



ARCS News



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Club Meetings

Held the 3rd Tuesday of
each month (except Dec)
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at
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Fun - Fly



Ruminating the Fun Fly

The corn seemed as high as the soaring hawk's eye. Opaque clouds tried to hide the sky. The threat of rain was ever so keen. Humidity so heavy it could nearly be seen. Yet the determined throng, nearly 40 persons strong, would remain the whole day long. Young and old, brave and bold, trepid and hearty, everyone came out for a late spring party.

Many an airplane came out to play, but it was the big biplanes who ruled the day. Twisting, turning, looping, and smoking (I'm not joking), flying took to new heights. Each airplane a colorful sight, big or small they were winged delights.

By midday, appetites were showing. The cornucopia of food kept growing. Long tables of food awaited everyone. Savory brisket, juicy melon, by no distortion a feast of major proportion! A bountiful spread greeted the crowd, additional servings for the none-too-proud. Culinary delights to please any taste, not a crumb was lost or made to waste.

The flag was raised; volunteers were praised, the blessing was said, and everyone fed.

By afternoon the crowd began to dwindle, the vacant sky an empty spindle. The last airplane landed the crowd disbanded. Done for the day everyone went on their way. The day was now done: ARCS fun without the Sun!

- Jim Witthauer, ARCS Poet Laureate









May 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The April 2016 minutes were read. A motion was made to accept the Minutes. Approved. Treasurer's Report was read. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.

GUESTS: Althea, Gene Call, Carol, Sharon, Mary, Pat, Sarah, Natasha & Marsha

OLD BUSINESS:

If you want a club shirt, check with Eric Amundsen, he will take your order. Shirts are \$22. Extended sizes are \$2 higher. There is no minimum order. If you want a shirt, call Eric. Blue hats are \$15. New members, hats are free. A new name tag board will be attached to the pavilion. New members check the board for your name tag.

The Club has donated 358 lbs. of food this year. Last month's donations will be combined with this month's donations. Updated totals will be published in the June Minutes. **Keep up the good work, folks!** Let's make 2016 even bigger.

Swap Meet: (repeat)

The Club is having "Swap Meet" July 8th and 9th at the Encino Park HOA building, 1923 Encino Rio, San Antonio, TX 78259. Doors open 12pm-8pm Friday and 10am-5pm Saturday. Table rental is \$10 per day. Admission is \$5 per person. This will be an AMA Sanctioned Event. Tom Richards needs all the help and support he can get. Hot dogs will be available. We currently have about 18-20 tables sold for the event. More are forthcoming.

WEB Site: (repeat)

The Members Only section of the Web Site is being "overhauled". We are trying to make it user friendly. Remember, to get into the section, create a password for your AMA number (User ID). Then log in. The membership phone numbers and e-mail addresses are there for you to use. Look for addition instructions and updates on the Web Site.

Snakes: (repeat)

Due to the mild winter, the snakes are out around the field. Joe has killed a bunch of rattlesnakes in the area. If you must retrieve an airplane out in the fields watch where you step and look before you reach. If you are alone flying, you might want to consider leaving the airplane until you find another person to go with you. If you were to get bitten, no one will find you in the fields! No one will steal your airplane. The Club has purchased 2 pairs of bright orange snake boots (SnakeGators) which are in the First Aid Box. Use them! We will be posting information on the nearest hospital with "anti-venom". Please be careful!!!

The **May "Food Fly"** is May 22nd from 10 am to 2 pm. Mark your calendars for the rescheduled event. Bring the family and fly and eat. Tom Richards will be the "Food Coordinator" and cooking the brisket and sausage. Please call him at 210-669-1953 or by e-mail; t-richards@sbcglobal.net and let him know what you are bringing. Jim Keck will be sending out reminders. Bring snacks for the pilots and food for the Food Bank.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mark your calendars for June 21st. We will be having Lasagna at the Club Meeting. Come early and eat. The cost will be \$8.95 plus tax title and license. Jim Keck will be sending out reminders.

All the airplane "Tie Down Ropes" have been changed. The old ones has started to break due to the sun.

Got plans for the 4th of July weekend? Plan on a get together on the 3rd and 4th. We plan on flying late, shooting some fireworks, having some food and something for the kids. Mark your calendars. Fliers and event information will follow.

CRASH OF THE MONTH: None. This is amazing? Or, they didn't come to the meeting.

SHOW AND TELL

Paul Cole flew his Micro Quad for all of us. It uses his phone for control and can take pictures to boot. Great!

Dennis Okolie showed us his new DX-9 transmitter and radio. This is the latest and greatest. Dennis got some assistance on programming to make things easier. You will like it!

Tom Richards just purchased a 7 cylinder onboard glow driver for his 7 cylinder Evolution Radial engine. He has this engine in his DHC-2 Beaver. The glow driver is completely programmable and should insure to keep the engine running.

Bill Ponseigo brought in the fuselage from his new Extra 300 from General Hobbies. He show everyone how he reinforced the landing gear hold downs, wing tube support structure and engine mounts. All areas had very little structure and broke quickly in his first aircraft. A little epoxy, bamboo skewers and a few small pieces of additional structure will make able to withstand a less than perfect landing and high G pull ups. Check your ARF, you may be "flying on a wing and a prayer."

RAFFLE

The monthly raffles are designed to break even. Any access monies are used for the Christmas Party Raffle. Our wives and guests receive a free raffle ticket for attending the meeting. Special thanks go out to Hobby Town for providing the raffle prizes to the Club at a reduced price.

Great Planes Super Sportster 40 ARF — Tony Centeno
CG Machine – Dick Reich
Gallon of Fuel – Rich Sanders
Gallon of Fuel – Harold Saults
15 Min Epoxy – Dick Reich
5 Min Epoxy – Dawson Call
Prop Reamer – Dick Reich
Wheel Chocks – Paul Cole

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.



