



# The Gold Country Flyer

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### Date: 10/03/2024 Monthly Club Meeting

1. Called meeting to order: 7:00 PM                      Members attending: 18
2. Approval or correction of the previously published meeting minutes.    Approved
3. Guests/New Members:    None
4. President's (John Stoney) report: John told of a safety issue he encountered while charging two relatively new 3s 2200 LiPos at home using a multiport charger. He was in the next room and heard a "pop", so he immediately investigated and discovered one of the batteries in full flames and the second battery catching fire from the first. Luckily nothing else in his kitchen caught fire. He admonished everyone to be vigilant and use every fire safe device available when charging.
5. Vice President's (Dick Belden) report: Dick advised are three new shovels located at the fence stiles. He also urged members at the field ensure all of our chairs are stowed under the shade awning to preserve them and also prevent bird bombing.
6. Treasurer's (Alan Ross) report: We have 69 members (give or take).
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: Next Aug.

B. Christmas Party: Second Thursday, Dec. 12.

C. Promoting Flying: Several members showed up for the Jackson Airport Appreciation Day. They provided two computers running an RC Flight Sim which was quite the hit with many youngsters. The public showed a lot of interest and we were happy to answer questions. Participants included John S., Fred C., Jay C., Marsha G., and others that are un-named, (Sorry)

D. Field Maintenance: Nothing to report.

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

12. Discussion of old or continuing business items.

A. Dick reported the crack sealing was completed for \$400. Nice job.

13. Discussion of new business.

A. The November meeting at Round Table Pizza will start 30 min late, at 7:30 pm due to a scheduling issue.

B. Mike Belmont will coordinate a club tour of Sanders Warbirds at Eagle's Nest Airport. This is a great outing, spouses are welcome. Please notify one of our officers if you are interested. We need a headcount ASAP.

C. Jay asked about acquiring club logoed shirts and caps. We should wear our "colors" when at public events to encourage attention. The trophy shop in Jackson, JB's, has our logo and can do custom individual orders. IF there is enough interest to guarantee a club order please advise Alan Ross.

D. Both Fred Carter and Dick Belden have been providing training on an informal basis. Dick suggested we designate club trainers to assist new pilots and that the club could provide at least a couple of dedicated basic trainer aircraft to use.

E. Voting for next year's officers will take place at the November meeting, 11/7. A few lucky individuals were nominated: Todd Eldred, Lance Cook for Prez; Craig Rousseau, Imre Golden, Jon Teeling for VP. Really, folks, volunteers are not just encouraged, they are vital to the life of the club.

14. Presentation of member's projects. [Show and Tell]. None

15. Dummy of the Month.

Dick Belden admitted he didn't tighten the wing bolts on a flight. The wings miraculously stayed on.

Loren Bussard for losing sight of his plane, resulting in a crash far, far away.

Craig Rousseau for cartwheeling on landing.

Loren was not present for the award, so it was accepted by his good friend, Jon.

16. Raffle Time. An "eagle" ARF donated by Jon Teeling, two LiPo charge bags, two 3s 2200 batteries, and two multi-lead charger cords were raffled by Jay and Marsha.

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