

# The Maricopa Radio Control Club Newsletter

## As The Prop Turns....

July 2019

Hello again members! Is it hot enough for you?!?!? I think “summer” has finally arrived with daytime temps gettin' close to 110F. But remember, “It's a dry heat.” And we're flying starting at 7:00AM and soon to be even earlier.....lol.

We will continue to include the previous categories from our original newsletter and have also added two new ones as mentioned in the May newsletter. They are:

1. Member in the Spotlight
2. Classified ads – For Sale/Wanted

So keep these categories in mind and let us know if you'd like to be “Spotlighted” or have something to sell or want pertaining to RC.

### A. MRCC Club Goals – 2019

We are still working on getting generic business cards made up to give to members to hand out to those who show an interest in getting into RC.

The business cards will be purchased this month. They will include TMRCC logo, website address, and new email address ([admin@themaricopaarccclub.org](mailto:admin@themaricopaarccclub.org)) - not live yet. Intent is that cards will be used by club members to increase membership and spread the word about our fantastic club.

Our goals for this year still include membership expansion and we have added thus far only two (2) new members; Father and son Stephen Ames both with the same first name (Steve)!

Our club goal of 22 new members by December 31<sup>st</sup> is falling behind so please tell everyone you know who we are, and also that we welcome all into our hobby. And don't forget, the member who brings in the most new members will receive free dues for 2020! Just our way of saying Thank You for your support. I truly feel that each and every one of us is an

“ambassador” for our hobby and that it is up to each of us to get the word out about our great club and flying site.

#### B. Repairs & Maintenance

For those of you who might not be aware, due to the generous efforts and donations from Dick Banken and John Ryszka, we can now recharge our batteries right there at the field. Bring your charger and hook it up to the new solar-powered Charging Station complete with inverter!!! Also, Bill Evans donated a craft table to our flying sight.

As reported last month, receipts for all improvements to our club's site were turned in to the AMA. The AMA has a reimbursement program that rebates monies directly back to individual clubs on a percentage basis (10%) of total club expenditures. I am pleased and very proud to announce that The Maricopa RC Club has been chosen as one of this year's recipients of the program. And a BIG Thank You goes to the efforts of our Sec./Treas., Bill Evans, for his most excellent work in getting ALL necessary paperwork and photos to AMA at the national level. That “package” Bill sent to AMA had to be letter-perfect for them to even consider our club as one of the recipients. Well-done Bill!

(See Bill's accounting of the monies being sent to us from AMA in his report following).

#### C. Sec.-Treas. Report

Bill Evans, our Sec.-Treas. states that the club currently has \$340.97 in the bank.

AMA Reimbursement Program - Receipts totaling \$1200, photos, and documentation were sent to AMA in March for consideration of their Reimbursement Program. Receipts were for the barriers and canopy. (The AMA disallowed our runway material because purchases were made in 2017). Our club was awarded 10%, (\$120).

#### D. Safety Report

Tom Fisher, our resident Safety Officer:

Another month has gone by and we're getting a glimpse of our AZ summer heat. When you go flying, take water with you and keep yourself hydrated and try to stay under our shelter when not flying. On Sunday, when Justin soloed, 9:15, it was already 97F so just be aware. Another issue I need to address is flying alone. We've all done it and usually with no mishaps, but we all know Murphy's Law. So if you do go flying and no one else is there, be very careful and make sure someone knows where you are. Fly safe!

#### E. Works-in-Progress

We currently have in the works what amounts to a brand new website! Not only a brand new website being worked on by Bill Evans, but a brand new logo and other things as well. Take a look at what Bill has put together thus far and GIVE US YOUR INPUT. It is in the Rough Draft Only phase with additional pics and verbiage to come. It is NOT in the Final form as yet so keep that in mind. YOUR input is welcome, so email us.

TMRCC website – [www.themaricoparcclub.org](http://www.themaricoparcclub.org)

#### F. Member in the Spotlight - Dale Duncan w/attached photos

“I moved to Maricopa from Yuma last October and was anxious to find the field and join The Maricopa Club. I taught and coached on the high school and junior high level for 41 years. I was fortunate to have several good athletes over the years and won my share of county championships. I was shocked that when I retired the district informed me the school’s gymnasium would be named after me!

My wife Penny and I have three children. My son got me into the hobby being his pit crew while he flew in pattern contests. I have flown off and on since the mid 1990’s. My hobbies are playing golf and building RC airplane kits along with flying them.

Since joining, I am happy to say I have found several good friends. I think every one knows me by now because I’m the one who brings a loud glow engine to the field. Because of gentle persuading from Denny and others I have taken the plunge and now purchased an electric airplane. I must say I do enjoy not cleaning my oily plane every time. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the field.”

Dale Duncan

G. Classifieds – For Sale/Trade  
No ads this month

H. Crash of the Month  
And the “winner” is....Tom Fisher.

All best,  
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