



**Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.**

# **Transmitter**

## **September 2023**



AMA Charter 141

### **President's Column September 2023**

I'm writing this column with a bunch of thank- you's to club members who go the extra mile to make PRCF such a great club. Thank you to Charles Lewis and Larry Wall for repairing the broken container door and for maintaining our tractor and field. Thank you to Chuck Riley for fixing our loudspeaker. Thank you to Gary Marquardt for donating a brand new American Flag to the club. Thank you to Steve Kerrin who is always there to keep our electronic gate in good working order. Thank you to Don Davis and all our great instructors for your commitment to making great pilots for our club. Thank you Jim Gallacher for being the Airboss for the monthly Aerotow events. Thank you to Steve Gebler for coordinating our monthly Trifecta shenanigans. Thank you to Doug Abel for taking every opportunity he has to promote our club (especially this past Model Aviation Day). Thank you to George Dawe for keeping us in good standing with the AMA and navigating our FRIA process. Thank you Scott Dedic and Don White for promoting the Helicopter Dark Side to the extent that a few of us who would never have thought to fly them are now hooked. Thank you Patrick Pranica for keeping my old mind organized as to club business. Thank you to Dave Ellis for paying the bills and keeping the financial house in order. Thank you to Jim Christy for keeping the membership squared away (the biggest job in the club). Thank you to Richard Torres for providing us with a First Class website that many times is the first contact we have with potential members. Absolutely the best RC Website I've ever seen. Thank you Joey Bu-ko for publishing our Transmitter...hands down the most comprehensive and entertaining newsletter there is. And, most of all, thank you to all PRCF Members for supporting your club and making Palomar RC Flyers the very best. Carry on!



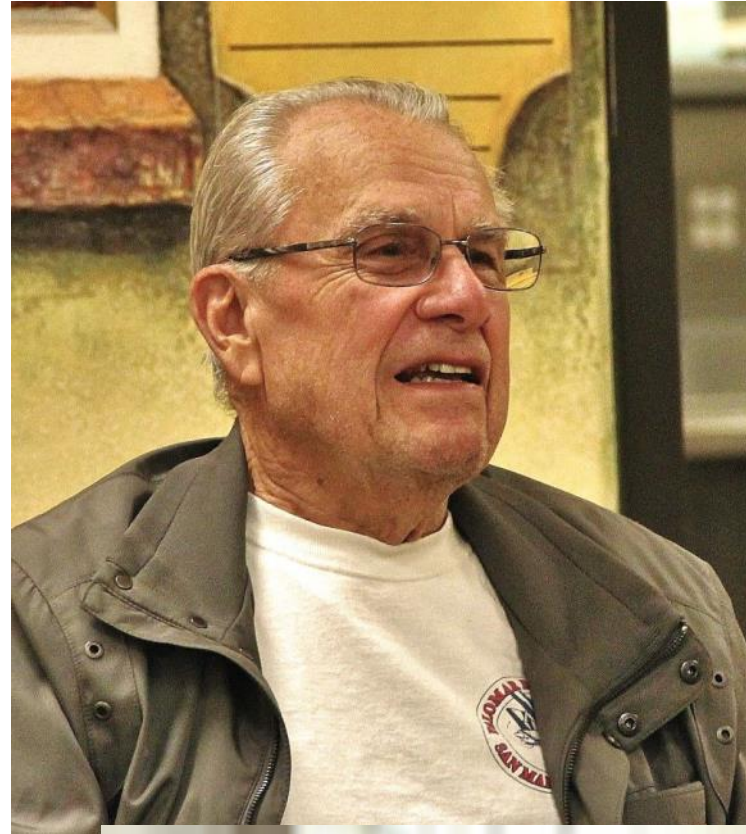
**Joe Villarreal**

# *Requiescat in Pace* (RIP)

**Former club member, Colonel Bob Broughton passed away on August 9, 2023 @ 94. He flew a Canberra, a recon plane in Viet Nam; photo below.**



**Bob and Patrick Pranica**





**Col. Bob Broughton during his military career,**

# August 2023 BOD Minutes

## Palomar Radio Control Flyers Inc.

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Compiled by: Patrick Pranica, Secretary PRCF

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

**Board members:** Charles Riley, Doug Abel, Don Davis, Scott Dedic, Steve Gebler, James Gallacher **Additional Roles:** **Chief Flight Instructor:** Don Davis, **Membership Chairman:** Jim Christy. **Webmaster:** Richard Torres

**Call to order: August 17, 2023, 6:30 PM Via Zoom.**

### Treasurer's Summary for Month of July 2023

**Total Income: \$325.00**

Big items: (approx)

Mostly Membership

**Total Expenses: \$4,164.15**

Big items: (approx)

\$3,000 6 months' rent for Valley Center site

\$220 Food expenses for 4<sup>th</sup> of July BBQ

\$800 Usual field maintenance (includes new chairs)

**Net income: -\$3,839.15**

**End of Month Balance: \$121,301.48**

**Membership:** Current membership 222 members.

**Monday Night Flight Training:** Don Davis: More instructors than students. Training concludes for this year except for private instruction.

**Safety:** No issues this month

**Air tag for tractor:** purposed by Chuck Riley.

**Model Aviation Day recap:** Doug Abell. Good attendance. Kudos to everyone. Went well.

## **Field Maintenance:**

**Runway street sweeper:** Waiting on confirmation of schedule

**Repair break in damage:** Plywood expense approved for break-in repair.

## **Fria Application should be approved by September**

**New American Flag:** Gary Marquardt, thank you.

**Model Aviation Day recap:** Doug Abell. Good attendance. Kudos to everyone. Went well.

## **VC Field update:**

Vehicular policy in force 8-1-2023

**Planning for grading:** Jim Christy, multiple solutions presented. More work needed. Issues with road improvement to come first followed by how much earth will need to be relocated on multiple locations.

## **\_\_\_Upcoming Events\_\_\_**

**Sept 2 Aerotow @ 1100**

**Sept 3 Trifecta @ 0900**

**Meeting adjourned: 7:35 PM**

**Next Trifecta on Sunday, Sept. 3, @ 9 am.**

On Saturday August 12 we celebrated **National Model Aviation Day** at our field. We had an open house from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm with the public invited. Doug Abel coordinated events for the day which included chuck gliders for the kids and Bill Hill's compressed air model rocket demonstrations. We had a mock combat demonstration. Also we had a helicopter demo by David Lester and a 3-D aerobatic demo to wow the crowd by Chris Avellino. Anyone interested in experiencing the thrill of flying model aircraft could fly with an instructor. Also, a hot dog and hamburger lunch were available.



Roger Cosio brought his beautiful, antique 1909 DeMoiselle with Charlie Chaplain as pilot in command. It was an ultra-light and had only an 18 foot wingspan with a top speed of 52 mph! This is a difficult plane to fly.

**Board member and chairman of the day's events showed us how much he has learned during the past year flying helis. Congrats to you! Helis are not easy to fly. Thanks for chairing the day's events! You rock!!!**



**Another one of Steve Gebler's off-beat creations, a powered parafoil.**

# Doug Abel's shirt and that of his wife on the right. She's below.

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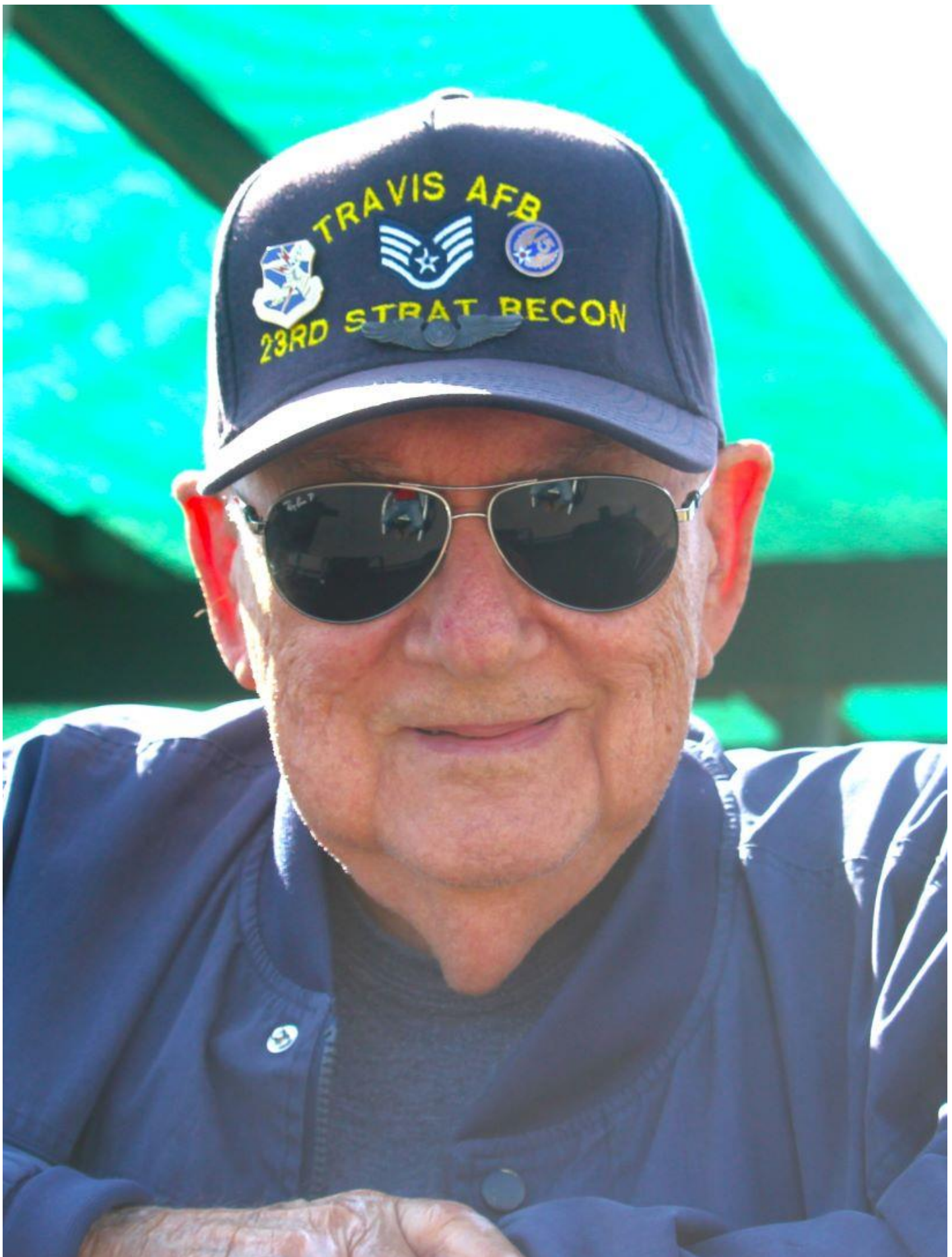
1. They're ALL drones
2. I can't answer how much; my wife is nearby.
3. Some have cameras.
4. Legally, 400 ft. high
5. 4-30 minutes
6. 40+ mph
7. Further than you can see it
8. Not without a buddy box!
9. Everyone crashes.
10. 6+ years

Before you ask...

