



The Flight Recorder

Tri County R/C Club



June 2016

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May was busy month at the field. At the monthly meeting May 7th we presented the Dunnellon little league a check representing our profits from the big bird event held in April for \$500.00. Pictured at the right from left to right are Tom Gorth treasurer Tricounty R/C, Gary Sonneberger president of the Dunnellon little league, Norm Albert president of tricounty R/C, and John Kettgen secretary, and CD of the the big bird event. Gary Sonneberger thanked the club and said little leaguers were very appreciative to receive the contribution, it would be put to good use as they are totally self supporting and have a lot of maintenance issues.



To the left is Tom Czikk from the OTOW and OFMC R/C clubs accepting the pilots award from Terry Bingham for the best of show for his magnificent C-130 Hercules model. The plane has a 120 inch wingspan, weighs 34 pounds, has four electric motors, and was scratch built. If you are unfamiliar with the term that means he built it from plans which I am sure had to be modified a lot to make the whole thing work. I have seen very few of these done, they have to be difficult to build, and I have heard they are very difficult to fly, I understand it took him a couple of years to build it. Congratulations Tom it looks great, and fly's well. The pictures of were taken by Bruce Richardson.

The fly-in was a success, the weather was perfect, our gang of volunteers did their usual fantastic job of making all the visitors welcome, the cook shack under the able leadership of our new master chef Joe Dias handled the lunch crowd in the usual efficient manner. As promised Joe introduced a new dish, chicken and rice with veggies that was very good. we had many of our own pilots registered and a good number of visiting pilots from our neighboring clubs, particularly OTOW that always sends a large group.

Our next event will be the General Chuck Yeager war bird fly-in on Saturday September 17th , plenty of time to get the war bird ready.

See ya at the field, Dave Small



Next Meeting Saturday June 11th 9:00 AM at the field

Minutes for the Tri-County R/C Club on, May 7, 2016

On May 7th 2016, the Tri-County R/C Club, meeting, was convened at 9:00AM , Saturday with 34 members present. After a motion by Dale Curran and a second by Terry Bingham, the previous months minutes were voted on and accepted as read, by the membership.

Secretary: Tom Gorth introduced the two representatives from the Dunnellon Little League. Their names are Matt Bogarggio and Gary Sonneberger. A formal presentation took place, as Tom handed them the donation check of \$500, which were our net proceeds from the Big Bird Fly-in event. They appeared overwhelmed and very excited to receive the check. They said that the money will be put to good use, for buying much needed equipment and supplies. There was a long applause and much hand shaking activity took place; the newspaper folks took some nice shots of the presentation.

Field Marshall: No Report, Ken Serikstad was not present, but it is obvious we cut when its needed. Kudos to all our lawn mower help. Thank You guys!

Up and coming Events: A special thanks to Tom Gorth for donating the donuts at our Big Bird.

Safety Report: Andy Holtzman mentioned that the Big Bird event went very well and that there were no instances or issues with safety.

Pilot Training Report: Norman Albert, and Ralph Rogers, who was also part of the training cadre, both reported that all was proceeding well. Slow---but sure.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Gorth reported our club finances along with the earned dollars from the Big Bird event, of which all the net profits went to the Dunnellon Little League, as a donation. Any details that may be required, please see Tom.

Membership Chairman: John Cihlar was introduced as a new member. John mentioned that he was a full scale pilot and eluded that there was a significant differences between the large full scales and these much smaller models. John seemed eager to learn. Everyone welcomed him.

Old Business: Terry Bingham made new directional signs for all of our events, they turned out super. Terry said that he was going to put them out Friday eve, before the Electric Fly-in (June 3). A suggestion was made by Chris Wieland, that John Kettgen draft and send an e-mail of appreciation to the Top of The World folks, thanking them for their recent participation at our Big Bird Fly-in. John, nodded that he would take care of it.

New Business: Discussion indicated concern for when we would have our TCRC Club picnic. It was decided that we would put it off until the fall timeframe. Everyone appeared to be in agreement. No more new business was discussed at this time.

Communications Chairman: No report given.

Cook Shack/Picnics: Joe Dias asked if everyone enjoyed the sausage sandwiches that his wife had made for the Big Bird, everyone applauded and showed him extreme enthusiasm. Soooo, I guess we'll see them again at the Electric Fly-in.

Crash of the Month Award: This month nominations include the following:

- 1) Norman Albert nominated Steve Tibbetts for the crash of his magnificent Corsair. Steve, Maybe not enough ump!!
- 2) Chris Wieland nominated Dave Farrar for actually perfecting turning "foam to dust".
- 3) Doc. Ralph Rogers nominated Charlie Payne for his crash, of his Ugly Stick, which actually made it even more ugly. (there's nothing like a pile of plane pieces to be ugly)
- 4) Terry Bingham nominated Jerry Dittmar for the crash of his B17 electric, during the Big Bird event. (this crash was also ugly)

A vote was taken; and guess what, after a close vote, Dave's pile of foam won. Congratulations Dave.

50/50: won by Bob Fehlberg

Door Prize: won by Bob Fehlberg (did he use the same ticket?) LOL

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 9:27 A.M. , after a motion by Ken Bonneau and seconded by Dr. Tom Cornell

Respectfully Submitted, 5/21/2016

John Kettgen, Secy for Tri-County R/C

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA 2016 R/C & SPECIAL EVENTS

Jun 18 Fun-Fly H.A.M. Brooksville
Jul 25~31 64th EAA Air Venture EAA Oshkosh WI
Aug 20 7th Hot Deals Swap Meet H.A.M. Brooksville
Sep 17th 16th Yeager Warbird Fly-In Tri-Count Dunnellon
Oct 8 3rd Hellings Benefit Fun-Fly H.A.M. Brooksville
Oct 8 16th Open Fly-In O.T.O.W. Ocala
Oct 20~22 3rd 12 O'clock High F.T.E. Lakeland
Nov 19 Big Bird H.A.M. Brooksville
Dec 3 18th Santa Fly-In Tri-County Dunnellon
Dec 17 7th Cool Deals Swap Meet H.A.M. Brooksville

Corrections/Additions to

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Check the web site for upcoming events,
pictures of events that have happened,
and all the newsletters for the last year