

# **ARCS News**



**Alamo Radio Control Society** 

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Held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month (except Dec)

7:00 PM to9:00 PM at Chaparrita's Mexican Rest.

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Honoring our Flag and Country at the beginning of the Food Fest Fun Fly

There is no doubt that the August Fun Fly ranks as the biggest and best Fun Fly of 2018. With features that included two competition events, a huge pot luck dinner, 3D Aerobatics, the maiden flight of a C-17, and joy rides in a Model "A" automobile; there was something for everyone one of the 40 people who attended the event.

Competition Director Jim Agnew organized and led two events. The first, 7-Card Touch-n-Go, attracted the most interest. Pilots drew cards from a deck of playing cards then performed touch-n-go landings into areas marked on the runway and designated as specific playing cards in order to build a winning Poker hand. Tom Richards and Phil Everman tied as winners, but time ran out before a play-off could be done. The second event was a "Climb and Glide." Maybe not as exciting, but it was fun to see how long the pilots could remain aloft. First place winner was Bill Ponseigo, followed by Harold Saults and Pete Dubree respectfully.

Tom Richards organized the pot luck dinner which was nothing short of a feast! So much food was on hand that multiple trips thorough the food line were necessary. Still much food was left by the end of the day.

Tom drove his Model "A" to the Fun Fly and graciously offered rides to anyone who never had the experience of riding in an antique automobile. An

air-conditioned automobile may have been in Henry Ford's plans, but doubtful for 1930!

Juan Galvez thrilled everyone with 3D aerobatics which was accentuated by the loss of an elevator when the tail of his Yak 54 hit the ground too hard. Skillfully he brought the plane in for a safe landing.

And Rick Saucedo's C-17 completed a maiden flight without a hitch. Jim Witthauer



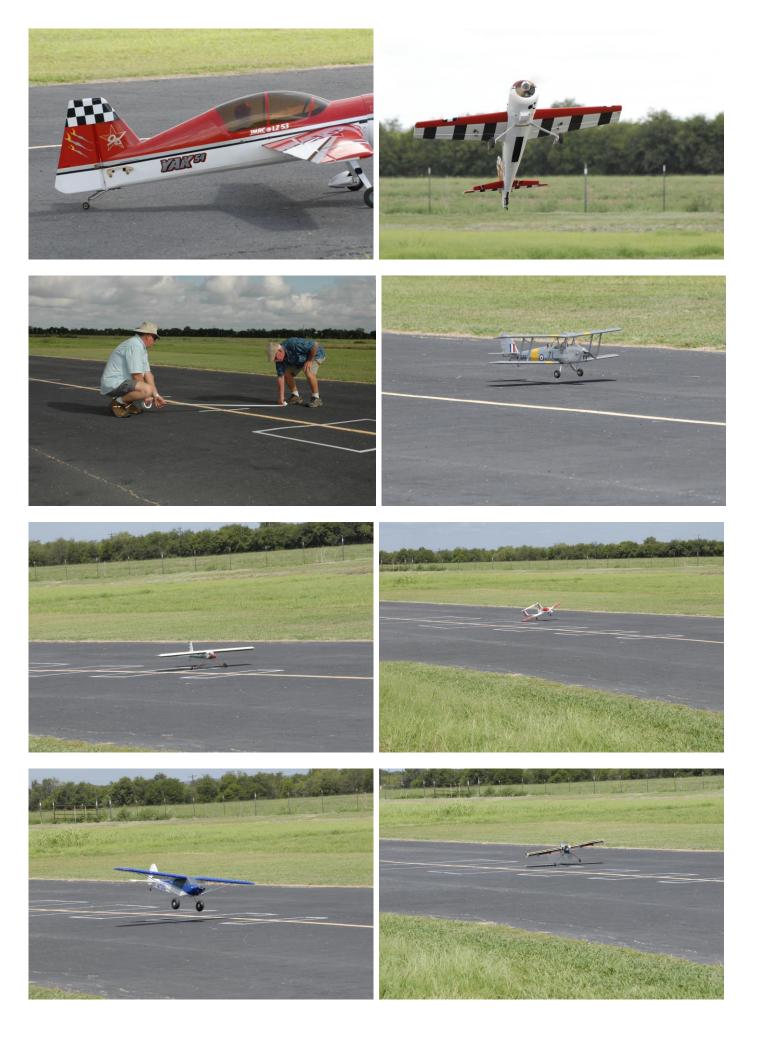












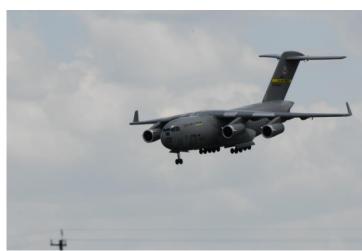






























# August 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order August 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The July 2018 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.

**NEW MEMBER:** Jimmie Neff

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Fun Fly** is **August 26th** 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 donated 124 lbs. of food for the San Antonio Food Bank this month for a total of 828 lbs. for 2018. 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.

ARCS be will be hosting both the Model A Club and the Model T Club at the Fun Fly on August 26<sup>th</sup>. We will be having a Pot Luck covered dish meal. Bring what you want to eat, plus enough for a couple other folks. We will be having a flying event during the Fun Fly. Jim Agnew will be hosting a Climb and Glide the event. The "top prize" for each event is \$10. Mark your calendars. Remember food for the Food Bank.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Just prior to the meeting, Bill Rice donated 4 airplanes, tools, radios, charger and batteries to the Club. As per his request, all items were auctioned off and the proceeds added to the treasury. A "Big Thank You" goes out to Bill Rice! The Alamo Radio Control Society is a Top Notch Club due to the great people that contribute to its success.

## Repeat

Airplanes (ARFs) are difficult to find at the local hobby shops. They do not have much that the ARCS members can use or want. The Club may have to suspend the monthly raffle due to lack of product. We generally spend about \$180 per month to get the raffle items. We need to put our heads together and see if we can figure out a solution.

When you come out to fly, please use the Green "Sign—In" Book and please sign in. We are constantly being asked when folks are using the field and we do not know. We know when the grass is cut, but not when everyone flies. This will get the information and hopefully get people together.

Due to the extreme heat this year, the cracks in the asphalt runway are getting larger. Buck is negotiating with one of his contractors to seal the cracks. We will keep you posted on the progress.

Since Dennis Gurtner was so kind and generous to donate his airplanes and equipment to the Club,

The Club will be inviting Dennis and his wife to the Christmas Party as a little "Thank You" for their generosity. Dennis and his wife graciously donated all his airplanes and equipment to the Club. It was subsequently sold and the moneys used to purchase a John Deere mower. If you see a Green and Yellow Mower, thank the Gurtners.

## **CRASH OF THE MONTH:**

Louis Benevento was out flying his 25 size Ugly Stick. He was out by the pond and lost control. He thought is would be easy to find, but he was wrong. The Stick is still Missing in Action. Drone flights over have failed to locate the Stick.

Phil Everman hit a tree with is 40 size P-51 on the second flight. We still don't know why, but everyone knows Phil.

The winner is Louis Benevento.

## **SHOW AND TELL:**

Harold Saults showed us his new foam Racing Wing. Harold said it flies great but is very difficult to launce. Harold solved the launch problems buy building a launching ramp from PVC. The Racing Wing is now airborne in about 2 feet. Super!

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 PT19 ARF – Rich Saucado Gallon of Fuel – Harold Saults Dead Center Tool – Harold Saults Glow Driver – John Miller Prop Reamer – Lupe Talamantez Thin CA – Bob Palmini Foam CA – Lupe Talamantez Thick CA – Rich Saucado

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.



















