



Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes January 11, 2016

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.

35 members attended.

Guests: Wade Reynolds. He's been flying since 1957.

Club By-laws and Flying Field Rules: Were handed out to members at the meeting.

New Members:

Lloyd Schultz, who joined during the previous meeting.

Jim Lauletta, who joined on January 2. Could not make the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: -- Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for December, 2015. Income totaled \$1,920 from new member dues, renewals for 2016, and club dinner fees. Expenses were \$0. The month-end operating balance was \$7,764. He also summarized income and expenses for 2015: Opening balance of \$6,200, income of \$5,283, expenses \$3,788, ending balance of \$7,695.

Secretary's Report – Jerry read the meeting minutes for December 14, 2015.

Old business

- **Flying fields –**

Twin Buttes:

- The runway is in very good shape, the entry road was graded.
- Twin Buttes is muddy, rough, and rock trucks are using the road.
- Be sure to keep the gates chained because cows are back in the area.

FICO:

- Weeds are growing near the pits. Members were encouraged to use a rake from the shed to pull them out.
- Pipe laying project made a mess of the entry road. Use the road to the north to access the field.
- Trash pile on NW corner of the field, also pipes lying on the road, avoid them.
- Detour road to the field has mud puddles.
- Members were reminded that our speed limit in the groves is 15 mph and don't raise any dust.



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- A suggestion was made to ask FICO if we can put a club lock on the north gate for an alternate access.
- **Safety Issues:** Ken Fleshman reminded members that he should be notified if any first aid kit items are used at either field.
- **Web site report:** Meeting minutes, the treasurer's report, and the 2016 roster were updated. Some photos were added for December. We need more photos from members.
- **AMA News –**

Labels for our aircraft can be ordered directly from the AMA.

The FAA drone regulations were presented including:

- Deadlines for registration.
- Where to register.
- Type of aircraft that must be registered. Weight limits.
- We can use our AMA numbers on our planes in lieu of the FAA-assigned number.
- AMA members are exempted from the 400' limit.
- Club officers optionally may enforce the regulations.
- Heavy FAA penalties for non-compliance.
- **Membership report:** The membership count is 80. Final dues reminders were sent out. Badges for 2016 are at FICO or can be mailed. Badges must be worn at the flying field.
- **Area flying events –** One fly in at TRCC for electrics. Warbird fly in near Phoenix at Sun Valley Flyers.
- **Twin Buttes Flying Field Expansion:**

Jim Heuer reported on the status of the project:

Why the field is being expanded.

Survey completed and documented with legal description.

Changes to the lease to include the expanded area.

Blue stake survey is done, no buried utilities.

Freeport engineer to check for endangered plant species and document the results.

We need to ask Caterpillar to clear the land.

The safety fence was removed from the south end of the runway.

Jim Heuer and the Freeport engineer will be present when the space is graded.



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Also will clear out the brush from the south end of the runway.

Future – we may smooth out the expanded area.

- **Annual club party – January 13:**

- Last chance to sign up.
- Wear badges.
- Menu choices were shown.
- Hours of the party.

New Business:

- **AMA Rules, Club By-Laws, and Club Flying Field Rules:**

Handed out to attendees.

Will be emailed to rest of club.

Show & Tell:

- Frank Hite brought gas tanks, Blade helicopter, and a Spektrum 5 transmitter to give away.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 PM