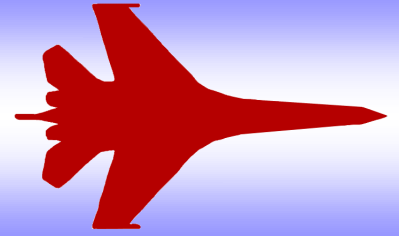


# TRAC News



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## President's Comments

### Monthly Meetings

I would encourage everyone to try to attend our monthly meetings. Attendance has been running under 20 while our membership is holding in the 80's. Member input is important to ensure that we continue to have a safe and viable place to fly our toys. Many important topics are discussed and, when appropriate, voted on. If you have an idea that would improve our member's overall experience here at TRAC, we would like to hear it.

### New Street Sign

Well the County has finally come through with the new sign. Unfortunately, the street address was wrong. Not sure if they will correct it, so for the time being there is a cover over the wrong numbers. Nice sign though.



# TRAC MINUTES

July 9, 2022

## Meeting Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Pres. Don Riek. at 10:57 a.m. with 19 signed-in members present.

Motion to accept minutes of last meeting was made, seconded, and passed.

## Treasury Report

Co-Treasurer Tim Haas presented a detailed treasury report and break down of expenses.

Beginning Balance	\$ XXXX
Income	\$ 637.50
Expenses	\$ 472.29
Closing Balance	\$ XXXX
Runway Fund	\$ 200.00

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded, and passed.

## New Members/New Pilots

Alex Ortega and his new wings were presented by Eric Randall

## Safety block

Center of Gravity always check yours before flying a new or new to you airplane, remember a nose heavy plane doesn't fly well, a tail heavy plane doesn't fly long

## Old Business

Street Sign is scheduled to be installed July 12<sup>th</sup>

Additional flight tables built in the traditional style will start being built, we could use some volunteers to help build them so reach out to one of the officers if you want to help

We will be updating the Flight instructors list  
Open House/Thanksgiving fundraiser November 19<sup>th</sup>

We need volunteers to clear the rock drains around the edges of the runway

## New Business

If you notice the trash cans are full or near full please take the trash out when you leave it's everyone's job and be better than the person that said "I pay my dues I don't have to take the trash out".

## Show-and-Tell

Pete Rubio brought out his Hobby King Pilatus PC-6 it has an 84 inch wingspan and he equipped his with nothing but the best a Saito FG-21 Gas engine done up in the Red Bull color scheme

Adjournment 11:32 am



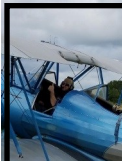
## Upcoming Events

**TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, August 13, at 11:00AM**

**TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, September 10, at 11:00AM**

**TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, October 8, at 11:00AM**

**TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, November 12, at 11:00AM**



### At The Field With Devin

Today I'm at the field with: Devin  
So Devin what are you flying today  
**Piper Pa-25 Pawnee 40**

Can you tell us a little bit about it like motor, wingspan, features

**It's made by Hangar 9, it has a 80 inch wingspan, weighs a little over 8 lbs and is powered by a Saito FA-82**

What is it made of  
**Balsa with Monokote**

How long did it take to get it flight ready  
**Since I bought it from another member all I needed to do was install my engines and radio so it only took about an hour**

Is it hard to takeoff or launch  
**No it track very true and predictable**

How does it land  
**Very easy it has nice big flaps and floats in nice and slow**

What made you decide to get one  
**I first learned to fly when I was stationed in Oklahoma and met a crop duster pilot that allowed us to use his runway to fly our RC planes and he had a Piper Pawnee so I have always wanted one of my own**

Would you recommend it to your friends  
**Yes most definitely**

What is your favorite thing about it

It looks so cool when I do a low flyby over the field I pretend I'm spraying for bugs with it everytime I take it up

What would you change to make it better  
**I would have included some kind of smoke function option along the wings to make it look like it was spraying chemical when it flies**

How long have you had it  
**8 Months**

Where did you get it  
**From one of our members**

Do they still make it  
**Unfortunately no**

What skill level would you say could fly it without too much difficulty  
**Intermediate**



The weather just keeps getting hotter and hotter. No relief in sight. Keep cool and kept hydrated. The sun is moving into position to start interfering with our flying. I've already lost a plane due to it flying into the sun and I lost it. Good sunglasses can help, but looking directly into the sun can and will blind you for a few seconds and may cause permanent damage. Wear a hat also.

Devins new bi-palne. And a sato engine.



With the cowling on.



An ultra-lite RC.



Pit crew.

