



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

Chaparrita's Mexican Rest.

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Fun Fly 23 September 2018



The ARCS Members Greatly Appreciate your generous donations that helped us to purchase our field maintenance mowers.

Bill Surratt was the first to fly. Arriving long before anyone else when the runway and sky would be clear Bill used the opportunity to practice his flying skills. By the end of the day Bill was joined by 25 others each finding Harold Cannon Field surrounded by knee-high grass, ankle deep mud, mostly cloudy skies, and light winds that varied wildly. Because of the unpredictable winds flying was light.

Oddly, flying was characterized by segments where one type of aircraft dominated the air. At times it was only airplanes; other times it was only drones. There were long sessions where most sat in the comfort of the pavilion swapping stories and opinions. For a while there was more BS flying about than aircraft. There were no crashes. However, Harold Sault's FPV equipped Flying Wing crashed into the mud on Shepard Drive. Other than a nose full of mud and slightly stressed fiberglass it survived the crash. Then Tony Hand gave everyone a thrill when the port side landing gear collapsed while landing his P-47D. Stephan Christensen discovered how deep the mud was when he waded into the tall grass to retrieve his Ultra Stick. Thank goodness for rubber boots! The most sustained flying came in the afternoon when airplanes, drones, and a helicopter flew when the wind settled into more sustained and accommodating breezes. Overall an uneventful fun day.

JRW







September 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order September 18th at 7:00 p.m. The August 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 and Jesse Garza

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Fun Fly is September 23rd 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 141 lbs. of food for the San Antonio Food Bank this month for a total of 959 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.

NEW BUSINESS:

The October 2018 Meeting has been changed to October 23rd. The Fun Fly will be the following Sunday, October 28th. Mark your Calendars.

The ARCS Christmas Party will be Tuesday, December 11, 2018 from 6 to 10pm at Chaparrita's Mexican Restaurant at 7350 Tezel Rd. It will be much the same as last year's party. We will have a large raffle, Chinese gift exchange (NO GAG GIFTS) and special gift drawings. You must bring a gift (worth at least \$25) to participate in the gift exchange. Dinner will be served at 7pm. Children are welcome. Each child will receive a gift and is part of the fun. Raffle tickets will be 6 for \$5 or \$20 for fingertip to fingertip pull (about 30 to 35 tickets). There will be a separate Ladies Raffle. We will be having 2 entrees. Cutoff date is December 3rd. Please bring your money to the November meeting, use PayPal on the Club web site or send the funds to Tony Centeno via USPS. Please mark your calendars! Absolutely NO money for the party or Club dues will be accepted at the party! Further details will follow.

Annual election of Club Officers:

The current Club President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer have volunteered to continue in their current positions for another year if elected by membership vote. A motion was made to elect the current President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer for the 2018-2019 election years. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

We are collecting dues and fees for 2019. ARCS annual Lease Payment of approximately \$3800 is due to Joe not later than December 31, 2018. We need your Annual Dues and Fees well before December 31st date to cover the check without losing interest on the Club savings. Please pay early! We will accept money at the Club Meetings, buy US Mail and on-line via the Club web site, www.alamoradiocontrol.club (using PayPal). If using US Mail, please send the checks payable to ARCS to Tony Centeno. His address is on the Club web site. Keep the Secretary and Treasurer from getting more gray hair!

The fees are as follows:

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

Due to the extreme heat this year, the cracks in the asphalt runway are getting larger. Buck has negotiated with one of his contractors to seal the cracks. It will require a couple of days in the middle of the week between now and December 2018. We will keep you posted on the No Fly Dates.

If you land in the pond, use the conduit pieces in the pavilion to push you airplane to the edge of the pond. Watch out for snakes. We have snake leggings in the pavilion boxes.

Repeat

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.

CRASH OF THE MONTH:

Rich Sanders was out flying his 30cc Big Stick. After a short while, the elevator felt sluggish and quit working out near the barbed wire fence. The Stick hit the fence post, wire and a stump. The engine flew 60 feet from the crash site. The barbed wire shredded everything. Pieces are still in a black trash bag.

The winner is Rich Sanders.

SHOW AND TELL:

Jim Keck showed us his new Bat-Safe Lipo charging box. The sealed box will contain a fire and explosion form two (2) 6s5000 battery packs. It can be purchased from HobbyKing for \$50. It is made in Carrollton TX and designed by fire protection engineers. You will need extension leads for the balance plugs. They can be purchased from HobbyKing, Amazon, Ebay and Dirt Cheap RC.

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 Super Sportster 40 – Tony Centeno
Gallon of Fuel – Phil Everman
Golden Rod – Buck Murray
Fuel Pump – Bob Palmini
Hinge Slot Cutting Tools – Jim Caton
Heat Gun – Rich Sanders

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

