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ARCS News

Alamo Radio Control Society www.alamoradiocontrol.club
AMA Charter 603



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

The next club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday September 16, 2025, at 7 PM at Biggs Burger Joint, 10106 State Highway 151, San Antonio, TX 78251, (210) 543-2029.. Monthly Fun Fly the following Sunday.

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Club Meeting:

Held the 3rd Tuesday of
each month (except Dec)
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Tuesday - Biggs Burger



L to R: Cliff Chetwood Jr, Sean Graue, Austin Cribb, Reydon Lopez, Caden Morse, In Front: Cam Weber

photograph under the new ARCS Sign. The gathering marked the official dedication of the club's new sign courtesy of Gari Valdez. Long overdue Gari's contribution is deeply appreciated by all. Gari's hard work is reflected in the superior quality and detail of a marvelous sign which should last for many years. Brandishing smiles that outshined the sun, each member held a food donation for the photo. The donation is the largest ever collected by the ARCS at the club's monthly food drives, 359 pounds. It is destined for Kerr County Flood Relief. The ARCS donation will be noted in the San Antonio Food Bank Digital Newsletter to recognize the club's fifteen years of support for our community. Thanks to the many club members who support our food drives and unceasingly make the ARCS a continuing success. Jim Witthauer

The bright Texas sun of the August Fun Fly shone down upon the Sunday fliers who took a brief pause from flying to gather for a group



ARCS Meeting Minutes August 19th, 2025

The meeting was called to order August 19th at 7:00 p.m. The July 2025 minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter. Treasurer's Report was read. Checking = \$2,450 Savings = \$9,820 Total = \$12,271. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.

Guests: Maria Valdez

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Fun Fly** is **August 24st** from 10 am to 2 pm. Bring snacks (donuts etc.) for the pilots and food for the Food Bank.

Eric Amundsen handles hats for club members. For new members, hats are free. Replacement hats are \$15.

The Club donated 202 lbs. of food to the San Antonio Food Bank in July 2025. Total for the year is 1645 lbs. Thanks to all who donated. **Keep up the good work, folks!** Just put the food in the "Fun Fly Barrel".

FIELD CONDITIONS:

- Termites were sprayed again to stop the spreading
- Gari Valdez provided a new ARCS sign with powder coated colors for the field pavilion. Looks Great! Thank Gari when you see him.
- Ben Weber, Simon Rodriguez and Gari Valdez are building beautiful new steel tables for the field. Ben does the welding and fabricating, Gari does the powder coating and Simon is the coordinator, material procurer and labor crew for the whole project. Cost is just over \$200 each. Currently we have 5 new tables at the field with a sixth in production. Simon Rodrigez, Ken Rogers, and Rob Lane have each donated 1 table to the club and Darkhive (a drone company with 4 club members who sometimes rents the field for client demonstrations) has donated 3 tables! Many thanks for all those who have donated so far! We plan to build at least 4 more new tables so if anyone would like to donate towards a new table, please contact Bill Ponseigo.
- Our landlord Joe Roehmer has generously donated a new port-a-potty for the field (including weekly cleaning) for the next year. The new port-a-potty is under the pecan tree. The port-a-potty is for our use and for the use of workers that Joe sometimes has on site. Thank Joe when you see him. The club owned port-a-potty but will not be serviced. The door has been zip tied shut so please don't use it.
- The fan under the shed that used to block the camera view has been moved to the east end of the pavilion. Much easier to spy now!

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nominations were taken for club officers. All the current club officers offer to continue in their roles for another year. The officers we voted in by acclimation.

SHOW AND TELL:

- Jimmy Neff brought in a clip winged cub, 3S only. Says it flies slow but is very acrobatic
- Steve Pursell displayed a Texaco Stearman Bi-Plane die cast metal bank model.

CRASH OF THE MONTH:

- Bob Severence was maidenning his P-39 after making repairs. The plane ground looped and crashed at takeoff.
- Caden Morse was climbing his f-15 too steep and it stalled and crashed.
- Caden Morse was doing a low inverted pass with his T-28 and flew it into the ground.
- AJ was flying his Spacewalker and lost control and it hit the chain link fence.