1. No, I don't fly.
2. I'm just here for the dogs.
3. I get the house to myself for a bit.
4. Too many!!!
5. I don't know; ask my husband!
6. He has to get rid of one to get one!
7. No he cannot; there's no room at the inn!
8. When he asked if I wanted another kitten, my response was "How much did the helicopter cost?"







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**Joe DiMento originally from Brooklyn, NYC enjoyed the day. He learned about our celebration from a newspaper notice about this day dedicated to model aviation.**



**Top left– Vic Lerum**

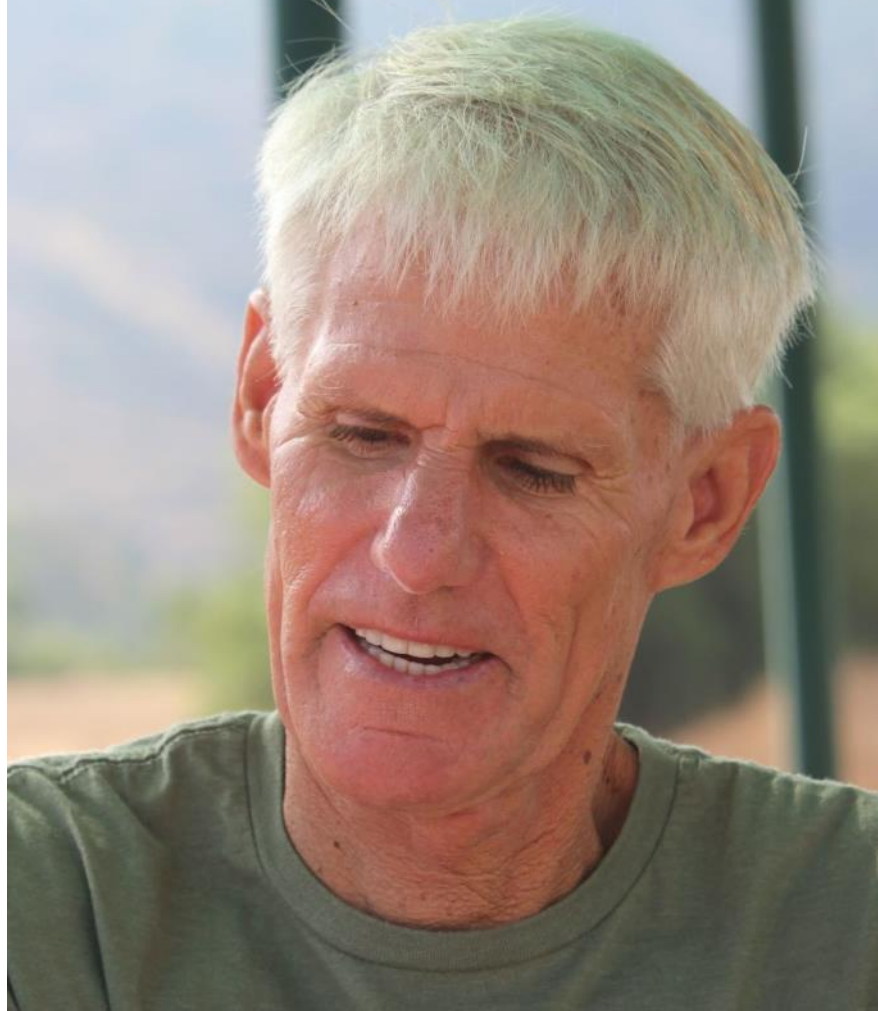
**Top right– Lori Cosio**

**Bottom left– Roger Cosio**



**Jason Loukakis**

**John Hartsell, Jr.**

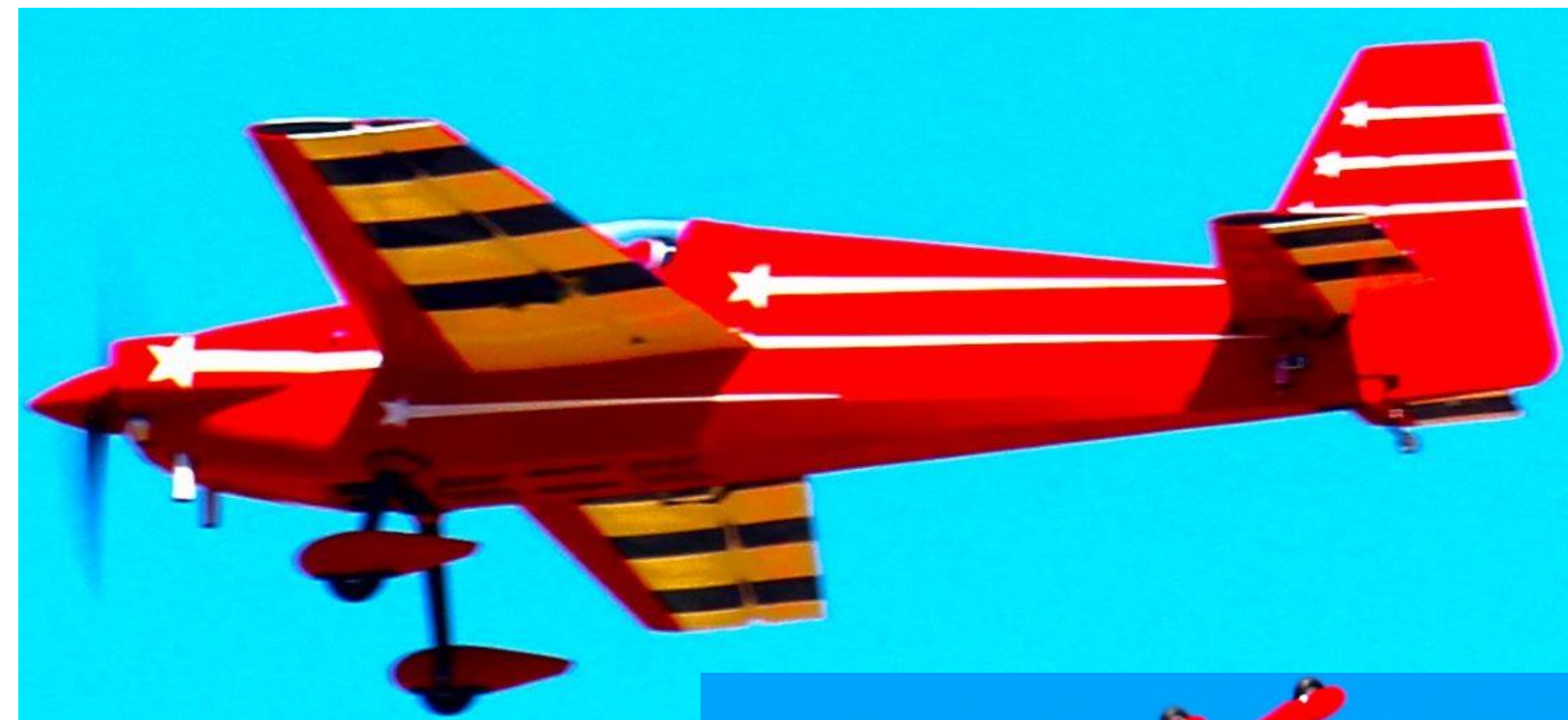


**Below is President emeritus Bill Hill after launching a compressed air rocket. The kids, small and big, liked to watch the rockets blast off.**





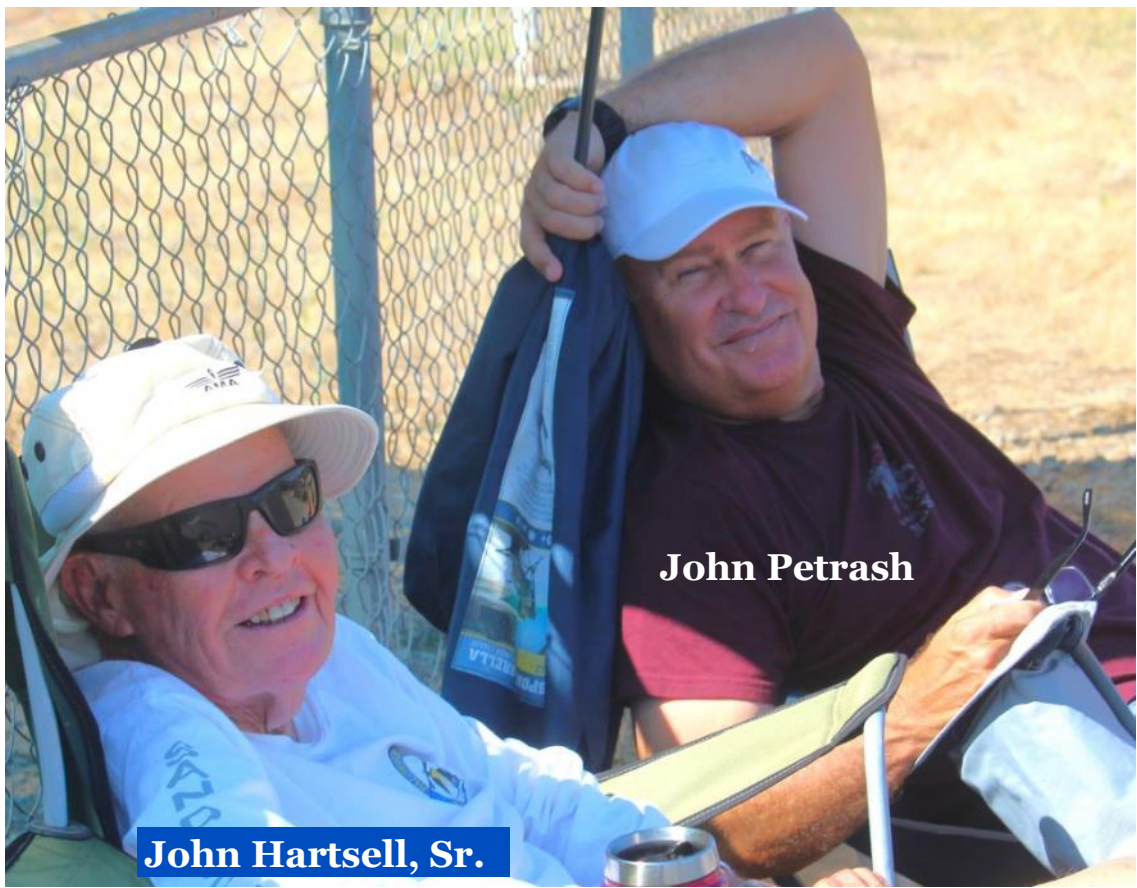
**David Bracci helps to restrain Chris Avellino's aerobatic beauty as Chris starts it.**





