



# The Gold Country Flyer

## September 2024

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### Date: 09/05/2024 Monthly Club Meeting

1. Called meeting to order: 7:00 PM                      Members attending: 19
2. Approval or correction of the previously published meeting minutes.    Approved
3. Guests/New Members:    None
4. President's (John Stoney) report: John was unable to attend.
5. Vice President's (Dick Belden) report: Dick conducted the meeting in John's absence. He recounted a recent incident at the field where a full size helicopter made a fast low pass directly over the site. Dick posed the rhetorical question, "what would you do if faced with that scenario?" Most agreed it would demand avoiding at all cost and if possible land immediately. A real aircraft should NOT be low flying over our field, but has the ultimate right-of-way.
6. Treasurer's (Alan Ross) report: Account is in order.
7. Newsletter: Nothing to report. Please email    photos of your activities.
8. Website: All is up to date.

9. Safety Officer: Lance was unable to attend.

10. Committee Reports.

A. Swap Meet: Event was well attended and a huge success.

B. Christmas Party: Pending

C. Promoting Flying: Airport Appreciation Day at Jackson Westover on 9/28.

D. Field Maintenance: Thanks to all involved with keeping our the field trimmed.

11. Announcements and reading of any pertinent correspondence. None.

12. Discussion of old or continuing business items.

A. We had been waiting for an estimate on patching the runway, and according to Dick Belden it has now been accomplished. (See photos)

B. Dick suggested we purchase some square face shovels to place at the three fence stiles. The motion to buy was approved.

13. Discussion of new business.

A. Alan Ross suggested the club obtain a newer and improved (Larger) Porta Potty. Those present were in agreement.

B. Tom Minger wanted to know if everyone was getting his announcement emails. As the newsletter editor I would like to know if you are getting the newsletter. Several members' email clients have somehow "blocked" my address so I am unable to send anything.

14. Presentation of member's projects. [Show and Tell]. Dick Belden showed his latest plans built beauty, a Bridi Super Kaos. He discussed several building techniques and showed his incidence meter, a vital tool for ensuring precision wing alignment.

15. Dummy of the Month.

Lee Letchworth volunteered his experience with a fuel fire on one of his control line planes. The needle valve was too open and the battery kept pumping more fuel from the 4oz tank. Luckily he had some water on hand to put it out. Since John Stoney was not present to defend himself, his home kitchen fire won the trophy.

16. Raffle Time. A World Models LA Racer-40, soldering kit, dial calipers and a couple of forceps were won by lucky ticket holders.

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## Crack sealing the runway.

Photos by Dick Belden



## Show and Tell

