



# ARCS News



Alamo Radio Control Society

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San Antonio, Texas

AMA Charter 603

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

## Fun - Fly



Pete Dubree braved the strong crosswinds with his Sprint turbine jet.

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Held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of

each month (except Dec)

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at

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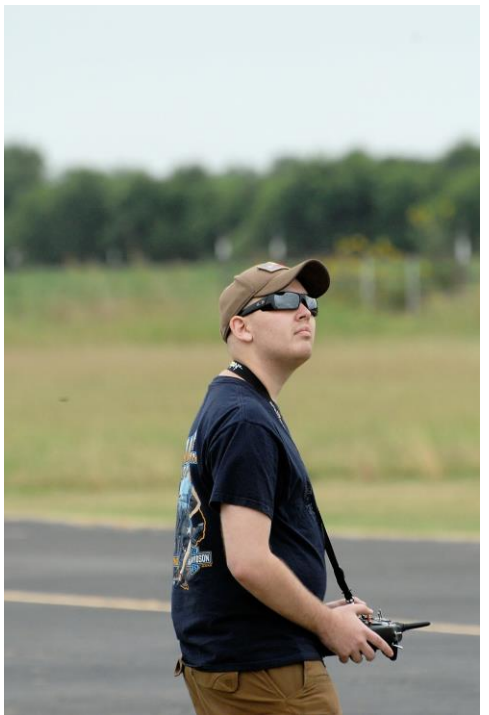
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The May Fun Fly contrasted sharply with the Fun Fly in April by its low attendance. There were only 15 people who showed compared to the record turn out last month. The threat of rain and wind seemed to have washed out any thought of flying in minds of many. Just a few regular attendees were present. By 1:00pm most had flown as much as they wanted and had left early, leaving two or three pilots who had the field to themselves. However, with the exception of a helicopter and a glider it seems very type of RC aircraft was represented.

The wind presented some challenges. Bob Palimini's Pulse Extra was blown off the stand after he prepared it for flying but fortunately was not hurt. And there were times when everyone sat engaged in conversation waiting for the wind to subside. In spite of the wind's challenges both Bill Ponseigo and Jim Agnew did some flight instruction for an eager student. And everyone present did get into the air more than once.

Overall it was a good day even though the weather was unaccommodating. Hopefully June will be better!

Jim Witthauer





**May 16, 2017**

**The meeting was called to order May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:10 p.m. The April 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: Sarah, Pat, and Sandra**

**NEW MEMBER: Walter Weidman**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**The Fun Fly is May 22<sup>nd</sup> 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. Blue hats are \$15. New members, hats are free. A new name tag board will be attached to the pavilion. New members check the board for your name tag.**

**The Club has donated 157 lbs. this last month for a yearly total of 452 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.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**The added grass cutting as a result of the added grass runway is taking a toll on the equipment. They are constantly being repaired by Bill, Phil and Rich. Expect the repair parts costs to rise along with the fuel usage. Thank you to everyone that mows and repairs the equipment!**

**Repeat:**

**Areas near the edge of the runway are cracking. We have determined that flexible roof sealant works well to fix the cracks. Buck Murray will attempt to get one of his contractors to do the job for the Club. This approach will save us a lot of labor. We are not getting any younger and we want to minimize pain to "old backs." If Buck's efforts fail, the Club will purchase the materials and**

**schedule a "Work Day" to get the cracks sealed. We will keep everyone informed of the activities.**

**We have new airplane tie downs thanks to Al Staats. He is using the "miracle" garden hose for the cover (we have seen the hose on TV that instantly uncoils when water is applied). The nylon outer shell is very kind to the airplanes. If you have "miracle" hoses that have leak or in disrepair, bring them to the field. We will use them for additional tie downs. Thank you Al.**

**The Club does not have a trash service. If you bring it to the field, please take it home not matter what the condition. That's food, cans, broken airplanes, cars, radios etc.**

**If you have an airplane go into the fields or near the stock pond, please wear the "Snake Gators" that are in the First Aid Box. This is the snake time of the year. Watch where you step and reach. Take someone with you on the hunt for your airplane. Be safe.**

#### **CRASH OF THE MONTH:**

**Mike Dees out flying after a long layoff. Mike was doing great until it came time to land. The winds were out of the Southwest so he make a right hand pattern kind of over the barn. You know we should practice them. Anyway, Mike was not going the hit the runway so he "SCHooched" it in the grass. We are trying to figure out what SCHooched means, but we believe it means "dumped it in the grass." Mike isn't telling. The foamie will fly again!**

**The winner is Mike Dees.**

#### **SHOW AND TELL:**

**Bill Ponseigo brought in some flexible stainless gas line for water heaters that he got while bargain hunting for a few bucks. It is what he used to replace the exhaust deflector on his OS engine. He saved over \$30.**

#### **RAFFLE**

**The monthly raffles are designed to break even. Any access 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.**

**FMS F-35 64mm fan Electric ARF – Richard Urrutia**

**Bench Topper – Al Staats**

**MonoKote Sealing Iron – Dennis Okolie**

**Spinner – Mike Dees**

**Fuel Pump – Bill Ponseigo**

**Wheels – Walter Weidman**

**Dead Center Tool – Dennis Okolie**

**Gallon of Fuel – Tony Centeno**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.**

**Sorry no May 2017 meeting pics were taken**