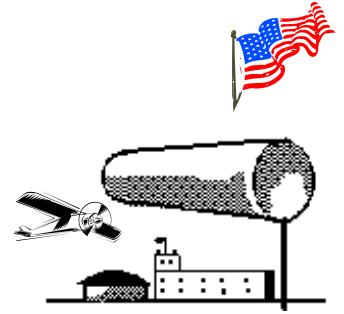


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A VERY SLOW MONTH



Desperate for material this month, had to resort to featuring my own plane on its' maiden flight which was quite short. Shown above is the Lil' Whistler ready for takeoff. Test pilot, President John Woods at the controls of this simple three channel old design. It took off and climbed OK but pulled itself into a left turn dive and hit the bushes while John was holding full right rudder. Not much damage, just a broken prop and a little wing damage. Pre flight check looked good but on closer inspection the wing has a slight warp that would cause the left turn. Will repair the wing, try to straighten the wing with heat, give it more rudder throw, replace the prop and give it another try. 25 years ago I built one from the same plans and it flew quite well.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The time is here to move. Janet and I have been really busy gathering all our belongings and force packing them into a couple of 10'x20' storage units in Branson West. The Buyer's inspectors have had a field day evaluating our 50 year old house for any and all discrepancies from top to bottom. "Kinda" feel invaded from top to bottom if you know what I mean. Anyway apparently we are 99% assured that we'll be out April 16th and the new owners in.

We will move into our camper and land in a campground somewhere near by. Don't know exactly where just yet but that's the exciting part of moving on. I'll keep you all informed as well as I can but have fun flying and enjoying the great weather.

The Club members will continue to get together every Tuesday and Saturday to fly. If another day of the week looks good to you to get out and fly, and you want company, give them a call.

Happy Landings John

TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2021

		MAR	Y T D
BALANCE	3/1/2021	\$ 1,803.85	\$ 2,065.83
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 304.00	\$ 624.00
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS			\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----			\$ -
INCOME-50/50 -----			\$ -
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ 0.01	\$ 0.03
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 31.00	\$ 493.00
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER			\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS			\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----			\$ -
EXPENSE-AMA -----			\$ 120.00
EXPENSE-Web -----			\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room			\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----			\$ -
BALANCE	4/1/2021	\$ 2,076.86	\$ 2,076.86

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

As indicated on the front page, there wasn't much Club activity during March. Either the weather was bad or we were tied up with other things we had to do. Was hoping Fernando would have his new plane, think it's a P-51, at the field for a photo shoot. But that didn't happen. Maybe this month. Hope other members also bring new and exciting planes to the field. Your Editor is always eager for material of interest to our members to be included in our Newsletters.

Our Treasurer, Fritz Corbin, reports that we now have 12 paid members. They are Bud Austin, Sid Beckham, Fritz Corbin, Gene Fuson, Jim Haney, Don Johnson, Gary Merseal, John Phillips, Tim Sahagun, Fernando Valiente, John Woods and Homer Zobel. We don't have any active student members at this time. Looks like the Club is in pretty good shape but we can always use a few new members.

John Woods reported that in a couple of weeks or so, Gary Merseal will brush hog the field again. Always nice for some of us that can't find the runway when we land.

President John is very involved with his moving this month so the April 13 meeting is cancelled unless otherwise notified by email. However if the weather is nice come on out and fly there should be other members at the field to keep you company. The next scheduled Club meeting is May 11th.

The Newsletter is much shorter than usual but should get back to normal; as our flying activity picks up

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

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB MEETING MINUTES

There were no scheduled Club meetings for January, February or March. The April Meeting was cancelled..

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SAFETY FIRST

With the weather getting warmer, most of us are resuming flying at the field.

I just want to caution all of you to please check your airplanes out BEFORE you make the trip out to the field.

Check things like...the prop nut being tight...are all the nuts and bolts tight...check the control horns and arms....check the control directions and deflections... test those batteries that have been idle and finally, doing a range check on that radio, that has been sitting around all winter, would be a good idea.

See You at the Field,
 Gene Fuson
 Safety Officer

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
WILL BE THE MAY 11, 2021,
10:00AM, AT THE CLUB FLY-
ING FIELD.