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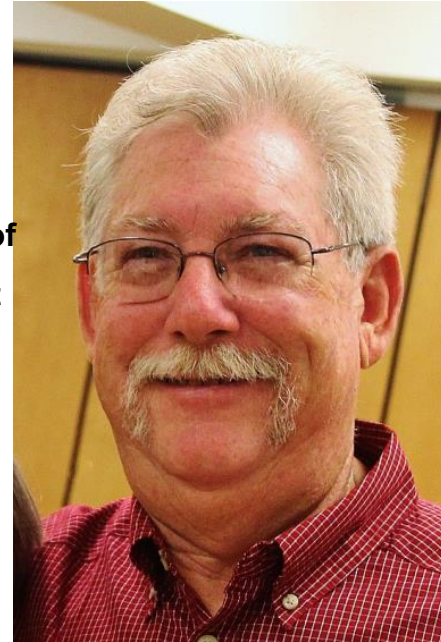
August 2021

AMA Charter 141

On July 24th PRCF lost a good friend and Past President....Jim Jenkins.

As a Board member under Jim, I remember the enthusiasm and creativity he brought to our club, especially with his end of year awards. Jim did a lot of different things throughout his life and when a need was there, he knew just what to do to get it done. RIP Jim...we will all miss you.

I have invited our Vice President, Chris Avellino, to contribute a safety message to this month's column... Pres. Joe Villarreal



Fellow Fixed Wing Aviators,

First and foremost, welcome all of our new members to the Palomar RC Flyer family. I wanted to bring to everyone's attention an important safety tip and concern. The concern is around taxiing in the pits, or rolling into the pit area. I've been with our amazing club for over 5-years, and have seen on a few occasions where a plane was not attended to, and it went launching through the pits either hitting another plane or having a close encounter to hitting another plane or person.

It's important to highlight, there should be no taxiing in the pits whether the motor is on, or even rolling into the pit area. Once a plane has cleared the runway, and the "Clear" announcement is shared, the plane should actually be turned West or East (parallel to the runway) where it can be retrieved and brought back into the pit area.

What a lot of members appear to be doing is stopping the plane between the ingress/egress portion of the fence lines and then picking it up. The challenge with this is that if the motor were accidentally engaged, the plane could go right into the pits.

I'm asking everyone to make a concerted effort to please do not taxi in the pit, and when clearing the runway, point the plane either left or right (West or East) to pick up the plane.

Thank you as always and see you at the field!

Chris Avellino

Vice President PRCF

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In Memoriam Jim Jenkins



Our past President and good friend Jim Jenkins passed away peacefully at Palomar Medical Center. He recently experienced serious infection complications from a hip replacement. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

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I will notify everyone about any memorial arrangements to come.

President Joe Villarreal

“Eric Armstrong” rarely wears the skirt. Today was an exception and it was a special day for Eric! He earned first place in the two rounds of combat and second place over all! Congratulations Eric!

June 6, 2021 Trifecta



(L/R) Steve Gebler, Chuck Riley, Eric Armstrong, Tim Hitchcock, Doug Able, Dave Ellis.



Winners: 1st place Tim Hitchcock, 2nd place Eric Armstrong, 3rd place Dave Ellis.



Tim Hitchcock supplied text +photos!

Our Fourth of July celebration and club's 66th birthday was a wonderful day. Photos of those who made the day special follow.





Gwen, Chuck, and Doug Riley at our Club's July 4th celebration!



Chow line



Hahn DeMore made her delicious “flag cake” as she does each year! Many thanks! I had two big pieces.



Mark Olarsch and sons



Ron Schuyler



Hahn and Dr. Bill DeMore

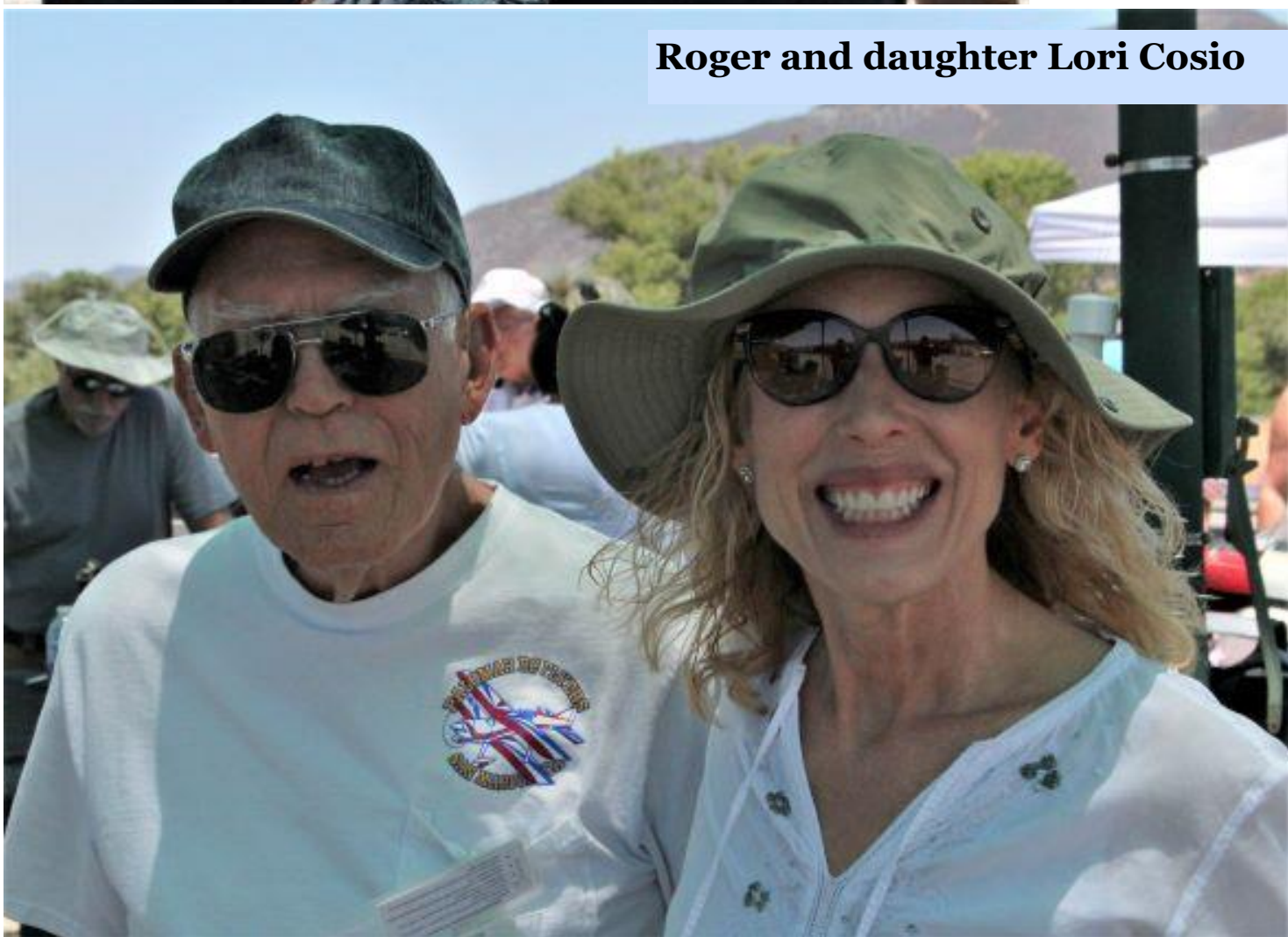




Scott Ralston and his Sukoi– That's a big jet!



