



TAILWINDS TAILS

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Latest Tailwinds

Derek Abramson, Editor



What great flying weather we had over the past couple of weeks. I hope everybody has been getting some flying in before the weather goes south. It is just amazing it is already November going into December.

The AVTI Christmas Party is coming up here on December 4th. The festivities will begin around 6:00PM at Vince's Pizza and Pasta on 30th West and Ave L. There will be great prizes which includes several airplanes. All are invited to have some good fun and food with fellow modelers. I hope to see everybody there!

Unfortunately, the night-fly was blown

out (go figure). We will be rescheduling, but likely it will be after the first of the year.

It is that time of year again, the AMA show will be in Ontario, the line-up looks interesting, including a talk about one of the projects I am on at NASA. The boys at Armstrong actually let me fly the planes.

Also, remember to renew your AMA dues as it expires on the 31st of December. You have to carry a valid AMA membership to fly at AVTI

Merry Christmas!

-Derek



The line-up at the Classic-Pattern Championship



Classic-Pattern Pilot Line-Up

AVTI SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS	
November	
6 7:00 pm	AVTI General Meeting WJF
8, 9 8:00 am	CPA West Coast Regionals, Classic Pattern
15 6:00 pm	AVTI Cool Nights Night Fly
December	
4 6:00 pm	AVTI Christmas Party!!!! Vince's Pizza and Pasta 30th Street West and Ave L
January 2015	
8 7:00 pm	AVTI General Meeting, WJF
9-11 8:00 AM	AMA Convention, Ontario Convention Center



AVTI HISTORY

I will be creating the AVTI History page located on the club's website <http://www.avti.org/>. Any pictures, newspaper or magazine articles, event fliers that you may have would be welcome. Oral history (stories) would also be welcome. Materials would be returned if requested. Please email myself the Newsletter editor or the Webmaster.



President's Message

November 27, 2014

Hello AVTI members!

It's hard to believe we're nearly over with 2015. But with it nearly ending we will be having our Annual Christmas Party! It will again be held at Vince's Pizza and Pasta on Ave. L near 30th West. We'll have a number of gifts to raffle off and maybe another great magic show from Jamie Schoolcraft. Everything starts at 6:00 so we all hope to see you there!

On November 8th I along with a great group of helpers held the 2nd Annual Fall Classic Championships. This was one time where the weather cooperated fully for an event! It was absolutely perfect for flying. Shirtsleeve warmth and dead calm! The 14 entrants got in all 4 rounds by 3:00. Many thanks to Don Fox and Jennifer Fish for doing the scoring. To Robert and Jennifer for using their camper for scoring. Preston Knepper again did a great job with the food. Vic Anderson came out and helped a lot with judging. And a big thanks to all the pilots! We saw a nice increase in Classic Pattern this year. 2015 looks to be an even better year!

Here are the results of the event:

Pre-Novice

- 1st – Jonathan Rinde
- 2nd – James Whitacre – Team Tailwinds
- 3rd – Marta Horvath

Novice

- 1st – Don Fox – Team Tailwinds
- 2nd – Paul Rinde
- 3rd – Mike Whitacre
- 4th – Ron Russell

Advanced

- 1st – Doug Woodward
- 2nd – Scott Holmes
- 3rd – Tak Takayama
- 4th – Call Orr
- 5th – Chris McMillin

Masters

- 1st - Tony Frackowiak – Team Tailwinds
- 2nd – Robert Fish – Team Tailwinds

Unfortunately the scheduled Nite-Fly for November 15th didn't have as good of luck with the weather. We had to cancel it due to high winds. We'll try for another date soon.

Next year we currently have 5 Pattern events scheduled. If anyone has any ideas for other club events please bring them up! Variety is the spice of life!

Hope to see you at the events and at the field!

Tony Frackowiak

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Vice President's Message

Hi to all. Hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving. Not much flying going on in my life for the past 2 months or so. I had toe which has me off my feet, and, is taking a lot longer to heal than I thought. In the first 3 weeks I have missed a contest, a 4 wheel drive event, and the pattern district championship. The day before we left for the district championship in Fresno, the doctor gave me a boot to wear, and of course I over did it. I was up to judging a couple of rounds at the districts, it was cold and windy.



Now it's time to get the transmitter back in my hands, a plane and learn the new sequence for next year. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the December meeting which will be held at Vince's Pizza. See you at the field.

-Jean



General Meeting Minutes

06 November 2014

Compiled by Derek Abramson

1900 Meeting brought to order Tony Frackowiak

7 Members were present

Treasurers Report and minutes read by Tony Frackowiak. Voted and approved

Old Business

-November 8th will be the last Pattern Contest of the year

-November 15th will be the club Nite-Fly, subject to weather

-There is no new information for the from the Field Re-Location Committee.

