



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

# **Transmitter August 2024**



**Hello everyone! It's been warm! Remember to stay hydrated and stay in the shade!**

**We had a "new member" experience a battery issue and his plane ended up in the trees. After several attempts to recover this plane, he, I'm told, climbed the tree and was able to recover his plane. I haven't spoken to him; I want to emphasize how DANGEROUS that was! I also want to remind everyone that going there could put you at risk of injury, getting lost AND POISEN OAK/IVY. Been there, done that!**

**Our vision of the Valley Center site is progressing. The Geotech runway has been installed, stretched and hammered down. We really must thank Steve Green, Marc Bradley, Bill Hill, Steve Gebler, Robin Solomon, Don Davis, Mark Olson, Joe Wayne-for the work provided to make this happen. I want to say how much Scott Ralston has done for our club and in this process. Scott has spent numerous hours at the site preparing for and completing leveling and smoothing the fixed wing runway. I've watched Scott arrive at the site and stayed 10-12 hours until he was satisfied with his processes. His efforts are far above expectations, and he saved us THOUSANDS of dollars by stepping up and leading this project. Scott is a self-employed contractor and essentially worked at the site far more than 200 hours and didn't bill or invoice the club for a penny. The work he did out there is remarkable. I have made a motion to give him a LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP and compensate him for the time he spent on the field. I will discuss this at the next meeting.**

**I need to also praise Don Davis for his efforts to acquire a grant from the AMA for site upgrades. Don was in constant communication with AMA submitting various events the club has been involved in: Scouts, outreach programs, Civil Air Patrol in to qualify for the grant, Don told us he didn't think we did enough to qualify for the grant. Out of nowhere, we received a check from AMA for the full amount, \$3000! Without Don's persistence, it's not likely we would have qualified for the grant. Make sure you thank Don for his efforts in this process.**

**Our safety Officer, Jim Christy, has resigned. We thank him for his contributions in this capacity and wish him well. Mark Olson and Bobby Johannes have volunteered to co-direct the safety officer position. Our safety rules are found attached to our bylaws.**

**See you at the next meeting.**

**Charles Lewis,**

**President of the Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.**



# Fourth of July Club Picnic at our Field



Ernie Emery inspects Bobby Johannes' latest creation. It's already a beauty!



Bobby Johannes and his mom on the Fourth



Ernie E.