**Watching Chris Avellino put his plane thru its paces.**





**John Petrash**

**John Hartsell, Sr.**



**Eric Armstrong**

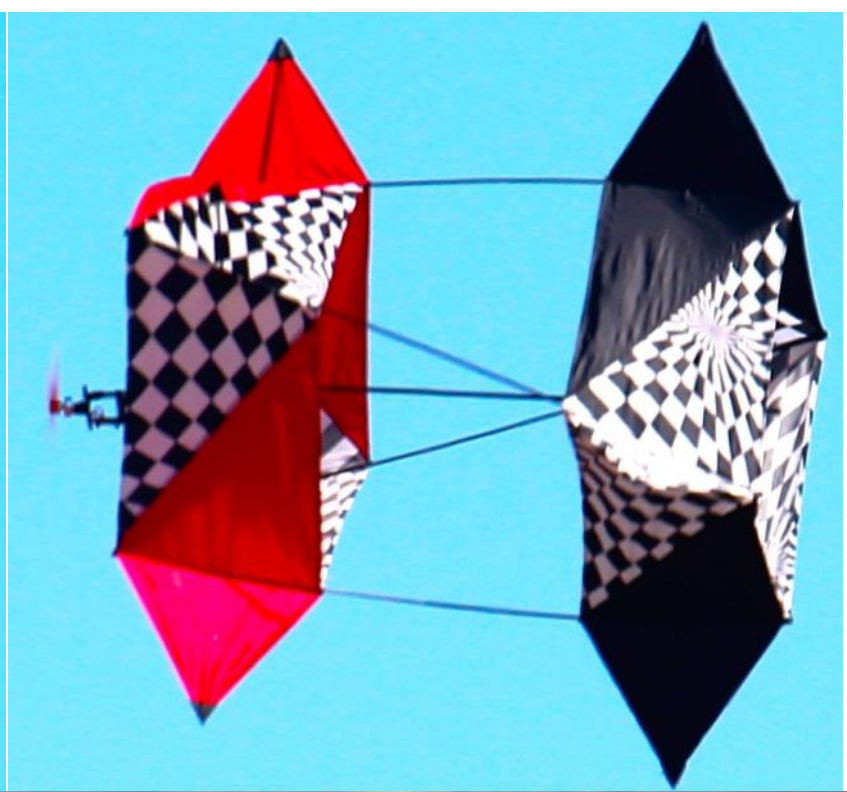
**Steve Gebler**



**President Emeritus Steve Gebler flew an ornithopter which flaps its wings like a bird. When I first spotted it in the air, I thought it was a bird!**

**On the next page are two photos of a flying box kite that spins. It's most unusual. An aeronautical engineer once remarked that even a paper bag can fly in the wind! Steve also brought this novel creation.**





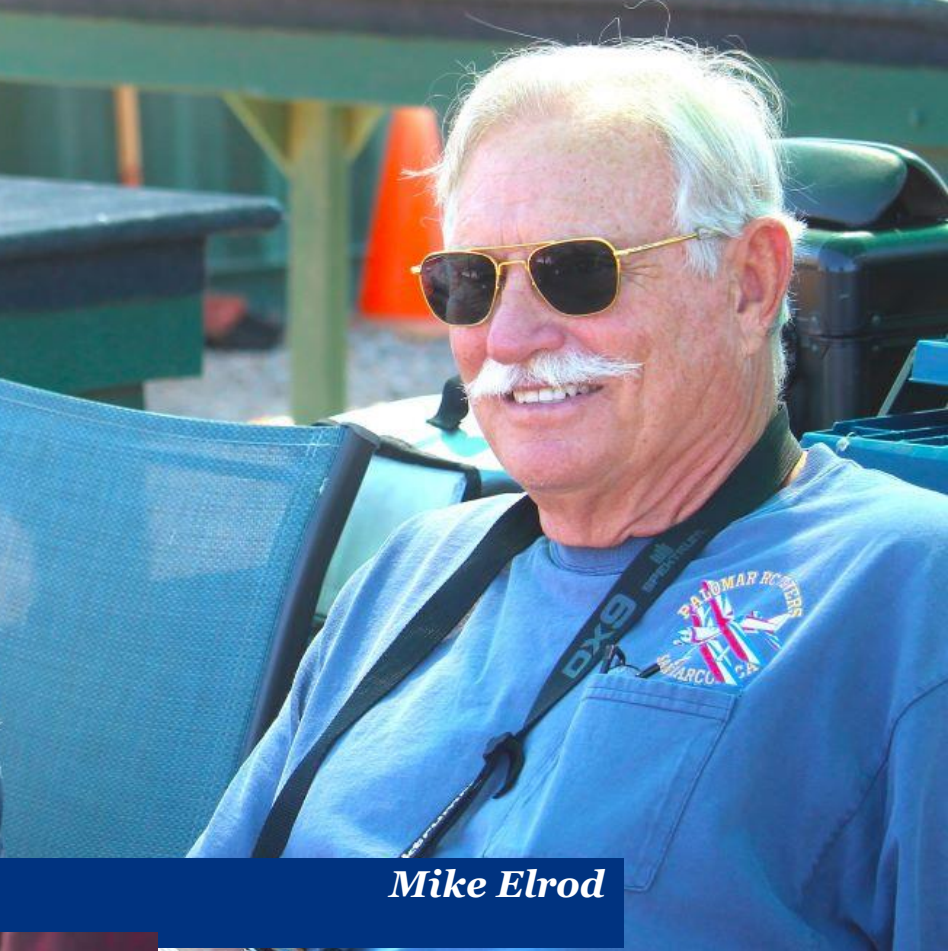
**Gary Marquardt and his Radian sailplane.**



