

# Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes April 13, 2015

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

Officers present: Jim Trimbell, Jim Heuer, Jim Knudson, Jerry Case.

27 members attended.

**Memorial for Henry Hain** – Jerry read the poem "High Flight" in honor of our long-time club member, Henry Hain, who passed away on April 7, 2015. Jerry and John Brunsdale described a little of Henry's history.

**Change of Club Officers** – Jim Trimbell announced that Jim Heuer agreed to be appointed as our club Vice President for the remainder of the year. Jim is replacing Ron Simonds who resigned from the post due to personal time constraints.

**Guests**: -- Franz and Sue Ecker. Franz joined the club during the meeting.

**New Members** – John Thompson joined the club in February but was not at the meeting.

**Treasurer's Repor**t: -- Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for March, 2015. Income was \$15 from a sale of donated RC items. Expenses were \$1,152 for a gift to Jim Heuer who built additional flight stations and an electric table, for weed spray, for a professional weed exterminator, and for fly traps. The month-end operating balance was \$4,514.

Secretary's Report – Jerry Case read the meeting minutes for March 9, 2015.

#### Old business

### Flying fields –

#### Twin Buttes:

- Jim Trimbell watched over Wildcat Exterminating as they sprayed weeds on the runway and pit area. Results should be seen in 5-7 days. Jim will arrange for the second treatment.
- o Jerry dragged the field to knock down the dead weeds.
- A work party is scheduled for April 18 to rake off the dead weeds.
- Jim Heuer reported that cattle have been visiting the field and leaving cow pies all over the area.

#### FICO:

- A work party on March 25 made repairs to the safety fence at the end of the runway, and sprayed weeds near and on the runway.
- o FICO mowed the vegetation on the entire flying field.



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- Eight fly traps were filled after 4 days. The post driver will be used to put up additional traps at the north end of the field.
- o A garbage can is now available under the south shelter.
- o Problems with the gate lock were due to a new FICO employee. We now have the phone number of FICO Security if we need help accessing the field.
- o FICO Security reminded us that we should not fly over the pecan trees.
- Safety issues Jim Trimble reported on the cause of the crash of his Carbon Z Cub onto the shed. He found that the right flap was fully extended which prevented turning the plane back to the flying field.
- **Web site report** Photos were added for late March and early April. The list of club officers and member roster were updated.
- AMA News AMA members were encouraged to submit comments on the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) before April 24.
- Membership report Ted Dore's move to the Silver Springs facility was announced.
   Membership count is now 95 due to the loss of Henry Hain.
- Area flying events Jim Trimbell announced the Warbirds Over Tucson fly-in and swap meet at the TRCC field on April 18 and 19.
- P-51 Mustang Gary John reported on the plane's maiden flights at the TIMPE and TRCC fields. He replaced the 62 cc with a larger 85 cc. A bench test at FICO resulted in the plane lifting the back of the bench.
- Pima County Bond Issue County Administrator Chuck Huckleberry recommended adding \$162 million for road repairs to the Bond Advisory Committee's recommended \$653 million package. The county board will discuss on April 21 whether to submit 7 bond propositions to voters in November or not.
  - Jim Heuer is chairing a committee to develop cost estimates and a site plan for a flying field near the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He reported that a Google Earth survey of the area indicates that a 1,200' x 1,000' flying area will fit well in the available 1,700' x 2,700' property. Fencing the field will be expensive. The runway will initially need to be gravel until we can afford to pave it.
- Static Displays Jerry announced two club events for May and June. On May 28, there will be short talk and static display for the Men's Breakfast at the Desert Hills Lutheran Church. On June 21, Father's Day, there will be a static display at the Sonora club house in Rancho Sahuarita.



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#### **New Business:**

Birthday Party for Ted Dore -- A 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party for Ted Dore is scheduled for April 11 at the Amado Territorial Inn.

#### **Show & Tell**

• Sale and Give-Away -- R/C items from Henry Hain and John Brunsdale were sold or given away. Members were asked to make a cash donation to the club for items that they picked up.

Meeting Adjourned: after 8:00 PM