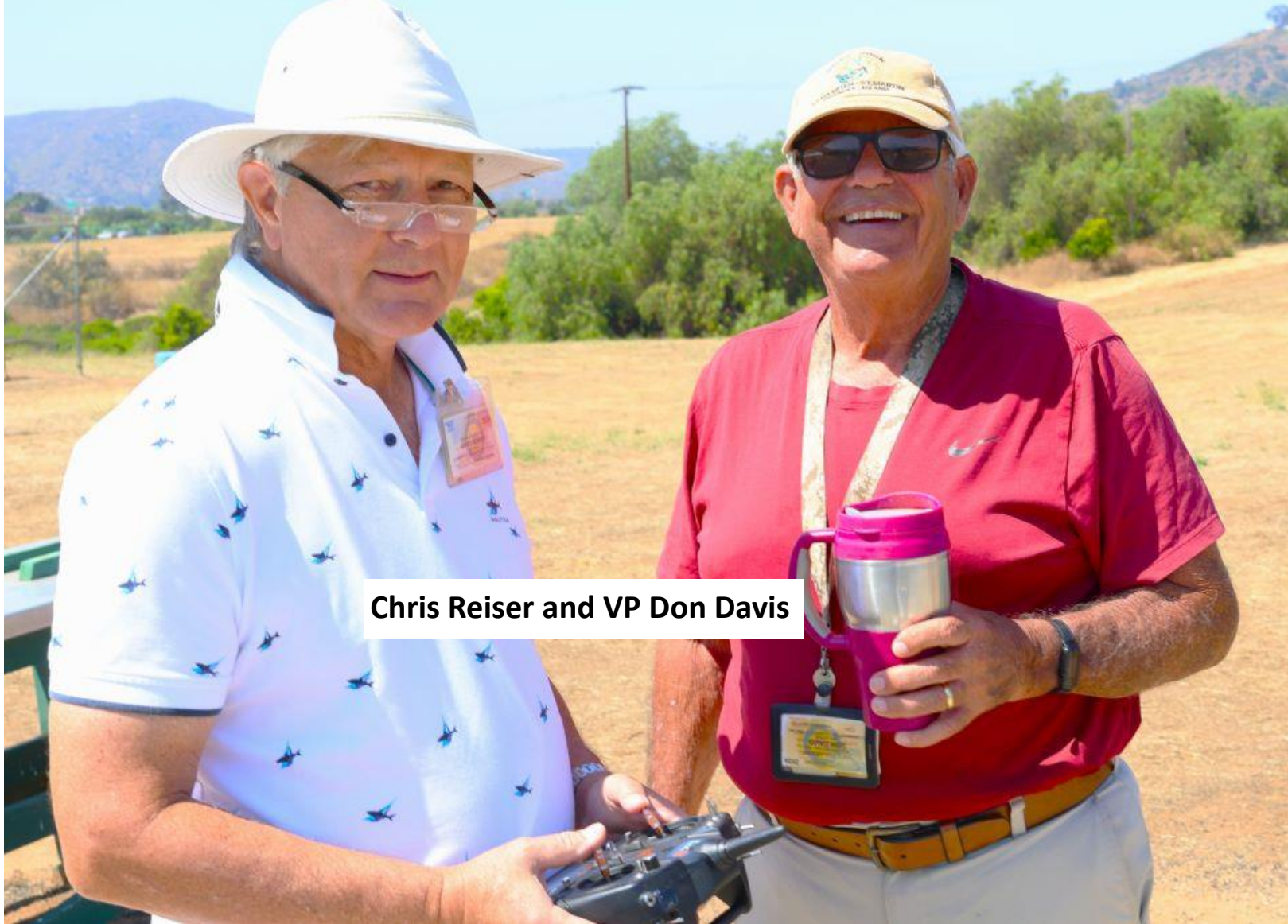
**Mike Lonnecker, master builder, wears his patriotic shirt on the 4th.**





*President emeritus Steve Gebler and Tim Hitchcock on the 4th.  
Tim is flying the jet.*





**Chris Reiser and VP Don Davis**

## **Tom Minegar**

**The structure on his plane is for hauling gliders aloft.**







**Mandatory photo of James Gallacher**



**L/R Mark Olarsch, Barbara Villarreal, Sammy Lonneck, Suzanne Buko, RoseMary Creedon, Lord Creedon, Club Secretary Patrick Pranica**





