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Next Meeting – Thursday, June 10th, Carson City Airport Terminal – 6:30 pm

Lyon county Fly-In - by Gary Fuller
Photos - Don Morse

Eight planes showed up for the Silver Springs Fly In on Sunday, May 16, along with six HSRCC members. Harold Siegfried showed off his Top Flight P-39 along with Tom Reinbolt and his red, white, and blue Pitts Special Little Stinker biplane. Rich Garner, our newest member, brought along his SBD Douglas Dauntless and his Hanger 9 F4F Hellcat. Don Morris showed and even taxied his B-26. Larry Johnson had the Club Raffle plane, the Monocoupe, and Tom Howell took over the ticket selling duties. Gary Fuller had his 66-inch Dragon Fly on floats and the 84-inch yellow, white, and red Powerhouse. The President said we sold about \$150 worth of raffle tickets.

The weather was great and we were right across the taxiway from the gunfighters and didn't get hit by any stray gunfire. We saw a Luscombe, Ballanca, Stinson, and the proverbial Cessnas. The Fernley RC flyers put on a RC demonstration with T-34 race planes. Lots of hanger flying was carried out with the visitors that came by our display area. Thanks to everyone who participated.

The proof! At the last meeting, Don Morse said he saw a flock of Stearmans. Here is the proof:



Also at the last meeting, by proclamation, Tom Reinbolt and Harold Siegfried were bestowed the title Field Marshall Emeritus. I had to look that that one up: "The term is used when a person of importance in a given profession retires, so that his former rank can still be used in his title." However: "*Emeritus* does not necessarily indicate that the person is retired from all the duties of his previous position; he or she may continue to exercise some of them." So, in that light, Tom and Harold are still responsible for the maintenance of their beloved toilet. We expect a complete report from each and every rebuild/cleaning! Congratulations guys! You earned it!

Presidents Corner:

A special thanks to the members that assisted with the Silver Springs Airport open house. We had a great cross section of aircraft that generated a lot of interest. We hope to have a larger turn out for the Carson Airport open house as we are not limited on display space.

If anyone is traveling during the next few weeks and runs into SPRING, please give it directions to Carson City.

Be safe and good flying, when you can.

My first shock came when I touched the rudder. The thing tried to bite its own tail. The next surprise I got was when I landed; she stalled at a hundred and ten miles an hour.

- Jimmy Haizlip, commenting on his only flight in the Gee Bee.



Editor's Corner - Dan Etcheto

I had some excitement this month. Seems as a non-profit organization, even though we do not file a tax return, we have to file a form stating that we are tax-exempt. It is called a 990-N and can be done on-line. I saw a news story about how 250,000 non-profits were going to lose their tax exempt status because they had not filed in three years. This filing had to be done by the 15th of May. Since this falls on a Saturday, they extend it to the 17th. So, I had to take a look to make sure we were compliant. Yikes! I guess technically we were OK because the last one filed was in 2007, but I decided to go ahead and file the form for 2009. Big, big mistake to wait until the 17th, when all 250,000 non-profits did the same thing. The one and only web site that does this was extremely slow. Two and a half hours worth of slow! But in the end, we are now up to date.

I must admit, Joan tried to warn me! She asked about whether or not we need to file with the IRS, but when I looked it up, I found that non-profits making less than \$25,000 per year did not have to file a tax return. That information is right, but I just missed the part about the little form 990-N. Sorry Joan!

I also had to fill out a Business License with the State of Nevada. You got it! More bureaucracy! More government control! Our club doesn't pay anything for this but I guess it keeps someone employed with the State. Your tax dollars, hard at work!

If you are bored and want to see the forms, they are posted on our web site under the members only section. Tom and I talked about all this and decided we need some kind of "tickler file" or "to do" list for each officer so that things like this do not slip by.



A German firm called Style Your Garage creates posters for garage doors that make it look as if your garage is where the action is. Made for the up-and-over garage doors common in Europe, they mount with Velcro and can be adapted to fit sectional garage doors. If you've got a two-car garage, no worries they can make posters that will span both doors.

**Your calendar should include:
The Carson City Airport Open House
June 12th**

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