

ARCS News



San Antonio, Texas

Alamo Radio Control Society

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AMA Charter 603

November 2021

CLUB FLYING SITE Is located just west of Macdona at 10025 Shepard Road

The next club meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2021, at 7 PM in the Acadiana Café, 1289 SW Loop 410

October 2021 Fun Fly Report

The October Fun Fly boosted an unexpected broad range of features. For the rather small group

who came out to enjoy a day of flying and for those who chose to just watch there was much to see. There were simulated bomb runs, flying canopies, tandem flights, 3D flying, action movie theme music, a major crash, and a cheese head. All this contained in the morning hours of the Sunday event.

It seemed that flying canopies were the plague for pilots that day. At least three canopies chose to leave their airplane and go their own way necessitating frequent trips into the fields to locate and return the wayward coverings. Domingo Rex was the self-appointed observer directing the recover teams to the precise location of the downed canopies.

Enthralled by the movie, *Top Gun*, Andrew Obaya took his F-14 into the air emulating Tom Cruise and the need for speed while his buddy Juan Galvez played the movie theme on his phone only inches from Andrew's ear. Maverick would have been proud watching Andrew.



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Chris Freeman took his *Avanti S* out for a maiden flight but found the runway a bit too short for landing and over ran the pavement after a hard bounce, crippling one of the landing gears.

Saul Cordova flew his A-10 with simulated Gatlin gun firings which include both sound and smoke. Saul completed the sortie by practicing his bombing accuracy twice dropping a bomb which produced a white plume when it burst on target.

Chris Freeman and Tony hand performed tandem flying with their B-24 Liberators, each with distinctively different markings.

Juan Galvez performed Biplane 3D flying. However, unlike Andrew, Juan performed his flying without the accompaniment of music.

Tony Hand watched with great disappointment as his "Don't Shoot" Cub lost air speed on takeoff, banked right and left then nosed into the ground twice to bring its flying days to an end. Leaving a sad image as the plane laid upside down, wheels reaching for the sky which they never would see again, Tony carried the broken plane to his truck and left for the day.

And Doug Christensen, seeming to be longing for the cool, colorful, autumn features of his native Wisconsin briefly donned his "Cheesehead" for everyone to observe. A marvelous sight seldom seen in Texas.

Finally, accolade for the best-looking plane of the day goes to Jim Branaum and his red and white biplane.

Jim Witthauer

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Club Meeting:

Held the 3rd Tuesday of each month (except Dec) 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Tuesday. Acadiana Café, 1289 SW Loop 410

Minutes of Meeting October 19 2021

Meeting called to order by President Bill Ponssigo at 7 PM

Minutes from last meeting approved

Treasurer's Report – Juan Galvez: Approved

History and Food Bank – Jim Witthauer: 160 pounds donated during September Fun Fly. Total for the year is 1,240 pounds.

Newsletter – Jim Neff: Posted. Jim again asked for suggestions and input in the form of articles.

Web – Buck Murray: Web site is working. There is usually a delay between the time Buck uploads the newsletter and it actually appears on the web page.

Christmas Party: Buck says it needs to be November 30 due to his being unable to plan and manage a party in early December Details on the web page.

Badges and hats – Eric Amundsen: New members and those who have ordered duplicate name badges need to retrieve the badges from the board at the pavilion.

IMAC – Ken Rogers: The IMAC event was very successful and the participants complimented the field and club efforts.

- -- The club voted to host the contest again on October 8 and 9, 2022.
- --The IMAC officials requested the club host a regional contest to be scheduled for 2023.
- -- -- Some requested the IMAC event emphasize periodic freestyle flying to entertain or attract spectators who are not informed about the IMAC competition.

Crash of the month: None

Rffle: Winner of airplane: Cristopher Robinson

Show and Tell: Video by Richard Beasley on biplane racing at Las Vegas Ari Races. Talk by Jim Neff on history of RC.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:30.



Fun Fly Photos (Jim Witthauer)

















