$60.00 not \$20.00 as originally voted on in last month's meeting. The proper paper work will be FAXed to AMA to complete the process.

Announcements and Old Business:

Roscoe Fudge said that the events for the Fun Fly are set up and there may be a novice event if enough people will participate.

Annette McEvoy announced that all but one recipe book from the first run have been sold and that there will be one more run after enough orders are placed with Erv or her.

Erv Rohde says that he still has hats and 3 shirts still for sale.

New Business:

John Woods told everyone about a 6 pack of Super Glue that is available at Wal-Mart for .99.

Howard Shire will take care of getting the food & drinks for the fun fly.

Program:

Fritz Corbin was presented with his Solo Certificate.

Next meeting will be July 11th at Rocky Top Field.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.



What do you do if the wind is blowing a little too hard to fly? Well you just sit around and tell stories (lies?). Photo by Connie Taylor

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Sneaking up on us real quick is July 9th, the day the Club will be doing a static and flying R/C demonstration at the Branson RecPlex. This will be during the Baseball World Series for 11 year olds. The demo is scheduled from 3 to 4 PM and the participants probably should show up at least an hour or two before the demo starts. Should be fun and a chance to maybe interest some kids, or parents, in radio control flying.

The July issue of Model Aviation has a great article by Dean Pappas, on page 47, covering TRIMMING your airplane. It would be good to not only read it, but to study it. Then trying some of his methods determine what trim adjustments you need to make so your planes are easier to fly. This is Part 1 of a multipart article.

Another event some Club members may want to attend is the 19th Annual Float Fly hosted by the Springfield Blacksheep RC Club. The event will be held August 12th and 13th on Springfield Lake. Anyone with an AMA membership and a float plane is welcome to participate. They usually have one short competitive event on Saturday and the rest of the time is open flying. For more info you can check out the Club's web site at <http://www.angelfire.com/mo2/blacksheep/rc/index2.html>.

Flew my new Depron foam PVT. B. KOOL (shown to the right) without incident on its maiden flight. The interesting thing is that it was flown with the new Spektrum radio that operates on 2.4 Ghertz and requires no frequency pin control. This is probably no big deal for someone that normally uses JR equipment but for someone that normally uses Futaba or Hitec equipment there are some things to pay attention too. First off the transmitter charger looks like all other chargers but has a negative center instead of a positive center and is therefore not compatible with Futaba transmitters. A caution label was put on both the Spektrum charger and by the transmitter jack hoping to avoid a costly mix-up of chargers. Also the dual rate switches for ailerons and elevator are just opposite but I will probably reprogram the Futaba

SAFETY 1st

After helping several new (& old) flyers, I've noticed that the plane's trims are not centered and the individual isn't quite sure where the trims were after the last successful flight. Taking a plane off out of trim can be a disaster that should not happen. Trim "zeroing" is easy to do and eliminates one of the many potential problems that may occur – it's easy, so take the time to TRIM.

John Woods
Safety Officer

to match the Spektrum and avoid some confusion.

Received several pictures that others had taken out at the field and appreciate the input very much. Actually I had taken a couple of photos that were near identical to those submitted. Since their pictures were better, theirs were used for the Newsletter.

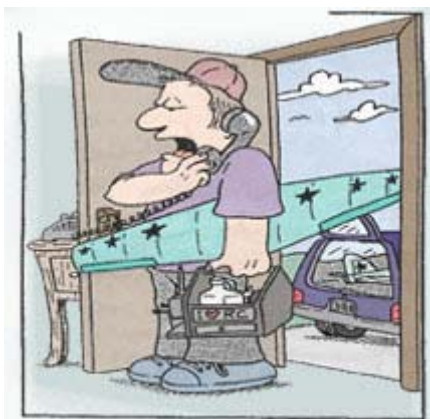
Time to land for this month.....ed.



Above is Don Johnson's PVT. B. KOOL made by somewhat following a Model Aviation mag plan. The wings are 3 mm Depron and everything else is 6 mm Depron. It has a 32 inch wingspan and weighs about 19 ounces. Except for the star decals, the model is hand painted with cheap acrylic paint from Wal-Mart and panel lined with a black gel pen. The motor is an AXi 2212/34 with a Phoenix 10 speed control and 1050 mAH Li-Poly 3-cell battery. Photo by Annette McEvoy.



