



AMA Charter 1605

April 2024

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Already April with some good and some harsher weather for flying. If you wanted to hone your skills in high winds this was the month for you.

If you would like to help with the Big Bird event coming up the first weekend of May please contact Kieth Jarvis tropix43@yahoo.com to offer support. Plenty of opportunities to volunteer with setup, cooking, ticket taking, pilot registrations, etc.

Come out and enjoy the great flying site we have as a club. Look forward to seeing everyone out there.

Joe

**Meetings are at the
Conroe Friendship Center
(Meals on Wheels building)
on the first Thursday of
the month at 7:30 PM
We hope to see you
there.**

Meeting Minutes

April 2024 Tri-County Barnstormer Meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm April 4th 2024 at the Friendship Center in Conroe TX with 12 members and no visitors present.

Secretary report: March minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasury report: Bank balance is healthy with all major bills covered till after our next member renewal cycle. The club banking has been moved from Chase to Regions Banking into a non-profit checking account with no fees and better customer servicing. Current roster is 134 members however the contact for many club members has become inaccurate. Please reach out to the treasurer at treasurer@tri-countbarnstormers.com to update or fill out a form located in the clubhouse to update your information.

Vice President report: The mowing is active at the field. Mowing captains are listed on the website. Please volunteer to assist the captains with the weekly efforts at keeping the field in top shape. Use the signup sheet and email the VP with your work activities.

The March Fun Fly had 15 pilots with a gross receipt of \$833 and a net to the club of \$96.

Thanks to Don for fixing two of the birdhouses. Now we have plenty of purple martins resident to help keep the bugs down at the field.

Old business:

3 of the remaining events this year are:

Big Bird May 3rd- 5th sanctioned with AMA CD Kieth Jarvis

War Bird June 29th & 30th sanctioned with AMA CD Chris Thomas

BEST October 4th-6th to be sanctioned with AMA CD Kirk Jennsen

New Business:

Kieth to check on options for new shirts to be sold/given away at events as well as personalized/customized shirts for the members to buy. Expect more news at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm



Jay Wright

Words from the VP

April showers; we have had plenty of that. So, the grass is enjoying it and the field looks great. Things to consider when you are helping with the club maintenance:

When mowing the grass by the road, mow to blow the cuttings back into the grass, not on to the road. Seeds blowing onto the road take root and grow in the middle

All mowers should be set at 2-1/2 inch. It is too thick to continue to mow at 2 inches.

Don't fill the sweeper more than $\frac{1}{2}$ full. It is taking a beating being filled too much.

Sweep the kitchen and bathrooms when ever you are there. They get dirty real fast.

There is a vicious cutter blade on one of the weed whacker, meant for cutting down heaver brush, such as along the fence line. Be careful, It would probably take a toe off, even though shoes.

Don't use the edger on the runway. It leaves a groove that will catch wheels and flip airplane. Instead, use a string weedwhacker at an angle to blend the grass onto the runway and cut the grass creepers that encroach onto the runway.

There will be a Super Cleaning day on Thursday, May 2nd to get the club and field ready for the Big Bird event. Please come out and help with the mowing, and cleaning.



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DON'T FORGET

TRI-COUNTY BARNSTORMER
CLUB MEETINGS ON THE FIRST
THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

NEXT MEETING IS

May 2nd