

# "TURBULATOR"

Newsletter  
of the Rio Rancho  
Radio Control  
Flying Club  
AMA Club #2770

WATERMAN FIELD

ELEVATION 5840 FEET

35° 17.2'N 106° 44.8'W



Katana  
Maiden Flight



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### "Da Prez Sez"

Summer is slipping by fast, and cooler weather is just around the corner. Flying this Summer was good with not too many washouts from rain, and a normal amount of wind.

Our trips to Cochiti were a lot of fun as we always had a good time and calm weather.

Fall also is the time we move indoors for our meetings. This time of year we have a lot of things going on, with elections, Membership, and Christmas. hope to see U all there.

## Coming Events

1. Meeting 5 Oct 7:00pm at Wallen Shop
2. Mike will start collecting dues at the Oct Mtg.
3. Nomination for Club Officers opens at the Oct Mtg.

## Roy Scimonelli Passes.



The club was notified of the passing of long time club member Roy Scimonelli. Roy split his time between flying in New Mexico in the summers and in Mesa, Az in the winters. You could usually find him very frequently at the field. He'd arrive early and be one of the last to depart. He flew and introduced the "Flying W" to New Mexico. He made quite a few of the original W's and sold them to clubs in the area. Roy was always available to give a helping hand or a bit of advice to all club members. Roy and Pat had just decided to move to Mesa permanently at the beginning of this summer. Roy was a good flyer, club member and help to all who knew him. Roy was 75 when he passed. Roys' services were held on 1 Oct at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.

## Club members who have Solo'd



Johnny Adams has flown a few times with Don and has spent a number of hours on the Real Flight Simulator. He has been flying an Eflite Alpha 450 and has done very well.



Garry's new Giant Super Sportster



Robin

Tuchler has been flying a Slo-Stick under Dons instruction for a little while. He has been doing well and

## A Couple pix from the Field



Reggie Cards ad his new Katakana MD



Glen makes a landing from the Chair

# MEETING MINUTES

## Minutes from the September 2015 Club Meeting

The meeting started at 10:00 with 15 Members present.

**Minutes:** Accepted as Published.

**Treasurers Report:** Accepted as presented.

Membership Report: The club has 54 members.

Field Report: The field clean up went well. Garry knocked the weeds down, the rest of the crew cleaned the runway, and moved the weeds from the shelter area. Thanks to those who participated a job well done.

**Safety:** 1. Reminder to use the flight boxes and spotters when more than one plane is in the air.  
2. We are in need of a new safety officer since Rick Svitzer moved. If you are interested in the position please contact Ken French.  
3. One of our members cut himself with a prop while putting a new radio in service. Part of the problem was that the new radio moved channels around in different configurations (ie dual aileron servos). The channel changed for throttle and the prop came to life and cut him. The lesson here is to be familiar with your equipment(Read the manual) and anytime you work on the radio/motor/esc take the prop off the plane.

**Unfinished Business** 1. Dues will start being collected at the Oct meeting.

2. Nominations for club officers will be open starting at the Oct Meeting.

**New Business:** AMA District VP elections are coming up. The club received a request of support for our Current AMA VP who lives in Albuquerque. Don asked the membership at the meeting if any knew Mark Johnson. The only response was from George Bliss who stated that he met Mark at Maloof many years ago. He didn't have anything good or anything poor to say about his performance as District VP. Don contacted Mark via email and asked him to enumerate his accomplishments as District VP. The return email was a litany of excuses why he hasn't done anything with the clubs in the area. The bottom line is that Mark hasn't been able to state his accomplishments and people who have met him can't state anything good or bad that he has accomplished.

The meeting adjourned at 1036am.

### Turbulator:

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### Next Club Meeting

October 5th 7:00pm at the Wallen Club House. 5545 Lilac Pl.