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***Flyin' High – Jim Fulton Field***

The official newsletter of the Golden Triangle RC Club

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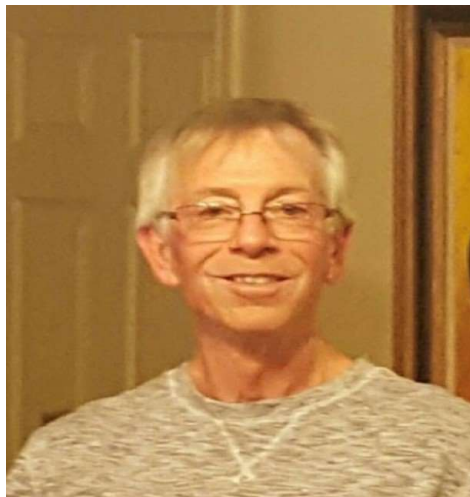
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## Meeting Information / Minutes

Club Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every Month at 0900

Location – Golden Triangle RC Club Field

2820 E. Seeton Road

Grand Prairie, TX 75054

Participation in club meetings is encouraged for all members, their families, and any visitors. The meetings are presided over by club officers in an orderly and cooperative manner to facilitate members' input. This is the time to help guide our club's future and vote on current issues. Members are encouraged to bring their latest project for Show and Tell.

June 2024 Business Meeting

**-Michael Roznick, GTRCC Secretary**

Bob started the meeting to order at 7:05. 14 members were present.

**President's Report** – Jason introduced 2 new members Dwayne and Tom. He also congratulated members on the success of the Ace Academy visit. Members were able to get everyone who expressed interest some flight time on the buddy boxes. One student broke piece of wood on bleachers on purpose. 28 kids in attended the event. The flight simulator was a hit and was in constant use all day. Our club is already on Ace Academy's calendar for next year. Jason mentioned plans to expand next year's event into the evening and feature a cookout and drone show (courtesy of Ali).

**Vice-President's Report** – No comments

**Treasure's Report** - Mike presented the Beginning Bank Balance, listed Monthly Income, Expenses, and earmarks. After all income and expenses, he gave the available cash which showed that the club remains in good financial shape.

**Secretary's Report** – Minutes from the May meeting were published in the newsletter.

**Safety Officer's Report** – No Safety issues noted

Jason discussed his purchase of two Eflite Apprentices, including one as a dedicated club trainer aircraft. This was purchased to support the Ace Academy visit and future training efforts. As he did not want to bill this to the club, he is donating most of the cost, but is hoping to cover around half of the cost (~\$150) in donations. Please contact Jason if you are willing to donate.

Jason also discussed the porta-potty servicing. Mike talked with Texas Johns and they offered a rate of \$174/month for 1 cleaning per week. That is a better rate than other clubs which also have at least

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2 cleanings per month. It is also a non-contract rate, so we can pause cleanings or delay them during winter months. Members were in favor of moving forward with this rate of servicing.

Jason talked about the dumpster rental and field day. Overall, the work day was a huge success. The extra porta potti was taken apart and disposed of, and the dumpster was completely filled with branches and other debris. Art Griep donated time with his tractor which was extremely helpful. Jason also mentioned potentially renting a chipper for further cleanup at some point in the future. He also warned members to be careful of wildlife around the field. There was a 4 1/2 ft rattlesnake back by the tractor which has been dealt with.

He also mentioned that the city is ready to receive our quotes for a runway and power. Oncor was out at the field recently, and is expecting to have a quote next week. Jason is preparing a package with both runway and power costs presented to ask the city for assistance. Expected electricity bill would be between \$25-35 a month based on other clubs costs. The installation would be the expensive part.

Club member Robert McClains wife, Cheyenne, works with the Ft Worth Army Corps of Engineering. Is willing to help advocate for our club, as her family greatly benefits from the club and enjoys being involved in the hobby. Further discussion are planned.

Jason talked about discounts involved in the club members. He asked members who receive discounted memberships to consider donating the same cost to the club to help out in this period of expansion. This will help us cover the planned field improvements among other costs. If you are willing to donate, please reach out to Jason or Mike.

Jason also talked about getting a nice, permanent flagpole. We currently have a lightweight flagpole that is rather flimsy. Jason discussed something more permanent with a nice base, with both US and TX flags, as well as a GTRCC flag. Also envisioned eventually replacing the posts and cable fence. Jason to investigate cost.

