



# ARCS News



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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

**Golden Corral Buffet**  
**9111 N. Loop 1604 W.**  
**San Antonio, TX**  
**78249**

**210-695-2366**

**Next meeting Tuesday Christmas Party December 10 at  
Acadiana Social time = 6PM, Meal at 7 PM**

**Don't forget annual dues and field fee are due now.**

## **Fun Fly**

The November Fun Fly finished 2019 in spectacular fashion with near perfect flying conditions: a clear blue sky, cool temperatures, little wind, plenty of pilots and a deer running across the active runway. Yes, without warning a buck ran across the runway early in the day. The Buck was so quick and stealthy that many never saw it!

More than 30 people came out including 28 pilots who seem to separate into three groups. Jet pilots Phil Everman, Bill Surrat, Curtis Chambers, and Andrew Obaya occupied the south end of the pits while Bill Ponseigo, Rich Sanders, and Stephan Christensen honed their flying skills occupying the north end of the runway with their foamies and drones. In the middle were the "Still-into-Gas Club" Tom Richards, and Juan Galvez along with JD Smith and Victor Foster. Scattered everywhere were Ed Kotzar, Bill Grozdanich, Raul Galvez and Chuck Krumboltz. Flying more gentle aircraft were Richard Reich and Tom Nolan. Jets raced, foamies chased each other, and others merely flew quiet patterns in the sky.

Most outstanding aircraft recognition goes to Raul Colunga and his new *Extreme Flight Turbo Raven* with eye-catching detailing. Closely following was Jesus Rivera's RAF S.E.5a WW1 warbird (*the Spitfire of WW1*) complete with Lewis and Vickers machine guns and an authentic gunsight which Jesus built himself. Then there was Bill Grozdanich's "*Lady in the Dark*" P-61 Black Widow, definitely a formidable beauty.

Events of the day to note included the maiden flight of Victor Fosters P-39. Juan Galvez impressed everyone with some 3D flying. Amusingly it was especially impressive when Juan flipped the big biplane into the pond while doing a single point landing. Thankfully the biplane was wet but not damaged. A first for ARCS were twin brothers Fernando and Andres Ayala using a buddy box to fly a trainer together. It was a fabulous end to another great year of ARCS flying.

Jim Witthauer

# November 2019 Fun Fly Photos



Juan did some fancy flying, that ended with a "single point landing" in the pond! Fortunately no damage, just had to dry out a bit. He was wearing an appropriate shirt....



Wet, but unhurt



True that!



Tom Richards and Victor Foster



Fernando and Andres Ayala





Mike Cuncannan



Timber X



Phil Everman and Andrew Obaya





Ed Kotzur and his WACO Bipe

Rich Beardsley

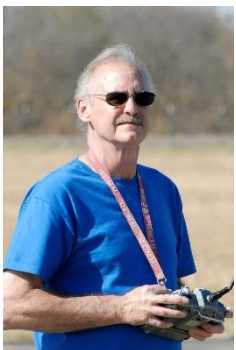


Phil Silverman and Curtis Chambers

Bill Ponsaigo, Richard Sanders, Pete Shawney



1Chuck Krumboltz



J. D. Smith



A red WACO bipe



Bill and a visitor FPV flying.



## Meeting Minutes November 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order Nov 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The reading of the October 2019 minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter. Treasurer's Report was read. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.

### Guests:

Mike and Jennifer Callanan, Simon Rodriguez

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Fun Fly** is **Nov 24<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. Name Tags are \$6. New members, hats and name tags are free. Name tags will be attached to the board in the pavilion. New members check the board for your name tag.



Eric

The Club donated 179 lbs. of food to the San Antonio Food Bank in Oct 2019. Total for the year is 1775 lbs. Thanks to all who donated. **Keep up the good work, folks!** Just put the food in the "Fun Fly Barrel".

### FIELD CONDITIONS

Thanks to Bill Grozdanich and Bill Surrat for the trimming and cleanup work they have been doing at the field. Thanks to JD Smith who is now taking care of the in memoriam Plaque. Thanks to our landowner Joe for building us the fine metal table. We are adding wheels to the other tables at the field to make them easier to move at mowing time. If you have any spare lawnmower type wheels at home, please bring them out. Field is in great shape and mowing has really slowed down with late fall weather.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Please keep looking out for fake emails from Bill Ponseigo asking for gift cards to be purchased. It's a scam

### NEW BUSINESS:

Lets get dues paid by early December so I can get you the new gate code right after new years. \$60 dues and \$25 field fees (total \$85) can be paid by check or cash at the field, mail a check to Juan Galvez, or pay on the Website. There is a total of \$6 3<sup>rd</sup> party convenience fee added to the \$85 to process the website payments (total of \$91 online).

Juan Galvez- ARCS  
1907 Green Ash  
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Don't forget the Christmas Party December 10, 2019 at the Acadiana Cafe, 1289 SW Loop 410, San Antonio Tx 78227. The party will start at 6pm with food service at 7 pm. ***The drop date for paying for party was Dec 6<sup>th</sup> (sorry).*** There will be a full bar for purchase drinks but no BYOB. For the gift exchange, please purchase a gift of \$25 or more. Get something someone would actually like to receive. NO GAG GIFTS and please don't re-gift junk you don't want.

### SHOW AND TELL:

New member Mike Cuncannan brought in an expertly built and home covered Balsa USA Trainer. Covering work was too good to be true.... Super JOB!

Richard Sanders brought in his crack yak showing how easy the repair was (after a vicious and unwarranted attack by Larry Emerson's crack yak. Shame on you Larry)

### CRASH OF THE MONTH:

Sanders- Crack Yak Attack (above)  
Ponseigo- stuck tail wheel ground loop on yellow u can do

Surrat- High speed low pass F-16 foamy jet snap roll to the ground. The inverted High Alpha pass quickly became low alpha. (get a crack yak) **THE WINNER!!!**

#### 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.

Fuel- Richard Beasley  
12V Charger- Bill P  
Hobby Knife- Ike  
Hobby Knife- Juan  
Hobby Knife and 6v BEC- Dick Reich  
Wheels- Bryan Tobias  
E-Flite Timber- Simon Rodriguez

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.



*Juan Galvez and his DJI Mavic Mini drone*



*Richard Sanders shows off his Crack Yak*



*Mike Concannon*



*The Balsa USA Trainer*



*Grand prize winner, Simon Rodriguez*