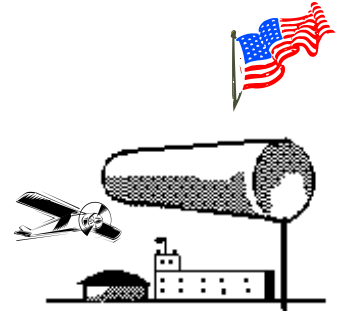


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BEFORE AND AFTER



Above is Fritz Corbin as he taxis his big (104") Cub out for take off on the last day of April. It was a windy day but the Cub handled it well and came in for a nice landing. This is the same Cub that about four and a half years ago attacked a white van (insert) in the parking area. Since it only broke the window but did not enter the van, it was not taken to the police station. Looks like big is good for a windy day. Nice job of getting it back in the air, Fritz!

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I will miss May's Club meeting. Janet and I will be visiting our cousins in S. Carolina then will attend the annual Joe Nall week in Woodruff SC. - always have wanted to attend. Check it out at <http://www.tripletreeaerodrome.com>. We'll be returning around May 20th.

Gene, Don and I had a fun time talking to the Civil Air Patrol Cadets a few week ago. There were about 15 new Cadets and a bunch of other Senior Cadets and Staff. The coordinator, Capt. Lanna Fletcher, emailed me last week about having a Fun Fly this summer for the Cadets and I wrote back letting her know I would be out of town and talk to her when I get back about setting a date.

I emailed Steven and Billy at the Boys & Girls Club and told them I would be gone until the end of May and would contact them when I returned about the R/C Program they will be starting.

Our 1st Fun Fly was a big success. Lots of wind but only one minor mishap in all the events. We had, I think, 6 contestants who flew then had a bunch of Hot Dogs for lunch. The next Fun Fly will be June 14th so make sure you write the date on your calendar.

This month's meeting will be at the field – fly around 3:00 PM if you like then attend the meeting at 6:00 PM and then fly some more.

I'll see you when I return – Happy landings,
John

NEW MEMBER

Ted Brassard has joined our Club as a new member, bringing our Club membership up to 20 for 2014.

Ted comes to us from Louisiana and he and his wife Jean, live in Branson. He is currently an R/C student under Club Instructor, John Woods.

Welcome to the Club, Ted, we are very pleased to have you join us.

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

During the meeting in April, your editor was prepared to receive the dreaded Crash Trophy, for destroying his powered Electra Glider. However President John thought that Jim Haney should receive the trophy (again) since his crash was bigger and more spectacular than mine, even though the crash did not occur at our field. After a vote by the Club members present, Jim won. Congratulations Jim, however you may have been railroaded by your buddy.

We now have 20 current 2014 members which are as follows: Lloyd Apprill, Bud Austin, Sid Beckham, Ted Brassard, Fritz Corbin, Gene Fuson, Jim Halbert, Don Johnson, Reeder Jones, Dave Medley, Gary Merseal, Randy Needham, Dick Peterson, Erv Rohde, Howard Shire, Emil Turille, Joe White, James Woodruff, John Woods and Chris Zillig.

Below is John Woods during his presentation to the Civil Air Patrol.



TRI-LAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2014

		APR	Y T D
BALANCE	3/1/2014	\$1,543.38	\$ 1,371.33
INCOME-DUES -----		\$ 140.00	\$ 926.68
INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-FOOD -----		\$ -	\$ -
INCOME-50/50 -----		\$ 2.50	\$ 8.00
INCOME-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FIELD -----		\$ 58.40	\$ 577.34
EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-FOOD -----		\$ 31.99	\$ 31.99
EXPENSE-AMA -----		\$ -	\$ 90.00
EXPENSE-Web -----		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-meeting room		\$ -	\$ -
EXPENSE-MISC -----		\$ -	\$ 11.19
BALANCE	4/1/1900	\$1,595.49	\$ 1,595.49

MEETING MINUTES

TRI-LAKES RC FLYING CLUB April 8, 2014

President John Woods opened the meeting at 6:07 PM, at the Southport Condo Clubhouse. There were 6 members present including the officers. Treasurer Fritz Corbin reported that the Club had \$1,543.38 in the bank as of April 1st. John Woods won (drew his own number) the 50/50 raffle and received \$2.50 of the \$5 pot. The Minutes of the March Meeting were approved as written in the April Newsletter.

Committee Reports:

None.

