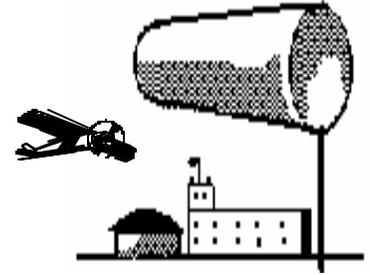


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APRIL MEETING

MAY 11, 1999, 7 PM

ROCKY TOP FLYING FIELD

In case of bad weather meeting will be at the Branson Community Center

Program

SWAP MEET— Bring any model or stuff you want to swap or sell!
Fly before and

TRI - LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB MEETING MINUTES APRIL 13, 1999

President John woods opened the meeting at 7:04 PM at the Branson Community Center. All officers were present except the Club's secretary, Don Johnson. Nineteen members were present.

The Minutes from the March meeting were read and approved. Treasure Roscoe Fudge reported a balance of \$328.71 in the Treasury.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Roscoe Fudge and he received 1/2 of \$25.00.

Howard Nelson was a guest and later joined the club.

Committee Reports: None.

Old Business:

John Woods brought the Club up to date on the status of the flying field. The signed lease was returned from the property owner, Mrs. Brenda Oswald. Tuesday our 1999 AMA proof of insurance and our AMA Club Charter was mailed to Mrs. Oswald by John Woods. John has met Woody Mitchell but has not been able to meet with him at the field to discuss any fence changes. Woody has moved most of his horses to the riding stables so a meeting is not urgent.

The supports that hold the plastic fences around the flying stations have been

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MAY 9TH

ARMED FORCES DAY
MAY 15th



MEMORIAL DAY MAY 30TH

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

First, I wish to thank all the members who were able to participate in our Fun Fly demo for Roy Pepper's class. I know many other members wanted to be there but since it was on a Friday many had to work or had other commitments. There were about 20 kids and they were absolutely a treat to fly for and really seemed to enjoy our flying. When Don Livermore flew his Stinger across the field and turned the smoke on they all applauded. Don also flew his 4 Star 60. I flew one of my 911's and the Club's Trainer. Don Johnson flew one of his electrics and Roy flew his Raven. Herman Hanebrink shared his new, yet to be covered, 4 Star 60 and did a parachute release from his Easy 2 which was a big hit with the kids.

We all enjoyed the time with the kids, seeing their enthusiasm and I am thankful for being a part of a Club that gives a little back by sharing our hobby with young people.

Most members have already heard the latest about our lawn mower by now but for those who haven't heard I'll mention briefly where things stand. The knocking noise we heard in the "new" engine turned out to be a screw. The screw came lose from the butterfly in the carburetor, was drawn into the cylinder and was trying to imbed itself into the top of the piston. The screw is probably our problem but there seemed to be excessive heat causing a discoloration on the crankshaft that Briggs & Stratton will be ask about.

The mechanic at Kobota had diagnosed the problem, after opening the engine up, as a rod knock cause by low oil and now a ruined engine. As it turned out the engine has always had the proper amount of oil. On behalf of the Club, I would like to thank my neighbor, Lyle Powers for spending the time to go with Howard Shire and me to the repair shop and helping with the correct diagnoses. He sure knows a lot about engines.

Don Livermore and Ray Dixon were the first to do a little combat last week and it was exciting. They both had finished their combat planes and after attaching string and streamers to the tail had a couple dog fights. Ray let me try his plane and I can't believe how hard it is to cut a 30 foot streamer. No one was able to get a kill. Ray and Don did get serious and wound up a little too close. The last time up they had a spectacular mid air with a subsequent duo CRASH. They are still arguing who won the battle !! Hope you all are building your Battle Floyde combat plane -- It will be great.

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reworked by our Field Marshall Howard Shire. Setting the fence posts has had to wait until Joe Donavant has an opportunity and the weather cooperates.

The newly repaired lawn mower has developed a knocking sound that can't be contributed to anything. Howard will take it to Kobota so they can determine the problem.

Roy Pepper tested the soil to determine if we need any additives to promote growth. It showed a pH of 6.4, which is about perfect for Fescue. Phosphorus and Potash were normal. Nitrogen could possibly be added at 3 ounces per 100 sq. feet but it was decided to leave it alone.

Howard said he could hinge the steel door that Herman Hanebrink had brought out to the field to the 4 x 4 posts to make a flip down work table inside the hanger. Joe Donavant will bring a few more large spools to use as work tables in the pit area.

The Club's trainer aircraft is all ready to use by the Club's instructors. John Woods set up a timer to trickle charge the Transmitter and Receiver batteries so it is always ready for flight. Fuel, flight box and fuel pump are also in the Flight Shack.

John Woods contacted the T-Shirt silk screener about printing less than 50 shirts and since we chose the Sport style shirt his minimum is less and he would give us his 36 quantity price break. The gentleman who was doing the graphic design has become so busy that he is no longer able to finish our art work. John Woods will talk to the screener about his graphic capabilities and Roy Pepper may be able to help in this area.

