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## President's Message

Though the wind was brisk and directly across the runway, our Spring Fly-In saw intrepid flyers, errant streamers that tried to drift to Johnson City, several spectators and club members enjoying a fine spring day.

*Dan Jackson*

## Quotable Quotes

*Man must rise above the Earth—to the top of the atmosphere and beyond—for only thus will he fully understand the world in which he lives.*

— Socrates.

*Whenever we safely land in a plane, we promise God a little something.*

— Mignon McLaughlin, *The Neurotic's Notebook*, 1960

## Editor

Please send your input either by e-mail ([rossgtenn@gmail.com](mailto:rossgtenn@gmail.com)) or post -

Glenn Ross, 134 Chock Creek Road, Johnson City, TN 37601-3639 - by the 19<sup>th</sup> of the month you would like it included. Electronic input should be .jpgs and word documents (.doc or .docx).

THANKS!

*Glenn Ross*

## Next Meeting

**Tuesday, 28 May, 2019, 6:45 PM at Odom – Fennell Field, Tri Cities Model Airport**

## FYI –

We held our ***Spring work Day*** on 13 April, 2019 to catch up on some needed maintenance and also spruce the place up for the Spring Fly In and Swap Meet.

With about 12 to 15 people present, quite a bit of the work list got either done or started on. In fact, people were working so hard, no one took any pictures. By the way, thanks to Dan's wife for the most welcome MacDonald's Biscuit run....Yum, yum!

The chain link fence directly behind the new shelter was removed and in its place, a new Orange barrier was mounted to the Shelter support columns. Then, the remaining fence line was tied to the end Shelter support, forming one continuous safety barrier between the flight stands and parking lot. Well Done Tim and Ed.

Dan removed the unused planter adjacent to the flight box and placed gravel there to provide flight line access as well as filled in all the fence post holes.

New gravel was laid across the lower road washout and all the way up the drive to about the dumpster. In addition, 4 tons of top soil was delivered and it was placed in the center low spots adjacent to the western edge of the runway, rolled and raked smooth.

Skip honchoed the effort at the lower field and now, that shed has finally been relocated to a spot adjacent to the current Grey shed.

The field has been mowed and all the concrete flight boxes, sidewalks, and taxiways have been edge trimmed.

Rotted and broken Railroad Ties were removed and the Killer Rose Bush was severely trimmed.

Lastly, rebar was used to tie together several of the slab fragments before beginning the process of filling the cracks with bonding mortar. There are still some to be done and cracks still to fill, but it's a much needed start at trying to stabilize the slab.

The plan moving forward is to get more topsoil and continue the Runway edge effort as well as filling the deepest grass strip holes, followed by fertilizer and grass, continue addressing the items on Anthony's work list and refine/add to the effort over the summer.

## Thanks to Everyone who came out !!


## Hope to see more members at the next one



FYI –


Twenty years ago, this was what was happening with JCRC:

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Johnson City Radio Controllers, Johnson City, TN      APRIL 1999

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**What Will It Take.....?**

- To get you to be more active in the JCRC?
- To attend JCRC meetings every month?

Please consider these questions and call or send me a note expressing your ideas and concerns. Regular meeting attendance will keep you up to date on club activities and any changes in procedures. You may even provide input to determine the outcome of decisions. The Board of Directors and Officers of this club would like to see you be a complete member of the JCRC. You should consider being involved because this is your club and it will only survive with good and active members. The reason we have the present facilities is because of members that have been willing to do their share and support the club, not to just fly at the flying site.

The grass is growing at Bowser Ridge and the mowing schedule has several open spaces. Who is going to mow the grass during the weeks that are open? NO BODY? Call Rhea Starnes and volunteer to keep the flying site grass mowed.

If you do not already know, the JCRC has a new Vice President. Rhea Starnes was elected at the March meeting. Rhea has been active since he joined the JCRC and I feel sure that he will serve well in this office.

The April Meeting will be at the Princeton Arts Center on the 27th. The presentation will be by Mahlon Tenney giving us Insights Of an "Old" Control Line Flyer.

**Jim**

**NEXT MEETING**  
Tuesday, April 27, 1999, 7:00 p.m. at Princeton Arts Center

Amazing how things change but stay the same. We still want members to be involved, we're still working on grass at the flying field and we just got a new Vice President, Tim Cox. Congrats, Tim!!



We held our Annual ***Spring Fly-In and Swap Meet*** Event on 27 April, 2019.

It was a beautiful spring day after quite a bit of rain, but, oh Pooh, it was a very blustery day. We had some items available for the Swap meet session, some aircraft on display, and a few brave flyers daring destruction in 10 – 15 mph cross winds. There were visitors, at least one “Buddy Box” session and, of course, great food – Thanks Tim and Marsha!! .Here are a few pictures:



*Al right guys, let's get set up and grill some burgers!*



*Wow, we got shade!!!*



*And, we have stuff to raffle*





*There were planes on display...*



*and planes for sale.....*



*Young flyers to be.....*



*and now, young flyers...*



*Daddies and daughters*



*and just plain dawdlers*





*Streamer Bombers.....*

*and their pilots*



*Streamers in the wind and valiant chasers*



*And, of course, the only reason to eat at Tim's cafe*

## Upcoming Activities

### Joe Nall

10 – 18 May at the  
Triple Tree Aerodrome,  
Woodruff, South Carolina



### Chill and Grill

6 PM till Dusk, every Tuesday  
evening, Rain or Shine starting  
7 May and running through 27  
August at Odom-Fennell Field.

Join us for Burgers or Hot  
Dogs with flying and  
fellowship – unless there's

⚡ lightening ⚡!!

## National Model Aviation Day and Club Pic Nic

17 August,  
rain date 24 August  
at Odom-Fennell Field.





## Tips and Techs

This tip and tech is actually a call to action. During the Spring work day, 4 tons of topsoil were placed in several low spots where we had standing water and in a couple of places adjacent to the far edge of the runway. Unfortunately, 4 tons were nowhere near what was needed to take care of the taxiways, both ends of the runway and fully along the runway's length. But, it was a start and the areas that were done seem to be settling in nicely.

In early May, the president is getting additional topsoil delivered to the field. This topsoil is to be used to continue to fill in adjacent to the tarmac and along the taxiways. The plan is to reseed those areas and hopefully get a complete grass border once they are all filled in. This should help when pilots experience a "run past" off the edges of the runway. When the dirt is delivered, Dan will cover it with a blue tarp.

Now the ask – when you are at the field, pitch in on this effort. Dan will be putting a wheelbarrow, shovel and rake at the field, probably stored in the Green and Gray shed. When you come to the field, if the topsoil is there, how about helping out by moving a wheelbarrow load of dirt over to a bad place on the edge of either the runway or one of the taxiways. Then spread it out tight against either the asphalt or the concrete and raked smooth.

The plan is to have another work day or two between now and the fall with the goal of getting the soil put in place then seed, fertilizer and straw placed as well. But, until those are scheduled, every little bit helps. If you are able, while your batteries are recharging, move a load of dirt. With luck, it might get done before Dan can get a work day pulled together.



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