



The Propwash

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Next Meeting

Tuesday
Feb 6th
2018

7:00 PM IHOP
14424 San Pedro Ave

Google Coordinates:
29.57312, -98.47847

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ON NORTH BOUND
ACCESS RD OF 281
Between Bitters and
Oak Shadow/Winding Way

If you're going South on 281,
Exit Bitters and Take the
Turnaround

If you're going North on 281,
Exit Bitters and Stay
In Right Lane
About ¼ mile past Bitters

SWAP MEET

Garden Ridge ⁽²⁴⁾

Feb 16th & 17th

9400 Municipal Pkwy

Garden Ridge

Community Center

4pm – 9pm Friday

9am – 2pm Saturday

Admission \$5/day

Food & Drinks On Site

Tables \$10/day

Table Reservations Rec.

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Date: 1/2/2018, 7:04 PM

The meeting of the Prop Busters was called to order by **Charles Strang** at IHOP, 14424 San Pedro Ave, just north of Bitters on 281.

Visitors: **James Lindley**, a relative of Gary and Jerry Sustala

The December meeting minutes were approved.

President: Charles welcomed all.

VP/Safety Officer: **Bob** reminded all to stay warm and hydrated.

Secretary: **Terry** no comment.

Treasurer: **Jim** reported the current expenses, income, and account balances. If you need details contact Jim. Discussion of the **proposed 2018 budget was postponed to New Business.**

Newsletter: Standing order for the newsletter is that free ads and articles of interest for the newsletter need to be submitted by members to **John Gardner** by the 17th.

Web Editor: **Robert Jarzombek** has updated the website to include posting pictures and our upcoming events.

Early Bird Raffle: **Charles Strang** won the fuel.

Membership: **Rick Storm** reported that he had received the application for **James Lindley**. James recently picked up the hobby and has flown electric RC planes at the field and has

become quite accomplished. He's looking forward to going bigger. His membership was approved. Welcome **James** when you meet him at the field.

Old Business: The **Club Fun-Fly Event** was well attended and the food was great. There were several pilots and associated visitors. As you might expect, where there is flying there are crashes!

New Business:

Road: Jim Branaum pointed out that whenever it rains the road between the highway and the field gate develops a really bad mud area that tears up the road. It is anticipated that some level of repair is justified. The repair will likely include adding base material, but may include placing a pipe to allow water to pass under the road. Based on prior expenditures, he recommended moving \$500 from the 2017 account to the 2018 field account prior to placing remaining 2017 funds into the field two account. A motion to move the money, as suggested, was approved. With the transfer, the 2018 budget was approved.

Battery Replacement: It was pointed out that the charging station is suffering from poor performing batteries. The solar panel seems to be fine, so it appears that the existing batteries have degraded and are no longer useful. There was much discussion of what we currently have **vs.** what was

needed **vs.** what was practical. **Jim Branaum agreed to look into battery options and cost.**

FAA: FAA registration is once again required!

Model of the Month: **Jerry Giles** showed his rebuilt, restored, partially new, partially old and repaired **Tiger 60**. He had crashed a similar plane a more than a year ago, but it wasn't a total loss. He salvaged the tail section and built a new wing with a lighter built-up spar and short kit of the fuselage. He made his own cowl to accommodate the 90 size engine orientation and he reworked the landing gear in the wing. He did a great red and white covering job. He still needs to adjust the balance and landing gear. Although it appears Snoopy is the pilot, Jerry is looking forward to flying it soon, after he puts his "N" number on the tail!



Model of the Month: Jerry Giles with his new 60 Tiger

"Crash Chronicles"

James Lindley (the new guy) got into a hurry to fly his Cub and took off rather aggressively, causing the cub to pull straight

up, no damage but entertaining recovery.

Mark Cheny returned from overseas duty and brought several planes to the field. One of them was tail heavy, hard to control, and hit the dirt in the pit area. Unfortunately the errant plane caused significant damage to **George Wilson's** foam plane, but at least it missed George.

George Wilson borrowed a small 3-channel (no ailerons) plane from Jim Branaum which used 72 MHz, unfortunately the rudder was not set to the aileron control stick, so after takeoff, George had so much fun trying to control the plane he was speechless, at least for a moment.

Rick Storm was in the process of landing when his Biplane got hung up on a loose edge of the chloroplast laid out on the runway edge for small electrics. It caught the tail wheel connected to the rudder, and tore the rudder control surface from the plane. The plastic edge of the chloroplast has since been "nailed" down!

Tri City Flyers Swap Meet will be held February 16-17.

The Raffle:

- Charles Strang**- LiPo battery, CA
- Lloyd Roecker**-Epoxy, filler
- Jim Branaum**-CA, accelerator
- Mark Blackmer**-Battery
- Bob Severance**-MonoKote, wheels
- Jerry Giles**-Wheels
- Rick Storm**-Wing bolts, foam

Kevin Pellone-Fuel line

Adjourned 8:18 PM
Submitted by Secretary: Terry Ullman



Membership Notes

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*Need a membership list?
e-mail me and I'll send you a fresh one.*

NEED AN INSTRUCTOR?

Call Me,

Burrrr. January has been establishing itself as one of the coldest in recent history. The remarkable thing is that some of the SATURDAY's have been really nice. George Wilson has been doing a great job of posting pictures of activity at the field on the Propbusters FACEBOOK Page "San Antonio Propbusters MAC" At this point there are only 18 members. If you haven't joined the group, please do. It is a great way to keep updated on club activities.

We had one new member join at the January Meeting.

Allan Lindley is Gary Sustala's step son and he and his family reside in the small house along the entrance road to Somerset Field. He's a relative newcomer to RC but since he can step outside his door and fly, he's doing really great. Be sure to

welcome him as a new member when you see him.

The following members have birthdays in February. When you see them, congratulate them for being one year wiser.

Day of Birth Member Name

10	Dean F. Lukover
16	Letitia Dietes
20	Humberto Perez
22	Ignacio Aranguren
23	Steve Curtis
25	Mark A. Blackmer
28	Donald E. Gray

See you at the field.

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See Map at Left

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