



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

# **Transmitter**



**August 2020**

AMA Charter 141

## **PRESIDENT'S COLUMN-Steve Gebler**

### **Safety**

Thanks to all of our members for doing a great job with the mask wearing and social distancing. It does make a difference! The recent surges in people contracting the virus and the associated death rate is alarming. Keep up the great work with wearing the masks and limiting the number of pilots at the field. Let's protect ourselves and each other.

### **Snakes**

Our very own snake wrangler, James "Diamondback" D'Eliseo reports that he has grabbed another monster snake near the east end of the runway using his special "chin tickling" technique (yup, you read it right). James relocated the monster, who had been lingering at the same location for some time, to a safe location quite a distance from the busy areas of the flight field. If there is one out there, there are more. Use extreme caution if you need to retrieve an errant plane. The ticks in the tall grass are no fun either.

### **Mowing**

Dave Ellis has made arrangements to have the field mowed again this week. Please give the mowing crew the right of way while they perform the work.

### **Model of the Month**

We haven't had a club meeting in some time and it's likely that it will be a while before we have another as our meeting location in the San Marcos Senior Center has been closed for a while due to the COVID-19 issues. Richard Torres has created a way for you to submit your models for consideration for the MOM prize. Check out the Web site for more info.

### **Officer and Board Member Nominations**

Later this fall we will once again begin the process of electing our club officers and Board member positions. If you would like to find out more about the behind-the-scenes works about operating our club, check in with me. A great way to see the Board in Action is to attend the monthly Zoom video conference meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 P.M.



## Gold Club

As many of you know, we have earned the prestigious Gold Leader Club distinction from the AMA. Trent Stadick submitted our application for this recognition. Each member is entitled to get a nice “bragging rights” pin that you can attach to your hat or transmitter strap. See any Board member to get your pin. There is a supply of them in the shed.

## Flight Training

Chris Thompson and his team of Brave Buddy Boxers have hosted a good number of new pilots and pilots that are learning to fly and improving their skills for the past month or so. If you have have friends, co-workers, or neighbors that would enjoy becoming proficient in our wonderful hobby, have them show up at the field on Mondays at 5 P.M.

## Trifecta

The Trifecta Combat experience will take place on Saturday, August 1 at 9 AM. Tim Hitchcock will be hosting a Versawing build party at his man cave immediately after the contest this month. See further information about the event on the Web site. Contact Tim to let him know that you will be there.

## Aerotow

Aerotow will take place on Saturday August 1 commencing about 10:30 AM.

See you at the field!

**August 1, 2020 Trifecta at the field @ 9 am.**

**Remember that this coming Saturday, i.e. August 1 is the Trifecta!!**



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# M a s k s

COVID-19 is on everyone's mind and is, once again, on the rise. The recent increases in infections are alarming.

As a club, we must and we will adhere to the rules that we have put into place to protect your individual safety and the safety of others. Wearing the masks is a two-way street. Without all parties wearing a mask, the risk is high for contracting this virus.

Moving forward, each member of Palomar RC Flyers must wear masks while in the pits and may only remove them while on the flight line and must immediately put them back on while in the pits.

I also believe that there is a small amount of leeway to the mask wearing. On very early weekday mornings and late in the afternoons there are very few members at the field and it is easy to keep 6' or more apart from other members. During those times, when less than 6 members are present, I think that there can be less stringent needs on the masks, but, when coming within close contact for conversation, picking up planes, charging batteries, etc. the masks must be worn. Prime time at the field (mornings after 8 A.M. during the week and all day.

You will be required to leave the field if you choose not to wear a mask. If you don't want to wear the masks, you can go somewhere else to express your opinions, but, at the club we will wear masks. Repeat offenders will be disciplined according to our club bylaws up to suspension of membership privileges.

weekends) is mandatory mask wearing time.

Unfortunately, there have been some verbal aggressiveness directed towards our members and Board members who have asked those not wearing masks to please put them on. If you request another member to please put on their mask when in your presence and they do not comply, please reach out to me directly by text or email indicated below and I will make sure that the offending member is warned and subsequently disciplined as necessary.

