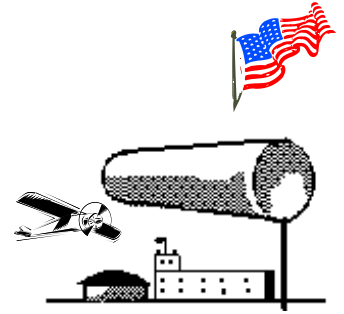


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THE BIGGER THEY COME



The above photo was taken by your Editor at BEST (Best Electrics in South Texas) held at New Waverly Texas on October 2nd. The Navy Constellation is a great looking model and much bigger than usual, especially for an electric. It has a 13 foot wing span and weighs 75 pounds. To make it fly, it has four large electric motors each powered by 10 cell Rhino Li-Po batteries. Doing a little math, that is 37 volts times approximately 50 amps which yields 1850 watts or about 2.5 horse power per motor. That also works out to about 99 watts per pound which is a good rule of thumb figure for spirited flight. Owned by Randy Brown, it was taken to the meet in a three axel trailer (see page 4) and pulled by a very large, luxury motor home. It was flown on Saturday by Randy's friend, Kevin, and looked spectacular in the air but on landing was effected by the wind on its approach and slammed into the ground pretty hard, doing major damage to the wings. Though the plane looked pretty bad Randy said it's only balsa, time and money and that he would have it back in the air in a couple of months. The Connie was voted the President's, Pilots. and Spectators Choice Awards. Randy and his pilot friend Kevin were seen chatting in a friendly way after the crash so all was well with the world. More on this event an page 4.

NEW MEETING LOCATION

On October 12th, at 6:00PM, we will meet at the Coachlight Village Trailer Park Clubhouse on Hwy 13 (west side), 1 1/2 miles south of the Kimberling City Bridge. When you enter the park, take the second right and you should see the Clubhouse pictured below.



THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

A couple of things to remember.

The October Club Meeting will be held at the Coachlight Village Trailer Park.

The next thing to remember is that the Starting time for the October 16th Fun Fly has been changed to 11:00 AM. See page 5. Hope to see a big turn out.

As usual in early October, Marge and I go to Magnolia Texas to visit our son and daughter-in-law. While there I try to participate in the BEST fun fly. This year was quite breezy but did manage to get in four flights without breaking anything. However with four or five planes in the air (or more) and with someone doing 3-D maneuvers over the runway and someone else flying a hotliner over 100 miles per hour down the runway, it gets a little dicey for an old guy. But it was fun.

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

At left is Club Vice-President Bud Austin as he ponders what to do with the little electric plane in front of him. Just plug it in, turn it on and let it go Bud.

NEW MEMBERS

During September the Club gained two new members, bringing the membership to 28.

Pat Adams is one of the new members. He and his wife, Julianna, live in Kimberling City. Pat has flown R/C in the past and is looking forward to getting back into the sport.

The other new member is Triston Kelly. Triston is a student at Reeds Spring and lives in Kimberling City. He is now doing well taking R/C flying lessons.

Welcome to the Club, Pat and Triston. We are happy to have you join us.

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2010			
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BALANCE	9/1/2010	\$1,061.36	\$ 2,507.94
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 80.00	\$ 1,035.02
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 95.50
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 4.50	\$ 27.00
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 416.41
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 17.49	\$ 1,993.89
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ 17.60
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ 70.67
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 105.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ 185.00
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ 75.00
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ 16.14	\$ 522.48
BALANCE	10/1//2010	\$1,112.23	\$ 1,112.23

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

President Dave Medley called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. at the Rocky Top Field. All officers were present. There were 9 members present including the officers and a new member Pat Adams. There were no guests. Pat Adams won the 50/50 pot. He received \$4.50 of the \$9.00 pot.

Committee Reports:

Erv Rohde gave the treasurers report and reported that we have a balance of \$1,061.31 in the bank account as of September 1st.

Howard Shire reported that Homer Zobel said that if the club was looking for another place to hold their meetings during the winter months he thinks he could get the meeting room in Coach Light Village. No action was taken.

Pat Adams reported that he was at a friend's house and there may be a possibility of flying on his property. No action was taken but John Woods will take a look at the property and report at the next meeting.

Howard Shire asked if all members were receiving the membership newsletter from the AMA. No one was getting it. John Woods will try and get the information for subscribing to the newsletter.

John Woods reported on Jim Haney's condition. Jim is recuperating well and must stay near the hospital for about a month. He is eager to get back home and flying again.

Dave Medley suggested that one plane be used by all members in at least one event to even the competition.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

John Woods made a motion that the Fun Flys start at 11:00 AM and eat after the Fun Fly. Motion carried.

Program:

Certificates were handed out for the August Fun Fly.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45



Above is John Woods giving a flying lesson to new member Triston Kelly. Triston is an eager and fast learner and should be able to solo in the near future. Atta way to go Triston! Below is a shot of Erv Rohde's new Kaos ARF as it comes in for a dead stick landing after a furious flight. Nice looking plane Erv!



THE HARDER THEY FALL



It may be hard to look at the above crash when you know how much money, time and effort went into making it. But Randy Brown says he will have it back flying in a couple of months. Also to the left for you trailer owners is how the big planes are transported around. A couple more planes of interest were the Ryan PT 22 below left and the Blohm and Voss BL141 below. The PT 22 had about a 7 foot wing span and flew very well. It looked like it could have been a war surplus plane sold to a hard luck flying service. The BL141 was an odd German configuration with few made. The model is an ARF with a wing span of 81 inches and it flew very well even in the wind.



Even though the wind hampered the flying, the meet was enjoyable and had over 75 registered pilots, most with multiple planes.



When? OCTOBER 16th
FIRST EVENT WILL START AT 11:00 AM
BBQ AFTER THE Fun Fly

There will be three events.

Event 1. PRECISION DEAD STICK LANDING Take off and gain sufficient altitude to land dead stick on the target in exactly 30 seconds. When ready tell the timer “NOW” and simultaneously turn off the engine/motor. Glide to and stop on the target. There will be a 1 point penalty for each foot the plane stops away from the target and a 1 point penalty for each second more or less than the allowed 30 seconds. Time starts at “NOW” and ends when the plane stops. Low score wins.

Event 2. SPOT LANDING (2) SPOT LANDING - Take off, do a touch and go (minus 10 points) and land on the runway marker. Score 1 point for each foot away from the marker the wheels first touch on landing. The plane must touch down on the runway. Perfect score is minus 10 points. Low score wins. Two tries will be allowed but touch and go must be made on each try. A novice pilot will get an extra minus 10 point bonus if judge is advised and agrees before the flight.

Event 3. THREE CITY BARNSTORM Place plane in circle and draw barnstorm routine for first city. Take off (time starts when plane moves) do routine and land at second city and taxi (or carry) plane into circle and draw the second routine. Take off do the second routine and fly to the third city. Land, taxi (or carry) plane into circle and draw third city routine. Take off, do the routine, land, taxi (or carry) plane into circle and stop. Time ends when plane stops in circle. Shortest time wins. Restarts OK with clock running. Routines may be rolls, loops, stall turns or figure eights. Time limit 5 minutes.

Pilots can use any fixed wing aircraft they want in any event.

OCTOBER MEETING

OCTOBER 12, 2010 6:00 PM

Meet at the **Coachlight Club-house**. See page 2 for directions.

Program

Bring your current projects for show and tell.

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SAFETY FIRST

For the next few months we will be reviewing the club safety rules and regulations as adopted by the club on October 1997 and revised on 5-12-98.

14. Spectators must remain behind the pit area.

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.

See You at the Field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

