



Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes May 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Jim Trimbell, President, at 7:00 P.M.

20 members attended.

Guests – None.

New member introductions –

- Travis Boswell
- Amber Boswell
- Bob Damerow

Absent were:

- Ron Anderson
- Jeff Brown

Treasurer's Report – Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for April. Operating income totaled \$200 and expenses totaled \$223. The month-end operating balance was \$5,142.

Secretary's Report – Jerry Case read the meeting minutes for April 14 , 2014.

Old business

- **Flying fields** –

Twin Buttes:

- The dead weeds at the south end of the runway need raking off.
- Rock haulers are again running up and down Twin Buttes Road.
- Jim Heuer shoveled cow pies from the pit area and runway. The rancher opened the culvert under the highway and the cows are travelling across our flying field to get to it.
- Jim Heuer requested that the board ask Freeport McMoRan about the possibility of our bringing a contractor onto the flying field to clear a wider flying area west of the runway. We need to schedule a meeting when our officers are all in town.

FICO:

- Ron Simonds led a project to move the windsock from the northwest corner to the northeast corner of the flying area. It is now a better indicator of wind velocity.
- Ron also installed a painted pole in the northwest corner to mark the boundary of the fly zone.
- Four fly traps were installed near the glider runway. They were full in 1 ½ weeks.
- A suggestion was made to take the post driver back up to Twin Buttes to prevent theft.



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- **Safety issues** – Pilots are still violating safety rules while flying in cross winds. Pilots are leaving their planes on the runway for too long. There was a near mid-air collision.
- **Web site report** –
 - Our web site was accessed 6200 times in the last 2 ½ years.
 - Added photos for the end of April and the start of May.
 - Included an article about a proposal for model airplane parks that may be included in the 2015 Pima County Bond election.
- **AMA News** – None of significance to our club.
- **Membership report** – The membership count is currently at 96. David Brown requested that his membership be re-activated since he cancelled his move to Colorado. Our youngest member, Amber Boswell, joined along with her father, Travis.
- **Area flying events** – Announced by Jim Trimbell.

New Business:

- Jerry Case presented a slide show about the current status of a proposal for model airplane parks that is under consideration for inclusion in the 2015 Pima County Bond election. Jim Heuer talked about the history of a proposed site at 18480 S Nogales Highway.
- Art Siri asked if we could develop a map of properties around the Wastewater Treatment Plant just south of the county site.

Show & Tell:

- Bob Orr showed a new Desert Aircraft 70cc twin cylinder gas engine, serial no. 50 from the first production run. He estimates the power around 9 to 10 HP. The crankcase is made of CNC milled T-6 aluminum, the ignition system uses an inductive coil pickup compared to a Hall sensor which is used by other manufacturers. It requires a strong flip to get it started. The carb is a Walbro. Bob welded in an equalizer between the two exhaust cannisters. It will be propped with a 24X10 and turn around 2700-2800 RPM. Bob will install this engine in his 1/3 scale Aircoup.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 PM