



# TAILWINDS TAILS

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## Latest Tailwinds

*Derek Abramson, Editor*



The cooler weather has finally arrived here at AVTI. With that cool weather comes the infamous winds. As I am writing this, the forecast for next week is looking gloomy. I have not been at the field recently due to schedules so I am feeling the burn of lack of recreational flying.

With that, I have some sad news. Richard Hooker lost his fight with cancer on Monday, 26 October 2015. There will be a memorial service at the Vineyards, Ave I and Challenger Way, on 09 November at 11 am. He will be missed.



AVTI SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS		
<b>November</b>		
<b>5</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	General Meeting WJF
<b>December</b>		
<b>3</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	AVTI Christmas Party



**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

Hello AVTI members!

Last weekend, September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, Mike and Jean Greear ran the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual AVTI Pattern contest. While the turnout was a bit light, we had perfect weather. It was so good we got in 5 rounds on Saturday and decided to make Sunday a trimming/coaching day. With the Greear's, Preston Knepper doing the cooking and Mack Moffat working hard and preparing the field, the club made \$283 for the weekend. Many thanks to all involved!

The next event at the field will be on November 7<sup>th</sup> with the Classic Pattern District Champs. I really enjoy flying Classic so I am anxious to get going. Fortunately this coming weekend, October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, I'm going to get in both some Classic and AMA/F3A flying at the PVMAC field in Prado. Robert Fish is running the AMA/F3A event on Saturday and I will run the Classic on Sunday. I'll have a report on the activities next month.

Coming up quicker than you like is the Annual Christmas Party. The date will be December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Right now I think we will have it again at Vince's Pizza and Pasta on Ave. L near 30<sup>th</sup> 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!

We are also starting to discuss having the Christmas Air Show again. We still have a lot to go over so nothing solid yet. But I think it would be a lot of fun and we can help out a charity. More details to come!

Hope to see you at the field!

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## General Meeting Minutes

01 October 2015

Compiled by Derek Abramson

- Meeting called to order 1900
- Minutes and Treasurer's Report were read and voted.

### Old Business

The Greear's ran the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual AVTI Pattern Contest last weekend. The attendance was somewhat light with 12 pilots. But the weather was perfect, we got in 5 rounds on Saturday, and since everyone was happy with that the contest ended on Saturday. Sunday was an open trimming/coaching day. I'm happy to say the Greear's made \$283 for AVTI> Many thanks to them, Preston Knepper for the cooking and Mack Moffat for all the hard work preparing the field. It is very much appreciated.

The September Newsletter was finished by Derek and posted on the web site and mailed to those who request it. We should be getting it back to a regular schedule for now.

### New Business

At the PVMAC field this weekend is an AMA/Classic pattern event that some of our members are involved in running. Saturday will be regular AMA/F3A and Robert Fish is running it. Sunday is Classic pattern with it being run by myself. Many of the Team Tailwinds pilots will be attending.

Mike Johnson now has his Real Estate person actively looking for property for us. Nothing to report right now.

The idea of having the Xmas Air Show again has come up. I think it would be fun and a very good thing for us to help the community. We will let everyone know what is decided.

Meeting Adjourned at 1940

**Treasurer's Report as of 10/01/15**

**By**

**Tony Frackowiak**

<b>Income since last Report -</b>		<b>\$283.00</b>
<b>Expenses since last Report -</b>		<b>\$303.50</b>
17-Sep	PO Box	\$(16.00)
1-Oct	Aarow - Restroom thru 9/30/15	\$(287.50)
<b>Checking Account Balance -</b>		<b>\$ 10,256.31</b>
<b>AVTI Flying Field Reserve Fund in Checking Maximizer Account-</b>		<b>\$ 23,438.83</b>
<b>Financial Assets Total is</b>		<b>\$ 33,695.14</b>
<b>Total dues collected for 2015/2016, as of 08/06/15 -</b>		<b>\$4,405.00</b>
<b>As of 05/07/15:</b>		
<b>Current Membership Total -</b>		<b>54</b>
<b>New Members for 2014/2015 -</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Members not Renewed for 2015/2016 -</b>		<b>35</b>

## Barkley's Safety Tip

### October 1, 2015



Hey guys!

Lately I have had a lot of my four legged friends at the field. It's a lot of fun for me, but the Boss told me I had to stop doing something I like. When it's hot my friends and I like to do some digging to find a nice cool spot. But the Boss has had me quit as some of the digging makes a pretty good hole that my two legged friends can hit and get tripped. I'm going to try hard to quit my digging, but if you see me or my other dog friends doing some digging in a bad spot, just let us know! We will quit if asked!

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

# Antelope Valley Tailwinds Inc.

AMA Charter #114  
P.O. Box 1003 Rosamond CA 93560

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## \* **Membership Meeting** \*

November 3, 2015  
7:00 PM WJF Terminal

## \* **Board of Directors Meeting** \*

TBD Please See Website

A.V.T.I. Airpark  
47500 Challenger Way (10<sup>th</sup> Street East)  
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## *A Very Special Thanks*

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### **REMINDER**

A current AMA membership is a requirement for membership in A.V.T.I. Please make sure your AMA membership is current.



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