Above left is Mark Niebrzydowski's Hanger 9 Flying Tigers P-40. Looks and flies great. Mark did remove the retracts and moved the landing gear outward and wheels forward for better ground handling. Maybe when he gets real confident with the plane, he will reinstall the retracts which would really add to its' appearance in the air. Above right is Bud Austin's big U-CAN-Do (think 120 size?) coming in for a landing. Even though it is big it can fly fast or slow and is 3D capable, Below left is another of Joe Major's helicopters. This one a **T REX** electric. As usual Joe's planes fly very well and love that little electric buzz. Photo by Annette McEvy



"I won't be coming into the office today.
I'll be out in the field doing research."

What happens if you have an accident on your lawn mower, tumble off, break a rib and hurt other things. Well if you're Roscoe Fudge you just suck it up and go out to the flying field and recuperate by doing some flying. Roscoe is still a little sore but doing good and flew in the June Fun Fly without his sling.

From the March 2006 issue of The AMA Insider.

JUNE FUN FLY

The June Club Fun Fly had been postponed for a week due to wind and rain, but June 24th was turning out to be a great summer day to be outdoors. To start things off the Club had its usual lunch with the main ingredients of dogs, buns sodas and chips procured by Jon Woods and cooked up by chef Erv Rohde. Also available were beans, cakes and cookies. Many thanks to those that contributed to the excellent lunch.

At 1 PM Fun Fly Director, Roscoe Fudge, held a pilot's meeting and it was on with the Fun Fly.

The first event was a Timed Task, take off, do a touch and go, do two loops or two rolls and touch down. Shortest time wins. First place went to Erv Rohde with 40 seconds. Second place was a tie and went to Bud Austin and John Woods at 45 seconds. Fourth place went to Roscoe Fudge at 51 seconds and fifth place went to Mark Niebrzydowski at 53 seconds.

The next event was a Spot Landing, take off and then land on a target (paper plate). Closest touch down to the plate wins. Erv Rohde was first with 5 1/2 feet and Bud Austin was second with 10 1/2 feet. Third place went to John Woods at 12 feet, fourth to Roscoe Fudge with 14 feet and fifth to Fritz Corbin with 20 1/2 feet. This was Fitz' first Fun Fly. Atta way to go Fritz!

The next event was a Deadstick Spot Landing. Take off and go up about 300 feet, cut the throttle and glide down to the target. Closest to the target after rollout wins. First place went to Don Johnson with 34 feet and Howard Shire was second with 56 feet. Third place was Bud Austin at 66 1/2 feet, fourth was Erv Rohde at 66 3/4 feet and fifth went to Fritz Corbin at 83 feet.

Overall scoring for Top Gun 2006 points was First Place Erv Rohde with 230 points, Second Place Bud Austin 180 points, tied for Third Place was Don Johnson and John Woods with 120 points and Fifth Place went to Howard Shire with 90 points.

There was a fourth event held for novices which was a Timed Taxi Event. Go through the start gate, around pylons in a figure eight configuration and back through the starting gate. There were three novices that entered, Annette and Jack McEvoy and Dick Peterson. Annette came in first at 37 seconds, Jack was second with 36 seconds plus a 10 second penalty for hitting two pylons and Dick came in third after he his motor quit.

Many thanks to Roscoe Fudge and his crew for a great Fun Fly. The next Fun Fly will be August 19th. It would normally have been the week earlier but as normal was delayed so as not to conflict with the Springfield Club's annual Float Fly.



Above is Erv Rohde's Pro Twister touching down very close to the target. Note that the landing gear is bent up far enough so the fuselage is actually touching the ground—and the landing gear did not break, Picture by Fritz Corbin.



Some more shots of planes in the June Fun Fly. Above left is Fritz Corbin's Kadet LT 40 as it comes in for a touch and go. Good looking approach but placed out of the money on this event. Above right is Roscoe Fudge's Eagle 3D also coming in for a touch and go. Lower right is John Woods with his Russian Yak Pro Twister looking good as he approaches the spot landing target. The effort was good enough for third place in this event.



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