



The Gold Country Flyer

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Date: 07/11/2024 Monthly Club Meeting

1. Called meeting to order: 7:00 PM Members attending: 21
2. Approval or correction of the previously published meeting minutes. Approved
3. Guests/New Members: None
4. President's (John Stoney) report: Nothing to report.
5. Vice President's (Dick Belden) report: Dick discussed an incident at the field involving Futaba receivers. Apparently it is possible for a powered receiver to bind or remain bound to a Futaba transmitter while the user is operating a different aircraft from the transmitter's model list. Most members were unaware of this, while a couple had experienced the problem, but thought it was an isolated anomaly. This appears to involve "older" Futaba transmitters, but caution dictates ensuring a full power off of a receiver before attempting to operate a different model.
6. Treasurer's (Alan Ross) report: Account is in order.
7. Newsletter: Nothing to report. Please email photos of your activities.
8. Website: All is up to date.

9. Safety Officer: With the heat and extreme fire danger conditions at the field, it is very important that everyone knows where the extinguishing equipment is located, and have an idea how it is operated. All present on the field should be vigilant and prepared to assist in rapid suppression of any flame. It would also be prudent to keep our flight patterns closer in, as a distant crash might take too long to get to.
10. Committee Reports.
 - A. Swap Meet: Scheduled for the 2nd Sat. in Aug. (17th)
 - B. Christmas Party: Pending
 - C. Promoting Flying: Ongoing efforts to find venues that expose our sport to others, especially youth. Airport Appreciation Day at Jackson Westover on 9/28.
 - D. Field Maintenance: Thanks to all involved with keeping our the field trimmed.
11. Announcements and reading of any pertinent correspondence. We learned of the passing of former member, Lionel Perry. Respected and missed.
12. Discussion of old or continuing business items.
 - A. Todd Eldred passed out copies of the revised Bylaws and Rules. The changes were voted on and passed. The website will have the new document uploaded for all members to see.
 - B. Dylan Finley asked to be replaced as Raffle director due to school and other activities. Jay Clifton volunteered to take on the job and Dylan offered to assist him in the transition.
 - C. We were offered the meeting room at the Round Table Pizza in Martell to hold our monthly meetings beginning on Aug 1 (first Thursday). [Will this bring some hungry members out to join us??]
13. Discussion of new business.
 - A. The plane stands and ground blocks are in need of repair, particularly the foam wing protectors. Dick Belden and several others volunteered to fix.
14. Presentation of member's projects. [Show and Tell]. None.
15. Dummy of the Month.

Nominees included: John Stoney for breaking the engine off his favorite plane; Jerry Davis for another incident involving a V-22 (how many is this?); and Greg Prindle for launching a new large scale glider and having it come back and strike him. The vote was close, but John garnered the award.

16. Raffle Time. Dylan conducted a raffle that had several prizes including a nice tool kit and multiple LiPo accessories.

ADJOURNMENT