Jim and Alda Christy



Roger and daughter Lori Cosio

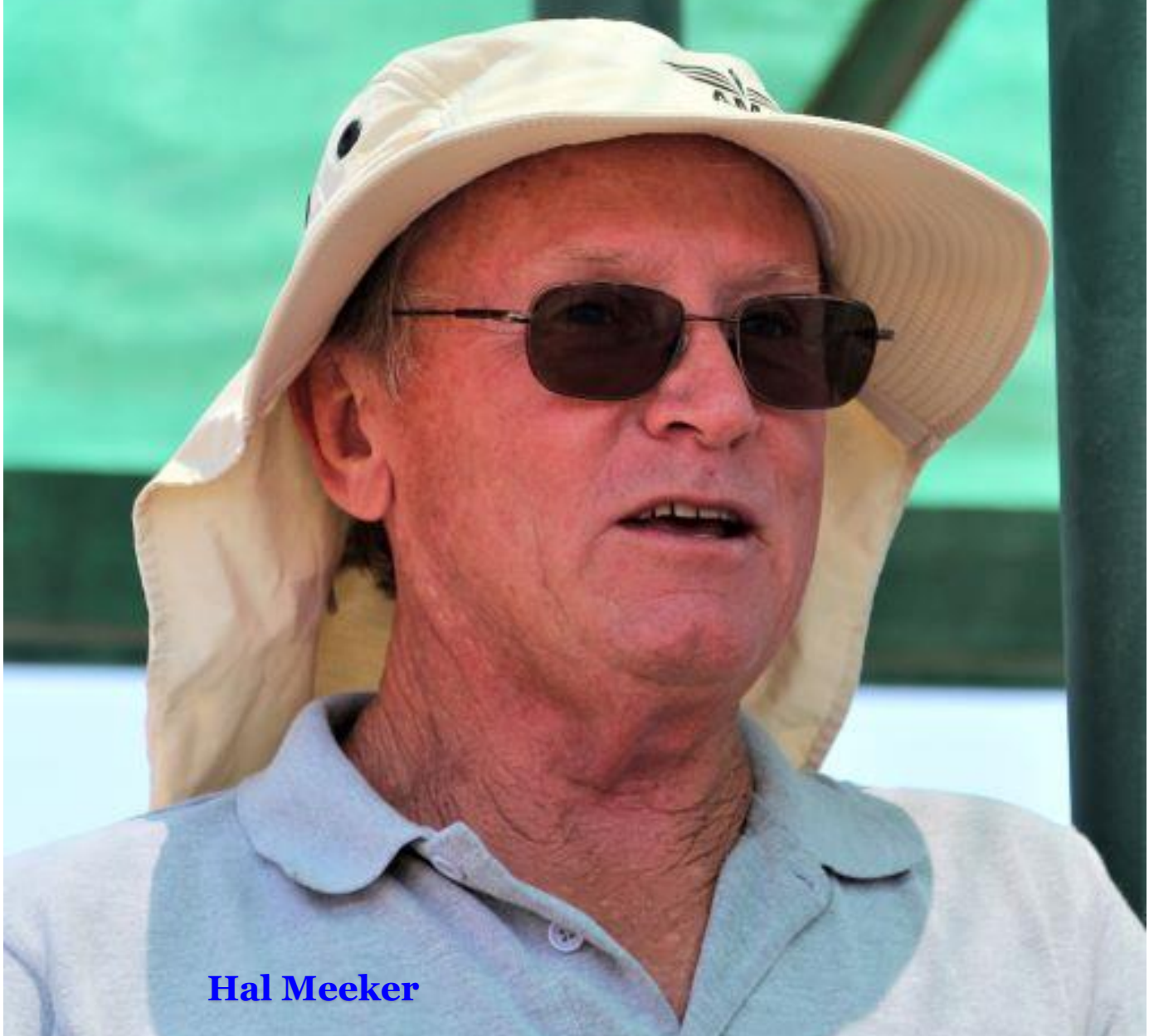


Mike and Michelle Shelhart





One of the beautiful little ones and her mom who helped grace our 4th of July celebration and our 66th club birthday!



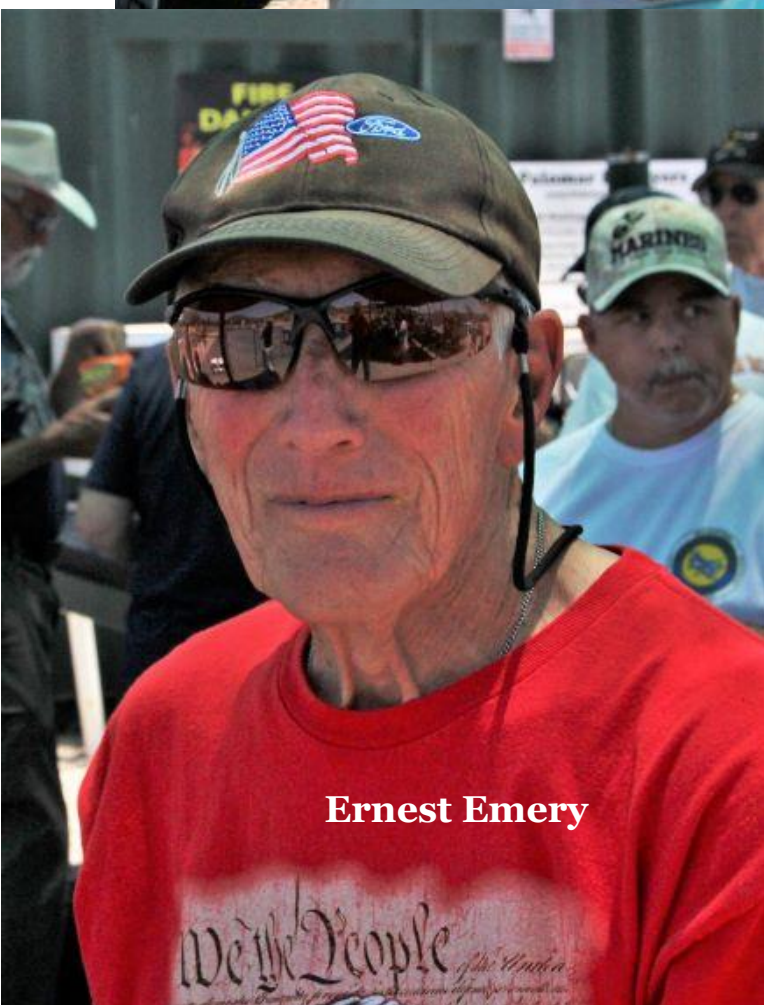
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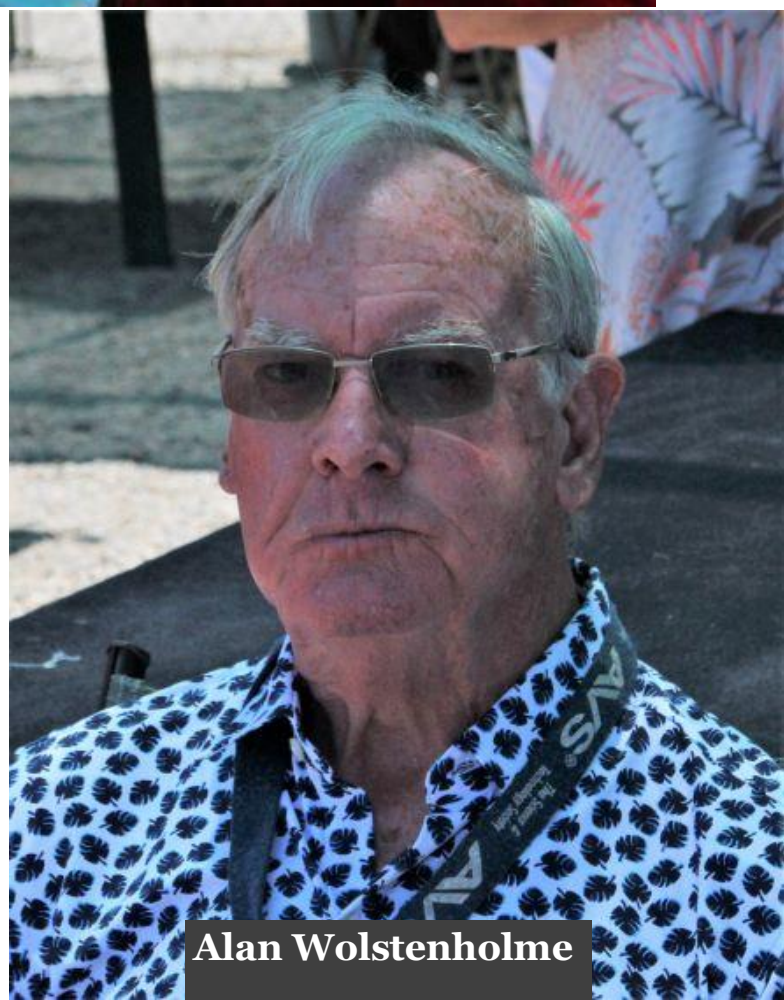
President Emeritus Steve Gebler (center) with his father and brother



