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TRCM Events 2016

Sept 15-18

5th Annual TRCM Lodi Grape Festival booth

Presidents Message Bob Kellar

Greetings to all club members,

The month of September brings one of our most rewarding events, the Lodi Grape Festival Booth. We have a large display area for many airplanes and room to meet and greet the fair attendees and tell them about our club. If you can give us just 2 hours on any of the days the Fair is open, you will enjoy this more than you can imagine. There is plenty of opportunity to talk with fellow club members and swap stories about flying RC. (Gently enhanced stories, like fish stories, are acceptable but bald faced lies will be frowned upon. Remember, we are honorable members of society!) The general public, who will be on the other side of the rope, know very little about our hobby, so there will be questions to answer. The most frequent one is, "How much do they cost?" This is a good time to remember that if any of our spouses can hear the answer or may get wind of the answer or know someone you are talking to, the answer is always, "Everything costs about \$5". Another question is, "How fast do they go?" Please keep the answer to this question in the subsonic range as we don't want trouble from the FAA. But the most important thing we do in this booth is to demonstrate to the general public our enthusiasm for our hobby. This is what will inspire some of them to consider coming to watch and then join the club.

Set up arrangements and times will be discussed at the meeting on Sept 7, 2016. There will be a sign up sheet and those

who are going to help with the booth will get a free pass for the Festival. We will send out an e-mail with the set up information. If you have a unique airplane or one that is brightly colored or one that is a scale model of a popular aircraft, let Greg Hennefer know and we will find a place for it at the show. For those of you who are planning to help, indoor flying vehicles are encouraged. So plan accordingly.

The Barriers have been repainted (though the paint is not holding up well) and restrung with new orange mesh netting. Flags have been added and bird deterrent flash strips have been attached. Hopefully, all the Ultralight flyers up in the sky will recognize the presence of the barriers and not try to land on our runway. We will adjust the mesh netting as Winter approaches and the winds increase by allowing the bottom of the nets to fly freely thus reducing the probability of the barriers blowing over. (This is another secrete feat of Scott McCauley!)

Speaking of winds, as in the above paragraph, please stack the chairs into stacks of three or more if you are leaving the field. Even with the moderate winds we have been experiencing the chairs have been blown out into the pit area when they are left as singles. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Our club continues to attract new members. Several have joined in that last two months. So, if you see someone new at the field, go up and introduce yourself and make a new friend. Remember, we all suffer from the disease of RCaddiction. Incurable, but manageable with proper treatment by frequent flying and sharing with friends.



TRCM MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was held on August 3, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Lodi Public Library.

I. Call to Order: President Bob Kellar, 6:30 pm

II. Announcements from the Floor: Al Doucette and that the Delta Valley Modelers are hosting a Helicopter Fun Fly on August 12th. to the 14th at the Kingdon Airport. Bob Kellar announced a reminder of the Churchill BBQ will be held on August 14th. Dick Wareham said that there will be a "Corn Hole Contest" held afterwards. Wally Felahy announced that the giant scale contest got blown out. He did provide a nice free lunch for those people that did show up for the event!

III. Visitors and New Members: We had 21 members and no guest present. Rob Stanley read the bio of a prospective new member. His name is <u>Paul Madruga</u> and he lives in Reno, NV. He is unable to attend our meetings so he was voted in by proxy. Welcome to the club Paul!

IV. Officers Reports:

President: Bob Kellar nothing to report at this time.

Vice-President: Randy Laney nothing to report at this time.

Secretary: Dennis Campbell announced that Gold Country Flyers are holding their Swap Meet on August 13th. at their flying field in Ione. It is free to the seller and free to the buyer! He also announced that he will not be seeking re-election for 2017. He announced it early to give the members time to come up with somebody to take over the position of secretary.

Treasurer's Report: Robert Stanley gave his monthly report. He said that we are now 58 members strong. Safety Coordinator: John Lett was absent.

News Letter Editor: Mark Huntley said that <u>Mike Wilson</u> was the winner of the name the plane contest. It was an inflatable airplane made by Goodyear!

Webmaster: Hal Singer said that all is well with the website.

Field Marshall: Mitch Biddle was absent but he continues to do a good job of maintaining our flying site. <u>Greg Hennefer</u> said that <u>Scott McCauley</u> painted the shade structure fascia and tightened all of the bolts. There was a big round of applause for Scott for taking care of that for us!

V. Old Business:

1. <u>Don Brown</u> gave a presentation regarding crashing 3 airplanes in one month and the overwhelming support that he received from some TRCM members. He said that <u>Wally Felahy</u> took on the task of repairing the fuselage on plane number 3 and <u>Bill Churchill</u> was able to remove a broken bolt that Don wasn't able to get out. He also recognized <u>Mark Huntley</u> for all of his tech support on programing his new Futaba radio. Note that he switched from JR to Futaba after 3 unexplainable radio failures.