**Barbara Villarreal**



**Jimmy Jenkins**



**Ernie Gebler and Joan McVeigh**





*John Hartsell, Sr.*



**Scott Ralston and his plane**



**Below L/R Ernie Gebler, Joan McVeigh,  
Deborah Arnold, Steve Gebler**







Jim Gallacher



John Cutler's impeccable DeHavilland Tiger Moth





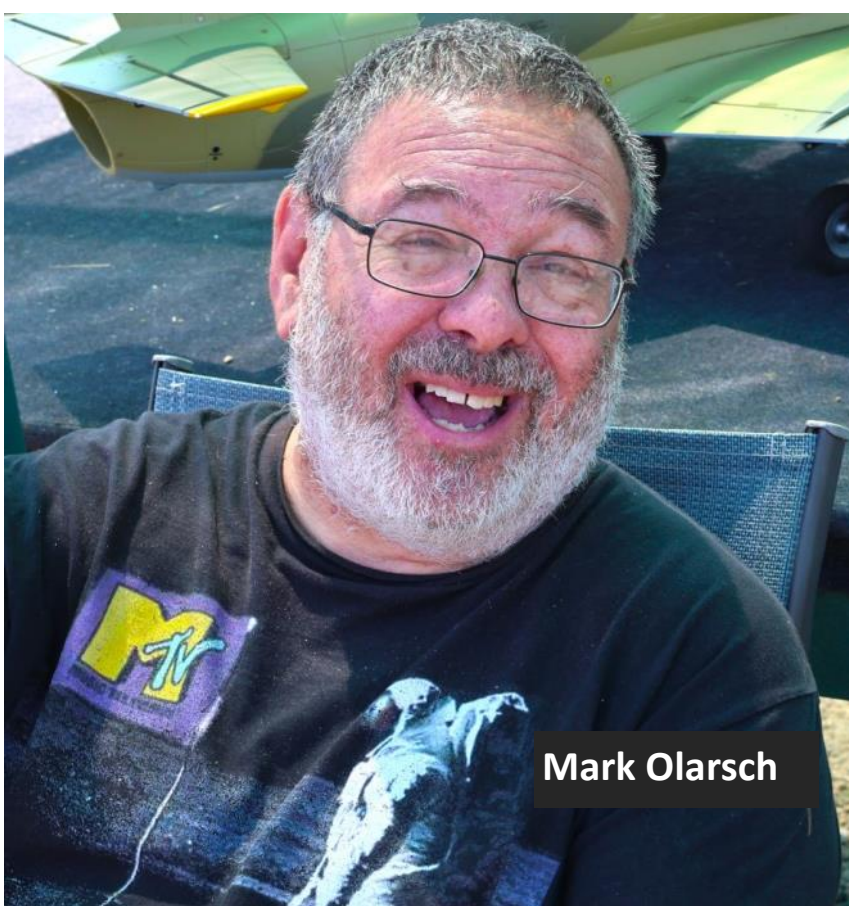
**John Cutler    Master-builder**





**WOW!**





**Mark Olarsch**



**Jason Loukakis**



The inside of Jason Loukakis' FPV ((First Person View) jet. He wears special goggles to receive the view broadcast from the cockpit. It is as if he were flying inside the plane! It's the ultimate in model flying! Good going, Jason!





**Ren Solomon**

**Robin Solomon**

**Pres. Charles Lewis**



**Hahn DeMore Ellie Hill**



**Bill DeMore**





**Ren Solomon, son of Robin,  
and his dog, BARK VEDER!**





**Charles Onstott**



**John Forestieri**





President *emeritus* Bill Hill, Ellie Hill and president *emeritus* Joe Villarreal were so kind to cook for us all. Thank you to you super-generous folks!







**Chow lines**









**Elise Schneider & Tim Daugherty**



**Patty & Don White**





**Richard Torres our webmaster whose name should be Houdini! During the process of creating this Transmitter, our club computer refused to open! I called Richard and he generously and successfully fixed the problem by using Bitlocker. You ask what this is? It's known to Mr. Houdidni! We as a club owe this man many kudos and thanks for the hours he works to keep our website current and to help get this Transmitter out to you! THANK YOU!**





**Joe Buko (your editor) and Captain Barry Hirschberg who flies for Delta. It's a good thing that my big ears held my top hat from sliding down over my eyes!**



**Roger Cosio and Dru Marquardt**





**Jim Christy Membership Chair**



**Sammy and Mike Lonnecker**



# June 2024 BOD Minutes #2

## Palomar Radio Control Flyers Inc.

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Compiled by: Patrick Pranica, Secretary PRCF

**President:** Charles Lewis **Vice President:** Don Davis, **Treasurer:** Doug Abel **Secretary:** Patrick Pranica.  
**Safety Officer:** Jim Christy

**Board members:** Steve Gebler, Chuck Riley, Scott Dedic, Eric Armstrong, Vic Lerum. **Additional Roles:**  
**Chief Flight Instructor:** Don Davis, **Membership Chairman:** Jim Christy. **Webmaster:** Richard Torres

**Call to order: June 26, 2024, 6:30 PM Via Zoom.**

### **Supplementary Board meeting called during June 2024**

**No treasury report given as they were not available for this meeting.**

#### **Valley Center:**

All expenses will have BOD approval

Phase 2 has begun. Fencing in planning. Road base for runway only.

Telephone poles available for parking curbs

Materials will be donated for shade structures

More mowing needed. One day expense.

Runway compacting 3K approved. 2 days rental

BOD approval combo locks for gates.

Use the Sheriffs for security

#### **Future Planning:**

Because of our size, all matters are to be run like a business

BOD approved the formation of a five-year plan

Revenue enhancement discussed to support expenses.

What do we do with revenue.