Jason Lukakis



Ernest Emery



Alan Wolstenholme



Don and Amy Davis



**L/R Richard Mack,
Roger Cosio and
Chuck Riley**



Ian Maclaughlin



**President Joe
Villarreal**



Cherry and Treasurer David Ellis





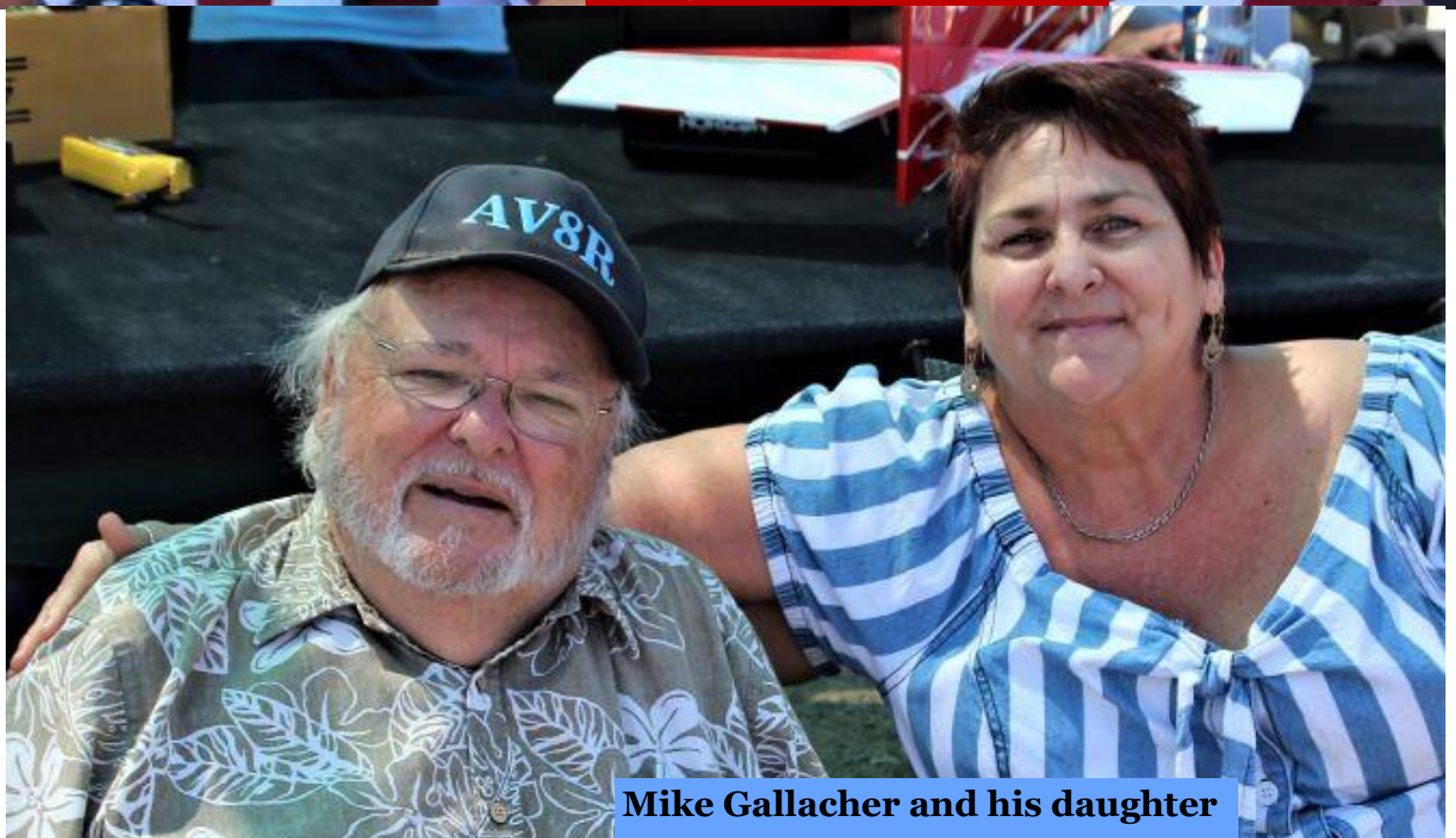
Rhonda and Varley Longson celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on July 20, 2021.



Barbara Villarreal is “first lady” of our club!



Sandy and Mike Lonnecker



Mike Gallacher and his daughter



Pancho Castillo and his Hawker Sea Fury. The full-scale flew 435 mph!



Stay out of the jungle! This bad boy loves it when you visit him down in our jungle! What a crock! He has such a nice smile!

1.This is Chad Kary & his 7 yr old daughter Olivia. Chad started as a beginner at the PRCF Flight School on June 10th and was signed off as a full up pilot 21 days later. He is now a regular member of the PRCF and AMA.

