

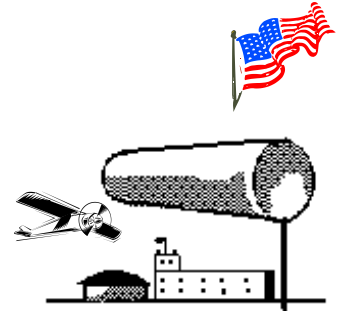
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FAMOUS WAR BIRD



Above is Fernando's new P-51 Mustang. Don't have all the specs now but it is an ARF, it is big and uses gasoline for fuel. Looks great in the air and flew well until test pilot, President John, managed to over stress the landing gear when landing. Expect to see it again soon after some new parts are received.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

July has been extremely flat-out HOT!! Add that to a dose of humidity and now we have an unbearable day to be at the Flying Field. We have managed to get out early mornings to beat the heat but the older we get the more difficult it is to make the trip.

We may have our metal shade Canopy by the end of the month. Of course, since the world is kind of up-side-down still, no telling what may happen.

Last Saturday I got a few flights in on my 1/3 scale Edge 540. It's taken a few months to get everything together due to our home being sold and the "Big" move that took place. All our stuff is in two 10'x20' storage units in Branson West.....it's a little hard to sort thing out, much less work on anything. The plane flew good and I plan to get more time on it over the next few weeks.

Janet and I are still living at Table Rock RV Resort in Kimberling City. We have moved to a more permanent spot and still have no plans as to our next step. Around the middle of this month we are planning a trip to Glacier National Park to meet up with my family and enjoy some time together.

Jim has had a chronic cough over the last month and after going through several tests by his heart doctors in Kansas City, they determined that he probably did have Covid but has recovered. Now he has extreme fatigue and is resting. We all wish Jim the very best and look forward to seeing him back out at the field soon.

Tuesday, August 10th we plan on having our next Club meeting. Come early and fly, then at 10:00am we'll take a short break, have our meeting then fly some more.

Thanks to all the guys for keeping the field looking great and the mowers running. Also, it's nice to see Fritz at the field after his injury last month. Glad you are okay, welcome back.

Have fun flyingJohn

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Even though it has been very hot, there has been some flying at the field, but usually everyone is ready to go cool off by noon.

Looking for something different to do this Saturday, August 7th? Might want to take in the Fun Fly, Swap Meet and Raffle at Web, City. See the Flyer on page 5, could be interesting. They will even give you a free lunch.

Below is your editor's L-19 Birddog. It was built 10 years ago, designed for rubber power. With a 26 inch wingspan it was converted to RC and flown at S.M.A.L.L. at Little Rock. Seen below piloted by John Woods. Looks good in the air and flies O.K.

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



TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2021

		JUL	YTD
BALANCE	7/1/2021	\$1,843.40	\$ 2,065.83
INCOME-DUES -----			\$ 704.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS			\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----			\$ -
INCOME-50/50 -----			\$ 7.50
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 0.01	\$ 100.07
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 31.00	\$ 744.99
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER			\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS			\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----			\$ -
EXPENSE-AMA -----			\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-Web -----			\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room			\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----			\$ 200.00
BALANCE	8/1/2021	\$1,812.41	\$ 1,812.41

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB MEETING MINUTES

June 6, 2021

President John Woods opened the meeting at 10:04 AM, at the Club flying field. There were 7 members present including all officers except Gene Fuson. There were no guests. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that there was \$1,998.28 in the Treasury as of June 1, 2021. The Treasurer's Report was approved. The Minutes of the May 2021 meeting were approved as written in the May Newsletter. The raffle was won by Tim Sahagun and he received \$3.50 of the \$7 pot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President John Woods reported that John Phillips called and said his dad was ill so he would not be at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

The new shelter order has been cancelled as the vendor seems to have gone out of business. Gary Merseal found another vendor but the cost is \$75 more. The new canopy will have auger type anchors guaranteed to handle 150 mph winds. No set delivery date yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

The brush hogging that Gary Merseal did was discussed. Gary said he was going to do some more. He said the Club did not need to pay him for this work. The Club moved and passed that he be paid at least \$50 for tractor gas.

