



Tulsa Glue Dobbers, Inc.
The Super Glitch

February 2010

FEBRUARY MEETING AT MARTIN REGIONAL LIBRARY

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Hello all. I hope everyone's dealing with the crazy winter well. I know my small dogs have had their fill of the deep snow.

We had a great meeting last month with I think 34 present with 5 being new members! We had 5 new members at the meeting. They were Jim Holliman, Rick Parnell, Vince Smolek, Eric Berkey, and Ted Wagner. Tim Davie informed us he would like to step down from the CD position for the Heatwave and Matt Gilbert, Greg Barnes AND Kevin Battenfield have volunteered to step into the fire and try to take up where Tim has taken us. Let's give them at least as much support as we gave Tim. I have heard of many members getting new planes

ready for the Warbird event in Sept. and I think this event is going to (pun intended) really take off! I have received many inquiries and emails with positive feedback about it. If we can get some good weather, this could be a very good year for TGD!

We will be presenting the club awards this month. Greg Barnes has the new website up and running officially now. www.tulsagluedobbers.com Make sure to check it out and give your feedback, please. There are plenty of places to do that. On the website you can use the "contact us" link, post on the forum link, or contact any staff member. Skip Green found us a good price on gravel for the parking area, and we'll be voting on that. We also need to know if anyone wants to be a certified trainer and if those already in those positions want to remain as trainers. We have many things to discuss this month as we get closer to (hopefully) dryer and warmer weather. With all the snow and rain it might be a while before anyone is able to get in to level dirt. Please bear with us on that and practice those short take-offs and landings.

Make plans now to attend the April 27th meeting. Bill McArthur has set up what sounds to be a great program for us. Clem Wehner had contacted Jack Rogers late last year here is an excerpt from his email.

I'm a member of the RC club in Lawton, OK. I often come to Broken Arrow to visit my son, Chris Wehner, who has been a member of Glue Dobbers. I've enjoyed flying at your field as a guest a couple of times, and had a lot of fun at the "heatwave" last year!

I'd enjoy presenting my program on the history of RC at one of your meetings this Spring if you'd like. I recently premiered the 45-minute program at our club and it was a big hit. I've been flying RC for 45 years and enjoy showing other RCers how we got to where we are today. I've spent about a year researching the subject including 2 trips and several days in the library and museum at AMA HQ. In the program, I trace the evolution of RC in the last 112 years and show the

milestones that each decade brought, using lots of pictures and stories about the people and events that made RC history.

Here's the note I put in our club newsletter recently:

"The Way it Was--A Brief History of RC". See how RC evolved during each decade since 1898, with lots of pictures. You'll learn why you once had to be a ham radio operator to fly RC, why the first jet was too powerful to be safe, how electric flight began, what a famous "nude" movie star had to do with RC, how the glow plug was accidently discovered, how a world championship kick started modern RC gear, how rubber band powered "servos" worked, how aerobatics could be done rudder only, about Duke Fox's "unusual" ideas, and more. Learn the story behind the things we all take for granted.

Lastly, remember to renew your TGD membership. We change the gate code soon!

Till next time....keep the shiny side up! And have fun!

Claude

Minutes of January 26, 2010 Club Meeting
Tulsa Glue Dobbers

New president, Claude Christ, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved. An update on the dirt work being done by the parks department stated that we will receive no additional dirt due to the city budget crises. However, leveling of the initial delivery will occur as soon as possible. Animal control needs to be called. The beaver is winning the war.

New members present were introduced as Jim Holliman, Rick Parnell, Vince Smolek, Eric Berkey, and Ted Wagner. Jerry Summers was thanked for continuing as our fixed wing safety officer. Claude asked for a committee to review our awards definition for future years. The club website has been taken on and changed substantially by Greg Barnes. We are considering a web based camera from the field and online weather reporting of current conditions at the field. Tom Schmeltz has offered to fund the expense.

Adding new gravel to the parking lot and drive was discussed extensively. We voted to table the contractor's bid of \$1400 until we can further investigate doing the work as a DIY project. We also received a quote for \$1600 worth of sod to top off the new dirt we

hope to level off around the runway. Chuck Boles is hopefully going to head up another heli fly-in this year. We also discussed adding a war bird fly-in to our calendar. Chris Raymer has offered to head that event on September 11-12. Kevin Battenfield and Matt Gilbert wish to take over leadership of the Heatwave Jumbo Fly-in to be held on July 23-25. And Matt and Cory are trying to motivate a Quickie 500 racing season beginning this spring. Grant Wilson announced the near completion of a third B-36 that will be flown in formation with the other two B-36's at shows this coming season. He also announced that Walt Hendon is recovering nicely from his stroke. And finally., it was announced that Dave Hendon will host another indoor fly-in at the Rose Bowl on March 7 with a \$10 cover charge. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by: Doug Bromley, Club Secretary