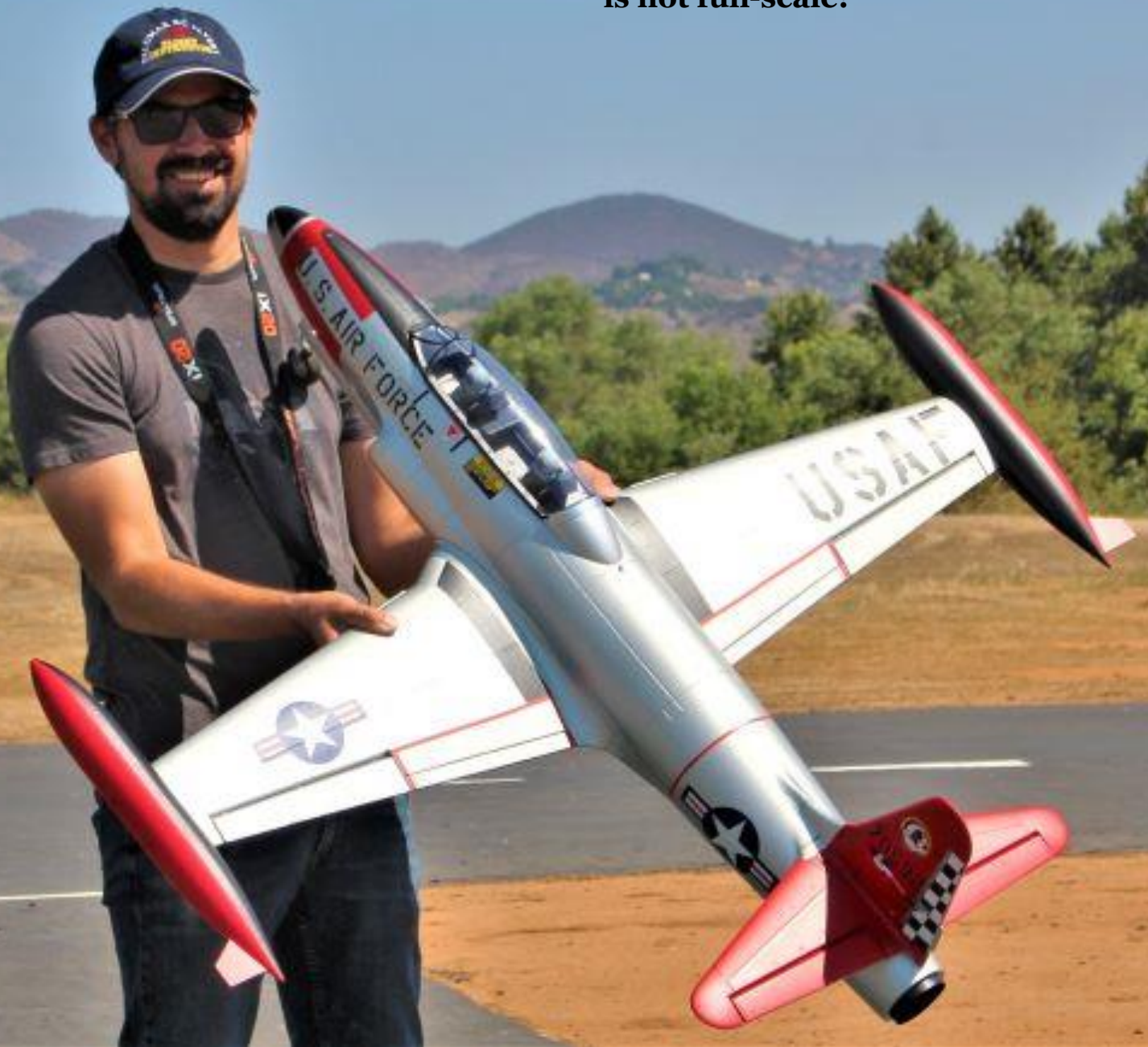


2.Chad brought Olivia out to watch on Monday but she also wanted to fly.



3.Olivia and I (David Storey) flew the Apprentice STS 3 times thru wireless buddy box with Chad by Olivia's side for a bit of coaching. I think the smile on Olivia's face says it all !

