



Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes April 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.

25 members attended.

Guests: None.

New Members: None

Treasurer's Report: -- Jim Knudson read the Treasurer's report for March, 2016. Income was \$40 from the sale of a spare radio. Expenses totaled \$682 for a new Twin Buttes flying field lease, a new string trimmer, office supplies, survey items, and a new TB lock. The month-end operating balance was \$5,238. Jim reported that so far in April we spent \$380 for TB weed control, \$284 for web site hosting, totaling \$671.

Secretary's Report – Jerry read the meeting minutes for March 14 8, 2016.

Old business

- **Flying fields –**

- **Twin Buttes:**

- Wildcat Exterminating sprayed the runway, pits, and parking lot.
 - Jerry told about putting out runway marker whiskers, which don't show well. Will continue experimenting with other colors.
 - Will Clymer presented his research for a sun shelter. Elephant Structures are our best source. They deliver and set it up. Glen Aldridge told about his daughter's experience with the company. He recommended 6 augers for anchoring. A motion was made by Gary Johnson to approve the purchase of the shelter. The motion passed.
 - Need to remove rocks and roots from graded area after rains settle the dirt.

- **FICO:**

- Members who helped remove dead weeds from the runway on March 16 were thanked.
 - Landscaping tools were stolen from the shed.
 - Gary Johnson installed a hasp and combination lock on the shed.
 - Members were asked for tools to donate to the club, and new ones will be purchased.



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- We should post the FICO Security phone number on the bulletin board. They prefer that they call them first if there is an incident at the field, unless the situation is serious, then we should call the Sahuarita PD.
- **Safety Issues:** Jim Heuer reminded pilots to call out intentions, esp., if going out on the runway. No one is to drive through the orchard, use only the entry road. The Farm Manager was watching us fly over the trees. We must stay clear of the orchard. Beware of rattle snakes. Be very aware of vehicles passing southbound traffic in the oncoming lane from the stoplight. Wear badges, holders are available at the field.
- **Web site report:** Meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and roster were updated for March. Photos were added for March and April.
- **AMA News** – None.
- **Membership report:** The membership count is 87.
- **Area flying events** – 4/16-4/17 Warbirds Over Tucson.
- **Twin Buttes - Flying Field Expansion:** Caterpillar could not get their motorized grader to finish the project. Ron Simonds cut down some of the taller mesquite trees at the edge of the graded area. Because Freeport complained about their location, Jim Heuer hauled them out of the wash with his vehicle. A video and photos of the two-day project were shown. The members thanked Jim Heuer for his project management. The fence post driver is missing from the field.
- **New Business:**
 - **First Person View Flying:** Discussed the problems with allowing First Person View flying at our fields. AMA published extensive rules on FPV. The board recommends that FPV flying not be allowed at our fields.
 - **Guest Policy:** The club needs to consider how we should handle guest pilots. We should consider how to set limits on flying days, restrict guests to days other than Wednesdays and Saturdays, and look at other club policies. The board will propose a policy.
- **Show & Tell:**
 - Gary Johnson: Is building a 30% Extra 230. He promised the former owner that he will build and fly it. Wally Kroll helped with the basic part of the fuselage. He modified a Barbie Doll to represent the pilot Patty Wagstaff and fit into the cockpit. Sandi Johnson will make a flight suit for Patty. Gary needs to start on the wings. He has a 7-channel Futaba radio system for sale.



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- Bud Cline: Has some glow powered equipment to give away. He tried to free up a couple of old glow engines.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:03 PM