No one wants to be a traffic cop. Please wear your masks when attending the <sup>3</sup>field. It's a small price to pay for the wonderful opportunity to enjoy this great hobby. S. Gebler

# HE DOESN'T KNOW HE'S SICK

WITH AN INCUBATION PERIOD OF UP TO 14 DAYS,  
HE SPREADS COVID WITHOUT KNOWING HE IS SICK



COVID-19 CARRIER  
WITHOUT MASK



HEALTHY PERSON  
WITH MASK



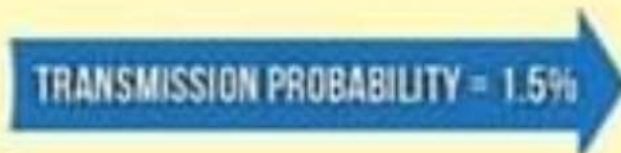
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**PROTECT AMERICA AND WEAR THE DANGED MASK!**





**New Field Mask Safety Protocol**  
Steve Gebler



**ATTENTION CLUB MEMBERS  
AND GUESTS**

FOR YOUR SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OUR  
MEMBERS:

PLEASE FOLLOW ALL CLUB RULES:

- ALWAYS WEAR YOUR BLUE KIDS
- THE AIR GOLF requires that you are  
numbered for your name and players must  
be on the course.
- FLI ONLY DURING YOURS HOURS.
- ALL FLIERS MUST BE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE HULLS.
- DO NOT FLY OVER INTERSTATE 5.
- DO NOT FLY BEYOND THE PROHIBITED ZONE  
AT THE SOUTH SIDE OF HULLS & 1000  
BEFORE THE AIR GOLF COURSE.

THANKS,  
Palmer A.C. Club

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EASE

**A man and his two best friends. Steve Gebler and Grif**



Here are two pics of the B-17 we finished just last year. The model has a twelve foot wingspan and weighs about 25 pounds. We detailed the bottom more completely than the top since we knew it was to be hung fairly high above ground level. Note the three 500 lb. bombs dropping out of the open bomb bay. (Ron Peterka is a former club member and has won first in team scale at the AMA Nationals. He is a museum quality master builder.) The B-17 is in the San Diego Air and Space Museum.





The larger model is 1:5 scale and has a 26 cc gas engine. 100 inch wingspan and 26 lb weight. Over 120 flights on it and still airworthy. In 2015 it won the Scalemasters Championship in Team Scale class held in Houston. In static judging the score was 98.2 out of a possible 100.

I even had proof from the full-scale aircraft log books that I had the same covering and paint used on the restoration of the full scale.

Curtis Kitteringham is the pilot.

Submitted by Ron Peterka







**Chris Thompson and his Stuka. Info about the model is located on next page.**

**Seagull ARF  
90" wingspan**

**DLE-55RA**

**Spektrum powersafe receiver**

**King Max digital servos (8)**

**4 Eflite bomb releases, two each wing**

**1 Atom bomb, bomb release on centerline**

**Enaluop nimh ignition battery**

**Spektrum 2000 mah receiver battery (2)**

**Repainted with Tamiya acrylics**

**Minwax Polycrylic matte**

**Callie graphics**

**Powerbox Wolverine switch**

**24oz Fuji bottle fuel tank with PSP fittings**

**1/6 scale pilot & gunner from LEGENDHOBBY.COM**

**3D printed exhaust stacks, intake, canopy accessories, radio, machine gun/  
ring**







July 2020

## Palomar Radio Control Flyers

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: 6:30 PM**

### Treasurer's Summary for Month of June 2020

**Total Income: \$781.00**

**Mostly Roy DeMille donated equipment sale & Membership**

**Total Expenses: \$392.79**

**Approximate sums of major categories ...**

**\$25 website**

**\$360 field maint (mowing, trash, porta, painting)**

**Net income: +\$388.21**

**End of Month Balance: \$89,815.80**

**Membership: Five new members. As other clubs are shrinking we are picking up the slack**

### **Chair Reports**

**Safety: Pusher prop airplane incident causing hand damage to member**

**Snakes and ticks are in abundance now. Caution is advised when walking out past the flight line.**

**Fixed Wing: Freeway incursions continue to occur by the same offenders. Drone: Nothing to report**

**Heli: Event planning is stalled because of Covid.**

**Glider: The loss of two large gliders.**

**Flight Training: Hats for instructors are available. Instruction has resumed with social distancing required by all.**



**COVID 19 Report: Violators to social distancing are at risk of immediately losing membership. New guidelines are in place yet some members feel personal choice is their privilege. There have been several unpleasant encounters. Enforcement will be at highest level.**

## **Gold Club Status**

**Thanks to Trent**

**Pins are available for members**

**Donations by Roy DeMille and Doc Buck brought excellent returns.**

**Recruitment of Officers and Board for next year: As with every year we are recruiting Board members. All members should consider serving in some way to support the hobby and the club that has brought so much to our lives.**

**Mowing Again: Ellis to hire another mowing session**

**Repair of the Drone Course: Can be reset when social conditions improve.**

**Trifecta: It's back! Social distancing continues to be present and will be enforced.**

**Heli Fun Fly: On hold until social distancing matters can be resolved.**

**Meeting at the Field: Discussions on going on how we can have meetings. San Marcos Senior Center continues to be closed.**

**Future Events. All future events are tentative and will be announced as social distancing requirements improve or change. Notices will be sent for every event.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:30 PM**

## **Build Party**



# Flite Test Versa Wing build party!

When: Saturday August 1st!

