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AMA Charter 141

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN-Steve Gebler



I hope that you, your friends, and family are doing well during this stressful time with all the news related to Corona Virus.

As you know, the field is still open, but it is critical, should you decide to fly, to insure that you keep a safe distance from each other, and hand wash and sanitize often. It is such a natural instinct to shake hands, hand each other transmitters, batteries, and other gear, but please refrain from doing so.

Many of the other flight clubs around the country and even here in San Diego have been forced to close. While we can, we will keep things open. All meetings, events, training, and contests are on hold for now. For the time being no visitors, guests or visiting AMA members from other clubs will be allowed at the field. Check the Transmitter, the Web site, and your emails for changes that may occur.

Kudos to Chris Wilson and Tim Hitchcock for mowing the field and to David Ellis for arranging for a contractor to keep the fields mowed. Things really shot up fast with all the rain recently.

Two of our members, Steve Harlan and John "Doc" Buck, passed away this month. Our thoughts are with their families.

Stay safe!

—
Steve Gebler
President
Palomar RC Flyers



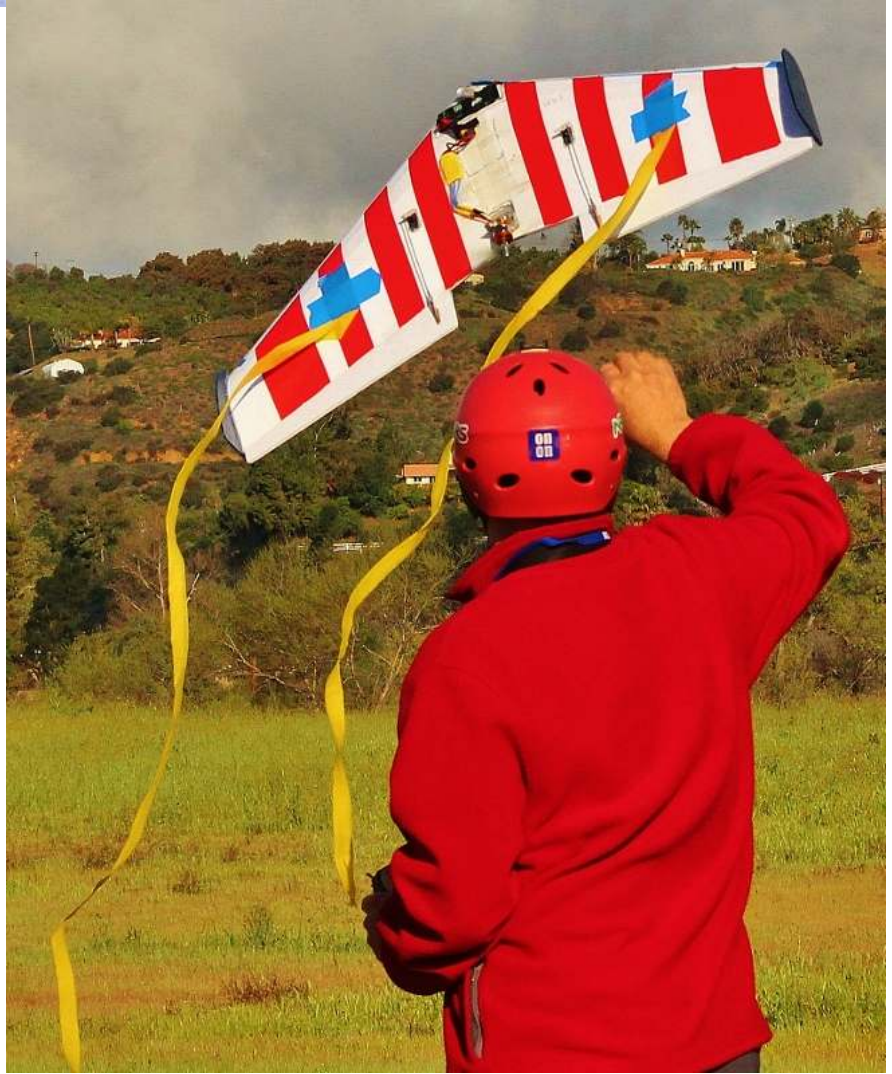
The cast of characters– the usual suspects: L/R Our honorable Club Treasurer-Dave Ellis, Board Member Doug Abel, Board Member Joe Villarreal, Vadim Klyushnichenko, our Honorable President Steve Gebler, Tim Hitchcock, Eric Armstrong



These photos were taken 1/3 of a second apart. It's Steve Gebler.



