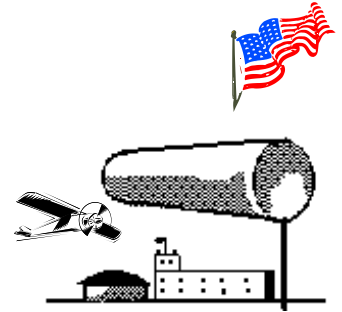


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Merry
Christmas

*Bring a new stuffed toy or two
to the Christmas Party for the
kids in the hospital during the
holidays!*

HAPPY
NEW YEAR

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well here it is the end of another year. The Club ends the year with 25 members, we have a decent amount of money in the Treasury, the flying field is in great shape, the armadillos are under control and we have added another shelter to the pit area. Life is good!

Don't forget the Club meeting and Christmas Party on the 10th. At the meeting we will close the nominations and vote for 2014 Club Officers. Since the current President and Treasurer have decided not to run for re-election, we will see a couple of new faces running the meetings next year. Many thanks to Greg and Roy for their service to the Club this past year and to every one else that has supported the Club and helped it thrive.

At the December meeting we also set the Club dues for the next year. 2014 dues are due on January 1st so you may want to pay them at the Christmas party. Regular membership is \$80—cash or check made out to the Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club. It probably is a safe assumption that dues will remain the same for next year, if not, proper adjustments will be made. Club members have a couple of months grace period on their Club

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2013

| | | NOV | YTD |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| BALANCE | 11/1/2013 | \$ 972.88 | \$ 1,453.98 |
| INCOME-DUES ----- | | \$ - | \$ 1,489.35 |
| INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS | | \$ - | \$ - |
| INCOME-FOOD ----- | | \$ - | \$ 132.50 |
| INCOME-50/50 ----- | | \$ 6.00 | \$ 45.50 |
| INCOME-MISC ----- | | \$ - | \$ 25.00 |
| EXPENSE-FIELD ----- | | \$ 62.15 | \$ 1,903.27 |
| EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-FOOD ----- | | \$ - | \$ 51.33 |
| EXPENSE-AMA ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-Web ----- | | \$ - | \$ 135.00 |
| EXPENSE-meeting room | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-MISC ----- | | \$ - | \$ 140.00 |
| BALANCE | 12/1/2013 | \$ 916.73 | \$ 916.73 |

dues but Club members must have a valid 2014 AMA membership card to fly at the Club field on and after January 1, 2014. The Treasurer keeps track of who is a paid up AMA member so show your AMA card to him.

We will also continue our tradition of donating stuffed toys to Skaggs (now Cox) hospital to be given to boys and girls that are confined there during the holidays. So please bring a new stuffed toy or two to the Christmas party. Dave Medley will collect them and get them to the hospital by the end of the week.

If you haven't notified Gene Fuson or Dave Medley that you are coming to the Club Christmas Party **DO IT NOW!** Their phone numbers are on page 4 so pick up a phone and call them. They need a good head count to be able to get the right amount of food.

The Club will start the new year off right with our annual New Year's Day Fun Fly. Come out around noon and get at least one flight in before returning home to watch the football games. Everyone that flies on New year's day will receive a certificate. If you fly at the field and no one else is there or if you fly at a different location let me know and you will receive a certificate.

Winter time is the time for builders, so for all you stick and tissue (film) guys, below is your editor's latest (replacement) project. It is a Pussycat with a 50 inch span, Axi 2805 motor, 3 cell li-po battery and should weigh less than 2 pounds. With over 100 watts per



MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB NOVEMBER 12, 2013

President Greg Moody opened the meeting at 6:03 PM, at the Southport Condo Clubhouse. There were 12 members present including the officers. The split the pot raffle was won by Don Johnson, and he received \$6 of the \$12 pot. There were three guests, Doris Rohde and Billy Rader and Steven of the Boys and Girls Club of the Ozarks. The minutes of the October meeting were approved as printed in the November Newsletter.

Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that the Club had \$972.88 in the bank as of November 1st.

Committee Report: The current Club officers presented a slate of candidates for 2014 Club Officers. They were John Woods – President, Gene Fuson – Vice-President, Fritz Corbin – Treasurer and Don Johnson – Secretary. Nominations will be closed and the election of officers will be held during the December meeting.

Old Business: Gene Fuson and Dave Medley volunteered to host the Club's Christmas Party since John Woods would be unavailable to do so this year. Thanks guys! They will be contacting the Club members concerning attendance and side dishes.

New Business: Billy Rader, of the Boys and Girls Club of the Ozarks, advised our Club that they would be including a R/C segment into their program next spring. It would probably involve 20 to 30 kids, aged 10 to 16 years old. What Billy and Steven were looking for was an outdoor flying site and support to help with their program. This could include flight instruction, building instruction, mentoring, aircraft repair and equipment maintenance. Our Club will decide what, if anything, we can do for them and get back to Billy at a later date.

Program: Gene Fuson handed out the October Fun Fly certificates to the Fun Fly winners. Top Gun 2013 winner certificates will be awarded at the December meeting.

Howard Shire was awarded the month's crash trophy for the damage he did to his de Havilland Chipmunk.

A show and tell session. See pictures below.



Emil Turille Showing his new Eflite Apprentice trainer.



Gene Fuson's new Mr. Mulligan about ready for its' maiden flight.



Jim Haney's new foam Polaris Ultra to replace several previous Polaris XL's.

Meeting
7:10 P

CHRISTMAS PARTY

6:00 PM December 10th at the Southport Condominium Clubhouse

Members and families will enjoy dinner along with a short December meeting. The Club will furnish chicken, BBQ and some sides from Dana's, members can bring a side dish or desert if they would like.

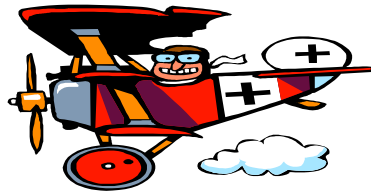
There will be a \$10 charge per person, which will be collected at the door, to cover the cost of the purchased food.

Please advise Gene Fuson @ 538-9346, or Dave Medley@ 739-5931, if you and members of your family plan to attend so they can get a headcount. Also call if you plan on bringing a side dish or desert.

NEW YEAR'S DAY FUN FLY



2014



Show everyone how tough a pilot you are. Come out to Rocky Top Field regardless of weather and put in one official flight. GOOD LANDING NOT REQUIRED! This will earn you a Certificate (in color) suitable for framing and bragging rights for the coming year.

To be prepared, you may want to have skis or floats for your model if there is snow on the ground.

Bring a thermos of coffee or hot tea to stay warm from the inside out.

Gather at the field somewhere around noon.

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SAFETY FIRST

I haven't touched on this subject for a long time, but recently an incident happened at the field that should be addressed.

We are all guilty of standing in front of a moving propeller, whether starting a nitro/gas airplane or an electric. We had a nose cone come off and also a prop that came loose recently. Try to not stand in front of a moving prop, or at the very least limit your time in the danger zone.

Stay safe.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

See you at the field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
WILL BE DECEMBER 10TH,
6:00PM, AT THE SOUTH-
PORT CONDOMINIUM CLUB-**