

TRI COUNTY RC CLUB

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Reminders:

- **Membership Dues** is being collected. Invoices have been e-mailed out. Any questions, contact Bruce Grankowski at bgrankowski@optonline.net. The Club's Pay Pal Account is **Out of Service** at this time.
- At the March 26th meeting, we will be raffling off a Lanier Slo-comet ARF. (Details on page 2)



“The Captain of Aerial Shenanigans”, Mike D. has put out a tentative Fun Fly type of schedule for the 2020 flying season.

Dates are as follows:

March 28th: Klunker Day, (no frankenplanes) **See page 2**
April 25th: Bi-Planes
May 23rd: Heli Day
June 27th: Jets
July 25th: Fly Fast Day
August 25th: War Birds
Sept. 26th: 3D Day
Oct. 31st: Nothing but Foam Day

Events are scheduled for Saturdays, with the rain date on Sunday.



**Club Meeting is
Thursday, March 26th
2020 8:00 p.m.**

**Monroe First Aid Squad
Building**

47 Monmouth Rd.,
Monroe Township, NJ

“Night Flying”, Once per month
Its on the 2nd Saturday night.
Contact Rich McDonald if you have
any questions. 917-860-5313
Or richamcdonald@hotmail.com

**Next Night Fly
is scheduled
for April 11th.**



“Club Hats are available. Purchases can be made at each meeting and the cost is \$15.00 each. Only a few left.” Contact Gerry R.



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KLUNKER DAY is Saturday March 28th

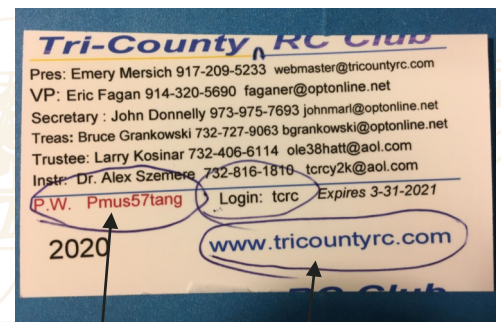
What is Klunker Day you ask?

Bring anything aircraft you have that is in poor condition, questionable, assembled, massive hanger rash of just your garden variety piece of junk. NO test flights: just heave it into the blue sky and see what happens.

Rain date is the 29th



Understanding your TCRC membership card.

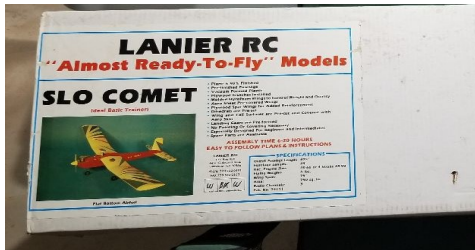


For those new members who are not familiar with our membership card, here is a quick explanation.

On the back of the card, on the bottom is the tcrc website address. If you go to the website and go down to the bottom of the page on the left, it says "members only." click on that, then it will ask for the "login" type in "tcrc". Then under "password" type in the password on the card. **Pmus57tang**. That will give you a list of the current members.

March meeting Raffle:

The Slo - Comet is an ARF that is 90% finished. It has a wingspan of 75 inches and flies on a 40/60 nitro engine. It may be able to be converted to electric. The plane is donated by Eric F. You must attend the meeting to be in it and purchase a raffle ticket.



SHOW AND TELL



Bill Lesko brought his new A4 Skyhawk to the meeting for Show and Tell. It is manufactured by Freewing and distributed by Motion RC. The 12 blade EDF bird has a 37 inch wingspan and is 56 inches long. Bill says the aircraft uses a 6S, 5000 mah battery pack to power it up. The 3530-1850 out-runner motor is connected to a 80 mm fan. The jet has retracts and split flaps and includes detachable fuel tanks and an Avionics hump. Reviews say it has a top flying speed of about 95 MPH. Lesko said it was very quick (about 1-2 hours) to assemble with maybe only a dozen screws used in the assembly. Bill has yet to maiden the aircraft but says "he should be ready as soon as he gets up the nerve"

Mercer County Radio Control Society invite:

The Mercer club (MCRCS) will have an electric Fly on May 16th, the same as last year. This will be a fun Fly with other clubs invited. Irwin Keshner will have more details at the TCRC meeting.



