



ARCS News



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Due to the Covid-19 virus the club is not having indoor meetings. The August meeting, like July, is scheduled to be at the flying field on Fun Fly Sunday, August 23. Come fly and meet, and maintain social distance and the usual

ARCS Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs)

Possible new meeting location -- President Bill Ponseigo says that recent changes to the Acadiana Restaurant may make it possible for the club to meet there again. At present we will continue meeting outdoors at the field on what is usually the Fun Fly date (first Sunday after the third Tuesday of the month). Stand by for further announcements on that.

Name Tags -- Eric Amundsen reminds new members that name tags are posted on a board at the flying field pavilion. There is quite a collection right now that have not been claimed by their owners. Please go by the field and pick up your nametag. Oh by the way, that would be an excellent opportunity to get in some flying.

Hats, shirts and special orders -- Eric says that each new member still gets a free ARCS hat. Additional hats and nametags can be purchased along with shirts with the ARCS logo. Usually hats are given out at the meetings.

Trash pickup -- We don't have any contract trash pickup at the field. All club members are responsible for the appearance of the field and pavilion when it comes to trash and refuse. Please pick up your lunch, snack, whatever, leftovers and trash and take them home with you for disposal. There is one can for cigarette butts. Should you be a smoker and feel inclined, it would be nice to occasionally bring a bag and empty the can. If we keep at it, we will continue to enjoy a neat place to fly.

Reminder -- If you are the last person at the field, make sure the power is switched off at the breaker box. Chairs should be stacked and out of the way, ready for the next session.

Storage Container -- If you've been to the field lately you'll notice the club storage container has been moved to the southwest corner of the field. Thanks to our host Joe Rohmer for doing the move

Important -- We will nominate next year's club officers at the August meeting.



Club Meetings

Normally Held the 3rd

Tuesday of each month

(except Dec) 7:00 PM to

9:00 PM. Due to Covid-19

meetings are held at the

field on Sunday after 3rd

Tuesday.

ARCS MEETING JULY 26, 2020

GREETING PLEDGE

GUESTS NEW MEMBERS Joe Rohmer

SEC REPORT RICH SANDERS Home cause of covid

TREAS REPORT JUAN GALVEZ Club accounts are in order. We don't publish details but the specific information is given out at meetings and is available by contacting Juan. There were no field expenses this month.

PHOTO HISTORIAN FOOD BANK Jim Witthauer Food donations are down some, but we still donated over a hundred pounds.

NEWSLETTER Jim Neff Newsletter was published prior to the meeting on the Facebook page and also the web site. We don't sent it via E-mail to each member.

WEB SITE Buck MurrayThe web site is up and running. Buck posts the newsletter when he gets it from the editor.

CAPS SHIRTS NAME TAGS ERIC A New members are encouraged to pick up their nametags at the field pavilion. Hats are available at the meeting. If you are a new member and don't have a hat yet contact Eric. There was some discussion about supplying caps and name tags. It was decided to continue as we've been doing.

Events None listed

OLD BUSINESS ..

- Staying sane from enduring the covid lockdown. Getting out in the fresh air at the flying field helps. Maintain social distancing and wear mask as required.

- Lost item: no one has returned Edgar Flores' charger.

- Important: Nominations for officers next meeting

NEW BUSINESS . As of January 2020 Dues will be accepted on Pay Pal

Full scale flyers. Club members beware. A full scale airplane has been seen flying low near the field. Members flying should land as soon as possible if they see a full scale airplane near club airspace. We don't need any accidents

Storage Shed The storage shed will be moved to the southwest corner of the field in August.

FIELD CONDITION EXCELLENT

Crash of the month No one present would admit to it.

Drawing A good selection of items. The club aims to break even on the drawings and generally we do.

Meeting adjourned about 1 PM. Flying resumed.

Crash Follow-up

Last month the newsletter featured an anatomy of a crash and showed the photo of Lupe Talamentez' beautiful Super Sportster. Well, Lupe decided to rebuild/repair the plane and so here are a couple of photos showing the damaged plane and the progress on repairs. There is a reason some of us old-timers (not speaking of Lupe) called a sudden impact with the ground "re-kitting."



Fun Fly

The July Fun Fly and Meeting were the story of two events held on two different days. Though both were scheduled coincidentally the morning weather contrasted sharply with the midday weather making it seem as though the second event was held on another day. The morning: overcast, windy, and threatening rain. By 11:00 a rain storm approaching from the southeast forced the 14 people present to gather under the pavilion to watch it pass. When the sky broke clear, and sunshine abounded, a new set of conditions had arrived: sunny skies, and gusty winds from the southeast. Key features of the Fun Fly included Buck Murray's *E-flite* airliner and Steve Pursell's 93" *Extreme Flight* gasser. Abused by the wind the airliner crashed on landing. No doubt the Captain never turned off the "fasten seatbelts" sign. And finally, the *Extreme Flight* gasser delighted everyone with terrific 3-D flying.

President Ponseigo called the meeting to order for an attendance of 18, about average for a monthly meeting. Bill introduced Victor Poole, a former member who is returning to the hobby and ARCS. Key items on the agenda was a warning to land immediately if ever low flying aircraft enter into ARCS flying space. If someone happens to leave equipment behind pick it up and keep it safe until the owner is found. Bill reminded all to practice safe protocols when flying and/or when visiting the field. The meeting concluded with the raffle. The grand prize went to our newest (and returning member) Victor Poole. The next meeting will be held **Sunday August 23rd at 12:30**. In August nominations will be taken for election of club officers in September. Total food donations stand at 454 pounds. Until August, everyone be safe, wear your mask, and Happy Flying!

Jim Witthauer

Fun Fly Photos



