



ARCS News



Alamo Radio Control Society

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Fun - Fly

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Club Meetings

Held the 3rd Tuesday of
each month (except Dec)

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at

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The September Fun Fly might have been rather unremarkable were it not for the presence of the first ever FPV course present at any ARCS Fun Fly. Courtesy of Richard Sanders, the course was nearly the length of the runway complete with two gates and six pylons. It was open to all pilots who wished to test their flying skills however few took up the challenge. Other than Bill Ponseigo and Richard, the only other pilot to fly the course was returning member Ron Hicks. Flying his airplane round the course his flight ended abruptly when the propeller snagged a streamer as he negotiated a gate, leaving the plane hanging in the air and giving much amusement to those who watched. The other unlikely FPV enthusiast was Ron's daughter who donned a headset and marveled at the images coming from the camera on Bill's Drone. Maybe she will become the club's youngest member!

Midway through the event President Bill Ponseigo assembled everyone for a brief meeting to discuss a request from Tri-City Flyers RC Club, who are in need of a place to fly their jets.

Members offered several options for the ARCS officers to consider as they look for ways to accommodate the request.

There were no major crashes. However, Rick, a new member, flew his plane into the trees behind the pavilion. The fuselage fell onto a roll of hay leaving the wing stuck in the trees and Rick to ponder how he was going to retrieve his wing.

About 20 pilots participated in the Fun Fly throughout the day. With plenty of sun and blue skies, it was a typical hot autumn day in south Texas. No helicopters, but the usual assortment of EP, gas, and nitro planes filled the pits. Jim Witthauer







September 28, 2017

The meeting was called to order September 19th at 7:00 p.m. The August 2017 minutes were read. A motion was made to accept the Minutes. Approved. Treasurer's Report was read. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.

GUESTS: Sara, Judy, Marsha

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Fun Fly** is **September 24th** 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. New members, hats are free. Name tags will be attached to the board in the pavilion. New members check the board for your name tag.

The Club has donated 139 lbs. this last month for a yearly total of 913 lbs. Let's try to make 2017 even greater. Thanks to all who donated. **Keep up the good work, folks!**

The field is in great shape thanks to the rain. The grass runway on the North side of the asphalt is really looking good and is smooth. If you miss the hard surface the grass is great.

Repeat:

We will be having a Swap Meet October 21st and 22nd at the VFW Post 8541, 2222 Austin Highway, San Antonio, TX 78218. Doors open at 10am Saturday and 9am Sunday. Table rental is \$12.50/day and includes entry fee for vendors. Admission is \$5 per person, \$2.50 for women, children under 17 free. Food and drinks will be available on sight. Contact Tom Richards for table rentals. 210-669-1953 or t-richards@sbcglobal.net All AMA Chartered Clubs within 250 miles have the fliers as well as ARCS Club members. Our advertisement are in the August, September and October issues of ***Model Aviation Magazine***.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual election of Club Officers:

The current Club President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer have volunteered to continue in their current positions for another year if elected by membership vote. A

motion was made to elect the current President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer for the 2017-2018 election years. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

We are collecting dues and fees for 2018. ARCS Annual Dues and Fees must be paid no later than December 31, 2017. We will accept money at the Club Meetings, buy US Mail and on-line via the Club web site, www.alamorcscs.org (using PayPal). If using US Mail, please send the checks payable to ARCS to Tony Centeno. His address is on the Club web site. Please pay early! Keep the Secretary and Treasurer from getting more gray hair!

The fees are as follows:

ADULT MEMBERS:	\$60 Annual Dues
	\$25 Grass Maintenance Fee
	\$85 Total
YOUTH MEMBERS:	\$10 Annual Dues
	\$25 Grass Maintenance Fee
	\$35 Total
DUES EXEMPT MEMBERS:	\$25 Grass Maintenance Fee
	\$25 Total

A NOTE TO ALL:

All new members who join the Club during the months of September through December 2017 and pay dues and fees for 2018, all dues and fees for 2017 are waived.

SHOW AND TELL:

Bill Ponseigo brought in his new racing Drone, the Wizard X2. Cool! Bill you may need to paint it Orange to see it.

Rich Sanders showed us the small chip that must be soldered into the drone's flight board and flashed to get the whole mess to work. He will be working with Bill to make sure the new Wizard remains South of Macdona-Lacoste Road.

CRASH OF THE MONTH: NONE

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. Special thanks go out to Hobby Town for providing the raffle prizes to the Club at a reduced price.

Hobbico Ultra Sport 46 ARF – Bill Ponseigo

Filler – James Munro

Wind Farrer Glider Kit – Tom Richards

Electric Fuel Pump – Jaun Galvez

Fuel Pump – Buck Murray

Gallon of Fuel – Phil Everman

Heat Gun – Tom Nolan

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.



