

Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes February 12, 2018

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

Officers present: Jim Trimbell, Phil Korth, Frank Hite, Jerry Case.

25 members attended.

Guests: None.

New Members: Pat McDermott introduced himself to the group.

Member Status:

Ron Bengston – no new news.

Bob Orr – Frank Hite visited him at Handmaker where he was recovering from his leg surgery. Ken Fleshman reported that Bob is home now and getting physical therapy. He's feeling pretty good and wants to get back to his garage.

Treasurer's Report: Frank Hite presented the report for January 2018. The opening balance was \$8,787. Income was \$400 from 2018 dues (5 members). Expenses were \$197 for two gate locks, wood for a shed ramp, paint for FICO work tables, and lattice for a Twin Buttes drag. The month-end operating balance was \$8,990.

Secretary's Report: Jerry Case read the meeting minutes for January 8, 2018.

Old business

- Flying fields
 - Twin Buttes:
 - A drag was constructed from lattice and hardware cloth to remove runway rocks. It still needs work.
 - FICO:
 - Thanks to members who drove safely in the grove during the harvest. FICO is pruning, so we must stay away from the machine. We should be aware of the branch shredder when it arrives.
 - Several members help to paint half of the benches and tables. We plan to do all the tables including the unfinished ones. The paint is very thick and difficult to apply.
 - The memorial service at FICO for Joe Meyers was well attended with a color guard and attendees from our club and FICO.
 - A funny adventure occurred when a truck and crew came to pick up the Porta-Potty after the memorial service.



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• We had another adventure with the gate lock locking disappearing. We replaced it with a new lock. Then during the memorial service, it reappeared.

Safety Issues:

- Ken Fleshman received a newsletter from the AMA which announced the distribution of new AMA safety rules and an accompanying handbook. Ken hasn't received them yet. The rules and maybe the handbook will be sent to members in April.
- Pilots have been staying out of the no-fly zone and flying in the pattern.
- Aerobatic pilots can use the center of the field or do touch-and-go's if they let the officers know first to allow other pilots to yield.
- One plane flew away beyond the NW corner of the field and came down without hanging up in the trees. It functioned normally at home. Other planes have gone down in that area, known as the FICO Triangle.
- Web site report: Photos were added for January, February, and the Joe Meyers memorial service. The roster was updated.
- AMA News: None.
- **Membership Report:** Still 65 members. A potential member visited the field and was house hunting in GV before returning to his home.
- Local R/C Events: TIMPE Warbird Pylon Race and TRCC IMAC Scale Aerobatics

New Business:

- **2018 Club Directory for Green Valley:** Our club description will be published in the directory as it was in past years.
- **AMA Club Charter Renewal:** A check and the charter renewal forms and insurance forms for the field owners will be mailed to the AMA the next day.
- **Guest flying**: Our club has no formal policy regarding guest flying beyond a couple of days. A suggestion was made to collect a fee for each flying day. A club member must accompany the guest while flying. A proposal was made for the board to draw up a visitor policy and have it approved by the members.
- **Club badges**: Members must wear their badges at each field. This is a requirement by the owners of our flying fields.



• **Visitors:** Neighbors and friends of members are welcome at the fields if accompanied by the club member.

Show and Tell:

- **Gary Johnson:** brought a 71" Seagull AT-6 Texan. It was formerly owned by Joe Meyers and was still new in the box. Gary installed a 20cc gas engine. However, the muffler keeps coming loose. He's had only a few partial flights.
- Dave McCrory: brought R/C stuff, to give away, from his son who got out of the hobby.
- Ron Simonds: Brought 3 micro planes and a 50CC twin cylinder engine for sale.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:42 PM