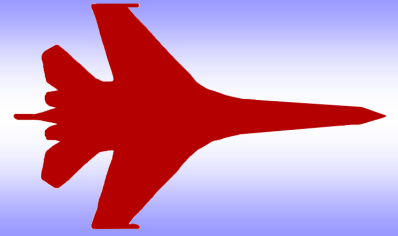


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President's Comments

Upcoming Election

Election of Officers for 2022-2023 will take place at the November meeting. Anyone interested in serving as an Officer or Director should state their intention so that we can put their name in the October newsletter.

Open House

Open House/Thanksgiving Charity Event is scheduled for November 19. We will be returning to a buffet style lunch so dust off that favorite recipe and plan on bringing a dish to share. We will be burning hot dogs and burgers. Donation is usually \$5 for a great lunch.

Website Changes

Additional choices have been added to the TRAC website PayPal menu to make it easier to pay membership dues and fees. Check it out!

Fall Swap Meet

Fall Swap meet will be early December. Date TBD. Get those unwanted items ready to sell and save up your cash to take advantage of some great bargains.

Membership

Per a motion made and approved at last month's meeting, a list of club members and their membership renewal dates has been posted on the bulletin board. If you have a hard time remembering when to pay your TRAC dues, this list will help.

Safe Flying,
Don Riek

TRAC MINUTES

August 13, 2022

Meeting Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Pres. Don Riek. at 11:01 a.m. with 18 signed-in members present.

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

Treasury Report

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

Beginning Balance	\$ XXXX
Income	\$ 1045.84
Expenses	\$ 478.17
Closing Balance	\$ XXXX
Runway Fund	\$ 600.00

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

New Members/New Pilots

Welcome back Lee Hays

Roger Baker and his new wings were presented by Eric Randall

Safety block

DO NOT FLY OVER THE WATKINS PROPERTY EVER!!!

Old Business

Street Sign has been installed finally

Addition flight table that will be built in 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

Flight instructors list has been updated with a guideline of what is required for the trainees

to get their wings

Open House/Thanksgiving fundraiser November 19th

Hardrock will be spraying rock drains to clear it of vegetation

New Business

We discussed remote ID proposed requirements, specifically field designation as FRIA (FAA Recognized Identification Area) We will post more details on how this will impact our club when more detail become available

Reminder you must pin up your AMA or preferably your club card on the frequency board before you fly. We will be posting a list of current members on the bulletin board. If you are not a current member you will need to be sponsored by a current member to guest fly. You will be invited to join or renew your membership.

Show-and-Tell

Nick Levy showed us his newly acquired De haviland Beaver powered by a FLEVO engine

Adjournment 11:59 am



Upcoming Events

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

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



At The Field With Devin

Today I'm at the field with: Mike Gutzmer

So Mike what are you flying today?

Great Planes Waco 30cc



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

Saito 30 cc 4 stroke 3 cylinder gas engine

What is it made of

It's Balsa and covered in a monokote type covering

Is it hard to takeoff or launch

It has a short coupling like any tail dragger but it's no too much trouble it's a very nice flying plane docile and a little slow flying

How does it land

No tricks to it, not that bad because it comes in nice and slow

Would you recommend it to your friends

Oh yes but they don't sell it anymore

What experience level would be able to fly it
Intermediate

Where did you get it

Tower Hobbies used to sell it

Do they still make it

No



I sent a letter to Spectrum:

I fly at an AMA site in Tampa Florida called Tampa Radio Control Aircraft Club (TRAC).

Here is an overall view of the site.



North at the top and South at the bottom.

Tower 1

Tower2

There are two towers close to our site. Tower 1 is a Hillsborough Sheriff's communications relay tower at .5 mile to the south west of the club house. Tower two is a cell phone tower .12 mile to the north west from the club house.

Can you tell me if we could get interference with our Spektrum radios and receivers. If so, what kind of interference and what could happen the the plane.

Thank you for your time.

Their reply:

If you did receive interference it may feel like you lose control of an aircraft. The signal is 2.4 ghz and it is hard to tell what those towers are broadcasting on and if it can interfere with an aircraft. You might get interference you might not, that is a very tough question to answer as all signals are different. The potential is there but with DSMX Spread spektrum at 2.4 GHz it would be hard to have signal interference but per part 15 of the national code which entails that (1) This Device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Thank You,

Matt G.
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Safe Flying
jjh