**David Bracci**



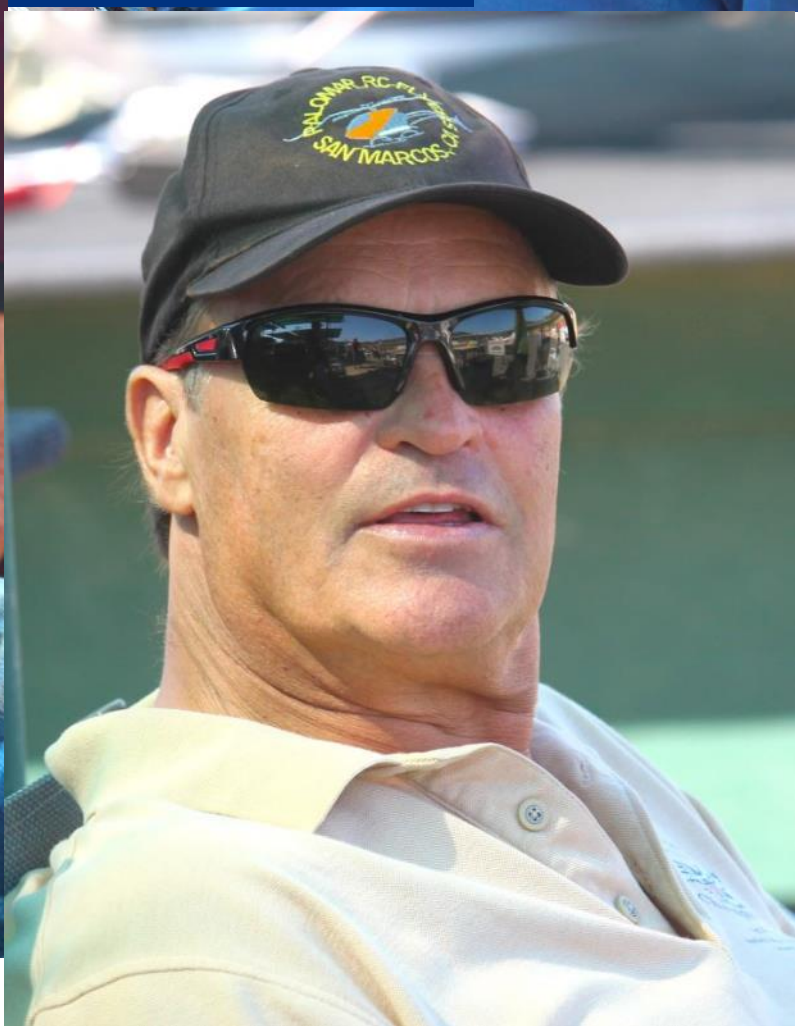
*Elise Schneider*



*Mike Elrod*



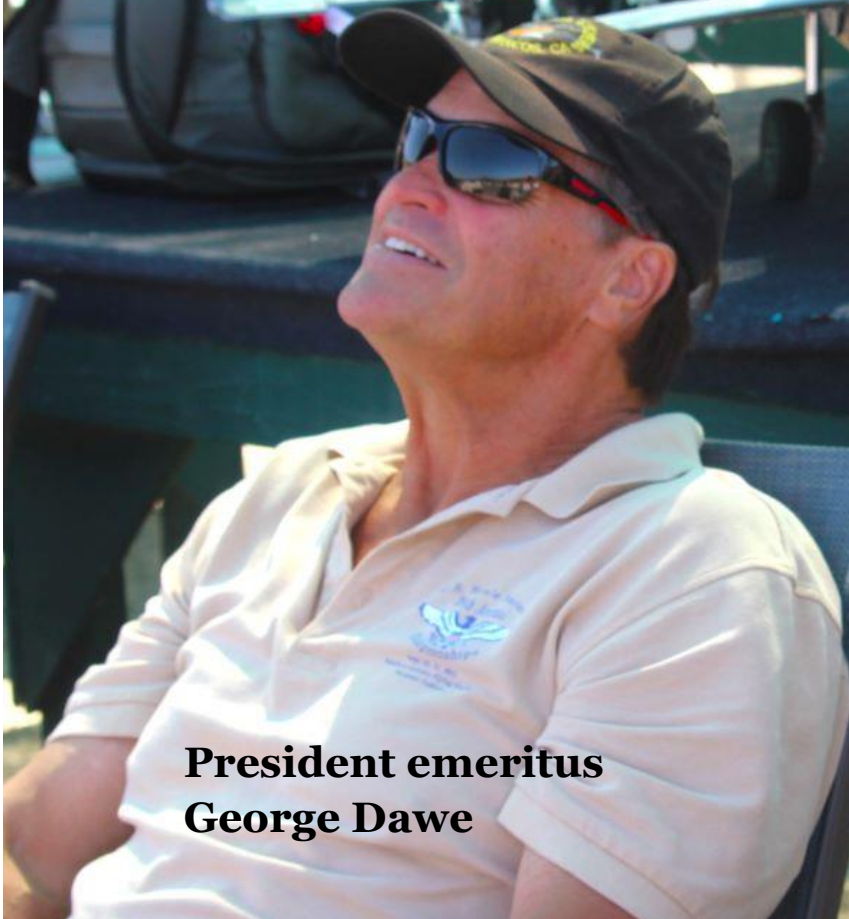
**Doug Riley**



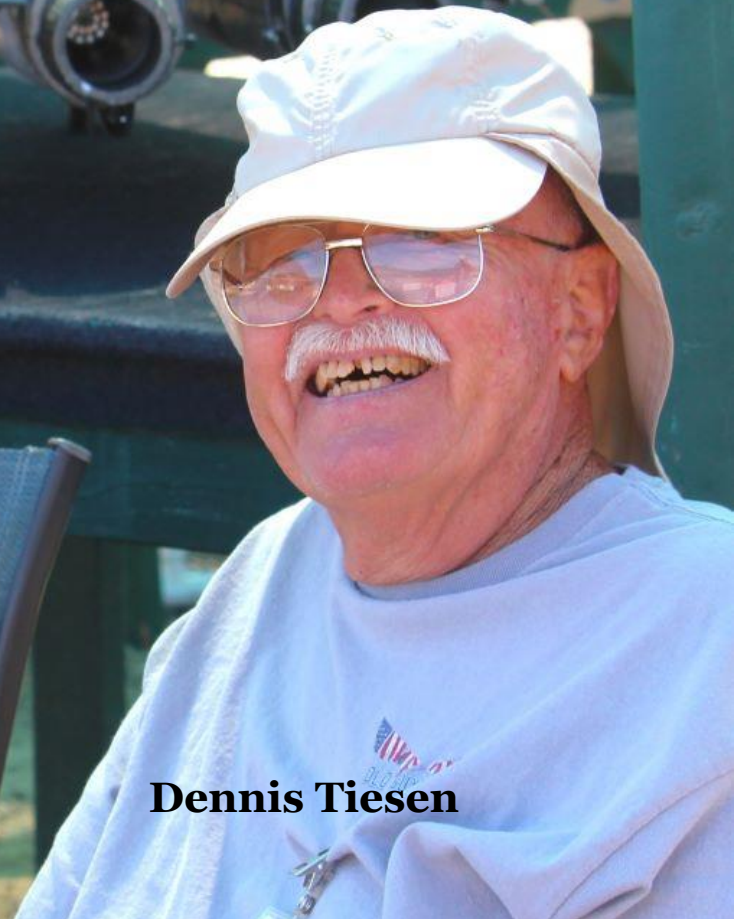
**President Emeritus George Dawe**



**The men who fly the Trifecta put on a mock demo combat. That's Dave Ellis and Doug Abel in the above photo.**



**President emeritus  
George Dawe**



**Dennis Tiesen**



**Ridge Macnair and his mom Kasey Macnair**



**Ron and Dolly Dribben**



**Don White and John Hartsell, Sr.**



**Mark Olarsch and his Peck  
Polymers plane**



**Eric Armstrong narrated the heli demonstration flight of David Lester's helicopter. It was beyond awesome!**

**ATTENTION**  
**MEMBER**  
**PLEASE REGULATE**  
and measurements are taken at 20 feet above the surface, slow response and "A" weight.  
craft above 98 db will be flown at  
n Field.  
95 db may operate anytime.  
92 db may be operated between  
- 7pm Monday through Saturday  
- 7pm Sunday.  
98 db may be operated between  
- 5pm Daily.  
*Thank You*

**NEVER LEAVE**  
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**David Lester and his heli.**





**David Lester, the  
master heli pilot!**



**Mark Olsen**

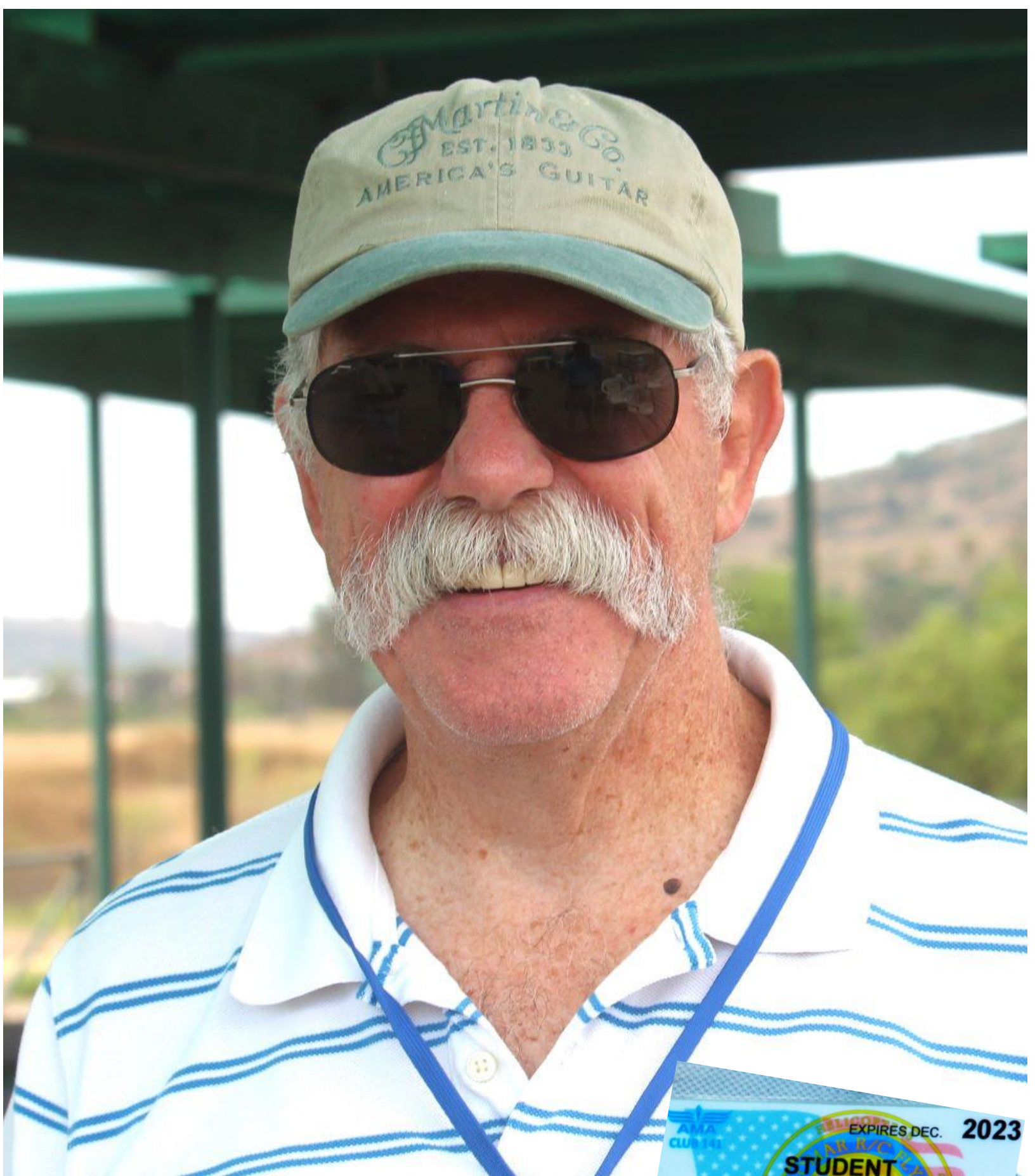


**Jim Christy is our handsome Safety Officer and Membership Chairman. That represents a lot of unseen work for the club! We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Jim for the hours he spends on these important, thankless tasks. Jim, you rock! Thank you for serving us! We appreciate you muchly!**



**Scott Ralston**

**This is the final photo taken at the **National Model Aviation**<sup>28</sup>  
**Day** at our field.**



**Aug. 1, 2023 Welcome to our new member, Steve Green. Our club is a wonderful venue for those who like to have fun. Welcome to a great hobby!**



**Welcome to new member Christian Wasko! It's good to have you join us.**

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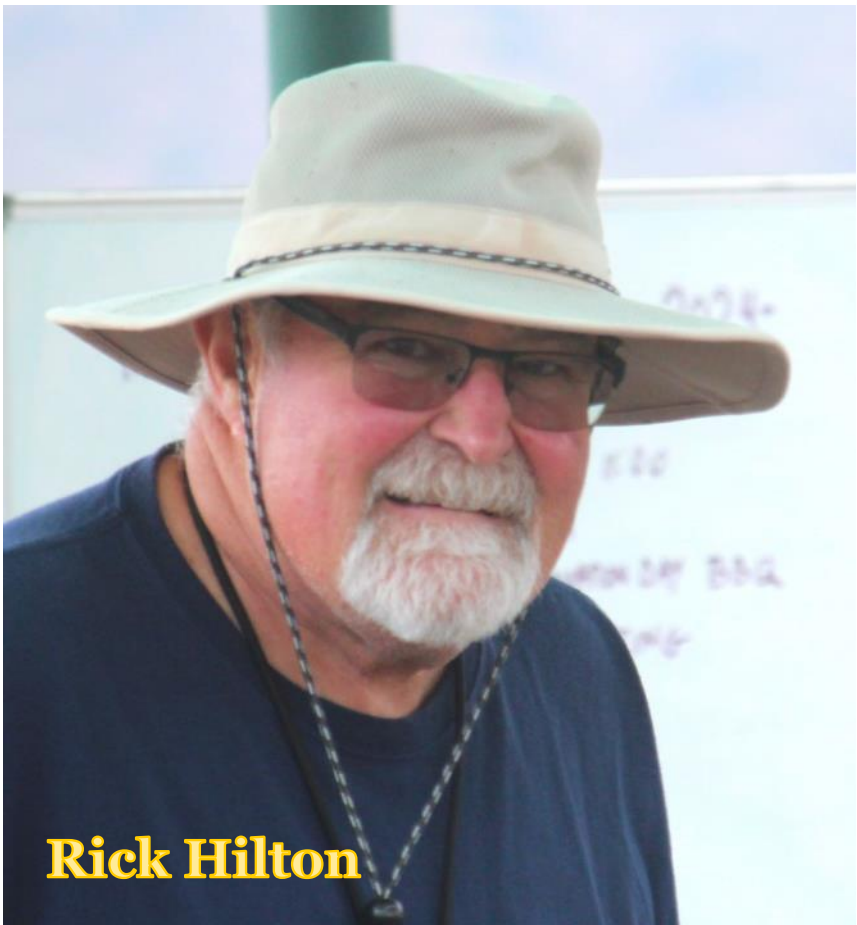
THIS CARD CERTIFIES THAT

**CHRISTIAN WASKO**

AMA 433184

IS A MEMBER OF THE PALOMAR RC FLYERS, INC.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR



