

ARCS News



Alamo Radio Control Society

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AMA Charter 603

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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 October 15, 2024, 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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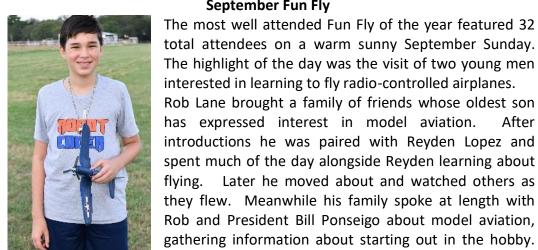
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Club Meeting:

Held the 3rd Tuesday of each month (except Dec) 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Tuesday. Biggs Burger Joint, 10106 State Highway 151, San Antonio, TX 78251



September Fun Fly

total attendees on a warm sunny September Sunday. The highlight of the day was the visit of two young men interested in learning to fly radio-controlled airplanes. Rob Lane brought a family of friends whose oldest son has expressed interest in model aviation. introductions he was paired with Reyden Lopez and spent much of the day alongside Reyden learning about Later he moved about and watched others as they flew. Meanwhile his family spoke at length with Rob and President Bill Ponseigo about model aviation, gathering information about starting out in the hobby. And there was Caden Morse who with Bob, his father,

came equipped with a small corsair. Caden flew his corsair remarkably well having spent significant time on a simulator. With their interest and enthusiasm, it appears the boys may soon be adopted as two more youth members of the ARCS family of pilots.

The most extraordinary flight was that of Juan Galvez's Hobby King V2 Paramotor which he successfully flew for the first time that morning. Domingo Reyes flew his J-65 jet, Chris Freeman performed a parachute drop from his B-25 Mitchell, and Richard Sanders Ultimate biplane took a hit from the propellor of Bill Ponseigo's U-Can-Do which damaged the biplane's wing. It landed safely. Simon Rodrigues flew a beautiful Hanger 9 Saratoga which he has owned for nearly 30 years. Jets of the day included an



F-100 Thunderbird, F9F Cougar, F-22 Viper, and V2 Avanti S. Other vintage planes of note were a Stearman biplane and P-40. Doug Christensen treated everyone with pots of chili and hot cheese complete with tortilla chips. And hearing the voice to return to flying once again, Colin Gipp and Jim Marshall came out to observe and renew acquaintances.

Jim Witthauer

ARCS Meeting Minutes September 17, 2024

The meeting was called to order September 17th at 7:00 p.m. The reading of the August 2024 minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter. Treasurer's Report was read. Total funds are \$14.355. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.

Guests: Denise, Brannon, Jim, Michelle, Olga, Chloe, Chris



Meeting Room at Bigz

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Fun Fly** is **September 22nd** 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. Shirt cost varies so Eric will have tell you the cost. 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 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 Club donated 228 lbs. of food to the San Antonio Food Bank in August 2024. Total for the year is 1744 lbs. Thanks to all who donated. **Keep up the good work, folks!** Just put the food in the "Fun Fly Barrel".

FIELD CONDITIONS:

- Rob Lane will be starting table repairs when weather cools down.
- Toss peanut shells out in the grass, not under the pavilion
- Clean up after yourself. Haul off you own trash.
- DO NOT DRIVE IN THE FIELDS
- Turn off all the breakers if you are last to leave
- No arrivals until 30 minutes before sunrise. Leave at least 30 minutes before sunset.
- We sent out a reminder letter on use of the internet Field Camera

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

The current club officers were re-elected by acclimation for 2025

- Jim Agnew was named Special Event Coordinator
- Christmas party will be December 3rd at Bigz. Buck is working on possible menu options with Bigz
- Time to start paying 2025 dues. Go to the Website and pay the \$85 Annual Dues and Field in the dropdown box.
- Michelle Lopez awarded with Certificate and Honorary membership for support of her son Rayden with his club membership.
- Sarah Centeno awarded a certificate for her helping with Tony coming to the field and meetings.

SHOW AND TELL: None

CRASH OF THE MONTH:

- Rayden was flying Bill's U-Can-Do when the engine died. He couldn't make it back to the runway and the plane got wing and undercarriage damage when he set it down in the field. Engine died from dried and broken fuel tuning in the tank.
- Bill and Richard were flying racing drones using FPV goggles. They were the only ones at the field. Just after a simultaneous takeoff, there was a loud bang on the shed roof but both drones still appeared to be to flying ok based on the Pilot's goggle video. However, Bill was having issues with losing and then regaining control of stable flight. We decided to do and emergency landing to determine the control issue. When both drones landed at the same time at the same place, it was discovered that Bill's goggles was mistakenly set to Richard's camera channel so both Pilots were actually watching Richard's drone video feed. After a really good laugh, Bill's drone was found behind the shed where it landed after hitting the roof on takeoff.
- Bill got the ticket.

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.

Richard Sanders won the FMS P-40B Flying Tiger.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.



Special Awards

Our hobby would not be possible without the help of our family, especially our spouses or our mothers. Recently the club honored Michelle Lopez and Sarah Centeno, two great helpers who have made RC flying possible in their families. Your editor cropped the certificates from the photos, and they're posted below. Well done, Michelle and Sarah.



President Bill Ponseigo presents a certificate of appreciation to Michelle Lopez





President Bill Ponseigo Presents the certerficate of appreciation to Sarah Centeno



September Fun Fly Photos By Jim Witthauer