Doug Abel





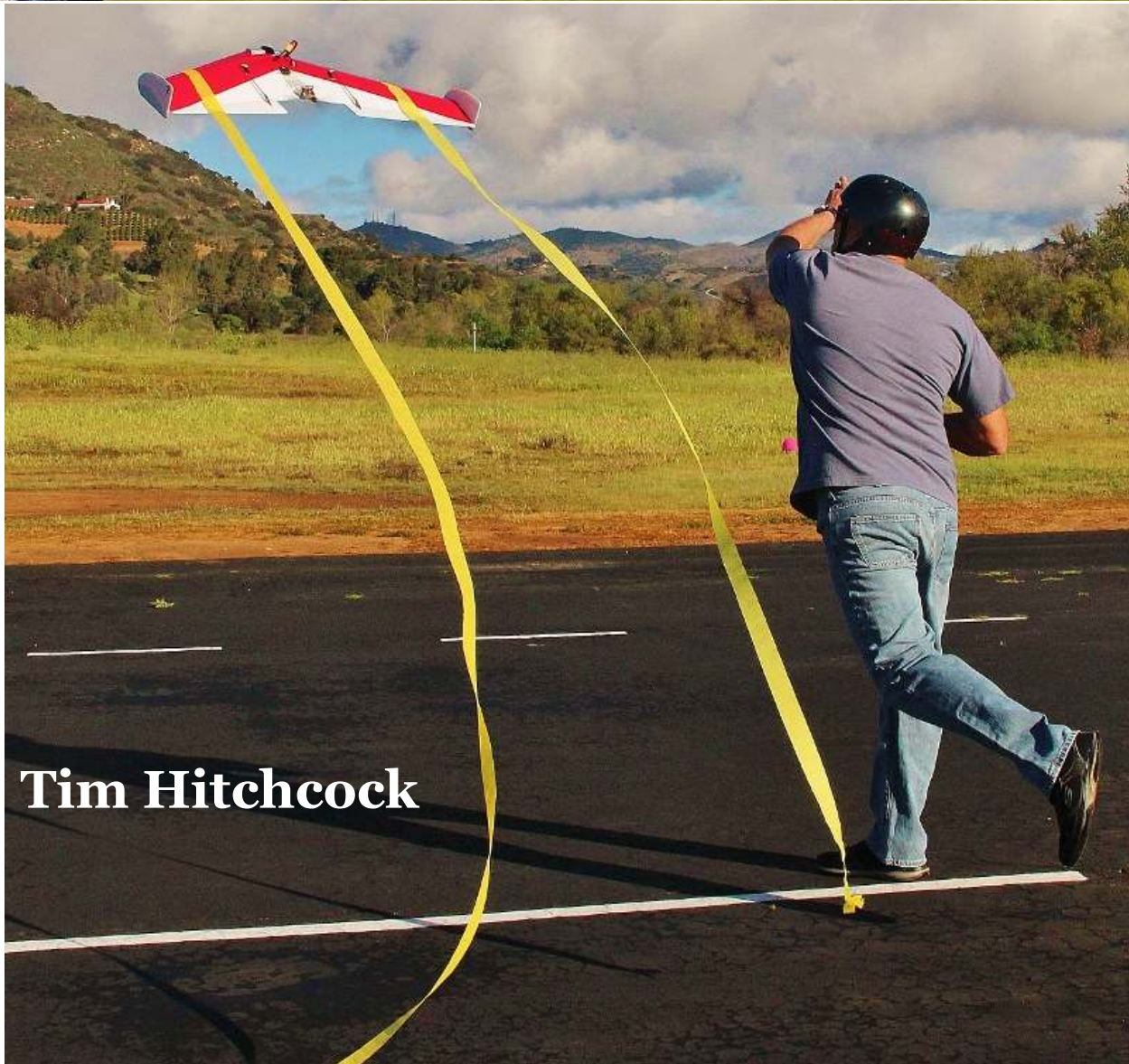
Vadim Klyushnichenko



**Dave Ellis our Club
Treasurer**



Go get 'em Dave Ellis!



