



The Gold Country Flyer

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Date: 08/01/2024 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: Craig Rousseau introduced himself and was quickly voted in as a new member.
4. President's (John Stoney) report: John welcomed everyone to the new venue at Round Table Pizza.
5. Vice President's (Dick Belden) report: Dick thanked Todd Eldred for replacing the needed foam insulation on our start stands and hold-downs. He also reminded members to be extra cautious when turning left into the field. There have been numerous times when following traffic will attempt to pass, disregarding turn signals.
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: Lance advised he had an EP crash where the battery ignited. He was alone and first tried the hand pump fire extinguisher but the pump failed. Fortunately he was able to use his feet to stamp out the burning vegetation, but felt it would have been a much easier job with a shovel or other hand tools. Keep this in mind anytime you are flying, but especially during hot/dry conditions.

10. Committee Reports.

- A. Swap Meet: Scheduled for the 2nd Sat. in Aug. (17th) P.S. It was a good showing with many people showing up PRIOR to 5:30 am. Photos to follow.
- B. Christmas Party: Pending
- C. Promoting Flying: 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. None.

12. Discussion of old or continuing business items.

- A. We are still waiting for an estimate on repairing the runway. Phil Thompson brought up an advertiser that promises a slurry over blacktop service that will last two years.

13. Discussion of new business.

- A. It was suggested that we get as many members as possible to attend the county Board Of Supervisors meetings to promote our club and build a rapport .
- B. A member had several boxes of RC goods and was looking to give it away. He was happy to take the suggestion to donate it to the raffle director.
- C. Fred Carter has given out a couple of "Solo Certificates". Congratulations to the recipients. Thanks to Fred for coming up with this great idea.

14. Presentation of member's projects. [Show and Tell]. None.

15. Dummy of the Month.

Nominees included: Lance for crashing his Escapade (and starting a fire), Jon Teeling for crashing shortly after takeoff, Tom for crashing a helo in the parking lot, Bill Rider for hitting the fence with his T28, and Jim Caudle for an unsuccessful launch of his Canseco. Unfortunately my notes fail to say who won the vote.

16. Raffle Time. Jay wasn't present, but had several nice ARF kits, an EP motor and some other paraphernalia.

ADJOURNMENT

Annual Swap Meet - Aug. 17

Photos by Tom Minger



Tom advises this is the biggest turnout yet, When He arrived just before 0530, the parking lot was nearly full! Some had arrived at 0400. Over 45 sellers in total. It was over by 1:00pm and a good time had by all.

Tom was assisted by Alan Ross and Chris Kapic during the set-up Friday Evening.