A quick e-mail ‘call for Help’ went out on Tuesday March 10th, when the canopy company called me to say that they would be out on Thursday, the 12th to install our new metal canopies at the field. When I asked the company scheduler/ dispatcher if we could reschedule, because we needed time to level the area, she said “no problem, that she would put us on the list for a delivery in 6 to 8 weeks. A quick phone call to Tony C. and some quick responses by some ambitious members, got a crew together and got the ground leveled and cleared the next day.

As promised by the dispatcher, the install team was met at the entrance by Frank and Tony on Thursday, at 7:20 to GET IT DONE..

Here are a few pictures of the progress. Special Thanks goes out to all those guys that showed up with shovels, rakes and picks to prep the ground. BG



Photos taken by Mike Korb



Another Fun fly Event to practice for:

Yes, we will be having a **Pattern Club Class Fun Fly** event this year. (date not yet determined) This will be the 3rd year in a row for this event, so there should be some improvement plus some new pilots.

How is it done? It is a sequence of ten maneuvers that are tied together to look like a fluid aerobatic execution. You are expected to follow the list of maneuvers listed on the right.

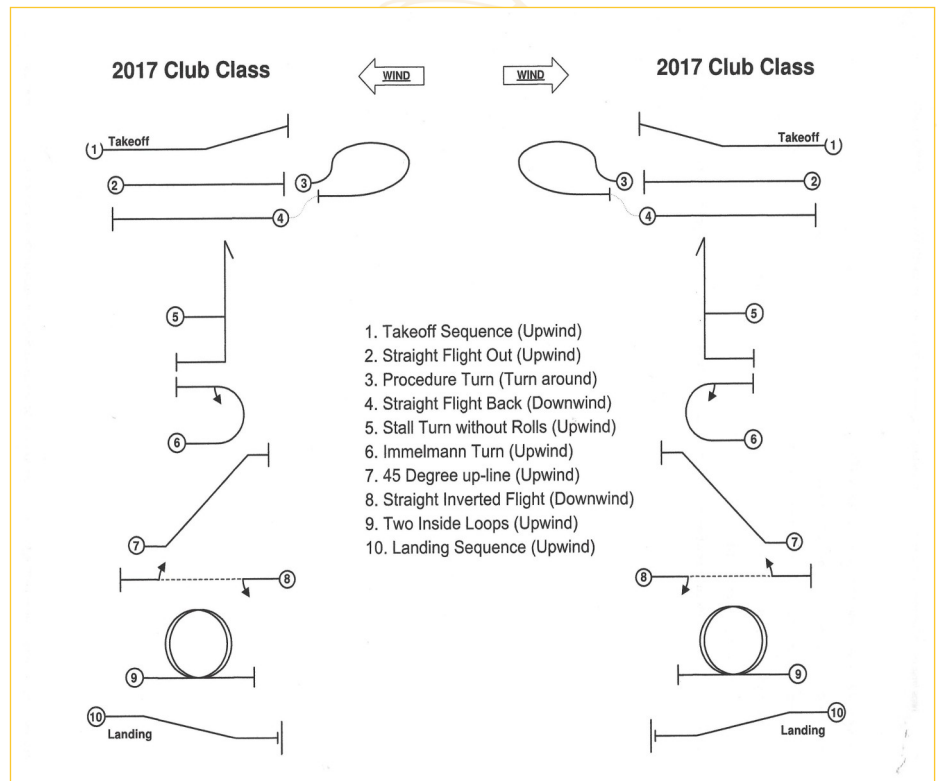
Any fixed wing aircraft that you are comfortable flying will be allowed.

Study the list and get practicing. Its nothing more than basic flying maneuvers, just flown one after the other, regardless of wind conditions.

Maneuvers don't have to be memorized as a Caller will let you know what maneuver is done next.

Its always a fun event and the challenge make it even more fun.

More info to come. *I guarantee you will improve your flying skills.* BG



Depending on the wind direction, dictates which way the maneuvers are flown.

Night Flying Report for March 14th.

Below is another great picture taken by new member, George Scivoletti, of the quad field at night with the gates illuminated and a lit-up quad going thru the gates. Fantastic Night Shot!! Participation was sparse but better than last month with about 10 guys showing up.

Rich holds the night flying events on the second Saturday of each month.



picture by George Scivoletti

Correction from the February newsletter: It was reported (fake News) that Rich McDonald took this picture, but it turns out that George Scivoletti took the picture. Thank you.



John D. tries to get just a solid pattern of lights.



It looks like "Mike Hobby Emporium"



George S. gets his aircraft ready for another flight.