**Mike Pollinger and his Shooting Star.
In flight, one could not tell that this
is not full-scale!**





Lord Creedon



President Emeritus George Dawe, Lord Creedon, Hal Meeker

**Raymond
Fischer**



Chief Instuctor Don Davis



Raymond Fischer, Secretary Patrick Pranica, Steve Staudenmeir



Cesar Fernandez



Patrick Pranica's P-47 E-Flite



Scott Ralston's Wart Hog A-10



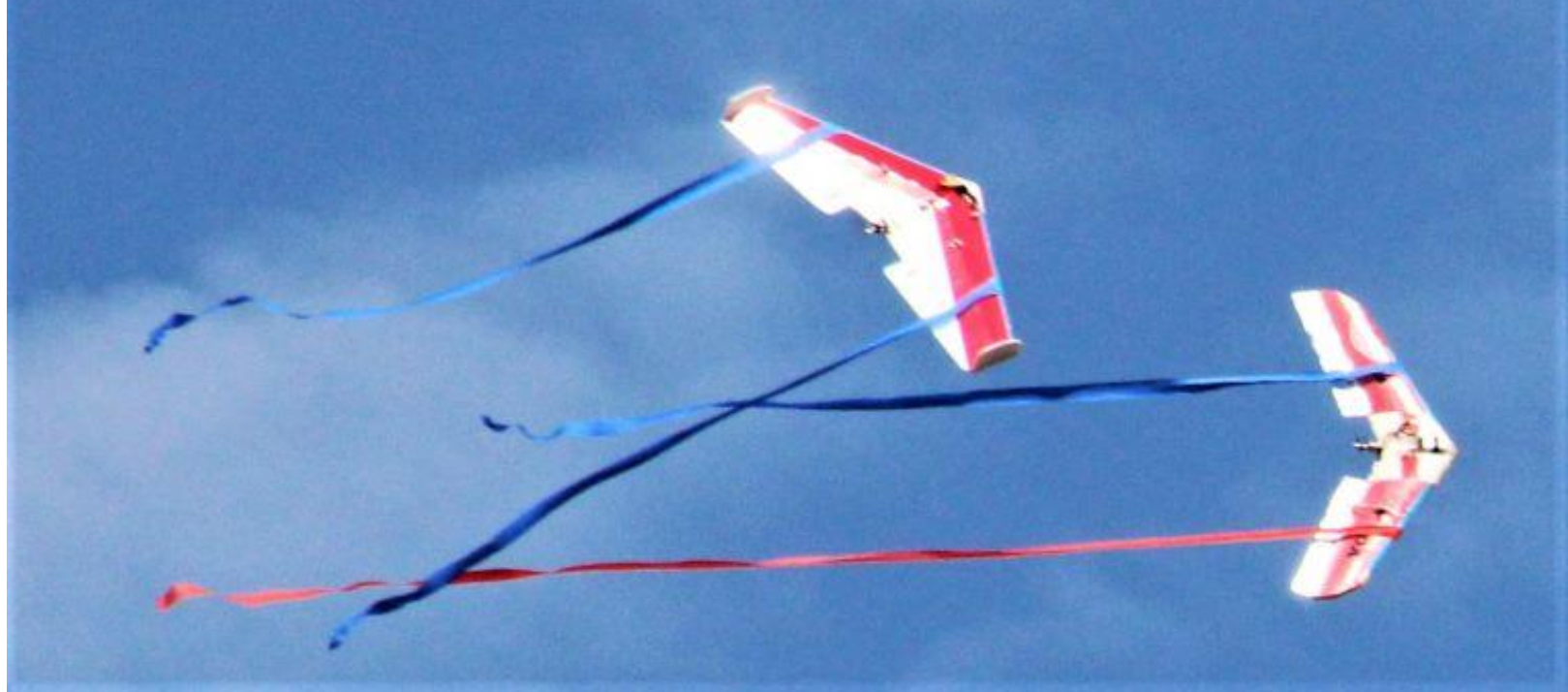
Trifecta July 11, 2021



Randy Brunette, Tim Hitchcock, President Emeritus Steve Gebler, President Joe Villarreal. It was a very small event. Joe Villarreal's planes did not fly.



Scorekeeper, Scott Ralston

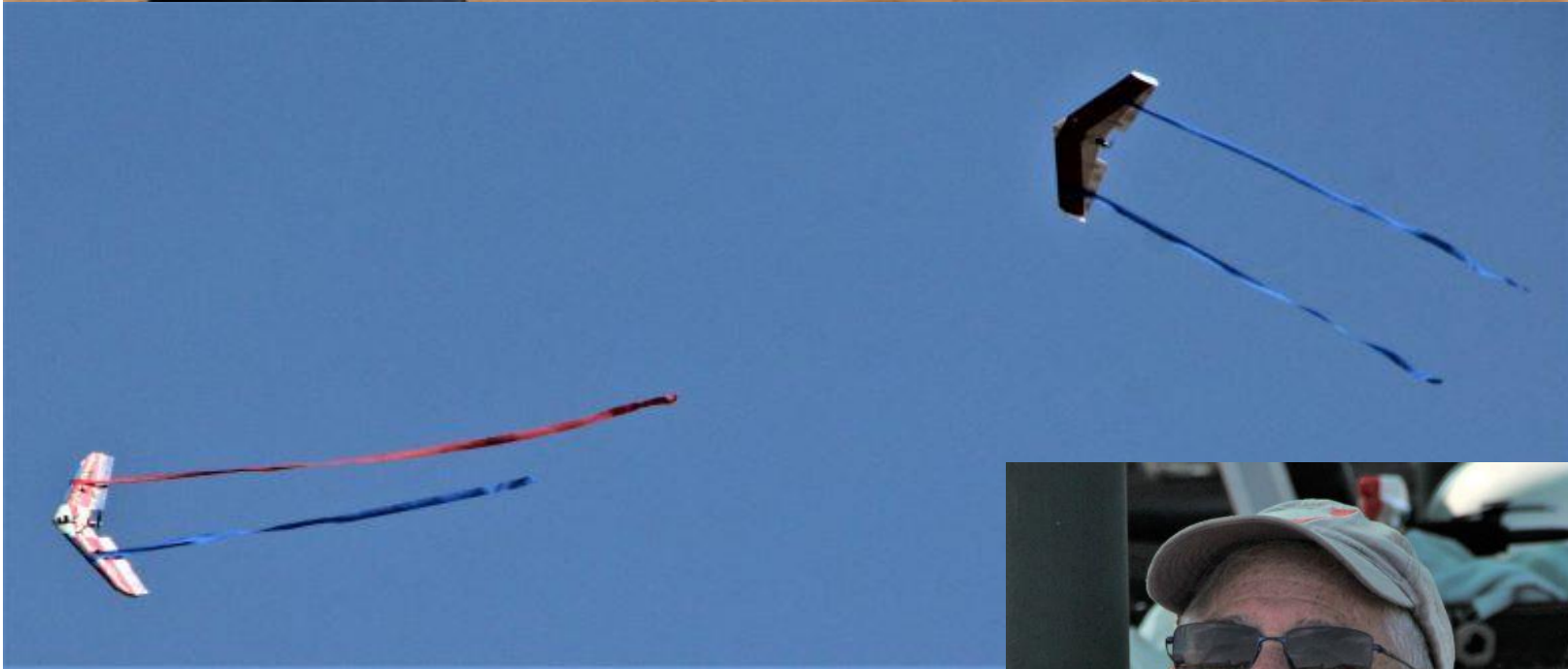


Randy Brunette

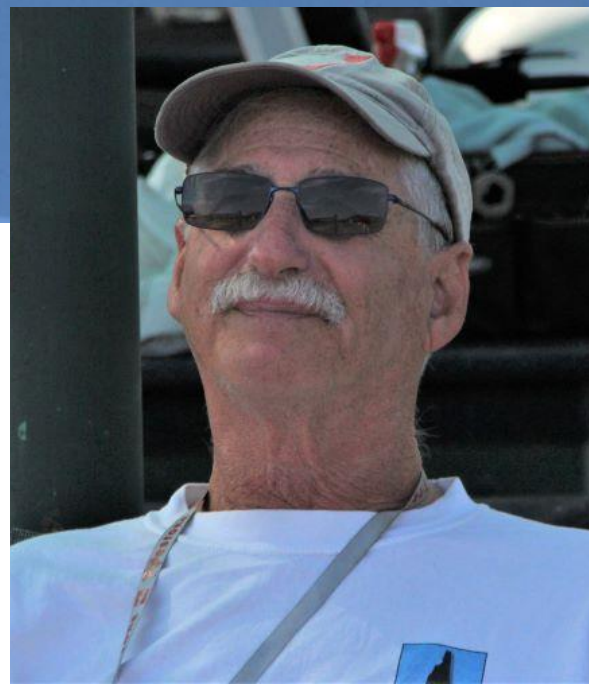




Steve Gebler



Phil Kogan





Trent and Brody Stadick



Tim Hitchcock



These were the only planes flying that day in a very small Trifecta!



Is it any wonder that Tim came in second place? I caught him giving his credit card to the score-keeper! How is this for a completely candid shot?



Three men flew and three men won! Geb won first– he’s on the right. Tim won second– he’s in the middle and Randy Brunette won - yep– you guessed it– third.



Randy Brunette



Geb got to wear the skirt

Chasing the skirt



After the Trifecta, Bobby Johannes fired up his modified Cub which flies well.