- Caden got the ticket.

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.

- Juan Valdez won the E-Flite Micro Draco Plane

- Rick Neville donated a UMX V-22 Osprey VTOL. Pat Flores won with a \$70 bid.



The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

**New Tables
Richard Sanders**



Many of you have seen the great new tables we are building for the field. Ben Weber, Simon Rodriguez and Gari Valdez have taken the lead building the beautiful new steel tables for the field. Ben does the welding and fabricating, Gari does the powder coating and Simon is the coordinator, material procurer and labor crew for the whole project. We have just upgraded the design to change from treated wood tops to TREX lifetime tops. They look really sharp should last "forever". Cost is just over \$250 each, REALLY LOW COST mostly because of the free donated labor..

Currently we have 5 new tables at the field and we are getting ready to build 5 more. Simon Rodriguez, Ken Rogers, and Rob Lane have each donated 1 table to the club and Darkhive (a drone company with 4 club members who sometimes rents the field for client demonstrations) has donated 3 tables! Many thanks for all those who have donated so far!

If anyone would like to donate towards the new tables, Buck has added a new link to the right of the existing pay areas on the club webpage to allow for more donations. Click on the new gold "Buy Now" box and it will take you to a new page that allows you to put in a donation amount and then go to checkout with whichever method you prefer.

I just used it to make a donation and it worked easy.!!! Why don't ALL OF YOU try it, make a donation, and let's get these tables paid for !!! It's great to have good tables at the field for setting up our planes.

Website link is [Model Airplane Club | San Antonio, TX - ARCS](#)

GO NOW! Thanks again

Field Model for Realflight

 [Alamo Radio Control Society Summer.RFX](#)

Here is Cliff Chetwood's latest ARCS Field model for realflight. It's really nice! If anyone needs it, I included RealFlight installation instructions below:

For those of you who use the RealFlight simulator, Clifford Chetwood has spent quite some time coming up with a really good model of the ARCS flying field. I am distributing it to everyone to try it out if you want to. The link is pasted above. To use it:

1. Click on the link above. If you get a Go to link: box, click on the blue link in the box.
2. This should take you to ONEDRIVE and show the file and a download box. Click download and you should be able to see the file download in the upper left corner of the screen. You will need to know where the file downloaded to (usually This PC > Downloads but your computer could be different)
3. Open Realflight (RF). Depending on your RF version, there may be different methods to add the ARCS field. *NOTE: If you have already downloaded the ARCS Field from Clifford, make sure that you select a different airport prior to proceeding or you will have to start over in step 4 below.*
4. For the new RF evolution, from the active model hit escape (Esc) and a Menu Box comes up. On the menu box select My Realflight, Select Import, Select Realflight Archives, and you will see a dropdown navigation box where you need to go to the download location from step 2 (usually This PC > Downloads) and choose the name that is the same as the link above and click OPEN. *NOTE: If you have already downloaded the ARCS Field from Clifford, You will have to highlight the overwrite button and click OK twice.*
5. Escape (Esc) out to the live model. You should now be able to go to select field and Select Alamo Radio Control Society and start flying.

Other versions of RF will be different. I also had RF 7.5 and for it step 4 changed to:

4. For RF 7.5, from the active model hit select simulation at the upper left, from the dropdown select Import, select Realflight Archives, and you will see a dropdown navigation box where you need to go to the download location from step 2 (usually This PC > Downloads) and choose the name that is the same as the link above and click OPEN. *NOTE: If you have already downloaded the ARCS Field from Clifford, You will have to highlight the overwrite button and click OK twice.*
5. You should automatically go to the live model. You should now be able to go to select field and Select Alamo Radio Control Society and start flying.

Other versions of RF might be different from these but I hope the basics will be similar

OK, well good luck with this and happy flying. The field is really cool! I think Clifford plans further upgrades in the future. Thank him for his work when you see him at the field.



Fun Fly Photos
By Jim Witthauer

















