



Friday night at Rudy's was the usual great event with the locals.

Saturday morning registration and pilots meeting was a little slow but we did get to serious flying a little after 0900 hrs. Joe Nelson from our constituents in Sierra Vista demonstrated a drone fly with a skydiver drop that was fun. It was a controlled skydiver piloted by his young son JP

Bill Barnitz, along with the rest of us, thought the flight line was a little under managed and volunteered to do the honors. Thanks Bill, You did an absolutely fantastic job.



A pair of WWII Stukas flew a demo and dive bomb drop that was fun to watch.

Saturday night was Pizza for some and Mexican food for others, both 'Fun'.

Sunday: Ditto on pilots meeting. Official flights got going about 0900 hrs. and went well. The Stukas and skydiver were there again. Unfortunately one of the Stukas crashed into the north pilot box on landing. A beautiful B-25 gas powered bomber had a problem on takeoff and also sustained damage. One of the Tucson pilots crashed his biplane in a dog fight but not real bad.



New member Larry Narcus was there to help anyone who needed any help and provided excellent spotter

service where ever needed. Thanks Larry! Excellent job.

Of course, Bill Barnitz did his needed and well perfected Air Boss honors and added prestige to our TRCC image. Fantastic job Bill, Thanks again.



Moving on to the closing, prizes were fair and fun. We should rename it to "Billy Plunkett time." Billy couldn't even get his prizes to the car let alone sit down before he won again, and again, and again, etc.-- etc. Way to go Billy.

We had a good turnout Sunday night at Rudy's again.

Monday morning breakfast at Cracker Barrel was pleasurable. We all headed out for home and Kranberry's restaurant (Lordsburg) after a gas fill-up.

Pilot head count was 12 pilots with at least 2 helpers. Excellent representation. Thanks Folks.

As usual, Our Ladies were right there to support and cheer us on. Thanks to the Albuquerque Radio Control Club for another great scale fly-in. Thank You, ALL

*As I promised years ago, I would try to include "something of interest" for the families of our membership. Received the following from an old TRCC member Vince Cimino who now lives in southern California. Thanks Vince. CB*

## The U.S.S. Barb

### The Sub That Sank A Train.....

In 1973 an Italian submarine named Enrique Tazzoli was sold for a paltry \$100,000 as scrap metal. The submarine, given to the Italian Navy in 1953 was actually an incredible veteran of World War II service with a heritage that never should have passed so unnoticed into the graveyards of the metal recyclers. The U.S.S. Barb was a pioneer, paving the way for the first submarine launched missiles and flying a battle flag unlike that of any other ship. In addition to the Medal of Honor ribbon at the top of the flag identifying the heroism of its captain, Commander Eugene "Lucky" Fluckey, the bottom border of the flag bore the image of a Japanese locomotive. The U.S.S. Barb was indeed, the submarine that "SANK A TRAIN".

July, 1945 (Guam) Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz looked across the desk at Admiral Lockwood as he finished the personal briefing on U.S. war ships in the vicinity of the northern coastal areas of Hokkaido, Japan. "Well, Chester, there's only the Barb there, and probably no word until the patrol is finished. You remember Gene Fluckey?" "Of course.