Old Business:

John Woods reported that there was nothing new concerning the Branson Boys and Girls Club.

New Business:

John Woods announced that the first Club Fun Fly of the year will be on April 12th. John and Fritz will arrange for the BBQ food.

John also announced that he will give a class on R/C flying to the Civil Air Patrol on April 10th. Gene Fuson and Don Johnson will assist him.

Fritz announced that he had obtained 2 x 4's to reinforce the old shed.

John Woods brought the Crash Trophy to the meeting and it was awarded to Jim Haney for crashing his big plane that he bought from Erv Rohde.

John announced that there will be a float fly in Theodosia and to check with him if you want more details. He also said that he will be going to the big Joe Nall event later this year.

Program:

None

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.



Bud Austin likes them big and above is his newest U-Can-Do as he does a pass around the field. Believe this is his second or third U-Can-Do.



Above is Fritz Corbin's Pro-Twister that he has flown many many times and it has seen some repairs. Note the flexibility of the landing gear. Good shock absorption.

Below Gary Merseal is coming around for a landing with his bright yellow 4-Star-60. The 4-Star series is a great intermediate trainer and flies very well



APRIL FUN FLY

It was a windy day with some good strong gusts. However five brave aviators decided to brave the elements and the Fun Fly went on after a brief pilots meeting.

The first event was **3 LOOPS**. Take off from square and do three acceptable loops (judges decision), land and stop plane with at least one wheel in the square in exactly 60 seconds. Time starts when plane moves and stops when plane stops. One point penalty for each second, more or less, than 60. Low score wins. No timing help allowed. All contestants did well with Chris Zillig coming in First with one second over. In Second was John Woods at three seconds over and Third was Bud Austin at 7 seconds under. Fourth place went to Jim Haney with 14 seconds over and Fifth was Erv Rohde at 18 seconds over. A good close competition on this event.

JOHN'S TWIST & SHOUT. A timed Event, 2 minutes duration. The Pilot does as many Touch & Go and Twist & Shout sets as possible in 2 minutes. Each Touch must be within a 50' area located at the center of the field. The Pilot must stand in flight station #2. Each T&G must be followed by a T&S while the plane is airborne, to complete the Set. The most Sets completed in 2 minutes wins. A Twist & Shout consists of two items. A Twist (Roll the Aircraft) followed by a Shout (Raise one hand and Shoutplease no profanity) then do another T&G and T&S Set until 2 minutes have elapsed or the Aircraft is inoperable. Bud Austin and John Woods had this one down pat and each did five sets, tying for First place. Jim Haney and Chris Zillig also did well, tying for Third with Four sets each. Erv Rohde did well on the first set until the wind got under his wing and sent the plane toward the pits. Actually he proved that the pilot enclosures were well

worth the effort. At least it saved him any pain but his plane was through for the day.

The last event was **BUMPER POOL**. Take off from square, do a loop and land in same direction as takeoff, dislodge yellow cone from mark (with plane). Take off, do a roll and land in same direction as take off, dislodge red cone from mark and stop plane with at least one wheel in square. Low time wins. Restarts allowed with time continuing to run. John Woods was on a roll and came in at 61 seconds for First place. Second place went to Chris Zillig with 68 seconds and Third went to Bud Austin at 73 seconds. Jim Haney got a Fourth but did not finish and Erv was short and airplane.

Over All winners were John Woods who earned 255 Top Gun 2014 points. In Second place was Chris Zillig with 210 Top Gun points and Third place was Bud Austin with 185 points. In Fourth place was Jim Haney with 100 points and Fifth was Erv Rohde at 40 points.

After the last event, we enjoyed the traditional BBQ even though it was a little windy. Many thanks to John Woods for bringing the food and drink—and thanks to Janet for sending a lemon cake with him. Thanks to Jim Haney for being chef for the day and to Gene Fuson for timing and scoring the events and to every one else that helped with the Fun Fly.

The next Fun Fly is scheduled for June 14th. Hope to see you there.



Having a relaxing lunch after the Fun Fly.

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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.

13. Pilots must announce that they are going to be landing and taking off to the other pilots on the field.
14. Spectators must remain behind the flying 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.

See you at the field,
 Gene Fuson
 Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING
 WILL BE MAY 13TH, 6:00PM,
 AT THE CLUB FLYING FIELD.
 In case of severe weather we
 will meet at the Southport
 Condominium Clubhouse**