Pictures by Alex S.

Way back in March of 1974, TCRC member Tony Eck was living in NJ and a very active member of the TCRC Club. Eck wrote about 6 articles for Flying Models magazine back then. (pictured on right). He is currently building the Bristol from a set of Balsa USA plans. Pictured on the lower right is the framework. By the time you read this, it will probably be completed as Tony is a very fast builder. Mr. Eck currently resides in Madison Heights VA, but a few times a year he comes to NJ to visit and can be seen flying at Pulda farms.

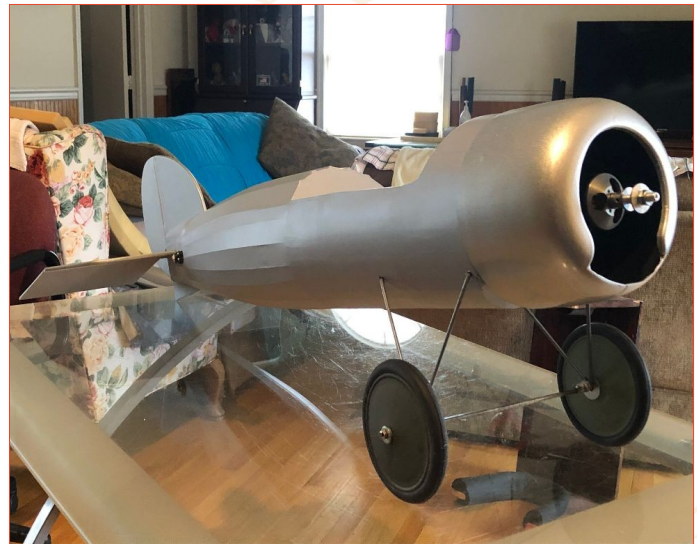
Some of his other published plans included a Hanriot HD1, Flying Models August 1974. Stay tuned for more to come.



1974 Cover of Flying Models magazine. Tony E on the cover with his Bristol.



Current picture of his newest Bristol under construction.



Here is the fuse covered. Tony E. expects to bring this plane to NJ to fly when he comes up to visit family.



Tony C gets ready to taxi out his C47 Skytrain. The foam, twin engine aircraft looks very realistic in the air and is a stable flyer.

Jokes I hear at the Field!!!!



A Letter from AMA District II AVP Dr, Alex Szemere;

AMA wants to thank all of our members who responded to the Call to Action by submitting comments to the FAA. We anticipated breaking our previous Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) record of 19,000 comments in 2014, but you really got behind this and submitted more than 52,000!

The AMA was concerned with so much misinformation out there that you wouldn't bother, but you came through. It will take the FAA quite some time to come out with another proposed rule or final rule and could even take years. Please believe that the AMA is continuing to do everything in its power to work out the best solution possible to preserve our privilege to fly now, and each day forward. For current and correct information, please go to MODELAIRCRAFT.ORG/GOV.

What are we going to do now? Go fly and have fun safely just as we have for the last 84 years. By the way, this is most likely not the last time we will need you to do this.

Happy and Safe Landings!

Dr. Alexander Szemere
AVP - AMA District II
Mobile: 732.816.1810

Larry K presents Bill Lesko with his 2020 Merit Award for taking part in the Nanook fly, which takes place every year. To qualify for the event a TCRC pilot must fly on the last day of December and the first day of January of that year. You must show proof of flying in a safe location. Hope to see great participation this year too. Thanks to Larry wife, for making the great looking awards.



With the 2020 flying season under way, its time to think about some new projects, or aircraft to fly.

Here are some bargains....

Brand New, In the Box FOR SALE

Bill Patterson has an eFlite Cherokee for Sale. The plane is the 1.3m, bind and fly. This plane is a great addition to anyone's hangar and looks great in the air.

It has working navigation lights.

Contact Bill Patterson at 732-310-9968, or e-mail him at ufpatterson704@verizon.net



Member, Bob Martin is selling an Enya 35-V Model 5225, TV, Glow engine. \$20 brand new-never broken in yet. Bob can be contacted at rmgeorgieboy@aol.com or 609-860-9029



Not the actual engine.
Just an image of a Enya 35

SAFETY FIRST

Have you inspected your propeller blades for cracks or chips?

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Check all linkage arms for any signs of wear.

Reminder: Club Meetings are always the last Thursday of the month. Except November and December, those will be announced.

Academy Model of Aeronautics
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The Fly Paper

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