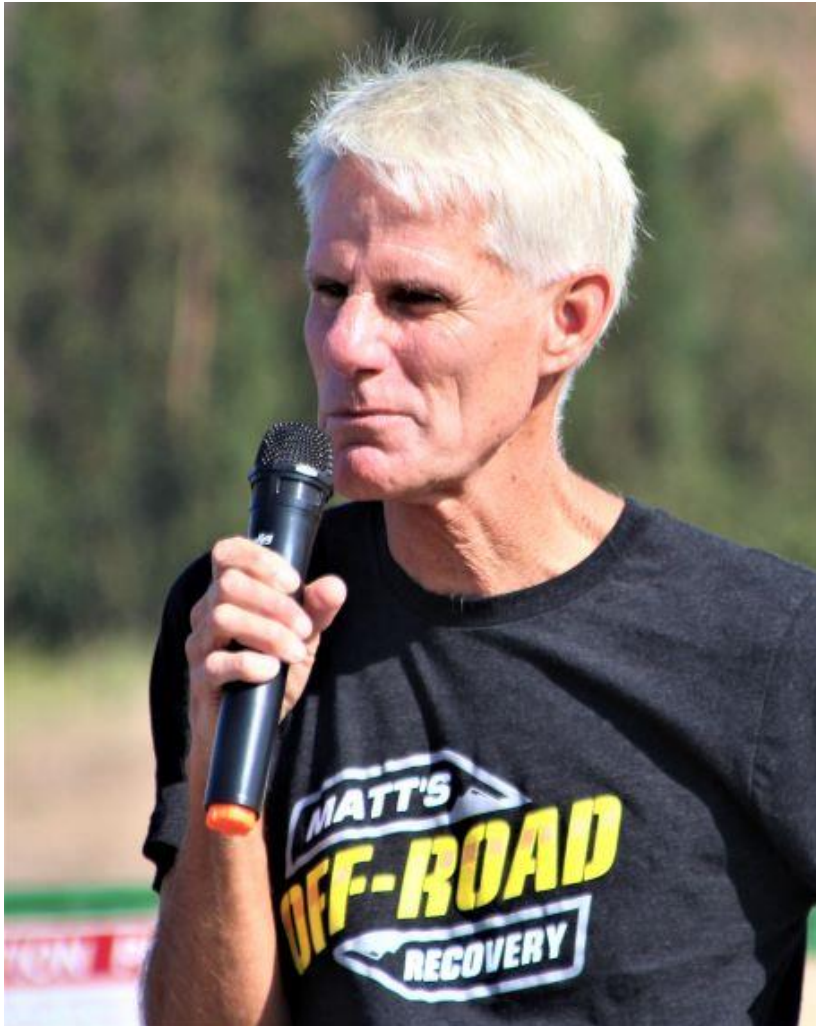


Pancho Castillo's Hot Mustang

July 17, 2021 Monthly Club Meeting



President Joe Villarreal led the club meeting. He presented the Model of the Month award for last month, June, to Vic Lerum.



Welcome to new member Ira Grossman, a student pilot. John Hartsell Jr. reported that former president Jim Jenkins was hospitalized.

**Welcome to new member-
Chad Kary.**



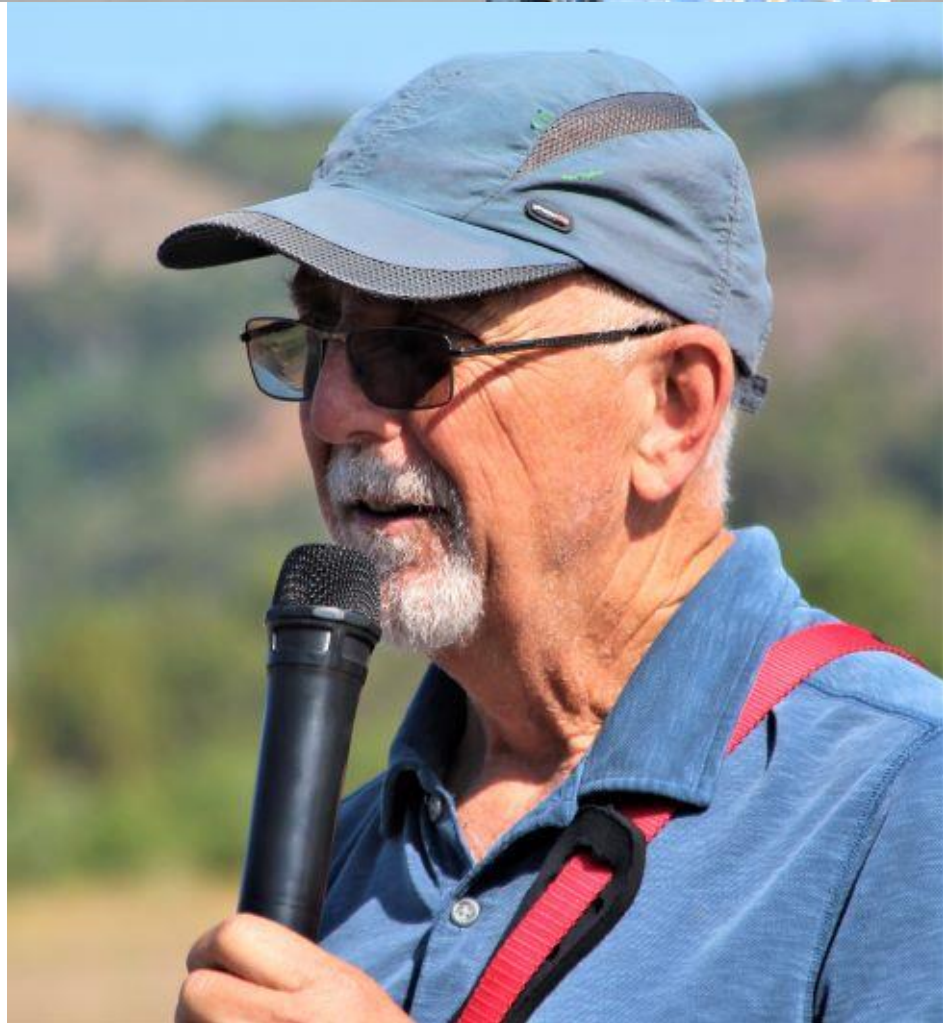


Dave Ellis read his treasurer's report. Being club treasurer is a thankless job. Dave keeps the books, issues checks to pay club expenses, deposits money in our bank account, files taxes, etc. It is a busy job and he deserves much praise for all his unseen work. We appreciate you, Dave.

Patrick Pranica brought this DeHavilland Tiger Moth and won Model of the Month. He built this as he was recovering from his illness.



Steve Gebler gave a report on our search for our next flying field. He invites any club member who is interested to join the committee looking for that field. His remarks follow on the next two pages.



As most of you know, our generous landowner, Pappas Investments, is going to begin the development of our field to include a shopping center and high density housing units. We expect that we will lose access to our field sometime in 2023.

As such, it is *critical* that we begin the search now to identify and secure a new field for our club. With only about 24 months to go before we must vacate, we must more effectively seek out sources of locations that will achieve our goals to continue to fly.

What's Required

At a minimum, we will require 25+ acres that are relatively flat and have reasonable driving access to the majority of the members of our club. You can view suggested Flying Site Specifications here: <https://tinyurl.com/ydp96lj5>.

What Are Our Options?

Open acreage Real Estate in the San Diego and Riverside County area is nearly non-existent. However, there are some venues that may serve our purposes:

- Private Landowner
- County/City/State
- Dept. of the Interior
- Surplus Federal Property
- Corps of Engineers
- National Park Service
- EPA Superfund Sites
- Native American Tribal Land

How Do We Acquire The Site?