New Business

-Please be aware of snakes at the field. There has been several sightings and a couple that were killed. One was in the parking-lot next to the pits. **WATCH YOUR ANIMALS and CHILDREN**

-Annual Christmas Party will be held at Vince's Pasta and Pizza on 30th West and Ave L. This will be on December 4th starting 6:00 PM. Please note the time.

Drawings:

Attendance: Derek Abramson

Meeting Adjourned

Treasurer's Report as of 11/06/14

By

Tony Frackowiak

Income since last Report - \$0.16

Expenses since last Report - \$164.73

22-Oct	LegalZoom - Incorporation	\$(7.99)
3-Nov	Staples - Contest Supplies	\$(43.21)
3-Nov	99 Cent Store - Contest Supplies	\$(18.53)
2-Oct	Meeting Award	\$(10.00)
2-Oct	Meeting Award	\$(15.00)
6-Nov	Aarow - Restroom thru 10/31/14	\$(70.00)

I transferred \$498.13 to the Field Fund.

Checking Account Balance - \$ 11,407.55

AVTI Flying Field Reserve Fund in Checking Maximizer Account- \$ 21,731.44

Financial Assets Total is \$ 33,123.99

Total dues collected for 2014/2015, as of 06/06/14 - \$4,840.00

As of 11/06/14:

Current Membership Total - 62 Members

New Members for 2014/2015 - 4 Members

Members not Renewed for 2014/2015 - 21 Members

It's that time of the year to renew your AMA membership. Remember, to be an active member of AVTI you must have a current AMA membership.

Thanks!

Barkley's Safety Tip

November 20, 2014



Hey guys!

The weather has kept the Boss from the field for a bit. I'm hoping it gets better soon. I sure miss being at the field!

A few weeks ago when just the Boss and I were at the field we had someone drive up and park near the container. He really acted a little strange and seemed to want to cause some trouble, but after a few minutes he got back in to his car and left.

It's great to have visitors interested in the flying to stop and watch. But we also need to be a little careful. I know the Boss prefers to have the gate closed when we are out there by ourselves. And he likes it when I let him know when a stranger is approaching. Better to be careful than to be sorry!

I hope to see you all at the field soon. I'll be the one wagging his tail!

London Bridge Seaplane Classic

Dick Skoglund



During the weekend of November 7-9 at Windsor Beach, the sky was filled with R/C airplanes. The aircraft included all sizes; this included electric, Glow and Gas.

The occasion was the 29th Annual Float Fly hosted by The Desert Hawks R/C Club at Lake Havasu Arizona. The pilot attendance was high this year, approximately 90 pilots with 120 airplanes enjoyed the warm Arizona weather. The weather was perfect, with calm winds and lots of sun-

shine for the entire weekend. The skies were congested with six airplanes in the air at any one time. Spectators enjoyed the spectacle from the beaches and boats on the lake.

On Saturday after a couple of mid-air collisions, the Event Director held another pilot meeting which resulted in a ten minutes for 3-D flying on each hour where the normal Race-Track pattern was 50 minutes. A large raffle was scheduled for Saturday afternoon, as always there were lots of prizes.

There is a lot of activity in Havasu when not flying, there was also a Car-Show where 200 cars were in attendance. A boat trip was also enjoyed (on the California side) and a large swap-meet on Sunday.

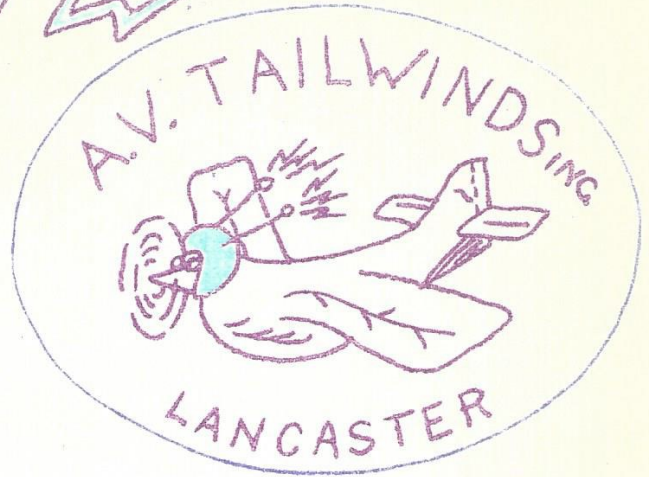
Over-all , the weekend was quite for Pat and I; it is always good to see some familiar faces at these model airplane events. Now it is time to rest-up and recover for the next vacation!