Frank discussed SPA event planned for September. Frank stepped in hole at the field and overextended his knee. Was in hospital Thursday-Saturday, pumped full of antibiotics for an infection. He is asking for a day to use it for SPA and a funfly. Also proposed a cookout with bbq chicken and baked beans. Frank offered to cover the event costs if he can get volunteers to cook and serve food, as well as run the event. Will not be a competition. Will double as a planning meeting for SPA events for next year. Expecting 8-12 pilots from SPA to attend. Jason inquired about monetizing it and potentially turning it into a larger event. Tentatively looking at September 7th. Randy offered to cook a Brisket if needed.

Club members talked about ways to monetize the event, maybe doing a night drone show. Jason proposed ring of fire to fly through.

Jason shared an update from the IRS. He talked with them last week. IRS said nothing wrong with our nonprofit application, but they've had a lot of turnover and are running behind. No changes needed.

The city sent out 2 guys to the field to look at the runway and field. Jason met them out there and took them through the field and our goals.

Anthony won the raffle for the mystery plane (Hobbyking RQ-4 Global Hawk 64mm EDF).

Jason showed his 48" extreme flight sky wing Extra NG. Makes a good 3D aerobatic Arf. Randy also brought the 61 in version Slick 360. Has plug in wing connections with a quick release.

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## \*\*\* Announcements \*\*\*

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From the Prez – Hello All! Hope everyone is well. Very hot outside – please remember to stay hydrated while enjoying the hobby. It's easy to pass the time while focusing on flying or other tasks at the field and totally forget about drinking water. We've had cases of heat exhaustion out at the field before and don't want to repeat that.

**Skin Protection** – not trying to be anyone's parent – but do consider sunscreen while flying. Skin cancers of all kinds are on the rise. And we spend a lot of time in direct sunlight with our hobby. Yours truly is the worst about using sun protection, but I am starting to get better about it. In late 2022, I somehow acquired a Stage I melanoma area on my back that I was lucky to catch. They ended up taking quite a large piece of skin from my back to gain good, cancer-free margins. Had I not caught it, I might be in much worse shape or not even typing this. Early this year, I had another spot show up on my left eyebrow – that one wasn't melanoma but was headed that way. Another deep skin removal was performed for that one as well. Since that time, I have been on a rigorous examination routine at the doctor until they're sure it's gone. Just something to think about.

**Monthly Meeting Location Change** - We are moving the monthly meeting from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at Spring Creek BBQ, to the club field on the third Saturday morning of each month at 0900. This should be a little easier for some to make the meetings and it will also allow us an opportunity to fellowship and fly together as a club. We will try to have some type of breakfast at the meetings as well. Looking forward to the change of atmosphere and the opportunity to fly. There

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will be periods of the year and significant weather events which may preclude meeting at the field. We will play this by ear. I have confirmed with Spring Creek that we are always welcome and they will be able to host us whenever we need and on short notice. Please keep an eye on your email and/or the club FaceBook page for the most updated info for the meeting on the third week of the month.

**Online Membership Maintenance** - WE ARE LIVE!! Guys, this is done and working so well. Thank you to everyone who supported this proposal and worked to make it happen. I believe this is a step in the right direction for our club and is definitely more in line with common commercial purchasing habits for all of us. As I said in a previous email, I don't expect perfection out of the gate. We may encounter hiccups as we go along. And that's okay. We will identify those and resolve them. But knock on wood, things appear to be working as planned.

## **!Upcoming Events!!**

SPA Practice Event and Fun-Fly on 7-September!!! Much to organize and discuss on this. But definitely looking forward to this event! Be ready to discuss this and bring your ideas/suggestions to the meeting on Saturday!

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## Member's Projects

Be sure and email pics/commentary of your projects to Jason Mitchell – [motomazzo@yahoo.com](mailto:motomazzo@yahoo.com)  
So we can all see what you're working on!

No projects this month!



## Club Merchandise

For Club Shirts, please contact The Logo Factory in Grand Prairie, TX: [www.logofactoryco.com](http://www.logofactoryco.com) / 972-642-4222. For club stickers (limited sized and quantities available), please contact Frank Cox – Club Treasurer – [countilaw@yahoo.com](mailto:countilaw@yahoo.com)

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## **!!Club Classifieds!!**

We all like to buy and sell! Here is the place to advertise what you've got! If you have anything to sell in this section, send pics and info to Jason Mitchell – [motomazzo@yahoo.com](mailto:motomazzo@yahoo.com) or text to

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(ads begin below)

## Nothing for sale this month!!

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### Editor's Note:

Nothing more from me this month – however, please reach out to me if you have any ideas/suggestions for the newsletter. It's pretty basic at the moment. Let me know if you'd like to see more / different info. Thanks for your involvement and input!

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