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PROP WASH - Turkey Shoot Balloon Bust/Swap Meet

On Saturday, November 12, Paul Ciotti hosted a Balloon Bust and Swap Meet. Six contestants attempted to ravage five balloons with some success. Three awards were given with David Beecher winning first place, Guy Kent taking second place and Steve Jacques winning third. Congratulations and thanks to all who participated.

The sale had just about everything sold with all proceeds going to the Club, the total dollar amount to be reported in the next meeting minutes. Paul said almost everything sold but not quite. There is still one nice plane left, the .46 size Cherokee AFT which is NIB available for \$70. Email Paul or see him at the field if you would like to buy it.

And finally, I would like to thank everyone who showed up to make this another successful event and a very special thanks to everyone who helped and to John L for the pictures, you guys were great! Paul



Dan's Radian



Larry's Tucano



Steve Jacques Mini Stik

Flag Pole Memorial

With a flag flown over the Capitol in Washington, DC and a flag pole donated by Mrs. Carol Ross to the Pony Express Air Park, we honor Major Gerald Ross. As a First Officer flying Clipper seaplanes to South America for Pan American Airways, after Pearl Harbor he enlisted as an officer in the Army Air Corp and was trained as a B-17 pilot.

He was stationed in England as part of the 8th Air Force. During his 47th mission his aircraft was shot down over France and he bailed out. He eluded capture by traveling at night and living on turnips and other garden vegetables. He managed to get in touch with the French Underground. They helped him transverse the Pyrenees Mountains into Spain, which was a neutral country, and eventually they helped him get back to England. While flying for Pan Am after the war, they sent Gerald to Iran to check out the Shaw of Iran on the Boeing 747.



We are honored to memorialize Major Ross and thank his widow and past Field Marshall Tom Reinbolt for helping this come about. Thanks Larry for the pictures.

Random Pictures



Fuller's Show and Tell



Tom's Motivation Attack



Brad Amussen's A10

Ed Putman's A10



Vaillancourt Squadron



Larry's Tiger Moth RIP



Larry's Double Your Pleasure



Richard's Old Timer



Paul's launch rig for his "pusher" aircraft.



Dan O's Warhawk RIP

Ski Day

We had our first ski day during the second week of November, if you were at the field before 10 AM. There was about an inch and a half of snow on the runway when I arrived around 8:30. Bob Heitkamp from Minden, was flying his Ugly Stik with a 4-stroke YS on skis off the field at the time. I had my red foam Little Stik on skis and Larry was there with his P-51 on wheels.

As it warmed up, it got slusher and slusher on the field. Every time Larry took off you saw more and more spray. Little did Larry know, he was adding water to the bottom of his plane that was turning to ice. When he finally cleaned his plane up, he realized he had added weight to increase wing loading.

I had a problem with my transmitter so my Stik had a day off. Bob moved from flying off the field to flying off the dirt by the helicopter pad and had many more successful ski flights. More snow will be good.



Interesting Aircraft



During the evolution of American military training aircraft, we can look back to the Curtiss Jenny, the North American AT-6 and then to jets with the Cessna T-37 Pinto and the Northrop T-38 Talon. Now there is a new aircraft on the block, the Boeing/Saab T-7A Red Hawk. This aircraft is a jointly development between Boeing and Saab (Sweden) manufacturing planned to be operational in 2023. The order has been placed for 350 aircraft with two initial aircraft in the testing role already completed.

With a shoulder wing twin tailed design, the wingspan is 32.8 feet and the length is 46.4 feet with a dry weight of 7,165 pounds. Performance is indicated at a maximum speed of 808 mph, cruise at 606 mph, ceiling of 50,000 feet, and a rate of climb of 33,500 fpm. The power supplied by one engine; the GE F404 engine of 11,000 pounds dry and 17,200 pounds with after burner, the same as the twin engine F-18 Super Hornet.

The red tail designation pays tribute to the Tuskegee airman that flew during WW II.

New Pilot



Chuck NeSmith proudly holds his AMA Pilot Certificate and his AeroSport for soloing on October 25, 2022. Keep your wings level on landings. gf

New for 2023

The HSRCC officers will be President Dan Etcheto, Vice President George Kohler, Secretary Dave Vandenberg, Field Marshall Paul Ciotti, Safety Officer Larry Raley, Newsletter Editor Gary Fuller and Webmaster Dave Vandenberg. We are honored to serve.

Photographers

Thank you to your photographers: Larry Raley, Vince Euse, John Lequerica, Bill Vonnegut, Tim Ahl, Paul Ciotti, and George Kohler. They contributed thousands of words!!

SAFETY OFFICER REPORT

Congratulations on an excellent safety record for this period. No injuries or incidents reported. Happy Holidays! HSRCC Safety Officer Larry Raley

Frozen Finger Fun Fly

The Annual Frozen Finger Fun Fly will be held on January 1, 2023. It will start at approximately 9:00 AM and last until all the fingers are frozen. To "officially" qualify you must take off and fly a circle and land. There will be NO record of your success or failure, "What happens at Pony Express Airpark"

FINAL VP REPORT- 2022 Christmas Party

Our 2022 Christmas Party has been finalized for December 13th at the Fandango Casino. Please RSVP to Paul by December 1. Bring your holiday cheer and a \$30 per person (guests are welcome) donation to help cover some of the cost of the party. For your generosity you will be awarded one raffle ticket per person for a chance to win one of the awesome prizes we'll be giving away. Extra tickets will be sold at 5 for \$20 no limit, to increase your chances of winning.

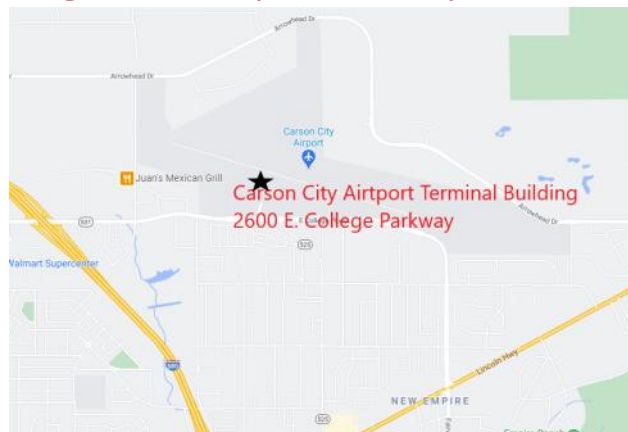
Note: The Christmas Party will serve as the December meeting and is a good time to renew your club membership. HSRCC Field Marshall/ past VP Paul Ciotti

See you at the Christmas Party - Dec. 13th at the Fandango, 6:00 PM.

CLUB MEETINGS

If you are a new, old, or prospective club member please join us for our monthly meetings. We try to hold them the second Tuesday of the month in the evenings.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 6:30 pm



I want to especially thank David Vandenberg for assisting me with the HSRCC Newsletter. He is my "right hand" man and does most of the layout, second proofreader, and computer assistance. Thanks a bunch Dave!