



ARCS News



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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.

The next club meeting will be held on January 19 at 7 PM in the Acadiana Café, 1289 SW Loop 410. There will be plenty of room for social distancing and eating. The restaurant has installed a partition that will allow the club to use almost half the dining room without interference between other patrons and the club meeting. (Remember, it is time to pay annual dues.)

November 2020 Fun Fly

The November Fun Fly, the final event of the year, clearly showed that the ARCS has survived the 2020 pandemic. We are stronger, resilient and ready for continued success with our decades long legacy uninterrupted and intact. Sunday November 22 was a marvelous day for a club Fun Fly. With more than 20 pilots and many visitors and superb flying conditions for everyone from beginner to expert, the day was unquestionably a success.

Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, the social distancing, the quarantine, wearing of masks, and new ways for members to interact with one another, ARCS withstood these headwinds showing itself to be stronger and evermore enduring. With a strong steady membership in excess of 100 members, which includes many new faces, the ARCS is guaranteed to last long into the future. The club is financially sound and prepared to meet routine operational expenses as well as any unexpected financial challenge that may lie ahead. The runway underwent major resealing and repairs. The pavilion received a new roof, new walls and new paint. The club now proudly owns two new mowers to maintain the surrounding grassy areas. Both the website and the newsletter are a model for other clubs to emulate. The club collected and donated 1512 pounds of food to the San Antonio Food Bank. And finally, we returned to our previous meeting location at Acadiana Café to find an improved and now private meeting room awaiting us. The club leaders deserve our commendation for guiding the ARCS in such a way as to sustain the club through the challenges of the past year and prepare it for a brighter future.

ARCS is ready and cleared for take-off into 2021.

Jim Witthauer

President Bill Ponseigo called the meeting to order at 7 PM

Secretary's report was approved as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report (Juan Valdez) – No update recorded

Newsletter (Jim Neff) Newsletter is published. Buck noted that it takes a day after he posts it for the newsletter to show up on the web page.

Web site (Buck Murray) Up to date.

--Information about the Christmas party is posted. Members can pay for the party on line. It is \$21, dessert, entre and non-alcohol drinks. It is either turkey or catfish. If you pay with check pay Juan. The party will be at Acadiana. Capacity is 74. The gift exchange requires a \$25, or more, gift to participate. Something of value, not candles, no gag gifts. Remember one of the ladies may get the gift. Raffle tickets are sold by arm's length, both arms stretched out fingertip to fingertip for \$20. Tickets earned by flights during the fun fly will also be entered into the drawing Extra items have been donated for the raffle. You have to be present to win.

Caps, T-shirts, name tags. See Eric for name tags, standard attachment is safety pin, magnetic attachment is available on request

There is a swap meet planned inside Rolling Oaks Mall. (Note, no info as of publishing date on when)

Jim Rice is planning a swap meet in February.

RC Headquarters is moving to Rolling Oaks Mall and with their larger space may be selling items on consignment..

Old Business:

Dues -- It is the time of year to pay dues. President Bill urged members to pay promptly.

- Treasurer Juan Valdez and Secretary Rick Sanders mostly involved in dues paying.
- Dues can be paid on PayPal, with credit or debit card. PayPal makes it easier for club officers to keep track of those paying because it provides a ready list by name..
- Those not paid up by the end of January will be dropped from membership and not be given gate code.
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Proposed IMAC event is planned for next October 2nd and 3rd (2021) by Ken Rogers. It is an IMAC pattern contest at our field. IMAC will put it on though ARCS members may be volunteering to help. Club officers will keep membership posted as details become available.

New Business/ Announcements:

- There is an LTC 40 Trainer available to anyone who is interested.
- The runway has been resurfaced and striped.
- Thanks to RC Headquarters for helping with items for the raffle.

SHOW AND TELL

Bill Ponseigo showed his P-39 with yellow tape added for visibility.

CRASH OF THE MONTH" Pete

December 2020 Christmas Party

Attendance at the Christmas Party was down this year, likely due to Covid. However, those who were able to come were treated to a great evening. Buck outdid himself with the raffle prizes. Thanks to some special contributions the prize table literally groaned with neat stuff including some large-screen TV sets! The gift exchange was its usual self, with items having to be held three times before becoming “locked” to the one holding them. Of course there were lively claim and trade exchanges for the adult spirits. In the end it was all in great fun and folks seemed happy with what they got. The food, of course, was great. Thanks to the crew at Acadiana Café for their hard work. Thanks to Buck and Carol for their work putting it together, super job! Thanks also to Mike Azar and son Eathon. Mike had bought a ton of raffle tickets. After winning several prizes, Mike started making like Santa Clause and when his number was drawn, gave away several prizes, son Eathon being principle elf.



Lots of raffle prizes

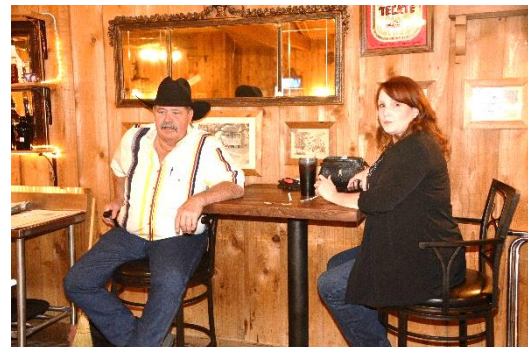


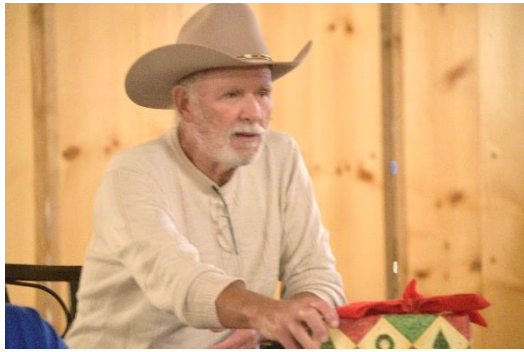
The gift exchange table was full too



Imperfect combo wide shot, gives you the idea of the overall scene. Organizers Buck and Carol on the right.

Who was there?





Gift Exchange and Raffle





1 Ladies' special drawing, gift cards

2 Eathon selects the Citation



3 Big Screen TV winner!



4 Pete, it's not a jet!



5 Maria picks up hubby's prize airplane



6 Happy hubby, happy wife



8 James' ticket didn't win, but Mike and Ethan gave him the winning ticket for the P-39



7 Hauling away the TV



9 James' Dad Eddie thanks Mike Azar for his gift.



10 James thanks Eathon for the airplane

November 2020 Fun Fly



11Newly Surfaced Runway