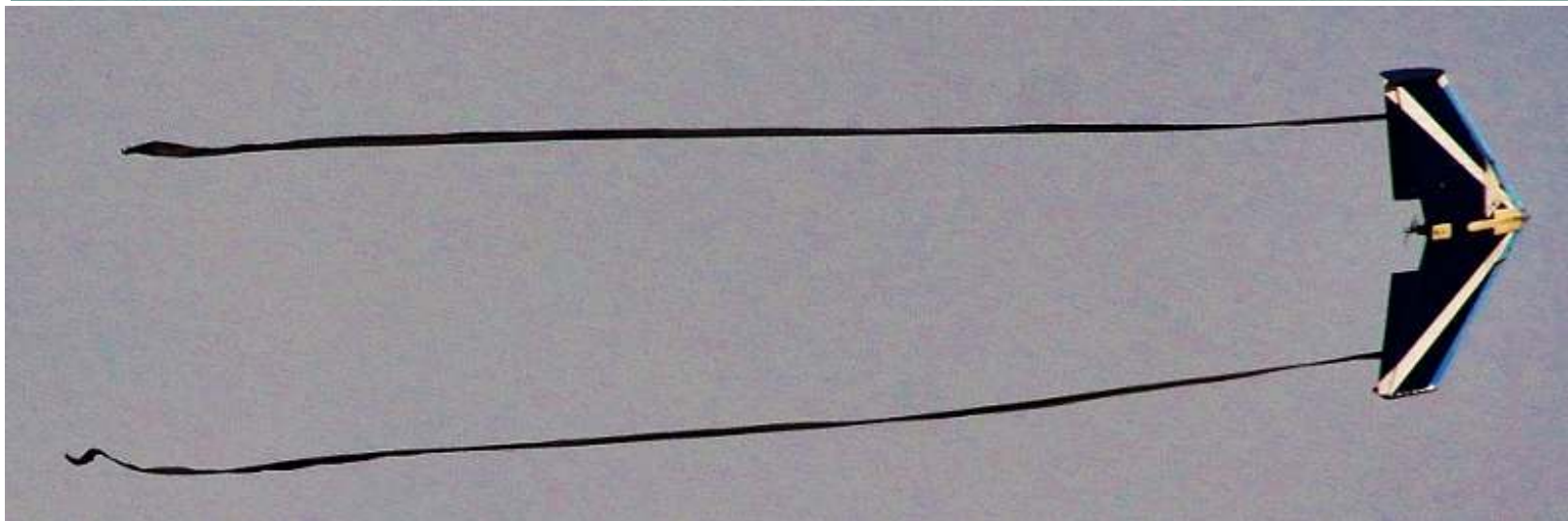
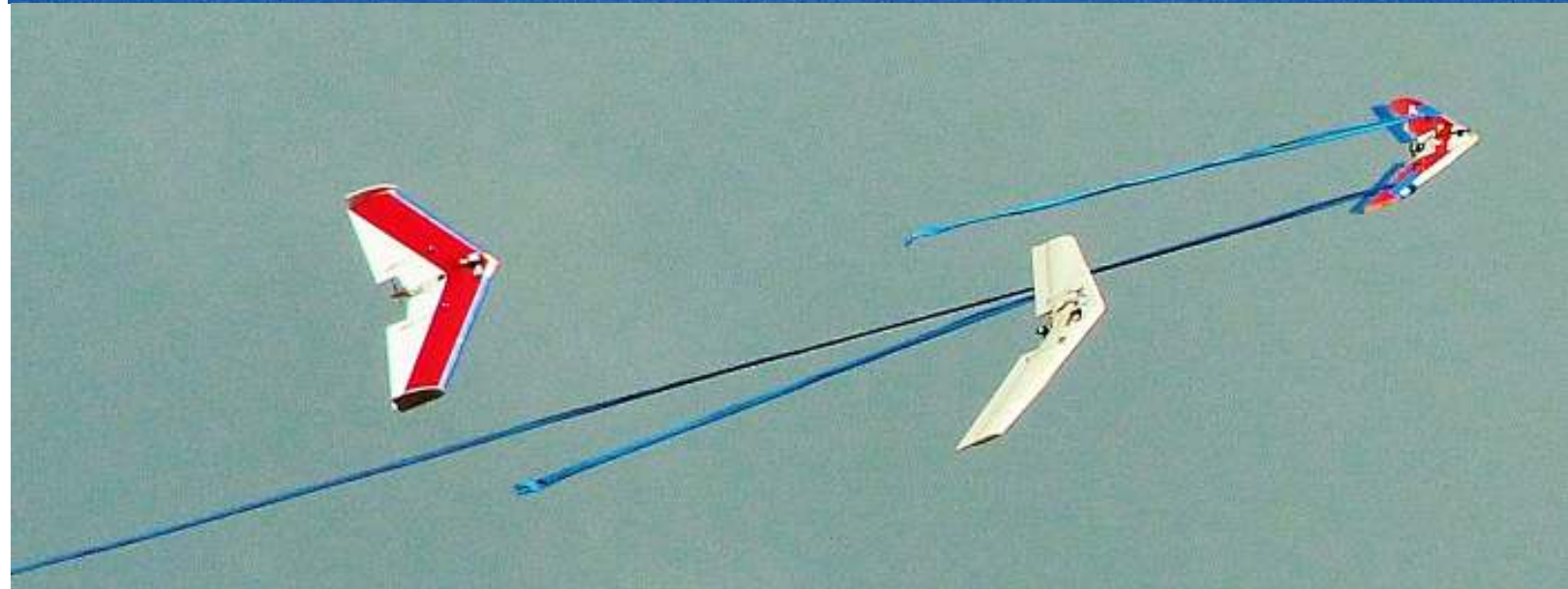
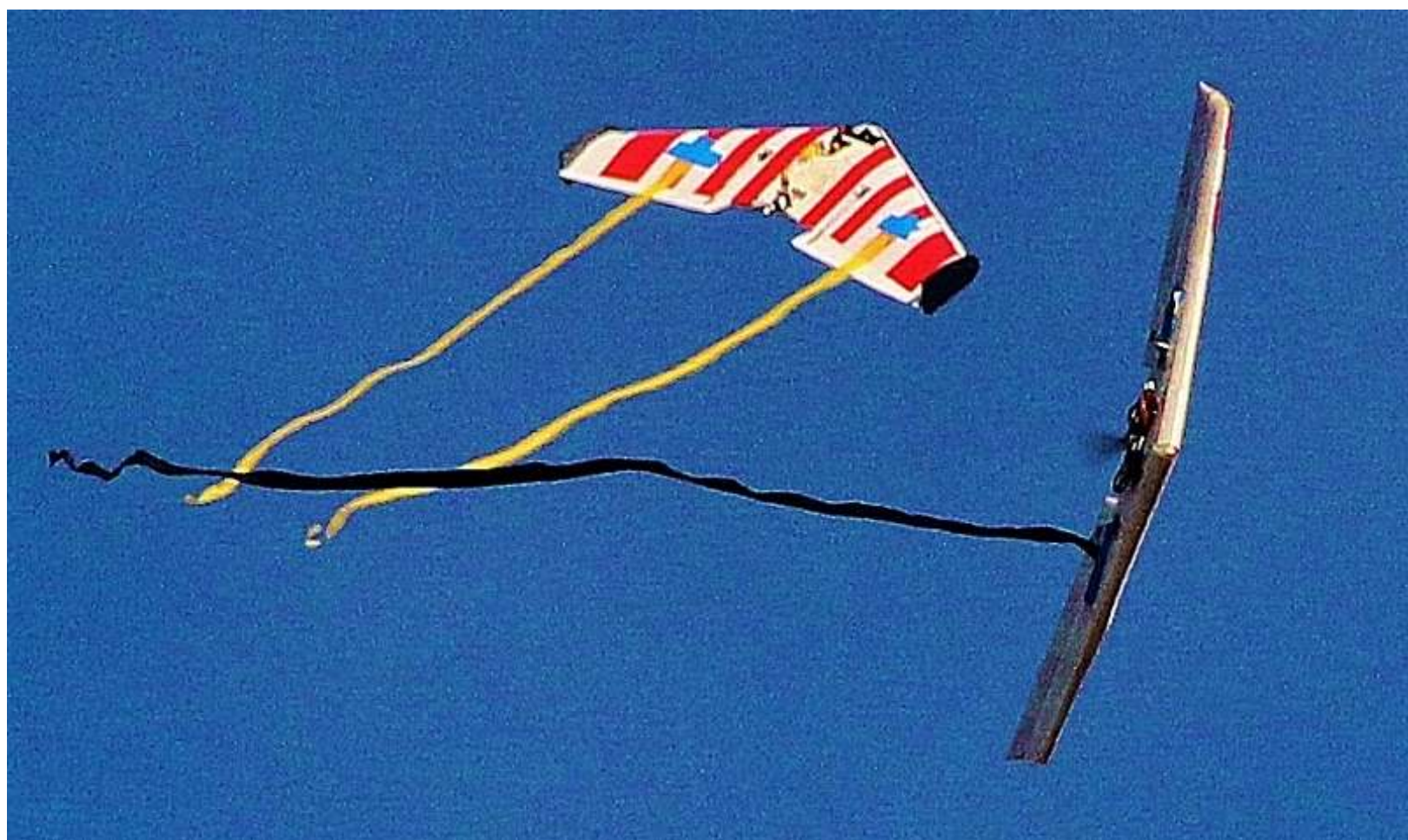
Tim Hitchcock

