



# ARCS News



Alamo Radio Control Society

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## Fun - Fly

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##### Club Meetings

Held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of

each month (except Dec)

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at

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Phil Everman and his excellent scale Hughes OH-6 Cayuse Army Observation Helicopter

**Our first Fun fly of the New Year 2018 was held on Sunday 28 January. Fourteen hardy flyers were present and Mother Nature rewarded us with a beautiful sunny day. Tom Richards provided a huge bag full of sausage/biscuit sandwiches while Rick Saucedo brought a large box of breakfast tacos. Everyone was well feed and ready for flying. Juan Galvez made the first flight with his nice 100mph T-45 90mm EDF Jet. Yours truly followed with my Navy A-6 Intruder 80 mm EDF Jet. Tom Richards and John Miller tore up the skies with their hot ultra-sticks. Dick Reich brought 4 planes and flew them all. Chuck Krunboltz made an appearance assisting Tom Richards installing an electric start for Tom's new Giant Ultra Stick. Bill Ponsiego and Richard Sander had a table full of racing drones. Folks these guys are getting excellent with these drones. They zip up and down the field at speeds of airplanes. Phil Everman flew his new sport chopper putting it thru the paces. Our Senior member, Bob Palamini, was also there and made a fine flight with his electric plane. Only two warbirds were present. Juan Galvez put on a flying demonstration with his beautiful Giant Scale Spitfire. Again yours truly flew my trusty 20cc gas engine P-47 Razorback. Other attending were Mike Michalezak and Dennis Okolie. Mark your calendar folks our next fun fly is scheduled for 25 Feburaury 2018. Till then**

**Pete Dubree**



Bob Palamini prepping his electric



Dick Reich's mini Electrics



Rick Saucedo getting ready



Phil Everman getting the sport copper ready



Juan Galvez's F7F Tigercat



Juan Galvez Spitfire ready for combat



Pete Dubree 20cc P-47 Razorback



Ton Richard and his new stick



Dennis Okolie



Juan Galvez 90mm T-45 Goshawk



Chuck Krumboltz



Richard Sanders and FPV racing drone



Bill Posiego getting ready for a FPV flight of his 220mm racing drone



## Pilots Corner

### Peter Shavney Repairing Super Buccaneer landing gear

#1

My super buccaneer is almost ready for its first flight in about 40 years. I jokingly call it the "Band Aid Special" due to the wide bright red tapered stripes I placed on each two foot six inch long wing tip to mark the joints where I glued it back together. When I moved to San Antonio in 1983 I left it with brother #3 Don Shavney. However he passed away recently and brother #2 Richard Shavney cut two and a half feet off each end of the 90" wing so it would fit into a large box which also held the fuselage and tail. At a future meeting, I would be glad to show the rebuilding process. Microphone needed due to my Laryngitis. Pictures available.

Story #2:

Brother Rich also cut the landing struts so short that I couldn't weld or solder to them without burning up the whole plane. Hobbytown recommended that I cut out the bottom of the plane to replace the landing gear with new .081 music wire. Pictures available.

Story #3.

Back in 1938 during the second or third flight in Broomal PA (west of Philadelphia) my super Bucc caught a thermal and we chased it for 20 miles until we reached the mile and a half wide Delaware River. At that point we gave it up for lost and went home. The very next day we got a call from a farmer in South Jersey 25 miles away saying that my plane had landed in the middle of his large cornfield which he was getting ready to plow. We immediately headed for South Jersey, and easily spotted the plane a couple of hundred feet in from the road. Its a good thing that we had placed ID stickers in several places inside and on the wing showing our address and phone number. Radio control was not yet on the market and with the war just around the corner, we decided not to fly free flight with a timer any more until RC was available. Dad was an electrical engineer and had already started on designing an RC system for the plane but then the second world war came along and that ended our progress. Dad was W3FFR at that time and later three of the Shavney brothers got ham radio licenses. I'm currently WA3OVH.

When I got the plane recently from brother Richard, it still had the old system 3000 RC solenoids and transmitter on 24 ghz so I upgraded to a current 2.4 mhz Spectrum transmitter and receiver which works very well.