**Rick Hilton**



**Don Davis**



**Miles Padberg**



**Miles flies this with a nitro engine.**



**Mandatory photo of Jim Gallacher**

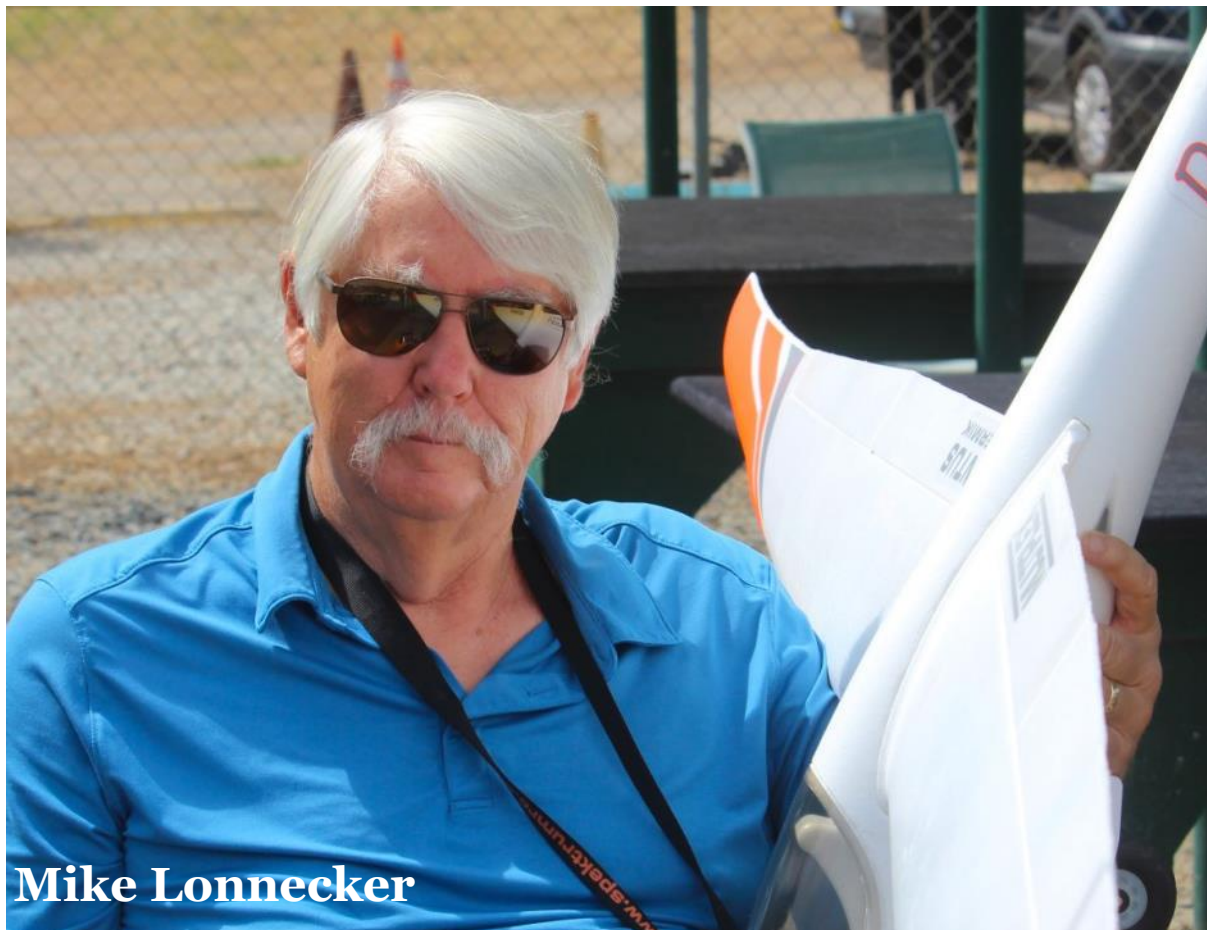




**Mark Anderson began the Beechcraft D-18S craze! Did you know that the full scale plane did NOT have counter rotating props? It was a handful on the ground to taxi. Mark has flown the full scale D-18S.**



**Mark's D-18S**



**Mike Lonnecker**

*Trifecta Aug. 6, 2023*



**Suzanne Orcutt**  
**(editor's wife)**





**Brandon Liesemeyer transformed his combat flying wing into modern art. You should see the other plane that he hit in a spectacular mid-air! That is what we would like to read, isn't it? Truth be told, "terra firma" did the damage. Slamming into the ground does it every time!**