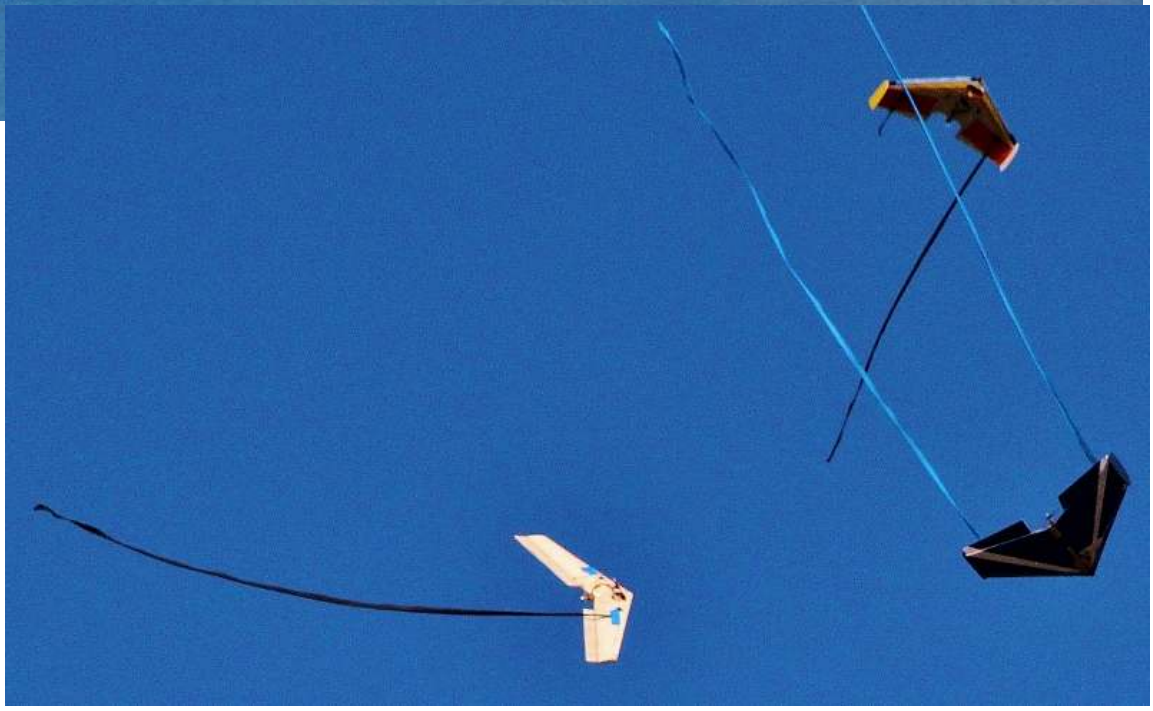
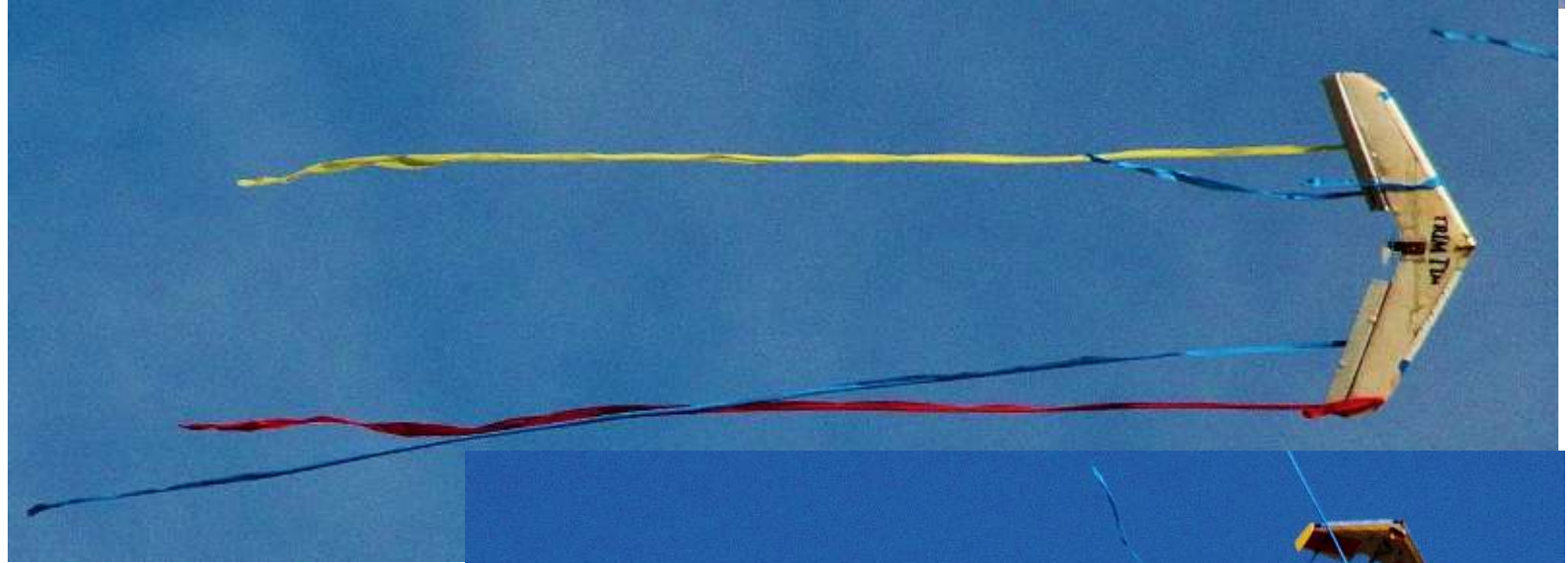


