



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

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

Officers present: Jim Trimbell, Jim Knudson, Jerry Case. Ron Simonds was absent.

23 members attended.

Guests --None

New member introductions – None.

Treasurer's Report – Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for July. Income was \$40 from new member dues. The only expense was \$9 for the repair of a club transmitter. The month-end operating balance was \$5,054.

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

Old business

- **Flying fields** –

- **Twin Buttes:**

- No change in the field condition. Jim Heuer is the only pilot who is flying there.

- **FICO:**

- Jim Trimbell has been spraying weeds around the pit area and flight line.
 - Jerry is still attempting to exterminate ants near the runways and shelter.
 - Jim Trimbell and Dave Johnson replaced the fly traps.
 - An incident with the club lock on the entrance gate was reported to Rich Walden, Farm Manager. He will talk to his Security people. He also confirmed that we can enter the orchard from the RR crossing to the north as an alternate.

- **Safety issues** – None reported.

- **Web site report** –

- Web site was accessed 6700 times in the last 2 ½ years.
 - Photos were added for July and early August.
 - Meeting minutes and treasurer's report were added for July.
 - A link was added to the home page. It can access the club's recommendation for a new model airplane park near the Wastewater Treatment Facility.



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- **AMA News** – The FAA granted the AMA's request for an extension for commenting on the FAA's interpretation of Congress' Special Rule for Model Aircraft. The new deadline is September 23.

Other non-critical AMA news was presented.

- **Membership report** – The membership count is currently 98
- **Area flying events** – Jim Trimbell announced an R/C event in Chino Valley.
- **Pima County Bond Election** – Jerry Case thanked Ken Fleshman and Jim Heuer for their help in responding to an information request from the county Bond Advisory Committee. The committee recommended that a new model airplane park, proposed for the 2015 bond issue, be built on county property next to the Wastewater Treatment Facility. The recommendation was submitted to Pima County Parks & Recreation. Ken Fleshman took a copy to Tom Ward, Special Assistant to our District Supervisor, Ray Carroll.

New Business –

- Jerry announced that two student pilots, Amber Boswell and Bob Damerow, soloed during the month.
- Jim Trimbell announced that Frank Hite had undergone surgery on his nose over two days. Gary Johnson offered to circulate a Get Well card for him.

Show & Tell:

- Henry Hain asked for suggestions about a problem he had with his electric plane ESC/Motor/Receiver setup. On startup he heard continuous beeping. After he manually spun the motor, the beeping stopped and everything worked correctly. The transmitter throttle and the motor could not be synchronized. No one could provide a solution.
- Bob Hamilton provided a dash-cam video showing that a FICO employee was driving so fast next to the groves that Bob couldn't keep up with him while on the highway.
- Dave Risdon brought two planes for sale.
- Henry Hain brought a large collection of balsa, ply, and hard wood, as well as tools, which he successfully gave away to other club members.
- Jerry Stover showed two of his single stick transmitters (mode 1) which he had converted to 2.4 MHz via Futaba modules. He explained how the transmitter's controls functioned.
- Jim Trimbell showed off his electric Curtiss P4E biplane.



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- Bob Orr offered to give away an old corded Dremel tool.
- Jim Trimbell told about his two-day visit to the EAA AirVenture show at Oshkosh, WI.
- Gary Johnson displayed the 1/4 scale Bud Nosen P-51 kit that he has been working on for 1 ½ years. Ken Fleshman and Don Nigg helped construct part of it. Wings are complete except for the center section. It has Robart air retracts, a Sullivan smoke system, an RCGF 62cc gas engine, and will weigh about 22-23 lbs. Gary plans to fly it at the TRCC field during the Thanksgiving Fly In.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 PM