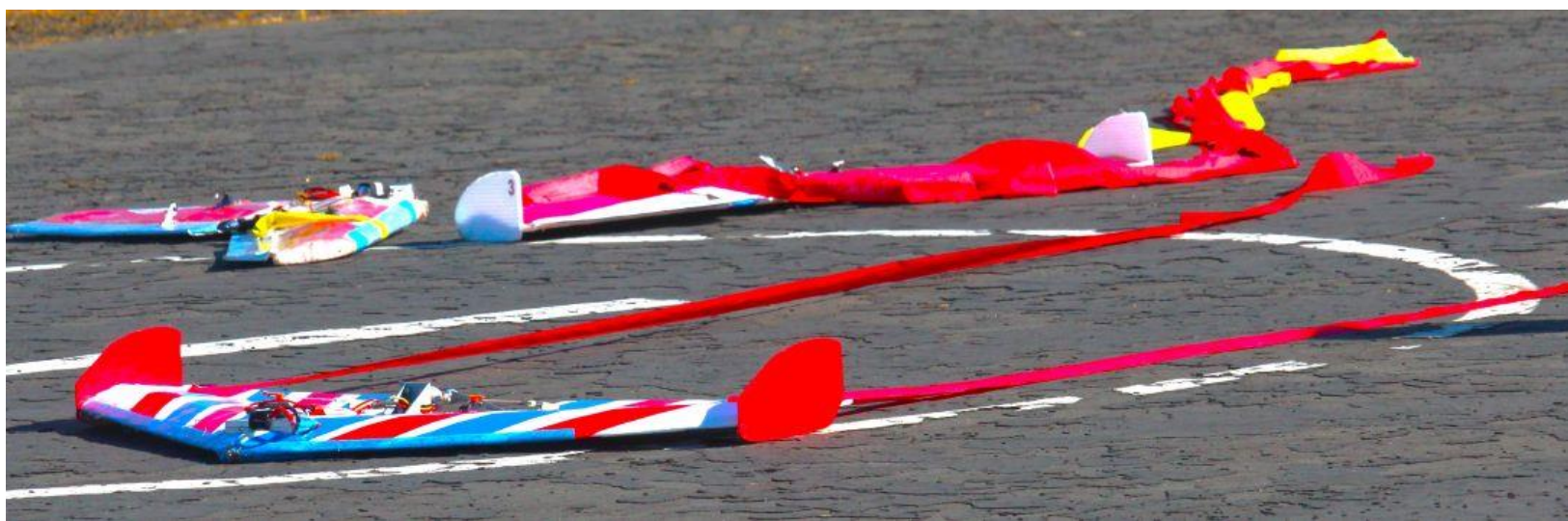
**The back of Brandon's T-shirt**



**Steve Gebler**



**Randy Brunette with another successful launch.**

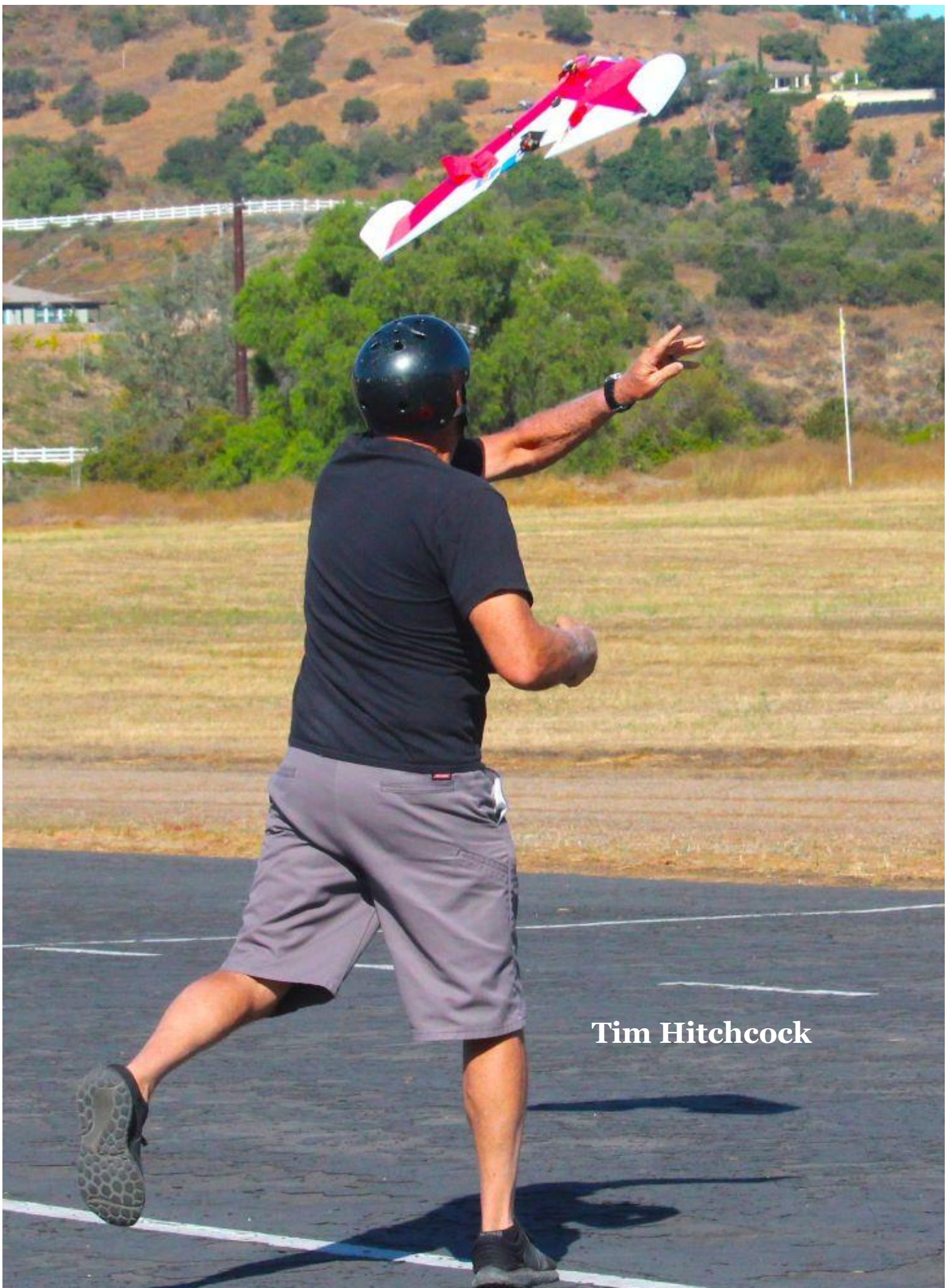


**These pilots are good! It takes skill to land a plane inside a small circle.**



*Chuck Riley and Randy Brunette*

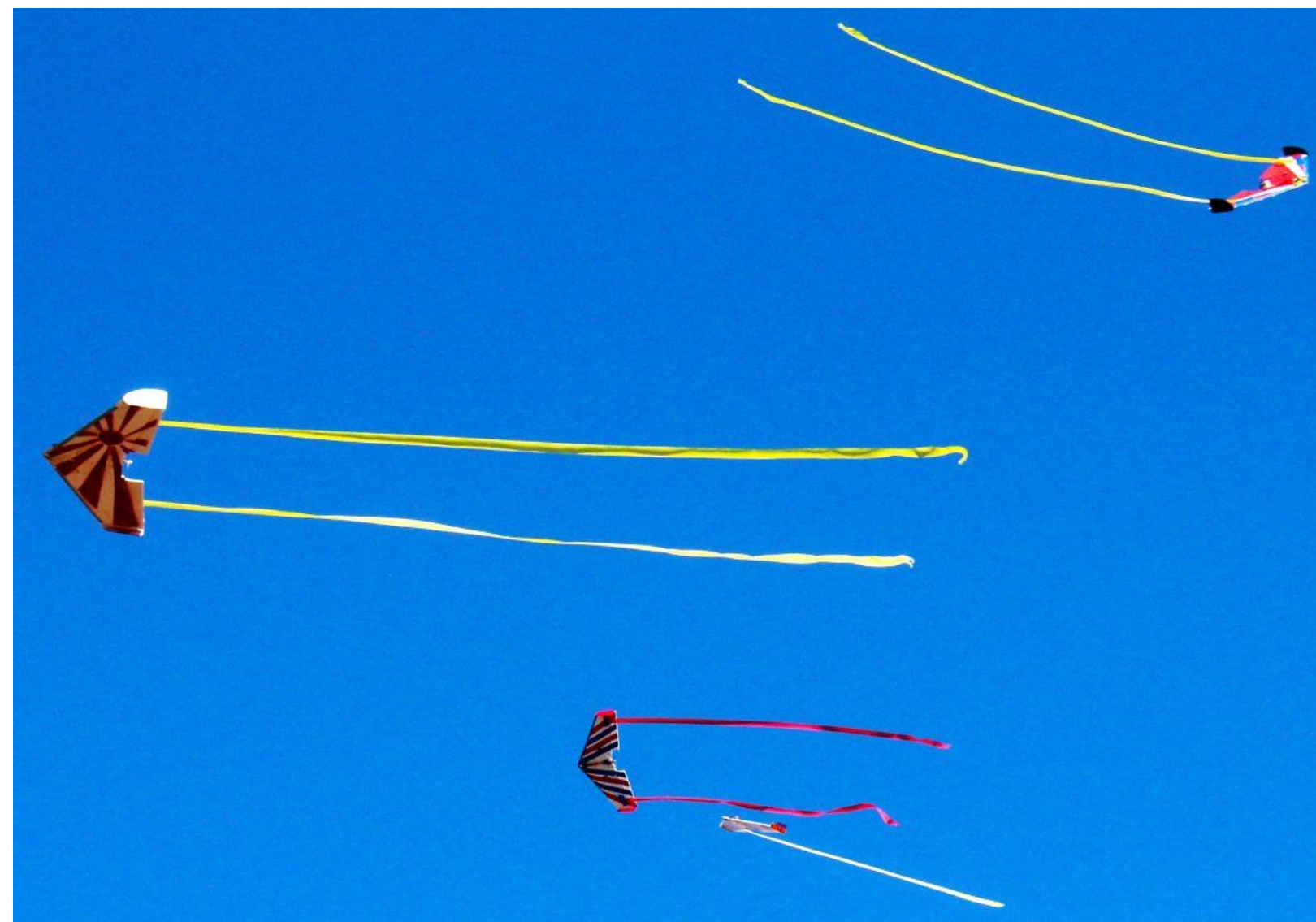


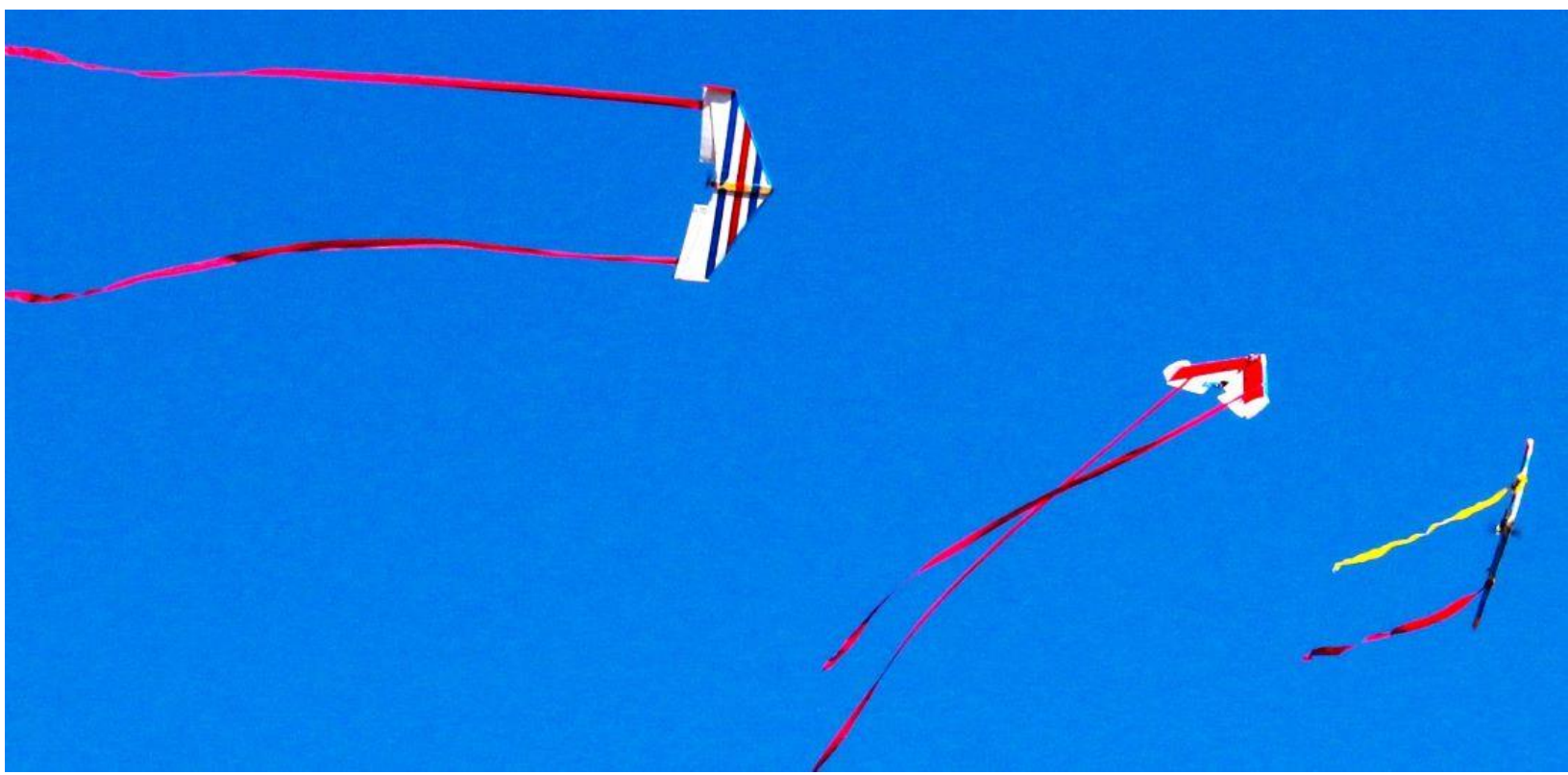


**Tim Hitchcock**



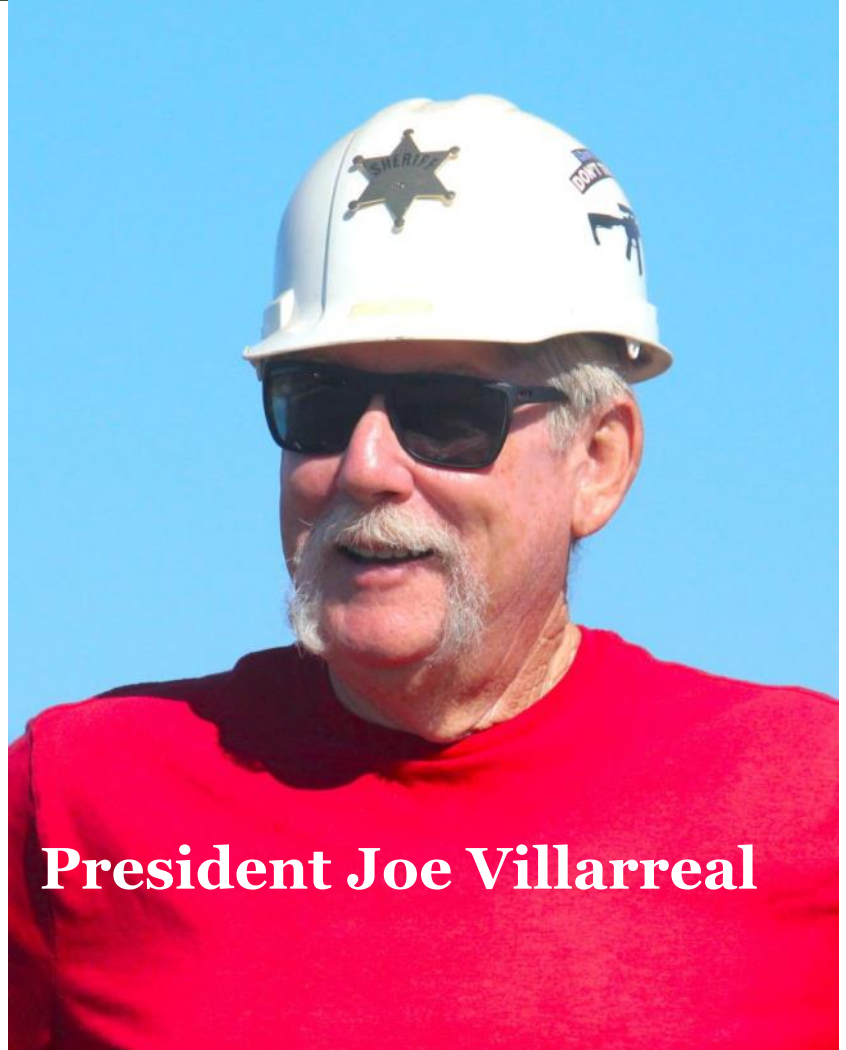
**Charlie Riley USMC**







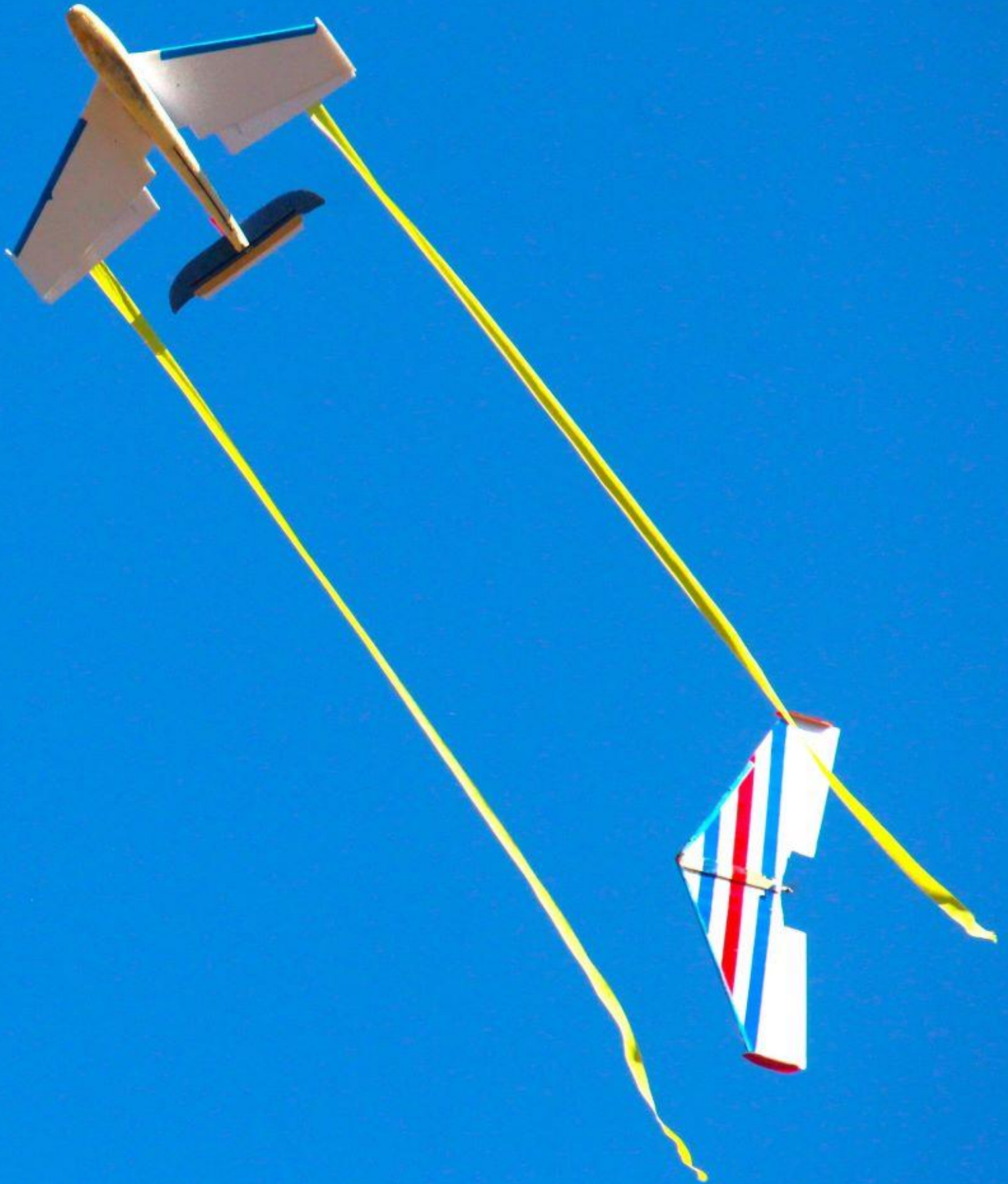
**Chuck & Charlie Riley**



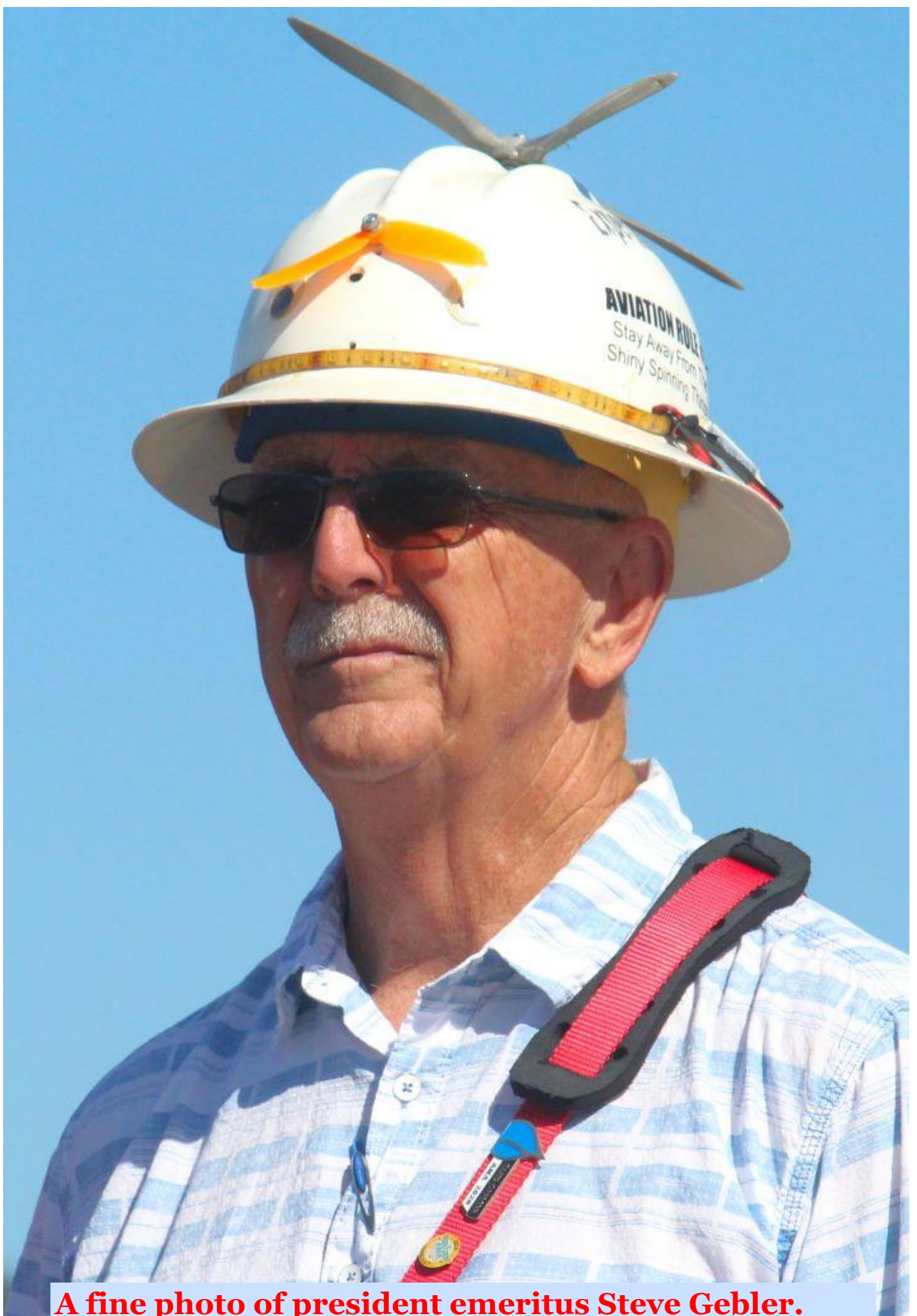
**President Joe Villarreal**



*Our favorite Marine, Charlie Riley*