Ray Dixson volunteered to take a look at our old Club Trainer and possibly restore it so it can be raffled off. Roscoe Fudge said he will get the airplane to Ray.

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NEW CLUB MEMBERS

The Club picked up two new members as of the April meeting.

Howard Nelson joined the Club as a new member. Howard and his wife Shirley live in Lampe. His address is:
Rt. 1, Box 222
Lampe, MO 65681
Ph 417 779-5746

Gerald Krause is also a new Club member. *(Any member that knows Gerald give me a call, we need his address and phone number so we can send him his newsletter. Editor)*

Welcome to the Club guys. It's a pleasure to have you join us.

New Business :

Roy Pepper asked if our Club could do a flying demonstration for his Special Ed kids on Friday, April 23rd at the flying field. Several Club members would be able to participate. Roy would talk to Brenda in public relations to see if she could be there to cover the event. Photos and an article.

The entry gate lock combination has been changed to the combination listed in the April Newsletter and sent to Club members only.

The next fun fly is scheduled for May 15th at Rocky Top field. There will be a BBQ.

Jim Stuart invited all Club members to fly at his field and would like to see a time scheduled for another Fun Fly. Don Livermore and the Events Committee will schedule a time. Jim also requested that his field be insured by AMA. John Woods will talk to Don Johnson to have his field insured.

The May 11th meeting will be held at Rocky Top Field at 7:00 PM. Also bring stuff to sell or swap.

Program :

John Woods and Ray Dixon showed their almost finished "Battle Floyd" combat planes. **** Roscoe Fudge had his newly rebuilt trainer aircraft that he had just finished flying and trimming this week. **** John mentioned the S.M.A.L.L. fun fly event is scheduled for June 4, 5 & 6 in Maumelle, Arkansas. Also John had two internet R/C Chat, Swap and Auction sites: one at <rcauctioneer.com> and the other at <rconline.com>. **** Herman Hanebrink shared that he had found a nicad battery source that has "slightly used" batteries of all sizes. Sho - Me Battery Outlet located on Hwy 248 in Cassville, MO.

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:14 PM

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LOST Bill Rose loaned a book on the B-25 to some one and doesn't remember who. If you borrowed Bill's book bring it to the meeting or give him a call at 335-4645 and let him know you have it. **FOUND!**
FOUND! Jim Halbert had it! Sign it out

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

Another spring month and it has been difficult to find a flying day that wasn't windy. Last Saturday was also windy and only the wet powered guys were flying. But the weather will get better!

On the positive side the field lease is signed and the lawn mower is back in operation. The field looked in great shape on Saturday and we now have 42 current members, so a season of wonderful flying is about to begin.

Don't forget that, weather permitting, we will fly before the meeting on Tuesday and will have a Fun Fly the following Saturday. So get your planes checked out and ready to go.

Time to land for this month. Happy flying!

A TIP FROM THE SAFETY OFFICER

Periodically check your control surfaces. Give them a gentle pull, checking each hinge point to insure that each hinge is securely fastened and not starting to come loose. If any looseness has occurred make the needed repairs before you fly. Also check your servos. Are all the case screws and the control screw tight? A few minutes of inspection could save you hours of repair work!

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SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS

A monthly review of your Club's Safety Rules

1. All members are expected to know and adhere to the SAFETY RULES set down by the TRI-LAKES R/C FLYING CLUB and the ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS (AMA) and to use common sense when operating or observing any R/C aircraft.
2. Pilots must be insured by the AMA and have in their possession their current AMA identification card.
3. Guests of Club members must be AMA members and may use the flying field for a period of two weeks. If guests exceed the two-week period they will be

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Coming Events

May 15 Sat. **FUN FLY** Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club Rocky Top Field 10 AM

May 22 & 23 **Show Me R/C Extravaganza Fun Fly and swap meet.** Sponsors: Mid Missouri R/C Assn. and Jefferson City R/C Club. (see Model Aviation Calendar for more information).

June 4, 5 & 6 **S.M.A.L.L. Fun Fly '99** Maumelle, AR. Sponsors: Maumelle Sky Tigers and Flying MODELS magazine. No engines/motors over .26 c.i.d.

June 12 & 13 **MID-STATES SCALE CLASSIC** Sponsor R/C Barnstormers Hillsdale, KS. (see Model Aviation Calendar for more information).