Where: Tim's Man Cave in Fallbrook

Time: 10:30AM ~ 3:00PM

*For more information and directions please call Tim Hitchcock@  
760-458-8961 or email: hitchx4@gmail.com*

***Must bring Mask & hand sanitizer because of the COVID-19 crap! Thanks!***

## ***Please bring the following stuff to the build party:***

Large glue sticks and glue gun.  
X-acto knife and multiple blades.  
\$5.00 donation to cover my cost.  
Something for the BBQ and your favorite refreshment.

I will provide the foam boards, FT Versa Wing templates, aluminum motor mount, fiberglass tape, battery box stiffeners, and a fun positive build environment.

## ***Recommended additional parts your need to finish your FT Versa Wing:***

Cobra 2213/12 kv-2000 motor  
Or  
Turnigy D2826/6 kv-2200 motor

30 to 35-amp ESC, (I'm using the Turnigy Plush 30A)

APC 6 X 5.5 prop

Servos 14.7g (2ea), Turnigy TGY 9018MG or better.

2200 mAh 3S 11.1v LiPo battery.





**On July 19, 2020, I had a several successful flights on my new Ben Buckle Flying Quaker. Well, the engine died while flying inverted on the maiden flight. The Quakers were originally a "free flight" model back in the 40's & 50's. So, not a problem gliding her back to runway. The Ben Buckle kits are made in England (special order a year ago). Started the project after Christmas, then got serious during COVID house arrest. She has a 88" wing span, Gasoline Saito FG-11 4-stroke engine (.66 cu in.) oil mix 20 to 1. A special thanks to Roger Cosio with his input and positive energy during the build project!**