**In the event named “Chasing the Skirt” the plane with the streamers is Tim Hitchcock’s.**

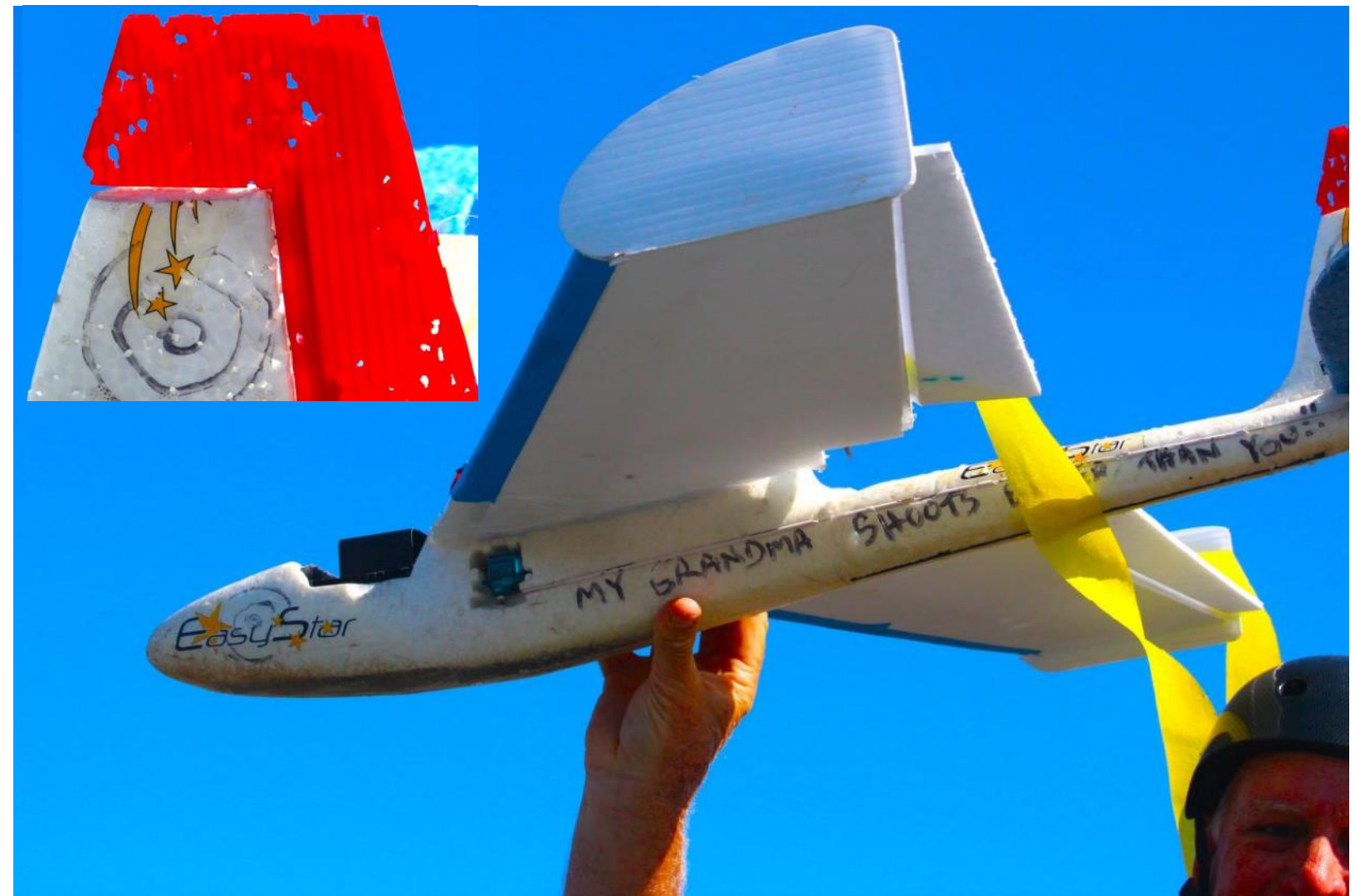


**A fine photo of president emeritus Steve Gebler.**



**Randy Brunette helps Tim fasten some coconuts.**





**Tim Hitchcock held up his “plane” which he used in the “Chase the Skirt” event. It says on the fuselage, “My grandmother shoots better than you.” The red insert is the rudder, pock –marked with pellet holes from the events we used to have when we shot at junk planes. This junker is left from that era.**

Mark Olarsch kept score. Holding his junker is Tim Hitchcock as Steve Gebler looks on.