VI. New Business:

- 1. Randy Laney said that he is going to organize a BBQ/night fly to be held on October 22nd. at our flying field.
- 2. <u>Mark Huntley</u> said that he wants to put together an IMAC Boot Camp for people to learn the basic pattern. He is going to pick a date and time and put it on our website.
- 3. <u>Bob Kellar</u> announced that <u>Greg Hennefer</u> is taking over the duties of organizing our clubs part of the Grape Festival since <u>Hal Singer</u> is moving out of state that week! It is a lot of work and Hal has been doing a fantastic job of hosting it for our club for the past 5 years! Sign-up sheets will be passed around at the September meeting.
- 4. <u>Bob Kellar gave Hal Singer</u> a certificate making him a <u>Life Time Member of TRCM</u>. The only one that holds that prestigious title is <u>Lanny Shorts!</u>
- 5. George Lauchland stood up and talked to us about how the club is constantly making improvements to the flying site. He said that he would like to see some more improvements made to the site. He said that the property owner stopped by the flying field recently and that he and some other club members had a nice visit with him. The subject of extending the shade structure and extending the runway came up. He said that it was ok with him if wanted to do those things. We just need to leave room between the end of our runway and the canal so they are able to get their equipment around it. George said that he has talked to some members about extending the run out on the west end of the runway. Some members think that the extension is needed in order for them to be able to land their warbirds without going off the end of the petro-mat

and damaging their beautiful airplanes. It was noted that large size warbirds take a lot of roll out area. We have discussed extending the shade structure to the West before, but it has been voted to reject the idea. A new idea has developed to extend the shade structure to the East and also creating another pilot station to the East. The thinking behind putting another pilot station to the East was to give people that fly the heavy warbirds a place to stand that would be closer to that end of the runway, thereby be able to utilize more of the runway. Nick Clayton said that he may be able to come up with some more powder coated material that we use for the poles for the shade structure. A discussion pursued Bill Churchill, George Lauchland and Ken Knowles agreed to come up with a plan and present it at next month's meeting. Nick Clayton will check into the availability of material for the extension of the shade structure and a new temporary pilot station will be established to the East of the existing pilot stations. All of these items will be discussed at the September meeting. Bob Kellar presented the question if we preferred more cheap raffles prizes or fewer more expensive prizes? It was decided to go with 5 expensive prizes instead of 10 cheap ones! VII. Show and Tell: Rob Stanley brought in an airplane that he bought from David Gee at the Oakdale swap meet years ago. He said that it is a Tsunami racer and he doesn't know who built it or what kit it is from. It is a very nice looking airplane and it should be a fast airplane in the air! Mark Huntely brought in a Sky Master airplane. It is an Airforce airplane that was donated to him, with the understanding that he would find a good home for it. Wally Felahy and Ken Knowles took duel ownership of it and they plan to make it a project to get into flying condition.

VIII. Awards:

- 1. ACE: <u>Scott McCauley</u> was nominated for this prestigious award for the painting that he did on our shade structure.
- 2. OOPS: Somebody told a story about <u>Dick Wareham</u> flying his airplane with the ailerons and rudder on the wrong sticks. Think about that for a minute! And then there was <u>Ken Knowles</u>, <u>AKA Captain K</u>, for trying to start his engine by turning it the wrong direction. After it was pointed out to him that he was spinning it the wrong direction it started right up! <u>Captain K</u> took the trophy home with him!

IX. Raffle: Dick Wareham won the card draw for the HiTEC Multi Charger but no luck! Greg Hennefer won the dice roll two times in a row with no luck!

X. Meeting adjournment: 8:05pm

Respectfully submitted by: Dennis Campbell

TOKAY Annual BBQ















Seen at the TOKAY Field







Hi Mark, On Wednesday there was an incident at the field, Dan Wengrin was flying his "trainer" made up of parts of other airplanes! The elevator became detached and the airplane went into a steep dive.

Here also are a couple more airplane and owner photos also. Rob Stanley with an electric and two glow powered airplanes, and Mike Wilson about to put the first flight on his Fly-Baby, that went very well!



Hi Mark, Great day at the field today! That racing was neat to watch!!!

Seen at the field Sunday August 28th.

- 1. Dennis Campbell with his U-Can-Do.
- 2. Mike Stoner and Jim Doyle concentrating during the TRCM club's "IMAC Bootcamp".
- 3. Don brown with his electric F1 Sundancer race plane.
- 4. Dennis Campbell with his trio of "Sticks" mini, midi and maxi!
 5. This is a collection of "Sticks" that were flown today owned by Dennis Campbell, Ken Knowles and Mike Mancebo.

Regards, Mike







John Lint with his scratch built airplane on it's maiden flight. It had a little bump on landing, but I'm sure that we will see it at the filed soon again.



We had a great success and turnout with our very first IMAC Boot Camp. Everyone had a great experience and walked away learning something new and exciting. Thanks to <u>Mike Stoner</u> for the great presentation and help. Also a special thanks to <u>Don Brown</u> for providing stick planes and helping with demonstrations and instruction. Once again, our club pulled together in executing a great event which included a BBQ lunch. Thanks to everyone that participated and helped.







NAME THIS PLANE

Each month I will try to come up with something special or unusual for you to guess. Your correct answer will win you 5 free raffle tickets at our monthly club meeting. You must attend to win. Good luck!





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Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA): http://www.modelaircraft.org

Our AMA District 10 website: http://www.ama10.org

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IMPORTANT: Please make sure when you are the last one to leave the field that you only lock the club padlock through the farmers lock. Do not lock it to the chain as you lock out the farming folks.