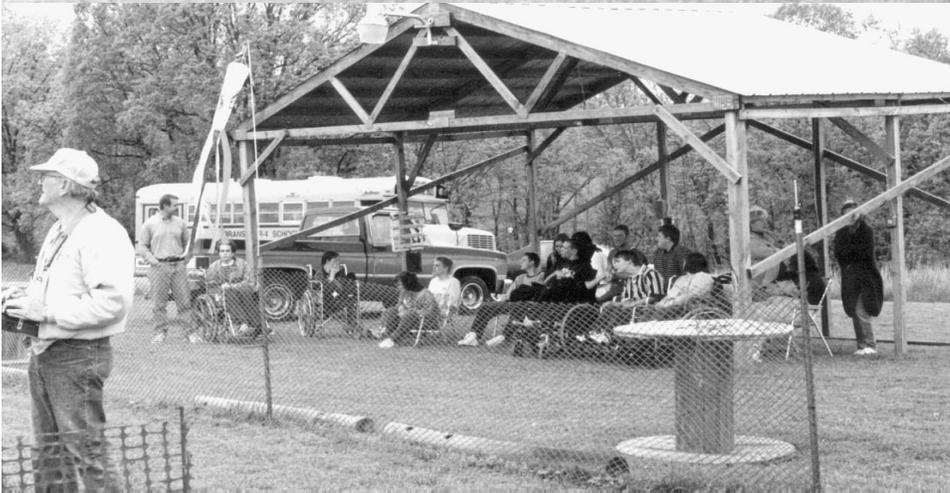
June 27 **Fun Sport Scale Meet,** Springfield BlackSheep R/C Club, Springfield Club Field.

July 17 **FLOAT FLY** Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club, Bull Shoals Lake @ MM 20

July 18 **IMAC Aerobatics Contest,** Springfield BlackSheep R/C Club, Springfield Club Field.



Above Roy Pepper's Branson School's Special Ed class arrives at Rocky Top Field to witness an R/C flight demonstration by members of our Club.

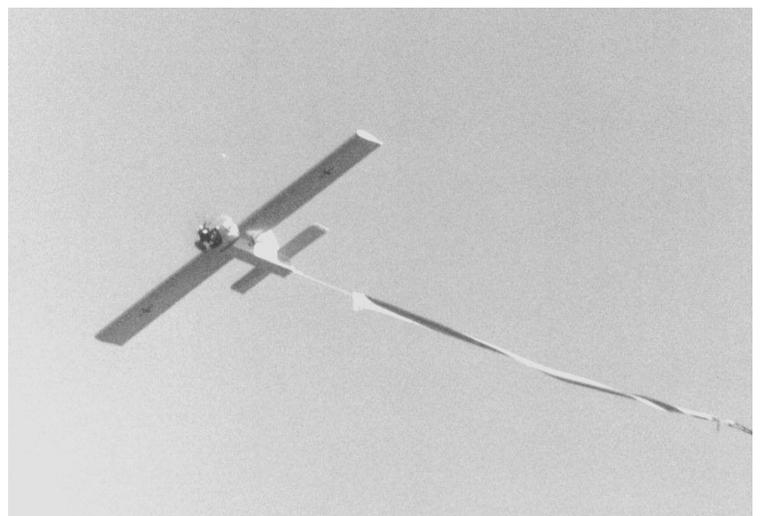


At left Herman Hanebrink puts his Easy 2 through it paces as the group watches intently.

The kids all seemed to enjoy themselves. Several times you heard someone say "Mr. Pepper will you crash your airplane for us?" (*Gee Roy was that too much to ask? ed.*)



Mike King with his new biplane which he purchased from another Club member. He stripped the original covering off, recovered in black and yellow and reset the top wing incidence. Flies very well.



Don Livermore's Battle Floyd combat plane makes a pass on the field with it's 30 foot streamer proudly trailing behind.

May fun fly



fun, excitement, bbq, trophies, top gun points

The Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club will have a Fun Fly Saturday, May 15th at ROCKY TOP FIELD). Events will start at 10 AM with a BBQ after noon. The bad weather date will be Sunday May 16th.

TAXI EVENT - From the start line make a figure eight around two pylons to the south, then a figure eight around two pylons to the north, ending at the start - finish line. Lowest elapsed time wins. Each missed pylon will add 10 seconds. If a tail dragger is used subtract 20 seconds.

TIMED FLIGHT - Take off, make one pass down the runway under 100 feet(10 points), do a loop(10 points), do a roll(10 points), fly inverted at least 5 seconds(10 points) and land in exactly 2 minutes. Perfect score is 40 points. Subtract 1 point for each second off of 2 minutes. Pilot will be allowed to hear the count down timer. A tie for first or second place will be broken with a silent 1 minute fly off. A novice pilot may substitute a loop for a roll and/or inverted flight if the judge is advised and agrees before the flight begins.

SPOT LANDING - Take off, do a touch and go(minus 10 points) and land on the runway marker. Score 1 point for each foot away from the marker the wheels first touch on landing. The plane must touch down on the runway . Perfect score is minus 10 points. Low score wins. Two tries will be allowed but touch and go must be made on each try. A novice pilot will get an extra minus 5 point bonus if judge is advised and agrees before the flight.

Join in the flying fun and cheer on or harass your favorite pilot . Also enjoy a hotdog, soft drink and chips for only \$2.50 - get a second hotdog for only \$1 more. See you there!

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