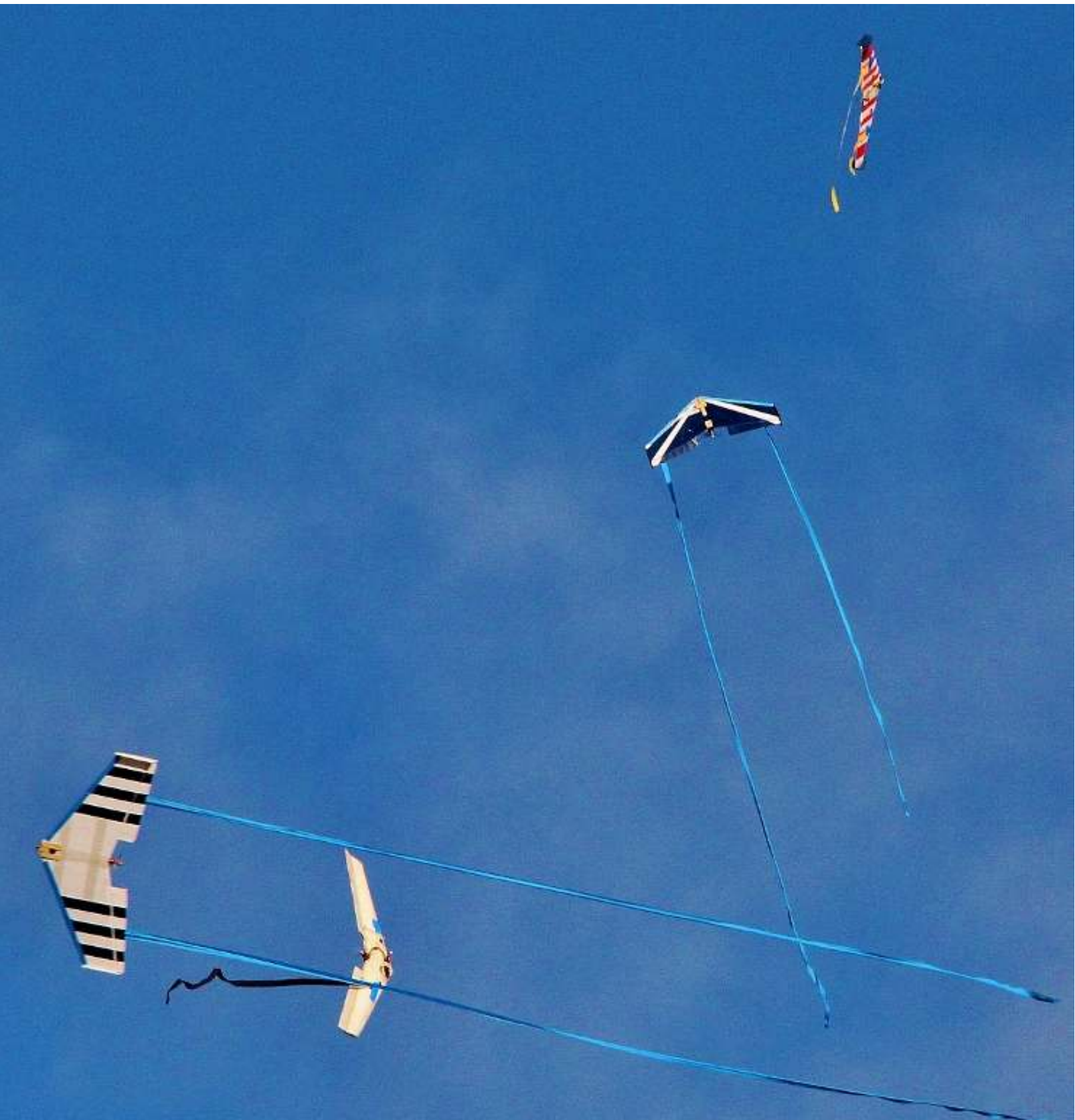
Joe Villarreal



Eric Armstrong









Spot Landing Contest
Closest to the cone wins.





James Aaron was the score keeper.





James Aaron kept score.