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**TIM HITCHCOCK**

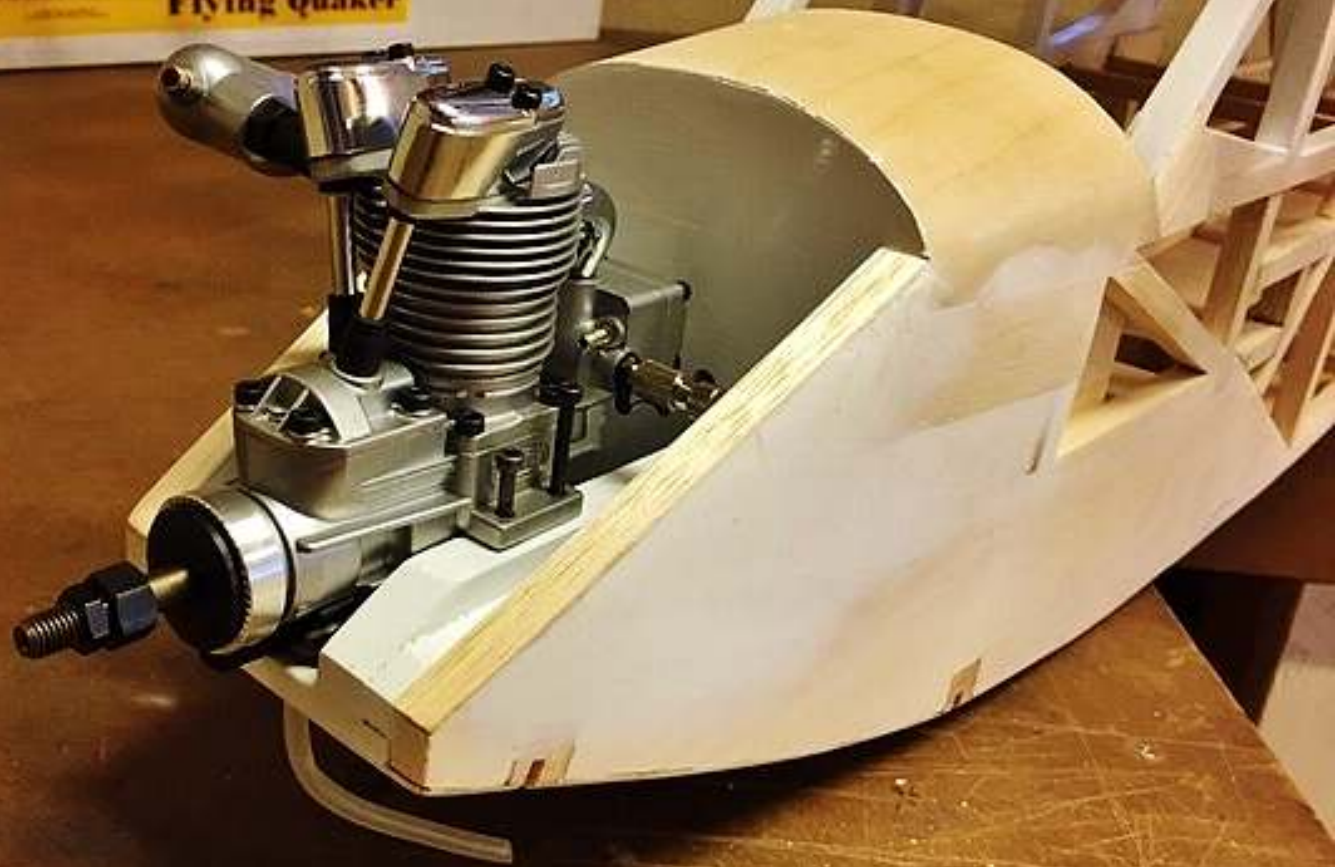




**Ben Buckle Kits**  
80" Wingspan  
Substantially for \$2,000 - All Engines from  
Pittsburgh 31 (Champion Model)  
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and Original Hand Wing Top  
Six Cowlings  
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Including Wing Box  
Mount and Main Structure  
U.S. Airline Model Wing Top  
Full Size 2 Stroke Motor  
and Hardware Pack



**Flying Quaker**







**David Storey sent these photos of his F-16 Thunderbird. What a beauty!!**







**My daughter Natasha, took this photo of a caterpillar at my home in Vista, CA. It morphs into a beautiful yellow butterfly! Can you believe that even this thing will fly!**





Member Mike Smith with his huge ASW-17



**Steve Condon and his giant tow plane.**





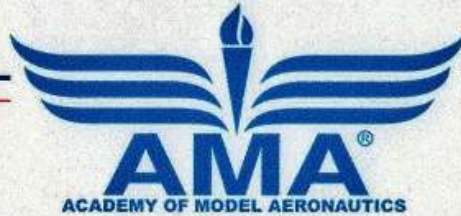
**Steve Gebler's helper launches the flag to be towed by Steve's plane.**



**Steve Gebler**  
**President**



**Trent Stadick**  
**Vice President**



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to the hobby of aeromodelling and to their community  
they shall be distinguished and recognized as a  
Gold Level Leader Club

Date

June 24, 2020



Signature





**Steve Gebler's Quicksilver ultralight.**

**Photos courtesy of Chris Thompson**





**Patrick Pranica's PT-17 by E-Flite @ the Palomar R/C Flyers Airport**



**Addison Pemberton's Boeing 40-C, Boeing's first airliner @ Santee Airport.**





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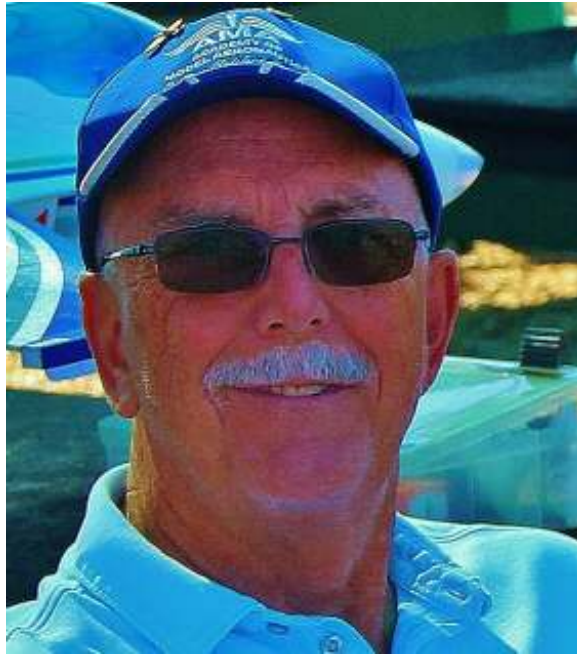
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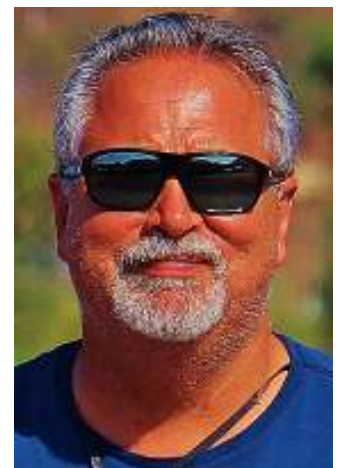
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