John mentioned the Fun Fly described in the June Newsletter and said he may go to it in his motor home. He said that other members might enjoy attending just for the experience.

John found the Crash Trophy and brought it to the meeting. After a short discussion it was gifted to Fritz, at least for the month of June.

Fritz has ordered a replacement windsock. The old one was getting worn and tattered.

PROGRAM:

Flying before the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM



Pictured is Gene Fuson's Pro Twister which is featured in his column on page 6. It was having a great flight when it decided it had had enough, took control of itself and dived through the trees to the ground. The damage, circled, was minimal as seen below. The cause of the crash is still a mystery as everything seemed to work normally after it was recovered. Both Gene and John were involved with the test run. Not sure who was on the sticks when the plane decided it wanted to land the hard way.





John Wood has had to dig some planes out of storage lately so he had something to fly. Left is his Edge 540. Think it is 1/3 scale. Note the neat wheel pants. The one that looks out of line is now somewhere out in the weeds



Right is another of John's planes out of storage. The Pro Twister flies like the great fun fly plane that it is. The flight was very successful.



Left is Bud Austin getting his Edge ready for another successful flight.

Right is Gary Merseal getting his Super Sport 1000 ready for another impressive flight. The plane originally belonged to Ery Rohde before he moved away.



August 7th, 2021



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\$1 - for 1 Raffle Ticket
\$5 - for 6 Raffle Tickets

Or \$20 - for 20 Raffle Tickets
And a FREE LUNCH

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TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB**PRESIDENT****JOHN WOODS 338-8419****VICE-PRESIDENT****GENE FUSON 538- 9346****SECRETARY****DON JOHNSON 779-5340****TREASURER****FRITZ CORBIN 272-1106****SAFETY OFFICER****GENE FUSON 538- 9346****CO-FIELD MARSHAL****BUD AUSTIN 320-1263****FRITZ CORBIN 272-1106****INSTRUCTORS****BUD AUSTIN 320-1263****JOHN WOODS 338-8419****SAFETY FIRST**

Recently, my Pro Twister crashed through the trees on the Southeastern side of our field. The damage was pretty light considering it went clear to the ground after going through the trees. It got completely out of control before going in.

I have yet to find out WHY it lost control. I have changed the receiver and the receiver battery. We did a range test right after the crash, everything seemed to be working properly. So.....I still don't know what caused it to crash.

I have started to fix the damage, which was mainly confined to about a 4" hole in the leading edge of the left wing. I had carved out a piece of balsa to replace the piece of the actual leading edge. I was then preparing to super glue it in place. I opened the bottle of super glue so I could get my syringe into the open bottle. The bottle tipped over, spilling the glue all over the workbench. Needless to say it went everywhere. I panicked and tried to wipe it up with a paper towel. I got the towel stuck to my hand and the glue started to cure real fast. That curing created a lot of heat, and vapor. The vapor started to get real bad, and I had to turn away from it. The heat could be felt too. I never have experienced a glue issue like that. I had probably spilled half of the bottle. Now I have the glue bottle and the paper towel stuck to my hands. Fortunately the bottle came unstuck fairly easy. The paper towel.....not so much!

I used a lot of acetone to get the paper towel unstuck and to get most of the glue off of my hands. Now, the acetone fumes are getting bad too. What a mess!!!!!!

So, if you guys are building, or repairing an airplane, be really careful with your instant glue. I have also been known to glue my fingers to the airplane. That isn't any fun either.

See You at the Field
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB
MEETING WILL BE
AUGUST 10, 2021,
10:00AM, AT THE
CLUB FLYING
FIELD.**