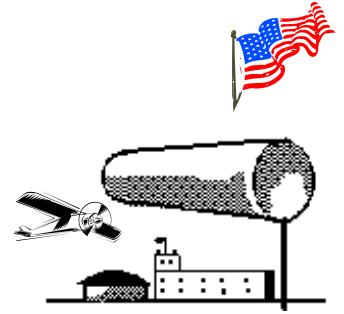


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WINTER WONDERLAND



You're right, it hasn't snowed this much this year. It was 7 or 8 years ago and it was nice and quiet at the field and the little Lazy Bee had no problem with all the snow on the wheels. Your editor also had a 4-wheel drive at the time. The County maintains Hiway 248 and Dayton Road so it shouldn't be a problem to get to the field a day or two after it snows. Driving on the field could be a little slippery without a 4-wheel drive vehicle. Also take, or meet, a buddy at the field. Flying off the snow is actually fun. Try it some time.

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

The Club got off to a good start with the New Year's Day Fun Fly. Nine members showed up at the field to get in the first flight of the year, Those flying were Bud Austin, Fritz Corbin, Gene Fuson, Don Johnson, Dave Medley, Gary Merseal, Phil Rogers, Erve Rohde and Howard Shire. Howard showed up with coffee and donuts which everyone enjoyed except Phil who found no one was there when he arrived after 11AM. We called our President, John Woods, in Florida. He had gotten his New Year's Day flight in and will receive his New Year's Day flight Certificate although John's may look a little different than the others. Seems it's tough down there flying around the palmettos and alligators. We did have a first with a couple members flying a drone.

The Club has received its Charter Club Certificate, good through March 31, 2017. The Club, as well as owner, Brenda Oswald, will re-

ceive the Club Insurance Certificate shortly. The current Certificate is in effect until March 31, 2016.

The AMA has not won over the FAA to let us use our AMA number as a registration number (yet) for our drones, i.e. any remote controlled aircraft weighing more than two sticks of butter. That's the FAA's words, not mine. Actually it is over 0.55 pounds. So get your credit card handy, it will cost you \$5, and go to the web site below and register. It is kind of a pain, but not too bad.

<https://registermyuas.faa.gov/verify?sptoken=1B6ywuNtQ2Ke244QntxQrG>

You will be given an FAA number 10 digits long which you must put in a fairly accessible spot. Not doing this, if you fly, is breaking federal law. A good way to do this is to make stick-on labels with the FAA and AMA numbers, your name and address and stick it to each model—then go fly.

If you have a good project going, give me some info and pictures and I'll get it in the Newsletter.

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2016			
		JAN	YTD
BALANCE	1/1/2016	\$1,794.54	\$ 1,794.54
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 28.00	\$ 28.00
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
BALANCE	2/1/2016	\$1,866.54	\$ 1,866.54

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



A scene at the Club field on Jan. 30, 2016. Fritz just landed and Erv an I had gotten in a flight, then the wind picked up

2016 DUES

Club 2016 dues were due as of January 1, 2016. If you fly at Rocky Top Field on or after January 1, 2016 you will need a current (2016) AMA card.

If you are going to renew your Club membership at the April meeting, bring your 2016 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.

If you joined the Club during 2015 talk to the Treasurer before paying as you may get a discount on your 2016 dues.

If paying by mail, send your dues to Fritz Corbin, 106 Neals Trail, Reeds Spring, MO, 65737-9786.

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

There was no Club meeting held in January 2016.

YOUR 2016 DUES ARE DUE!!

Below are the names of the 13 members that are current in their 2016 Club dues.

Lloyd Apprill, Bud Austin, Fritz Corbin, Jim Haney, Don Johnson, Gary Merseal, Darrell Miers, Craig Pullman, Phil Rogers, Erv Rohde, TJ Viola, John Woods and James Woodruff.

If you feel your 2016 Club dues are current but you are not on the above list contact Fritz Corbin for needed corrections.



Another photo from a few years ago.

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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.

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.

16. All rules of the owner of the flying field shall be strictly adhered to.
17. All new members and guests must be checked out by a Club instructor or Club officer before being allowed to fly.
18. All radio transmitters will conform to current AMA requirements. It is the pilot's responsibility to show that the transmitter meets AMA requirements.

See you at the field,
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
WILL BE APRIL 14TH,
5:30PM, AT THE CLUB FLY-
ING FIELD.**