BOD approved committee for future planning.

#### **By-Law Changes: Misc. issues**

Typos found in original document.

BOD approved Chuck and Steve to work on by-laws

BOD approve new shade cover for west end of pits.

Need new safety officer or officers.

**Meeting adjourned: 7:35 PM**



# July 2024 BOD Minutes

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**Call to order: July 17, 2024, 6:30 PM Via Zoom.**

### **Treasurer's Summary for Month of June 2024**

**Total Income - \$625**

Big Items: (approx.)

\$625 - Membership

**Total Expenses - \$31,894.68**

**Big Items: (Approx.)**

\$17,400 - Equipment Rental and Road Base for Valley Center runway

\$9300 - Geotex and sealant

\$850 - Trash and Porta Potties

\$190 - Shade Structure repair

\$19 - Paypal Fees

\$175 - Parts for Apprentices/Trainers

**Total Net Loss of -\$31,269.68**

**Total Balance: \$87,132.99**

**Membership:** No report available

**Safety:** No report available

**Model Aviation Day:** August 17 after club meeting. BOD approved \$300 for food and incidentals.

**Cub history:** Researched and confirmed incorporation on October 17, 1968.

**Valley Center:** Gate being fabricated. Road to be refreshed. Waiting on shade structures. Protective netting discussed for pilot safety.

**Club Future:** Financial stability discussed. So far so good. Needs careful management. Dues increase in consideration.

**Safety Officer:** To be announced at the club meeting. Findings conclude that we need two officers to cover both the flying field and the heli field.

**Diversity of thought:** To be encouraged and welcome.

**Meeting adjourned: 7:37 PM**





**John Hartsell Jr. flying U-control ala r/c. His father controlled the engine speed with r/c. You don't see U-control much except as reported in the AMA Magazine.**





**Trifecta July 6, 2024**

**Scott Ralston**







**Mark Olson**



**Alan Wolstenholme**



**Randy Brunette**





**Doug Abel launching but the DA sign below that appears on the combat planes is to remember Daryl Albert of happy memory.**

