



# ARCS News



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Alamo Radio Control Society

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

**The next club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, 2022, at 7 PM in the Acadiana Café, 1289 SW Loop 410. Monthly Fun Fly the following Sunday.**

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#### Club Meeting:

Held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month (except Dec)

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Tuesday. Acadiana Café, 1289 SW Loop 410

## July 2023 Fun Fly

It was unarguably the hottest Fun Fly of the year. Yet the July event was also one of the most attended. 25 pilots from five to 80 flew nearly every type of RC aircraft imaginable. All before a respectable crowd of observers who watched from beneath cool shade. Here are the highlights.

Jim Branaum and Paul Dawson flew matching OMP Hobbies Blue Horn planes adorned in blue and gold trim. Eric Amundsen flew a foam board "Mini Scout" in calm winds until losing a battery in the brown grass. Bob Weber skillfully



maneuvered his colorfully adorned scratch-built plane against the blue sky. Hilario Villarreal completed a successful maiden flight of his new Extreme Flight Extra 78-inch NG. Later, he piloted his Goblin 700 helicopter. Stephan Christensen and Rich Sanders, the only drone pilots of the day, chased those who flew airplanes. Pete Dubree made a successful belly

landing of his MiG. Rob Lane cartwheeled his E-flite Twin Timber plane then casually took off for another circuit of the pattern. Sal Sordo came out with his grandson who showed himself adept at flying toy drones with "Superheroes." His "abuelo" (aka grandpa) flew in the north end of the field. New member Thomas

Stillwill attended his first ARCS Fun Fly accompanied by lovely copilot Diane Stillwill.

Juan Galvez's Flight Line F4U Corsair may have been the warbird of the day; however, Chris

Freeman's F9F- 6 Cougar was an immaculate reproduction. Another rival of vintage aircraft

was Phil Everman's F-100 Thunderbird which Juan Galvez managed to land safely when

flight controls went awry. Members of the "Jet Mafia" Bill Surratt, Curtis Chambers, and Chris

Freeman among others were the day's early birds, flying while the sun, heat, and humidity were low.

Great flying. Enjoyable camaraderie. A remarkable day.



*Tom and Diane Stillwill*

Jim Witthauer

**ARCS Meeting Minutes July 18, 2023**

The meeting was called to order July 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The reading of the June 2023 minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter. Treasurer's Report was read. \$9358 in savings, \$1560 in checking. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The **Fun Fly** is **July 23rd** from 10 am to 2 pm. Bring snacks (donuts etc.) for the pilots and food for the Food Bank.

If you want a club shirt, check with Eric Amundsen, he will take your order. Shirts are \$20. Extended sizes are slightly higher. There is no minimum order. If you want a shirt, call Eric. Hats are \$15. Name Tags are \$6. New members, hats and name tags are free but you need to tell Eric if you want a nametag. Email Eric at [cam@clevelandnet.com](mailto:cam@clevelandnet.com) if you want a nametag. Name tags will be attached to the board in the pavilion. New members check the board for your name tag if you ordered one from Eric.

The Food bank donation for June will be added to the July fun fly donation. Totals will be updated next month. Thanks to all who donated. **Keep up the good work, folks!** Just put the food in the "Fun Fly Barrel".

**FIELD CONDITIONS:**

All OK. Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

IMAC contest for October has been cancelled.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration was great. Thanks for all those who planned the event, cooked the food and managed the fireworks display.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bob Golden explained there was some equipment donated by FRISKY and Valley View Products for the IMAC event. It was discussed if we wanted to put on another event to replace IMAC and use the donations. It was decided to not do that. Bob will check with the vendors on what to do with the donations.

**SHOW AND TELL:**

Richard Sanders showed some film from his new DJI high definition video drones chasing a couple of Bill Ponseigo's planes.

Bill Ponseigo showed some neck cooling fans available from TEMU at very low cost.

Bill Cody showed his Balsa USA Moonraider with an OS 40 2 stoke.

Jimmy Neff showed brought his Seagull Models German Juengmeister Bi-Plane.

**CRASH OF THE MONTH:**

Jim Branham crashed his Perfection

Bill Cody got out too far, lost orientation, and crashed his trainer

Richard Sanders threw battery from crack yak during a high G loop

Jim and Bill tied for crash of the month

**Raffle:**

The monthly raffles are designed to break even. Although any access monies are to be used for the Christmas Party Raffle, with low meeting attendance and high prize costs we are running a deficit almost every month. Need to decide on how to continue.

Laz Saenz won the Horizon Valiant 1.3 M plane.



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**Fun Fly Photos  
(By Jim Witthauer)**