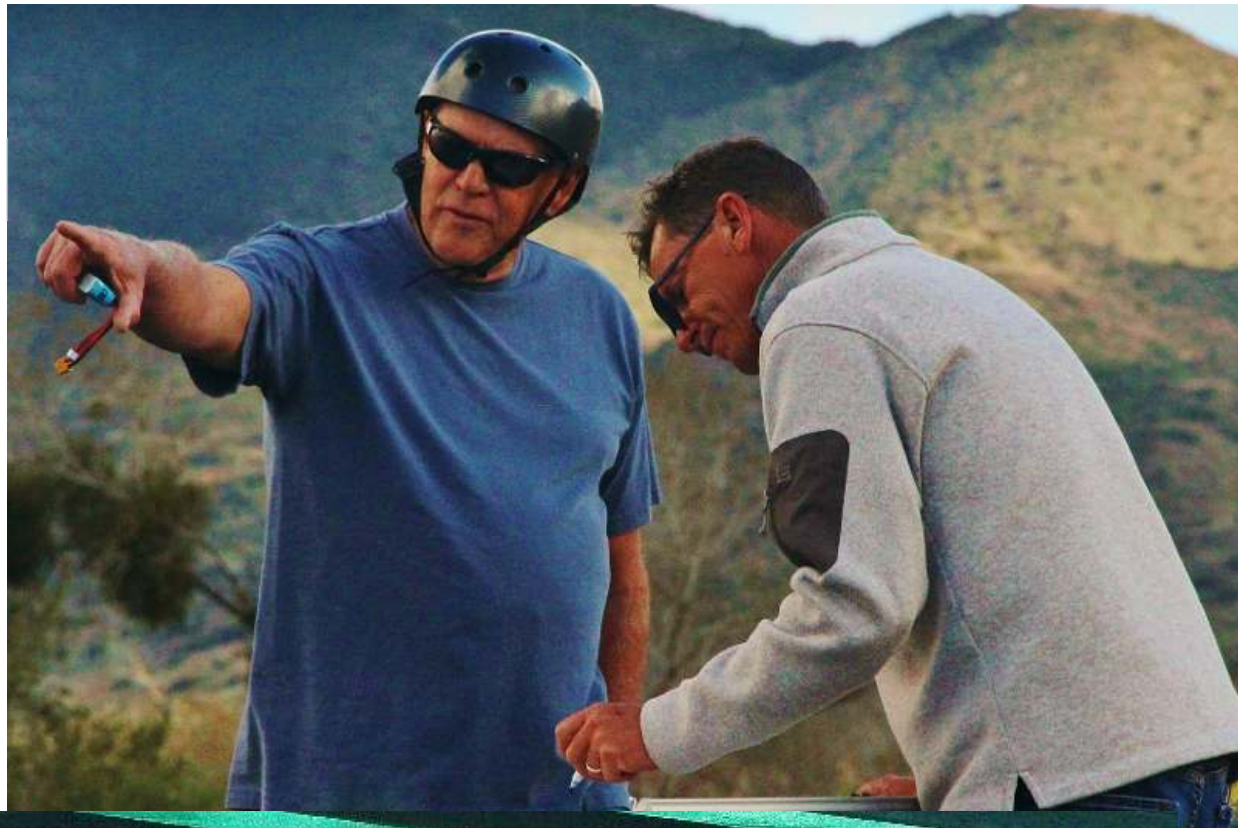
PRCF Trifecta

Pilot	Combat 1			Combat 2			Chase			Horseshoes 1			Horseshoes 2			Horseshoes 3			Horseshoes 4			Horseshoes 5			Score
	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30	COMPLETE 20	CUT 50 P.A. IN 20MIN. 30		
GEORGE	50	20	150	20	20	85	50			30	90													240 / 25 = 165	
ERIC	50	20		20	100	20			20															90 / 40 = 230	
JOE		20		20	-	-			30										30			30		40 / 40 = 130	
DOUG	50			20	20					50														70 / 70 = 140	
DAVID	50	20		20	20	30					20	30	50											90 / 150 = 240	
VADIM		20		20	20																			20 / 20 = 40	
TIM	50	30	20	20	20										20				20				20	120 / 110 = 220	

Steve Gebler and the score board where he came in #1!



Tim Hitchcock and James Aaron



Pretty Steve Gebler

These planes actually landed on top of each other! Wow!



This plane actually landed like this! No joke.





Chris Avellino



Pancho Castillo
What a great smile!





Trifecta winners: L/R 1st place, President Steve Gebler, 2nd place Treasurer Dave Ellis, 3rd place Eric Armstrong.

IN MEMORIAM

We have been informed that Dr. John Buck, M.D., a club member for almost 40 years recently passed away. Dr. Buck always attended our July 4th celebrations at the field, but in his later years he ceased flying. He told me that he has copies of the early issues of the Transmitter when they were published in hard copy. Dr. John was a real gentleman. We shall miss you!





Vadim Klyushnichenko's E-Flite Cirrus



Chris Bunn flies this FMS Votec aerobatic plane.

Safety Officer Chris Thompson took these and the next 18 photos. Great, great photography! Many thanks to you.



Eric Armstrong's Extra



STOP! One of these photos is of the full-scale plane and the other is Chris Thompson's P-8. Which one is the full scale? Study them well or you'll be easily fooled as I was! If you guessed the top one is full scale, that is Chris Thompson's! The bottom one is full scale! Are we good or what?!!!



Chris Avellino's Slick is colorful and he flies it well. That's Vadim's wing forever resting in the trees.





Chris Avellino's red and white plane with Eric Armstrong's plane practice flying together! How cool is this?!!