- Land Use Agreement — This is what has been in place for Johnson Field for more than 20 years and has been at no cost to us
- Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) — Funded by our club members and other interested parties
- Go Fund Me — A social media approach to raising funds
- Partnership with Federal, State, County, or City Governments
- AMA Grant (small amount compared to total need)

Why is Model Aviation Important to the Community?

Landowners will benefit from “passive surveillance” to keep vagrants and trash off the landowner’s site. This is how we have been able to secure Johnson Field for more than 20 years.

The community benefits from a safe and secure hobby that engages the entire family, promotes Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education, and engages at-risk youth with our free flight training programs and cooperation with organizations like the ROTC and Scouting.

Families benefit from having a fun activity that brings the whole family together and away from TV and Computer screens.

- 20,000
- Installing a runway and helicopter pads ~ \$45-60,000
- Shelter and Table Construction \$8-25,000
- Storage and Miscellaneous Development ~\$10,000

What Will All This Cost?

The field acquisition costs can be all over the map. Should we be fortunate enough to locate a site that would allow us to engage in a Land Use Agreement, the land acquisition costs are nearly zero. In the event that we need to purchase the land, minimum costs for 25+ acres are likely to exceed \$300,000.

Leveling the flying site ~ \$5-20,000

Installing a runway and helicopter pads ~ \$45-60,000

Shelter and Table Construction \$8-25,000

Storage and Miscellaneous Development ~\$10,000

Action Items

Telephone, Mail, eMail, and Social Media Campaigns

Pay a retainer to a Real Estate Agent to secure venue

Ad Campaign

Public Relations Firm engagement to promote our club and the need for a new location

The Search Committee has a variety of materials that can be handed out to prospective site owners, Real Estate Agents, and other decision makers. We have a good story to tell on why Model Aircraft help the community that should attract interest to our club.

What Can You Do?

Contact anyone on the Search Committee to volunteer a few hours a week to help secure a location. We have many tasks that need to be accomplished and not enough time to accomplish them in. Volunteer now!

Let the Search Committee know if you can make an investment in the REIT should it become necessary

Contact **everyone** you know to make them aware of our needs. Hopefully, someone can offer a referral to someone that can help.

Brainstorm with our search committee

Get on the phone, email, social media or letter writing to try to identify a new field location

Search Committee

Steve Gebler, Chairperson (760) 519-8163 fly@stevegebler.com

Joe Villarreal

Chris Wilson

Eric Armstrong

Jim Christy

Bill Hill

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President Joe Villarreal presented the Model-of-the Month plaque award to Patrick Pratica for his fine electric biplane. It is just about ready to fly. He created the graphics with his CAD vinyl cutter.

Cap't Geb and his ultra-lite





Geb's ultra-lite



Patrick Pranica's Valiant practically flies itself!



New member Bill George and webmaster Richard Torres





Chuck Ehin



**Patrick Pranica
and Greg Wilson**



Larry Hufford and Frank Burke



Steve Gebler's dog, Griff, is the most faithful, loving dog who loves to be near Steve— all the time!



NOTICE

**THE 2021 MCAS MIRAMAR AIR SHOW
IS CANCELLED!**

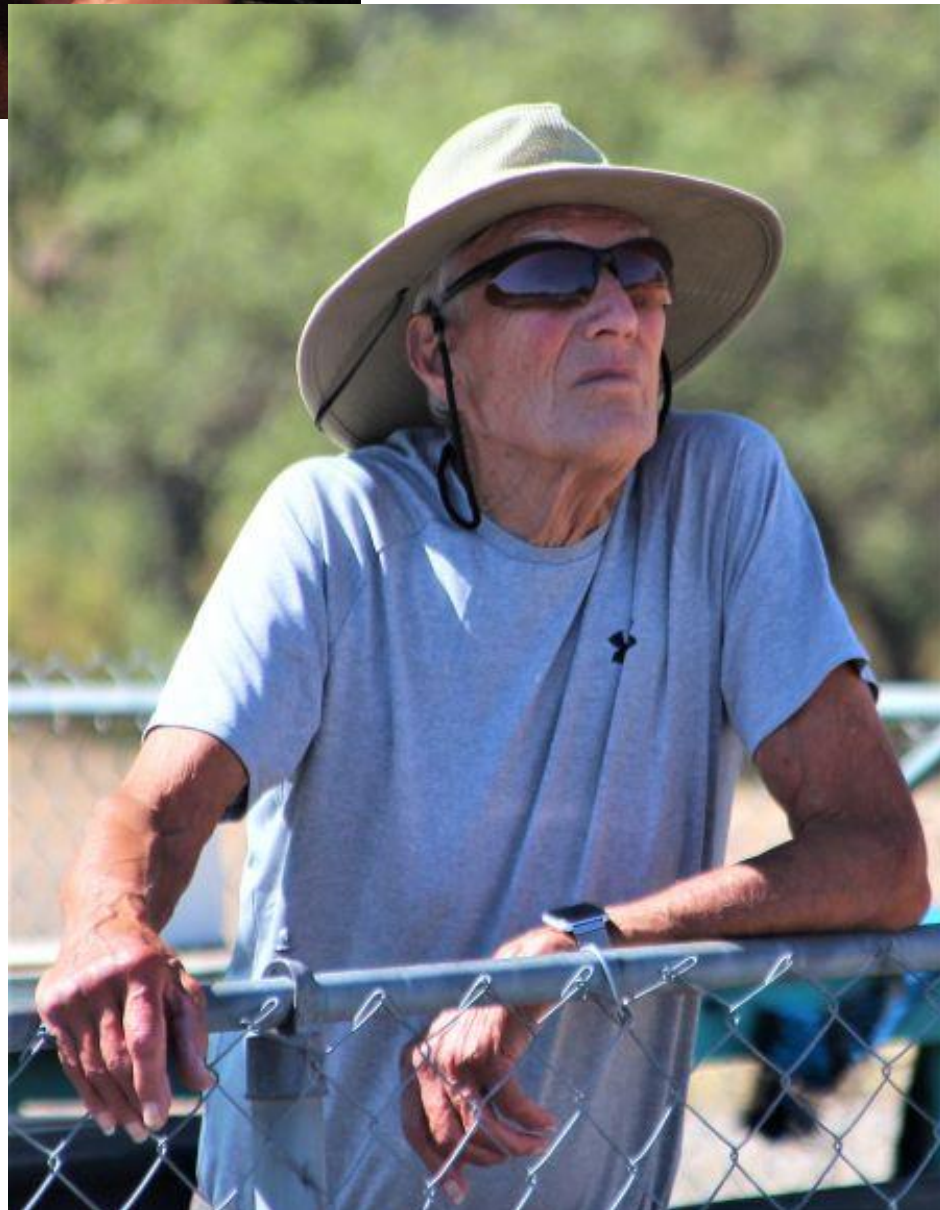


A strong, micro-lite butterfly wing found on the floor of my garage!

Joe Villarreal sent this photo of Eric Armstrong and Jake taken earlier this year at a campout at the field.



Ernie Emery on July 28, 2021



Lost and Found



**Airplane found in the jungle.
Contact 858-231-0763.**

There are 110 photos in this issue of the Transmitter!!

