

The Gold Country Flyer January 2023

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Date: 01/05/2023 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: None
- 4. Vice President's (Brock Brown) report: Nothing to report
- 5. Treasurer's (Alan Ross) report: Reminder to renew membership
- 6. Reports from each of the Appointed Positions.
 - a. Safety Office's (Dick Belden) report: No safety issues noted.
 - b. Newsletter (Dee Merrill): Neither Dee nor Fred were present at the November meeting, so no notes were available. Therefore no newsletter.
 - c. Website (Tom Minger) Information: Nothing to report
 - d. Club Raffle (Chuck Powell): A good number of items were on the evening's raffle. Congratulations to the winners.

Committee Reports.

- a. Swap Meet: On schedule for second Saturday in Aug 2023
- b. Christmas Party: 2022 was a great success and enjoyed by all present.
- c. Promoting Flying: Club will renew looking at options in coming year.
- d. Field Maintenance: The large amount of precipitation this winter has everything very soggy. Some suggested we host a "Float Fly". Will have to wait for drying out to commence cleanup. Also, several field chairs have been destroyed and will require replacement.
- 8. Announcements and reading of any pertinent correspondence. None
- 9. Discussion of old or continuing business items.
 - a. Control line combat meet April 2023. Lee will provide the dates for the event.
 - b. Auction in Fremont on Oct 29, 2023.
 - c. Field maintenance manager is still needed for the club.
- 10. Discussion of new business items.
 - a. Club officers for 2023.

A motion was presented that the current officers remain in position for the coming year. Approved by vote

Discussion was had about changing bylaws to ease the burden on club officers by making the positions a 2 year limit, and also looking into changing the day of the club meeting to possibly allow more members to attend. All members would need to be surveyed.

- b. Pylon Racing with the AeroScouts was fun this year, but still limited participation. Discussed other aircraft such as the Flying Wing, which is relatively inexpensive, fast, stable and TOUGH. To make racing viable we need more pilots and helpers involved.
- c. We learned of the passing of another long-time member, Bill Boland. A unanimous vote approved a field marker commission. Dick Belden will follow up.
- 11. Presentation of member's modeling projects (show and tell).

Dick Belden showed his latest build: a Bridi Killer Chaos that he intends to power with an OS .55. He glassed the fuse as well as the wings and it looked beautiful.



12. Dummy of the month.

After a few discussions of "alleged" transgressions of several members, it was unanimously decided that Brock should retain the trophy for converting his Stik from fixed gear to "retractable" again. (How many times??)

Break for raffle.

Adjournment