**Joe Neenan's P-51
E-Flite**

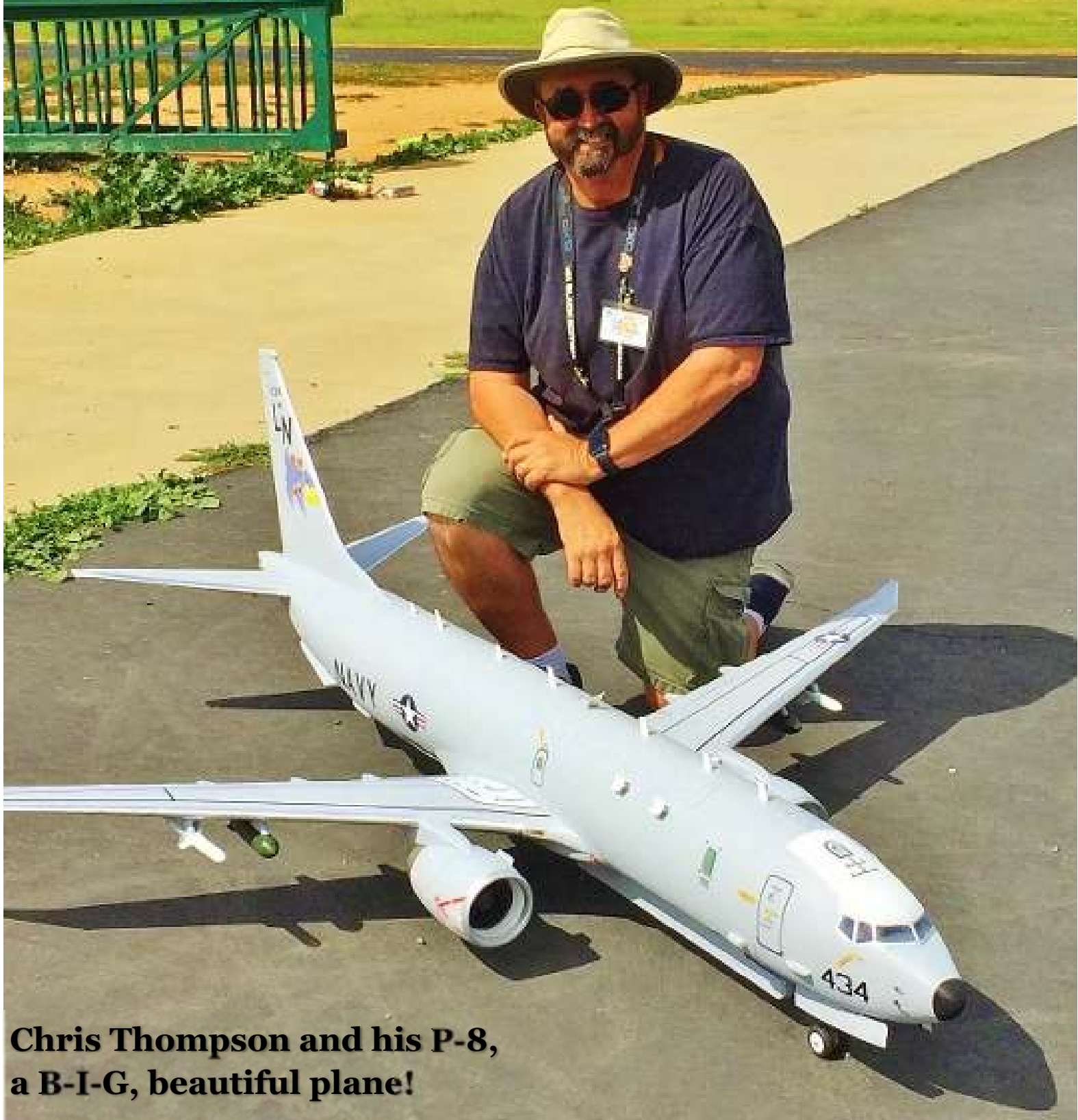


Joe Neenan's F-16



Kelvin Phoon sent this photo of Pancho Castillo and his resurrected De Havilland Mosquito— a plywood bomber from WWII.

Freewing AL-37. Twin 70mm EDFs, about 6' long. Converted to a Boeing P-8 maritime patrol plane. Dozens of 3D printed parts: antennas, blisters, radars, flair & sonobouy chutes, working weapons bay, new engine exhausts, Harpoon missiles, Mk-65 aerial mines, new wingtips, Behr paint and Callie graphics.



**Chris Thompson and his P-8,
a B-I-G, beautiful plane!**





I think Roger Cosio was trying to name this “Old School Bus.” However,



March 2020

Palomar RC Fliers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Compiled by: Patrick Pranica, Secretary PRCF

President: Steve Gebler, Vice President: Trent Stadick, Treasurer: David Ellis, Secretary: Patrick Pranica. Safety Officer: Chris Thompson,
Board members: James Gallacher, Chris Avellino, Chris Wilson, Joe Villarreal, Doug Able, Richard Torres
Additional Roles: Chief Flight Instructor: Chris Thompson, Membership Chairman: Steve Kerrin. Webmaster: Richard Torres

Call to order: 6:31 PM

- **Treasurer Report:**
Total Income: \$2,372.00
Approximate sums of major categories ...
\$1,400 Membership Dues
\$700 Apparel
\$200 Heli Fun Fly
Total Expenses: \$4,337.32
Approximate sums of major categories ...
\$1,400 room rent
\$2,500 field maintenance (mowing, road repair, porta pooper, trash, new tables)
(not a major category but fun fact: \$67 PayPal fees)
Net income: -\$1,965.32
End of Month Balance: \$94,508.90

Membership: Current membership at 238. Including 12 life memberships

- **Chair Reports**
 - **Safety: Some members are showing signs of over estimating there capabilities. The need for new member sign off is becoming apparent.**
 - **Fixed Wing: Flight line communication is improving but still below standards.**
 - **Drones: Needs more promotion. We are the solution. Proposed landing pad approved. Will follow up on costs.**
 - **Heli: Pre-registration has started. Porta Potties are set with additional wash station. Dumpster pick up scheduled. \$800 approved for expenses.**
 - **Glider: Great conditions. Holding 400 feet altitude is challenging.**
- Flight Training: Flyer published. Teams are set. T-Shirts to be given to graduates. Will make adjustments through the season.**

Our Approved Mission Statement: Our mission is to actively and enthusiastically promote the hobby of model aviation through education, community outreach, and member participation to bring the joy of flight to both young and old at our first-class flying venue.

Logo Clothing Purchasing — Update: Data submitted and approved. Strong orders. Will have shirts available at the field and meetings.

- **New Field Locations:** Urgent we contact as many prospects as possible. Written petition approved.
- Advertising the petition statement to blanket the area.

Distribution to potential referrals be it friends or business associates.

Life Membership Discussion: To be offered to the membership for voting on the top three. The top two will be honored.

Hire a mowing service: Approved \$1000 per year to have service clear the flight line and maintain any overgrowth.

