

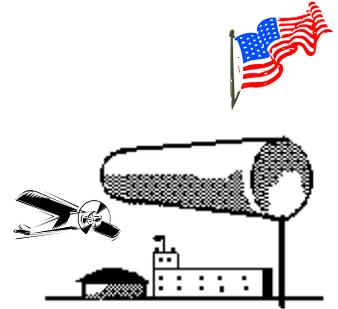
# THE WINDSOCK

PUBLICATION OF THE TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB

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## AMA AND THE CAP



The setting is the lobby of the new Branson West regional airport. Gathered are 29 members and families of the local Civil Air Patrol troop. The Tri-Lakes RC Flying Club was asked to help with flight training of the CAP Cadets and here John Woods is giving a Power Point presentation of radio controlled aircraft. John covered the basics of getting into RC flying, selection of RC equipment and operation of RC aircraft. Don Johnson also presented a section on electric powered RC aircraft. The presentation was well received by the CAP members and will be continued at the CAP March 8th meeting.

## THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Well here we are heading into spring and hopefully some good flying weather. Although the winter has been relatively warm many of our flying days have been windy or cold. We have had some excitement though, like some plane crashes, a hand into a prop and an F2 tornado in our area. As I write this I can see across the lake to all the damage done to the Kimberling Inn and boat docks. It is amazing that the Inn could get so much damage and the rest of the shopping center had almost no damage. I feel very lucky that the tornado passed about a mile away and hope all other Club members were as lucky.

As we get into 2012, the Club seems to be in good shape. We now have 18 members, the same as this time last year. The Club Treasury is in good shape and the flying field is in great shape. The annual field lease is paid, the Insurance certificate sent to the field owner and the Club has been chartered with AMA for 2012.

The March meeting will be at the Coachlight Village on the 13th and the April meeting will be held at the flying field, weather permitting.

Time to land for this month, Hope to see you at the field soon.....ed.

### TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2012

		FEB	Y T D
BALANCE	2/1/2012	\$ 2,135.55	\$ 1,566.05
INCOME-DUES	-----	\$ 240.00	\$ 830.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD	-----	\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-50/50	-----	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.50
INCOME-MISC	-----	\$ 5.60	\$ 5.60
EXPENSE-FIELD	-----	\$ 425.00	\$ 450.00
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD	-----	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-AMA	-----	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00
EXPENSE-Web	-----	\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC	-----	\$ 8.10	\$ 8.10
BALANCE	3/1/2012	\$ 1,862.05	\$ 1,862.05



Above is another photo of the Club presentation on RC aircraft to the local CAP troop. On the left is Chuck Stone of the CAP introducing John Woods to the assembled CAP members.

Below is pictured the newest Club trainer that was donated by Chuck Stone. Erv Rohde, right, is explaining what he added (donated) to get it ready for service. It has since been flown and is in its' final adjustments.



## NEW MEMBER

The Club picked up a new member at the February meeting bringing the current Club membership to 18.

Greg Moody actually isn't really a new member since he previously belonged to the Club several years ago. Greg is from Reeds Spring and is a guitar player in several of the shows in Branson. Greg found that his current schedule allows him to be at the field when most of the Club does their flying so he re-joined the Club.

Welcome back Greg, great to see you flying at the field again!

# MEETING MINUTES

## TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB

FEBRUARY 14, 2012

Vice-President Gene Fuson opened the meeting at 6:01 PM, at The Coachlight Village Clubhouse. All Officers were present except President Jim Haney. There were 9 members present including the Officers. Greg Moody was a guest. Greg was a Club member several years ago and said he intended to get back into R/C. Roy Steinestel won the 50/50 split the pot. He received \$4 of the \$8 pot.

**Committee Reports:** Treasurer Roy Steinestel reported that there was \$2,135.55 in the bank as of February 1<sup>st</sup>.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as printed in the February Newsletter.

**Old Business:** Roy Steinestel said he had gotten our checking account squared away and the bank now has the needed info on the new Club officers for 2012.

John Woods reported on the R/C class that he and Don Johnson presented to the CAP on February 9<sup>th</sup>. There were 29 CAP members, cadets and family in attendance. The class seemed to be well received. Another class will be held March 8<sup>th</sup> plus a demo class at our field in April.

Bud Austin reported on meeting with the Branson Girls and Boys Club. It seems the Branson club had some RTF's but they had been destroyed. There is an indoor site available but that would be hard to teach RC flying in and there is no outdoor site close by. John Woods suggested that we have one ground school class with buddy-box flying at our field as an alternative. Bud will meet again with the Boys and Girls club and see if this is doable or if they

have any other ideas.

**New Business:** John Woods suggested that the Club's free student membership be restricted to students of 19 years or younger.

**Program:** Erv Rohde showed off the new Club trainer. The plane was originally built by former Club member Dick Dale, who gave it to Chuck Stone, who in turn donated it to the Club. Erv added a motor mount, Saito 72 4 stroke engine with 12 x 8 prop, channel 39 receiver, transmitter, flight battery, fuel tank, etc. The trainer has a 72.5 inch wing span and weighs 8.6 pounds including a lot of nose weight for balance. Erv only asks that if or when the trainer is demolished, that the motor and radio gear be returned to him. Very generous, Erv.

Jim Halbert showed and demonstrated a blast gate he had developed for handling dust collection in his woodworking shop. You can see a demo by going to Google and typing in youtube jim halbert blast gate. You'll also see a few views of his shop in the video.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

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### YOUR 2012 DUES ARE DUE!!

Below are the names of the 18 members that are current in their 2012 Club dues.

Bud Austin, Sid Beckham, Fritz Corbin, Gene Fuson, Jim Halbert, Reeder Jones, Don Johnson, Craig Mckenzie, Tom McKenzie, Dave Medley, Greg Moody, Randy Needham, Dick Peterson, Erv Rohde, Howard Shire, Roy Steinestel, James Woodruff and John Woods.

If you feel your 2012 Club dues are current but you are not on the above list contact Roy Steinestel for needed corrections.

## **TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB**

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**HOWARD SHIRE 779-5069**

**JOHN WOODS 338-8419**

## **SAFETY FIRST**

Well, it has happened again. Propellers are proving once again that they are stronger than flesh that gets in their path. One of our members, no names again, managed to get his hand in the way of a revolving propeller, and in doing so required a trip to the doctor to get seven stitches in the offending appendage.

Plus pain pills, and antibiotics.

He had just started to adjust his needle valve, from the FRONT of the engine, and the prop hit the sleeve of his jacket. He moved back a little and I was about to tell him "Don't do that", and he stuck his hand in there again. Too late.....Whack!!!!

We fixed him up a little and begged him to stop at the doctor on the way home.

Always, Always, adjust your engine from behind the propeller, to do so any other way is just asking to be bitten by these slicer dicers.

See you at the field,  
Gene Fuson  
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE  
MARCH 13TH, 6:00PM, AT THE COACH-  
LIGHT VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE.**