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**Prez Sez**

At last months meeting we had 2 members step up to the plate and volunteered to be Officers. We just happened to have 2 openings and those volunteering couldn't come at a better time. Bob Ponte has a whole lot on his plate this year and needed someone to take his place as Treasurer and after 3 years of being President I needed someone to take over for me. Mike Dierker volunteered to take Bob's place as Treasurer and Richard Jenkins volunteered to take my place as President. You couldn't ask for 2 better members to do the job. We owe them a lot for being so dedicated and I'm sure the club will welcome them as much as I did.

So, this will be my last Prez Sez article. I enjoyed being your President for the last 3 years but I truly think the club needs younger blood and I will give Richard as much help and respect as you gave me.

As you probably know by now, we voted to have a Christmas Party this year. Hope I will be able to make it and hope to see as many of you at the party. Last year the food was great and we all had a great time.

Well I guess that's all I have for this time.

See you at the next meeting,

Paul (The R/C Nut)

# Meeting Schedule

**Meeting Dates:** 2013: Dec 12, Christmas Party

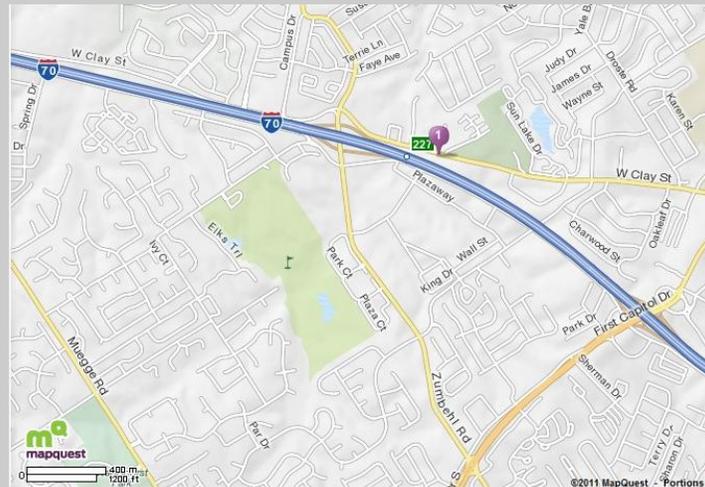
2014: Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 13, Apr 10, May 8, Jun 12, Jul 10, Aug 14, Sep 11,

Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11. (Meetings for May, Jun, Jul & Aug tentatively scheduled at the Saints field.)

**Meeting Time:** 7 to 9 pm

**Meeting Location:** Mark Twain Hobby Shop

From eastbound I-70 take the Zumbahl exit north and turn right on West Clay. Go 1/4 mile. Mark Twain Hobbies will be on your right. The meeting room is entered via the leftmost outside door for Mark Twain Hobbies.



## Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order 11/14/2013 by President Paul Trendley.

Roll call by President Paul Trendley, Vice President Dick Magee was not present. There were 11 in attendance.

Treasurer Bob Ponte was present at the meeting. He gave the treasures report.

\$100 is the cost for keeping the Porta Potty through the winter months.

There was a motion to accept the Treasures report as printed. Aye

There was a motion to accept the Secretary's report as printed. Aye

Pierre Fath was not present and President Paul mentioned that the field was in really good condition. Bob Ponte said he lost an airplane out there. It was a Futaba and he said it just went into the ground. We determined the culprit to be the 'Cell tower'. Cell towers at times of peak load will get swamped and at peak times they will interfere with a 2.4 Mhz radio. 2.4 Mhz is not fool proof. Ron Anderson mentioned again that he was flying a Calypso Glider that lost signal on 2.4 Mhz. It was in the afternoon on a weekday. He asked if anyone else had lost signal before. Ron was above the tree line when it happened to him.

Safety report - Ron Kilb had nothing to report.

Old Business: Christmas Party will be at Tony's restaurant in Saint Charles. The restaurant will set up tables, therefore there will not be a room reserved. The cost, we don't know yet. Bob didn't have to put any money down because it's a table setting and not a reservation. Attendees will order off the menu. The party is scheduled for the second Thursday in December @ 7 o'clock. (Dec 12<sup>th</sup>)

Traditionally we have given away \$300 at the Christmas Party. Your presence is not necessary to win. We pull names from the culmination of attendance prizes tickets from the whole year.

Motion to give out \$300 (3 one hundred dollar bills) at the Christmas Party, Aye.

Half of the 50/50 money goes into a special fund. We have never had to dip into that fund. I believe that it was mentioned that there is approximately a couple of hundred dollars in the fund, it's been accumulating.

Jim Plonka was nominated for Crash of the year award. We talked about getting the award engraved with his name. Bob recommended using the same place he used last year for the engraving.

Don Pallet gets the boner award because he hit the pavilion this year.

President Paul then passed around 2 pieces of paper to vote on Officer of the year and Member of the year (which cannot be an officer).

Member of the Year: To be determined.

Officer of the Year: To be determined.

New business:

We talked about a company coming out to service the tractor. Motion was made to have the tractor winterized/serviced and stored. All were in favor.

Pierre has saved us money on the maintenance. Bob is supposed to ask Pierre for any recommendation.

President say's the next meeting will be held at Mark Twain Hobby Shop.

50/50 – Richard Jenkins

Attendance – Richard Jenkins and Ron Anderson.

Show and tell:

Ron Anderson showed off his Sig Four Star 54 purchased from Mark Twain Hobby. It has a beautiful red finish really stands out. He said it has a rather large ESC and 35-48 motor which were given to him by his son. Also it has a 4 cell 3300 ma battery. He reinforced the aluminum landing gear. He felt the 13/7 prop was too close to the ground and he put on a 12/8. It took a couple of months for him to complete assembly. The kit itself was \$129.

Bob Ponte talked about a good price on a 2.4 Futaba Fast system normally about \$95 going for \$39 in the latest Tower magazine.

Motion to adjourn.

## **Show and Tell Ron Anderson's "Sig 4 Star 54"**