Field Cleanup Weekend — March 28 – 29 (Since cancelled)

Sign for Pankey Road: Approved \$250 for sign at entrance that promotes our field and flight training.

- **April 10-12 Campout & Night Fly.** Needs promotion.
- **Model Aviation Day August 15.** We will participate using the same template as last year.
- **Meeting Presenter Organizers**
 - March - Wilson
 - April - Avellino
 - May - Stadick
 - June - Abel
 - July - Torres
 - August - Gallacher
 - September - Villareal
 - October - Thompson

Events:

March 19 — Club Meeting (Cancelled) May 2 — Aerotow
April 4 — Trifecta May 3 — Trifecta
April 4 — Aerotow May 13 — Board Meeting
April 8 — Board Meeting May 15 - 17 — Heli Fun Fly
April 10-12 — Campout and Night Fly May 21 — Club Meeting
April 11 — Club Meeting at the Field
April 12 — Paintball
April 25 — Pylon Racing

PRCF FIELD UPDATE

We are making some changes to our field guidelines that you should know about.

1. Flight training is canceled temporarily for ALL students. This includes Monday nights, weekdays and during the week.
2. A maximum of three pilots at a time at the flight line in alternating positions.
3. Pilots must use every other table in the pits. If you can't find a position at an alternating table, call it a day and try on another.
4. If you happen to have some extra hand sanitizer or wipes consider bringing some to donate and leave at the field for others to use.
5. If you are feeling ill for ANY reason, STAY HOME!

In addition, please adhere to the following, previously posted guidelines:

During the Coronavirus pandemic, we are concerned about the health and safety of all of our members. Please observe the following recommendations until further notice

Johnson Field will remain open at this time subject to the following conditions:

Do not come to the field if you are ill — no matter what your ailment might be

Observe the "Social Distance" of greater than 6'

If you are over 65, strongly consider staying home until Coronavirus has been contained

No handshaking

No sharing of foods or beverages

All club events (Fun Fly, Trifecta, Aerotow, etc.) will be postponed until further notice

Members Only! - No visitors or guests will be permitted to be at the field

Consider using disinfectant wipes on your transmitter, batteries, and aircraft that have been brought to the field

Our monthly club meetings at the San Marcos Senior Center have been postponed as the facility is closed as a cautionary measure

Board Meetings will be conducted by telephone **conference**.

We hope that you and your family are safe and finding ways to get through this challenging period. Let's hope that the Coronavirus issues creating these cautionary moves pass quickly.

Should you need assistance during this challenging time, don't hesitate to reach out to any member of your Palomar RC Flyers family for help.

—
Steve Gebler



Steve Gebler sent this photo of Kelvin Phoon taken in 1992, a mere 28 years ago!

Bill Hill and Brian Otto. That's Bill's new "cardboard" electric.





Roger Cosio and his Buccaneer. Back in 1955 I had a free flight Buccaneer which made only one flight: up 100 feet, wide left turn and down 101 feet! Roger's plane is sweet and flies like a dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*) seed dancing on the wind!





It's 1955 again, except this time the plane is radio controlled.



Brian Otto and Jeremy Schmidt



President Emeritus George Dawe



Phil Kogan launching Bill Evans' Radian sailplane.



Presidents Emeritus Bill Hill and George Dawe



To the far right of our field, this construction is taking place for more homes!



Phil Kogan

Jeremy Schmidt



Bill Evans and Bill Hill

Editorial note:

The photos in this issue were taken at the front end of March before the virus pandemic became so concerning. Then social distancing was not the problem it has since become.

Flying has slowed down so much that your editor hasn't been to the field since the last photos were taken. As Steve Gebler says, if you are over 65, you should strongly consider staying home until the virus has been contained. This virus shall pass as every other pandemic has passed.

Consequently, this issue is attenuated but it still has over 80 photos! Not bad during these trying days. Enjoy!

We wish you all health, joy and peace.

Joe Buko

Editor of the Big "T"



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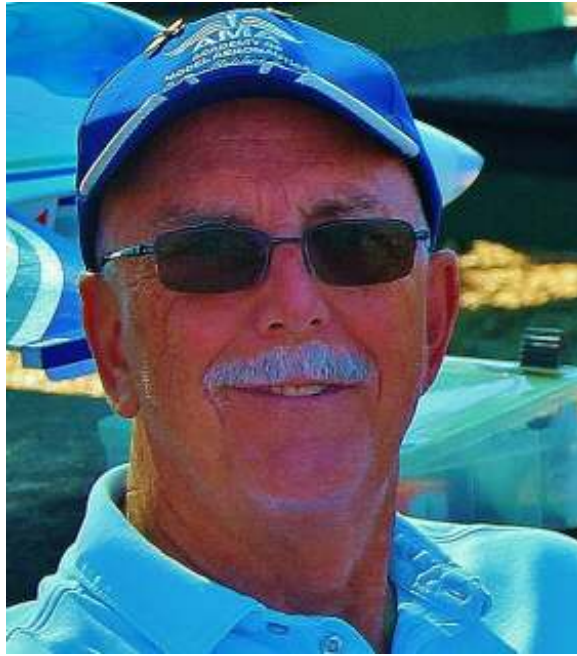
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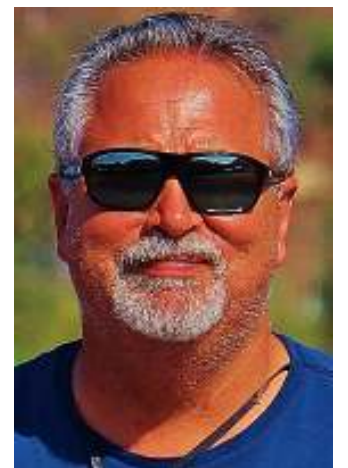
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