ANTELOPE VALLEY TAILWINDS

BLOW

FEB. 69



Officers 69/70

President Dale Ottomeier
V. Pres Jim Newman
Treasurer Walt Sefic
Secretary Ed Friend
Editor Dan Harrison

Meetings for March 1969

Wed. March 12 & Mar. 26 7:30

Meeting of February 12 1969 Opened 7:46.....Closed 8:09

Twelve members and four visitors present.

No secretary. No treasurer. Dale gave treasurers report, balance on hand \$210.42.

President brought in various printed literature from A.M.A.

Movies of flights past will be run at the next meeting. After the big rain the field is O.K., but the road in needs work.

Meeting of Feb. 27 1969 Opened 7:52.....Closed 8:14

Nine members present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Jim Newman brought in a shirt emblem that the Elks Club use. He told us we could have a large 10 in. emblem, for our shirts, made for \$2.50 (Min. Ord. 5ea). A motion was made and carried to have a silk screen made for a large size 10 in. for our shirt backs and a small 6 in. size for our jacket fronts. The silk screens are \$5.00 and the 10.00 is to come out of the treasury. In the future we can get emblems made at any time (in Lancaster) not L.A., and even have some in stock.

The subject of a new flying field was brought up and kicked around. We talked about a number of good locations, but one in particular, near Ave. "K" and 60th West, is to be looked into. For those of you that don't know, our field is CLOSED due to H2O and will be for a long time.

Those of you not in attendance missed seeing Jim Schneider's face when asked if his beautiful new Cobra was Mona coat covered.

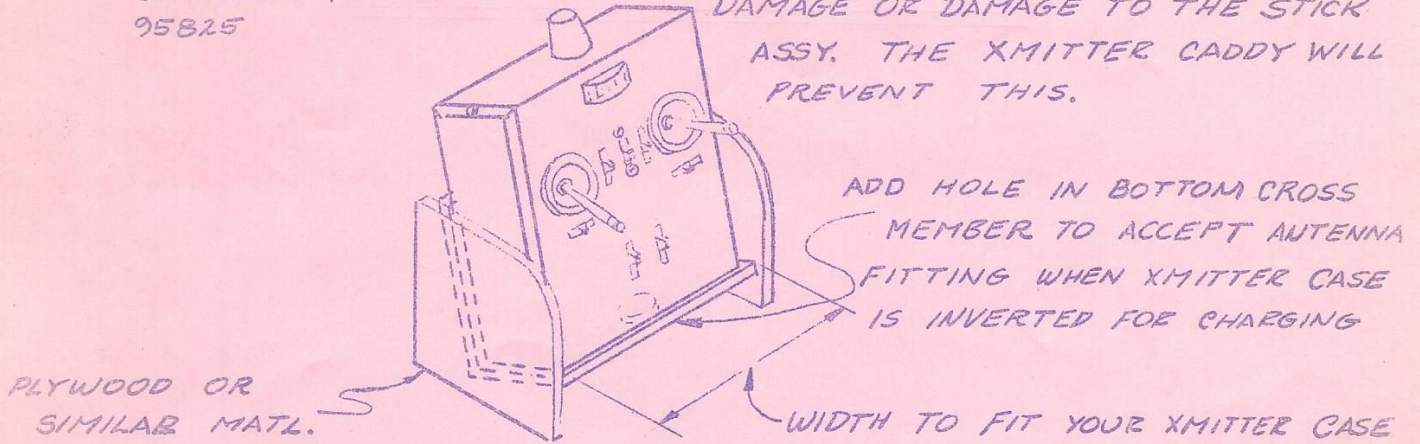
We finished the meeting with films of flying in days gone by. Thanks to our club "Historian", Ken Beck.

THE IDEA SHEET

XMITTER CADDY

BY LEE HELSEL
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SOME OF THE NEWER R/C XMITTERS LACK GROUND STABILITY. THAT IS, THEY FALL OVER WHEN SET DOWN & OCCASIONALLY HAVE INCURRED INTERNAL DAMAGE OR DAMAGE TO THE STICK ASSY. THE XMITTER CADDY WILL PREVENT THIS.



HATS OFF TIME! IN THE LAST 6 MO. TWO OF OUR MEMBERS HAVE HAD ARTICLES IN R.C.M. THE FIRST WAS BOB McDONALD & THE N.A.S.A. STORY AND THIS MONTH DICK FISCHER WITH HIS RYAN ST STORY. NOT BAD FOR A CLUB SO SMALL THAT ONLY NINE MEMBERS SHOW UP AT CLUB MTGS.

I AM STILL OFFERING A GAL. OF FUEL TO THE MEMBER WITH THE BEST IDEA IN 1969.

EDITOR

CUE BALL

Jim Mowrey



“Patience, my ass!
I’m gonna kill something!”



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* Membership Meeting *

December 4, 2014

6:00 PM Vince's Pizza and Pasta

* Board of Directors Meeting *

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