



Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes September 14, 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.

13 members attended.

Memorials for Fred Radle and David Switzer: Testimonials were given for these members who passed during the month. The "High Flight" poem was read by Jerry in their honor.

Guests: None.

New Member: Francisco Rivera joined the club and introduced himself to the attendees.

Treasurer's Report: -- Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for August, 2015. No income. Expenses were \$382 for fly traps, repairs of pilot station signs for both fields, weed spray, and a hula hoe. The month-end operating balance was \$4,119.

Secretary's Report – Jerry read the meeting minutes for August 10, 2015.

Old business

- **Flying fields –**

Twin Buttes:

- Workers who participated in the work party on August 29 were thanked.
- Weeds are under control. There is some erosion across the runway and more on the entry road. Weeds need to be removed from the parking area.
- A new wind sock is needed. Jim Heuer will order one from the AMA.
- Pilot training will be held at Twin Buttes until further notice.

FICO:

- The sun shelters were moved together outside the spectator fence. Gary Johnson dragged them into placed with his truck.
- FICO mowed the weeds on August 11 and again on September 11.
- FICO filled the holes in the entry road near the highway. Rich Walden, Farm Manager, said that they would be repairing the entry road.
- We need help raking out tire ruts left by the FICO mower.



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• **Safety Issues:**

- Confusion about glider and other plane operations was evident on the previous Saturday.
 - Pilots are still wandering diagonally across the runway to retrieve their planes.
 - We need a better use of the horn when towing gliders and landing the tow plane.
 - A glider launch had to be aborted because 2-3 planes were in the air.
 - A glider had to land in the field while other planes were ready for take off.
- **Web site report** –Meeting minutes, the treasurer’s report, and the roster were updated. Photos were added for late August. An obituary was added for Dave Switzer.
- **AMA News** – The AMA wrote 15 national and local press releases from June through August covering drone safety. Another article was published covering LIPO charging. Election ballots for District 10 Vice President are being mailed out. The AMA is analyzing FCC drone data to determine the credibility of the data and what role the AMA should play to advance safe and responsible flying.
- **Membership report** – The membership count is 97 with the death of Fred Radle and Dave Switzer and addition of Francisco Rivera.
- **Area flying events** – None locally. SAM’s club is having a fun fly and swap meet on Oct. 10 and 11. The Tucson Aerobatic Shootout is being held at the TIMPA field on October 16-18. An email reminder will be sent to members before the event. The London Bridge Seaplane Classic is scheduled for November 13-15 in Lake Havasu City.

New Business:

- **Holiday Party:** Cost estimates for a catered affair at La Posada were presented to the attendees. The American Legion is booked for December, but available in January. A decision about having a party will be made at a later meeting.

Show & Tell

- Jim Heuer brought a ¼ scale Cub built from a Balsa USA kit. The older kit contains die-cut parts. It is powered by a twin cylinder DLE 40cc gas engine. Jim still needs to install the wing servos. The plane is covered in Solartex. He so far has put 80 hours in the build.
- Bob Orr brought an O.S. 120 glow engine for sale.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:46 PM