## From Dewey Newbold

Hey Pete,

I have a trainer plane for sale (grandson turned out to be not really interested).

HORIZON E-flite "APPRENTICE" with extra battery pack and additional buddy box transmitter. Only flown about 4 flights with no damage. Essentially brand new. New price about \$400 from Horizon. Sell for \$250. Great beginner combo.

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Thanks.

# Meeting Minutes

**January 23, 2018**

The meeting was called to order January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The November 2017 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:** Marilyn Caton

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The **Fun Fly** is **January 28<sup>th</sup>** from 10 am to 2 pm. Bring snacks (donuts etc.) for the pilots and food for the Food Bank.

## **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. Hats are \$15. New members, hats are free. Name tags will be attached to the board in the pavilion. New members check the board for your name tag.

The Club has donated 1413 lbs. of food for 2017. Let's try to make 2018 even greater. Thanks to all who donated. **Keep up the good work, folks!**

The field is in great shape thanks to the rain. The grass runway on the North side of the asphalt is really looking good and is smooth. If you miss the hard surface the grass is great.

If you have not paid your dues and field fees for 2018, please pay immediately or you will be dropped from the roster. Please pay by US Mail or online via the Club web site, [www.alamorcs.org](http://www.alamorcs.org) (using PayPal). If using US Mail, please send the checks payable to ARCS to Tony Centeno. His address is on the Club web site.

The fees are as follows:

<b>ADULT MEMBERS:</b>	\$60 Annual Dues \$25 Grass Maintenance Fee <b>\$85 Total</b>
<b>YOUTH MEMBERS:</b>	\$10 Annual Dues \$25 Grass Maintenance Fee <b>\$35 Total</b>
<b>DUES EXEMPT MEMBERS:</b>	\$25 Grass Maintenance Fee <b>\$25 Total</b>

The October Swap Meet at VFW Post 8541 was a success! The Club made over \$1000 profit for the event. A special thank you goes out to Stephan Christenson and his dad for the super help, Dick Reich for handling the Snack Bar, Tony and Sarah Centeno for handling all the funds and the door entry, and Tom Richards for Sponsoring the Event and the VFW. These are the folks that make things happen and keep ARCS going! Thank you again. On the down side, we had very limited participation from the Club membership. We need greater participation to keep the Club rolling along, get new members and expand the hobby! We will be having this event this year. The dates are being coordinated to get the maximum area participation. We will keep all of you informed.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The March 2018 Fun Fly will be a "Food Fly". Tom Richards will cook the meat for the for the "Pot Luck" event. Details will follow next month. Phil Everman will plan a flying event. It will most likely be an "egg drop". See you there on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

We will be repairing siding on the pavilion during this year. We will post the work days for the repairs. If you can help, let us know.

The edges of the runway has plenty of cracks. We are keeping them repaired with some experimental techniques. All current repairs are working. One of the cracks has gotten bigger and will be filled with additional sand and sealant. We will let you know how things work out. Just land in the center.

### **CRASH OF THE MONTH:**

Phil Everman crashed his helicopter due to some tall grass. It just grabbed the tail rotor and stopped everything.

The winner is Phil.

### **SHOW AND TELL:**

Phil Everman showed us his OH 60 Helicopter. It was built from a 50 sized Raptor helicopter and then built up as an OH 60. Super job Phil.

Dewey Newbold brought in his 40 sized Stick. He is reducing the size of his fleet. Dewey wants \$100 with servos.

Jaun Galvez showed us his large F-7F Tiger Cat. This is a great twin electric foam flier. It flies like a big trainer. 7 flights so far! A really great plane.

Tom Richards showed us his completed 30 cc gas Ultra Stick Hanger 9. Looks great and a maiden flight is scheduled soon.

## **RAFFLE**

The monthly raffles are designed to break even. Any excess 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 PT 19 ARF – Dick Reich

F35 Electric ARF – Buck Murray

LiPo Battery Pack – Ed Kotzur

HITEC Charger – Phil Everman

Charge Switch – Tony Centeno

Gallon of Fuel – Jim Keck

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.