July 2021 Minutes

Palomar Radio Control Flyers Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Compiled by: Patrick Pranica, Secretary PRCF

President: Joe Villarreal **Vice President:** Chris Avelino, **Treasurer:** David Ellis, **Secretary:** Patrick Pranica. **Safety Officer:** Jim Christy

Board members: Chris Wilson, Trent Stadick, Doug Abel, Don Davis, Scott Dedic, Phil Kogan **Additional Roles:** **Chief Flight Instructor:** Don Davis, **Membership Chairman:** Steve Kerrin. **Webmaster:** Richard Torres

Call to order: 6:30 via zoom

Treasurer's Summary for July 2021

(Summarizes transactions for month of June)

Total Income: \$8,107.25

Big items include:

\$7,100 Heli Fun Fly

\$575 Membership

Total Expenses: \$3,402.82

Big items:

\$2,400 events – Heli, 4th of July, monthly meeting

\$630 usual field maintenance items + 2 new sun shades

Net income: +\$4,704.43

End of Month Balance: \$106,400.37

Chair Reports:

Membership: Very strong membership. 260 members and growing. Request for an additional person to help with the increased work load.

Safety: Pilot error caused another crash in the pits. Recommended that unsettled pilots need to be buddy-boxed until their skills improve and are safe.

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Fixed Wing: 3D event has been canceled.

Drone: Nothing to report. Drone interest is still low but anticipated to improve.

Heli: Nothing new to report. Heli event was very successful. Lessons learned.

Flight Training: Going well. Coaching and instructors are still learning best practices for how to train students. Sign out sheet needed for those that remove trainers or supplies from storage container.

Fourth of July BBQ: Over 70 people in attendance. Lots of flying and good food made for a good day to celebrate.

Trust Test: Is available to all members on our web site. Test is provided by the AMA. All members are encouraged to take the test for FAA compliance.

Search Team: Team is actively searching for a new site. Urgently looking at all options including county parks with a 2023 target date.

New Locks: There are too many unaccounted-for keys out there. Need to upgrade security to all storage containers with new locks and keys.

New Signage: New signs are being delivered to be added to those on flight line.

Face Book: Need to identify someone that can manage our Face Book account.

Wheel Chair Access: No new reports. Canvassing members for best solutions to expanding access without limiting current parking.

Palomar Dollar: 12.5-hour limit at \$10 per hour per year. Heli event created a lot of eligible volunteers. Tabulations are in progress.

Calendar: Current calendar of events subject to weather and Covid restrictions.

Board Meetings: Zoom or in person

August 18, September 15, October 13, November 17, December?

General Club Meetings:

July 14, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20

December 4 or 11 Holiday Party

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Events:

Trifecta: August 8, September 5, October 3, November 7, December 5

Aero Tow: August 7, September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4

Cubs and Classics? August 14

Jet Rally? November 13

Auction: November 20

Holiday Party: December 4 or 11. Contingent on Senior Center availability. Planning required

Meeting Adjourned. 7:50 PM

Bobby Johannes





Ann-Berlin Cherry– our youngest pilot!

Top Photo:

Rachel and Eric Cherry



Larry Hufford

Varley Longson



Frank Burke
July 28, 2021



**Teve Staudenmeir and
his plane on July 28,
2021**





Our Field



**Sign off– Good bye Jim.
We miss you.**



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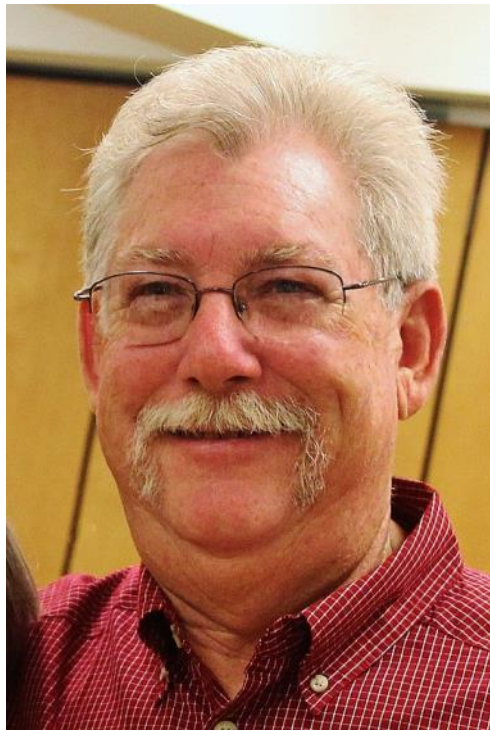
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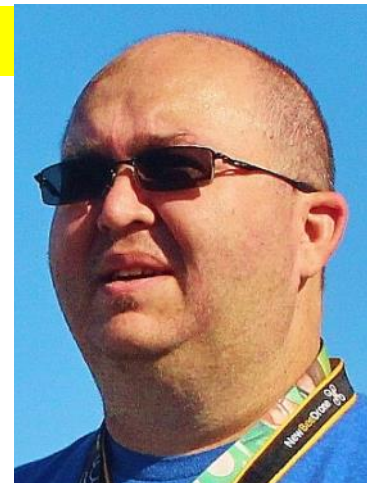


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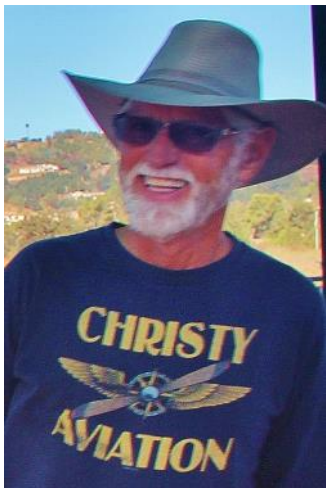


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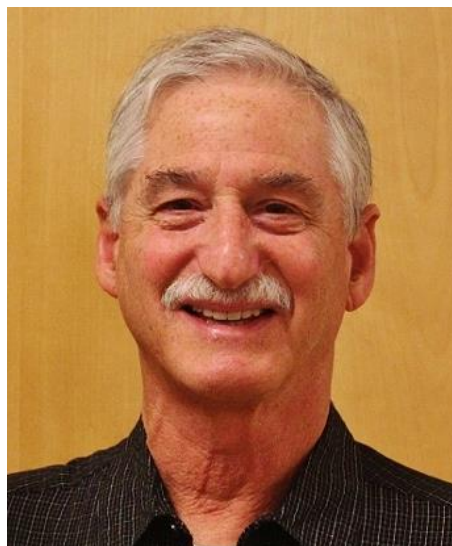
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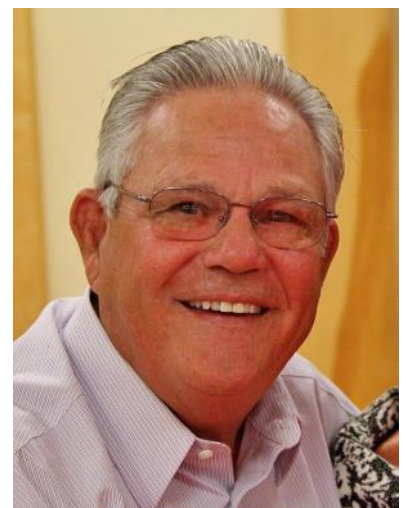
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