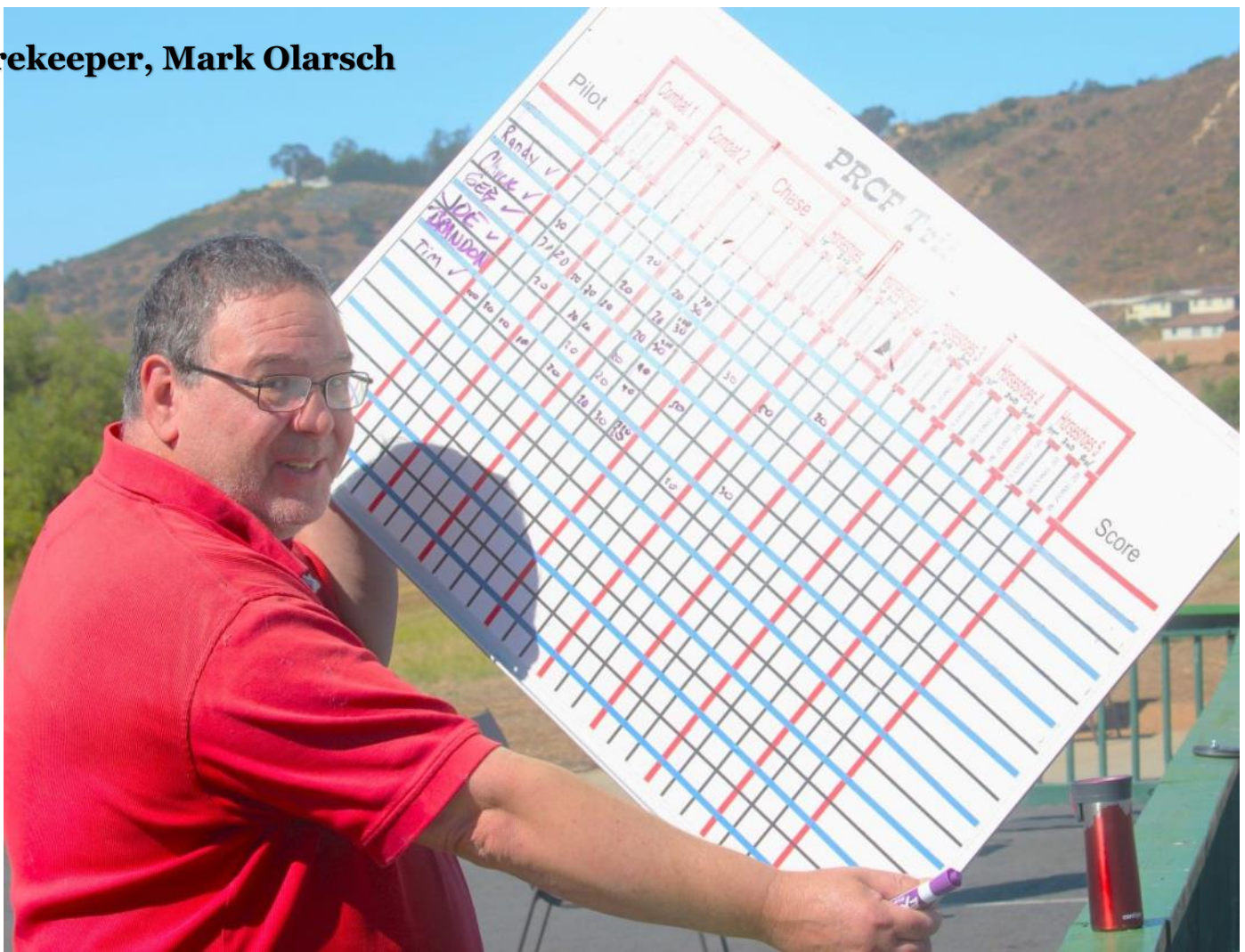
The beginning of a round of “Horse shoes”. Planes climb for 20 seconds, then glide back to a circle where there is a small plastic orange cone. Plane nearest the cone gets the most points. Only 3 planes are visible.



**The skilled pilots usually land close together and often bump one another in or out of the circle. The small orange plastic cone is next to Steve Gebler's left foot. The event is called horse shoes because the cone acts like a stake used in regular horse shoes. Randy Brunette is color coordinated in orange and should be awarded extra points for dressing like that!**



Scorekeeper, Mark Olarsch





**L/R Brandon Liesmeyer, Smokin' Joe Villarreal, President Emeritus Steve Gebler, Fashionista Randy Brunette, Champion Tim Hitchcock, and Chuck Riley**

**Trifecta winners:  
L/R Steve Gebler-3  
Randy Brunette- 2  
Tim Hitchcock- 1**



# ERRATA



**In the August issue of the Transmitter, I erroneously identified this photo as that of Russell Parks. This is Scott Page's photo. Sorry about that. Donaldo Blanco was kind enough to offer the correction. For those who do not know Donaldo, his real name is Don White. Thanks Don.**

# August 19, 2023 Club Meeting



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**President Joe Villarreal conducted our Club meeting. Great job leading us! Thank You Muchly!!**



**SBD Douglas Dauntless also known as an A-21 in the Army Air Corps. It was Slow But Deadly (SBD) Rick Hilton won Model-of-the-Month for it.**







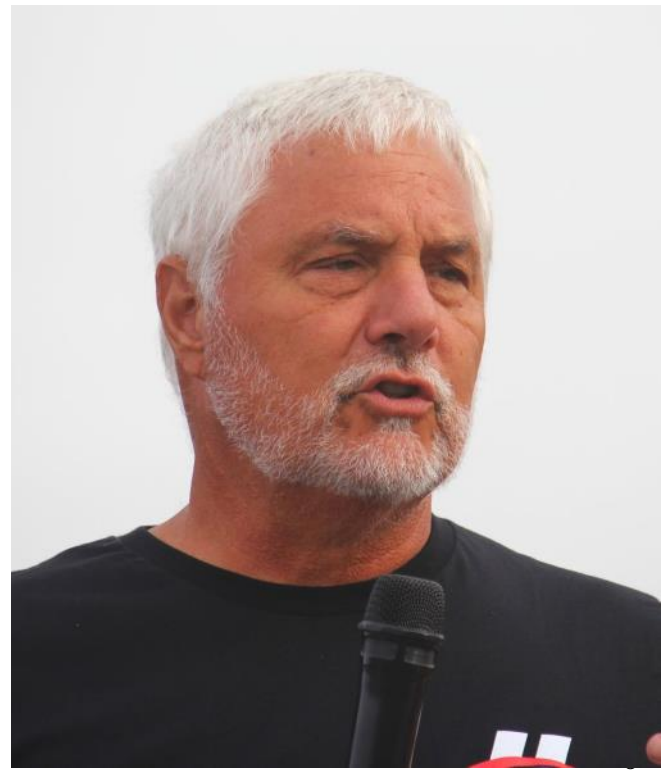
**Out of all the planes at the field, only one was chosen as Model-of-the-Month! Rich Hilton walked away with the winner's plaque easily. Well, actually, his was the only entry for Model-of-the-Month! Don't tell anybody!**

**President Emeritus George Dawe addressed the members.**





**Rick Hilton and Bob Hague- The SBD looks mighty fine!**



**Board Members Doug Abel and Scott Dedic addressed the members.**



**Pancho Castillo received his plaque for his Mustang pictured below. He won Model-of-the-Month for it in July 2023.**





Dennis Tiesen and Gary Marquardt

**You have just seen 112 photos of our club activities during the month of August 2023!**



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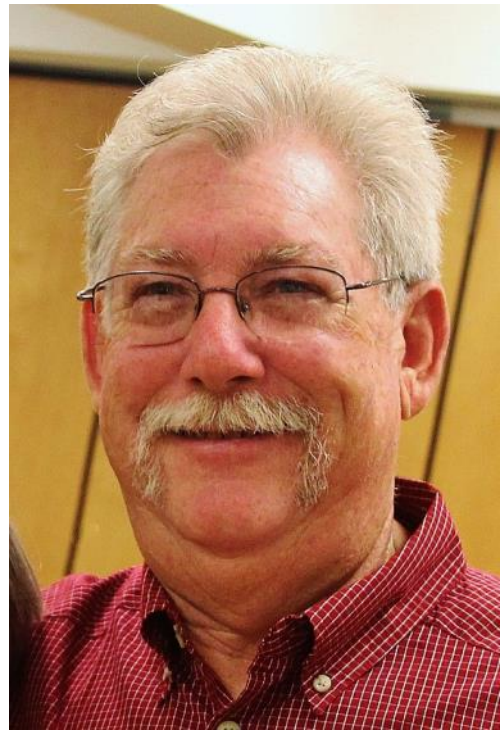
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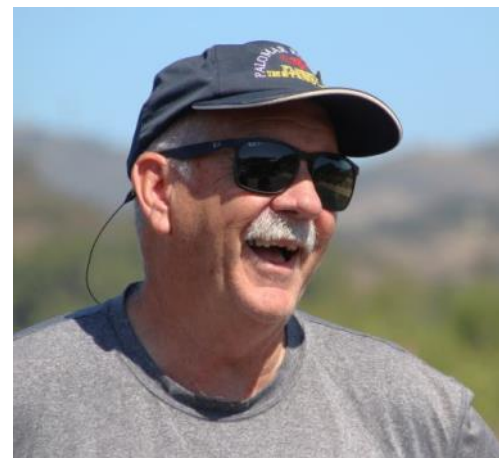
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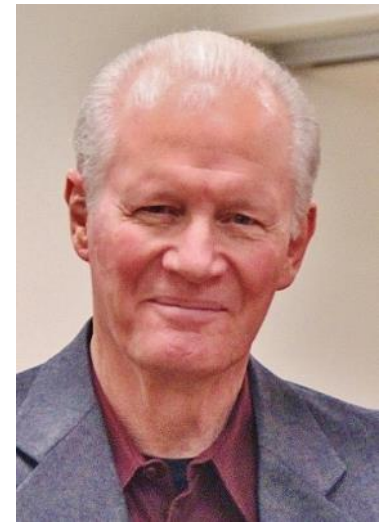
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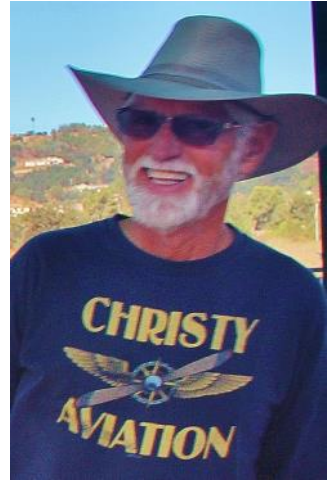
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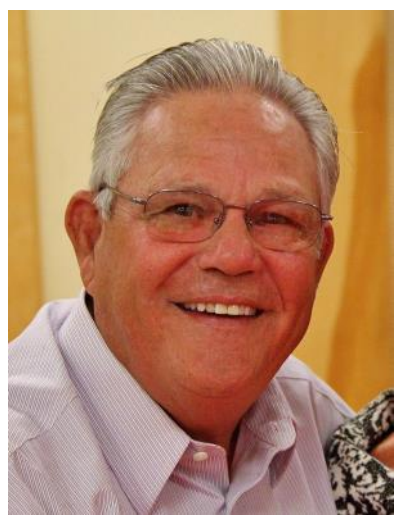
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