



Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes July, 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.

18 members attended.

Guests: -- Larry Hunter, who was checking out Tucson area R/C clubs.

New Member: Will Clymer, who introduced himself.

Treasurer's Report: -- Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for June, 2015. There was no income. Expenses were \$217 for the Freeport mine property lease, repair of a club transmitter, and fly traps. The month-end operating balance was \$4,776.

Secretary's Report – Jerry read the meeting minutes for June 8, 2015.

Old business

- **Flying fields –**

- **Twin Buttes:**

- Jim Heuer reported that he flies one day a week at the field. The wind usually blows down the runway and its cooler up there. He reported that the cows have been removed from the pasture. The weeds are still under control as the result of treatments by the exterminator.

- **FICO:**

- Jim Trimble reported that the fly traps are usually full on the north side of the field, and less so on the east side.
 - A work party is scheduled for July 18 after flying. A notice will be sent out to club members.
 - **Safety** – Jim Trimbell reported that multirotor craft have been flying at FICO. Our field rules don't allow this and an accident will not be covered by our insurance. Until the rules are changed, it is up to club members to enforce them. Jim Heuer contacted other clubs to determine how they handle rotary-winged aircraft.

Jerry Stover reported that he found non-members at the field who wanted to launch rockets.

- **Web site report** – Photos of the club's static display at Sonora at Rancho Sahuarita club house on Father's day were added. Bob Hamilton contributed many of the photos. Two



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videos of Bob Brown's two Extra 300 planes were added to the Video page. Meeting minutes and treasurer's reports were updated for June.

- **AMA News** – The AMA posted an Op-Ed in USA Today that asked the FAA to listen to Congress and leave model flying alone. AMA dues are going up for 2016, but members can renew at the old rate before September 14. Renewals before 12/31/15 will expire on 12/31/16. For new and expired AMA members, the expiration month will be one year from the enrollment month. Model Aviation magazine started a new series and video on “LIPO Battery Basics.”
- **Membership report** – The membership count is holding at 97.
- **Area flying events** – None locally.
- **Static Display for Sonora at Rancho Sahuarita on Father's Day, June 21** – Jerry reported on the success of the “Planes, Trains and Automobiles” static display. We filled the display room with a good variety of planes. Visitors turned out in good numbers. The show ended early when visitors stopped coming.
- **Plans for a new flying field** – No updates from the county. Still waiting for the November bond election. Jim Heuer presented a plan for the proposed field layout. He suggested that we should consider going on our own with the county if the bond issue doesn't pass.

New Business:

- Gary Johnson offered to make and sell plywood ends for the Robart airplane stand. They provide greater strength than the Robert ends. They will use the Robart foam supports and plastic tubes.
- Jim Heuer suggested that we should move the two FICO sun shelters together near the center of the parking lot. We need to decide if the shed is to be moved also. Spectators could sit under the south shelter if it is located on the east side of the spectator fence. Having the shelters together would improve communication between club members. We will postpone this decision until the fall when the other members return.
- Frank Hite reported that a FICO employee came to the field and said that he had found an R/C plane in the groves. We will call him.

Show & Tell

- Wally Kroll brought his new RCM Trainer and Magic electric planes. The Magic is scratch-built and is a modified copy of the ModelTech Magic plane.
- Bob Korbas brought his scratch built version of the electric Lil' Hornet plane.



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- Gary Johnson brought his Hanger 9 “Corsair”. It is powered by a DLE 35cc gas engine, has E-Flite electric retracts and weighs about 14 pounds.
- Jerry Case presented a slide show of photos and videos of Gary Johnson’s Bud Nosen P-51 Mustang which finally encountered a barbed wire fence.
- Jerry Case showed a video of Bob Brown’s Extra 300 flight with smoke turned on.
- Bob Hibschman’s R/C planes and equipment were offered for sale to the members.

Meeting Adjourned: approx. 8 PM