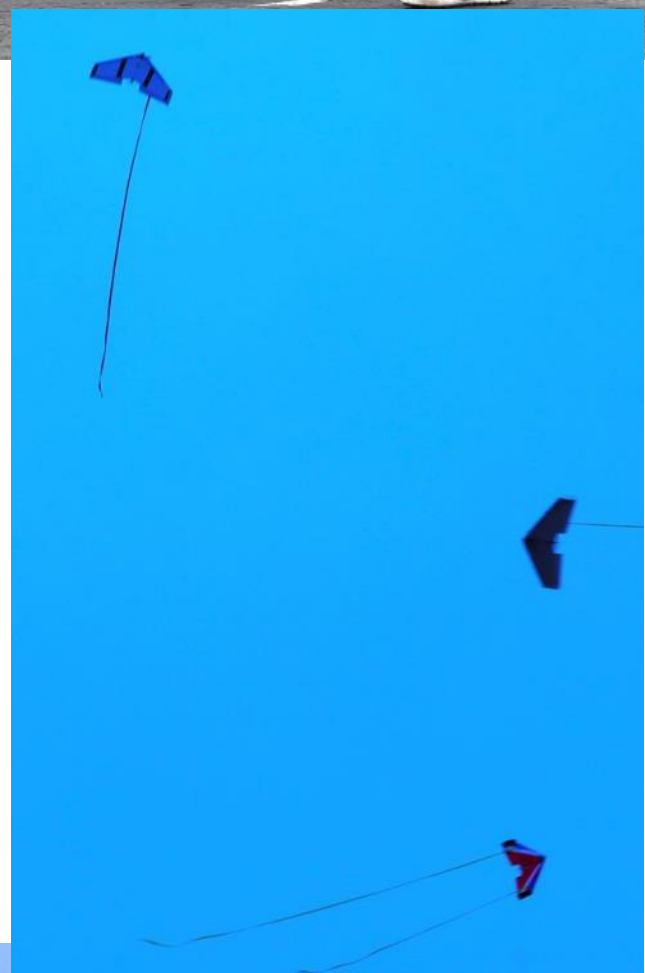


**Mark Olarsch**





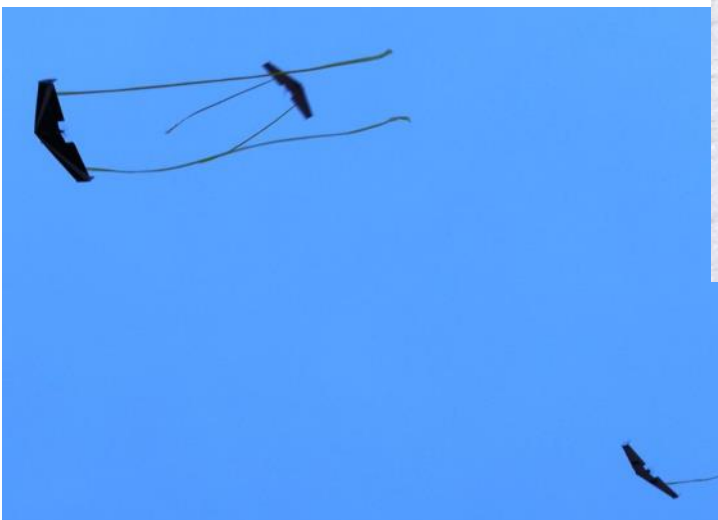
Steve Gebler







Randy Brunette



Tim Hitchcock and his combat T-shirt





**Randy  
Brunette**



**Mark Olson**



**Joe Villarreal**





**We are not giving away any trade secret about Tim Hitchcock when we write that Tim is our best combat pilot bar none! What a good looking man!**





**L/R Doug Abel, Mark Olson, Joe Villarreal, Randy Brunette, Tim Hitchcock, Steve Gebler**  
**Joe Villarreal is always most creative!**





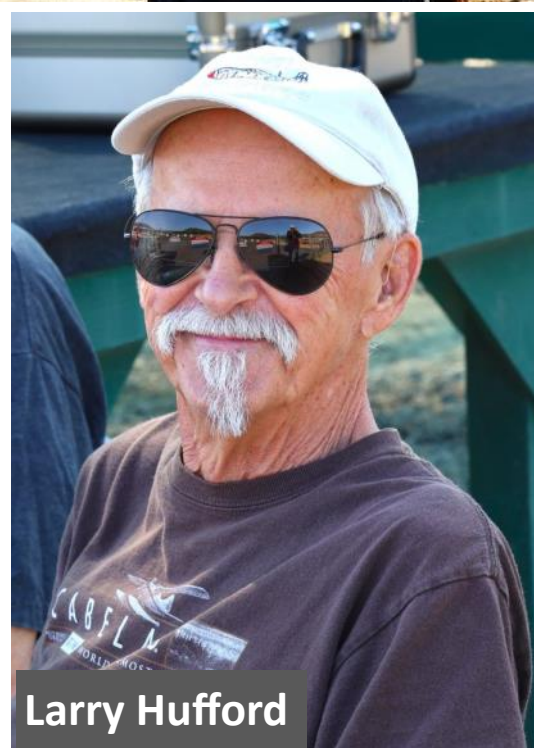




**Mark with his  
Mustang.**



# July 20, 2024 Club Meeting







**Cesar Fernandez**







*President Charles Lewis*





**Joe Villarreal and Mark Olarsch**



**Parvis Kamiab**



**Jeff Smith**



**Randy Bullock aka Mr. Beechcraft**



**John Hartsell, Sr. & Jr.**





**Mark Carvalho**



**Curtis Kitteringham**



**Tim Dunn**



**Craig Graham**





**As an AMA Chartered Club, we are mandated to have a Safety Officer. Meet our two new Safety Officers– Bobby Johannes on the left and Mark Olson. Thank you for taking up this important duty for our club. We will appreciate your service.**



**Randy Brunette won Model-of-the-Month with his pattern ship– a biplane with counter-rotating props! A new plane like this lists for \$6,000!**





**Randy Brunette won Model-of-the-Month as the only entry.**





**On July 23, 2024, George Dawe flew his model of the Space Shuttle. It flew well and he was pleased.**







*Bill's* **CUSTOM CUBS**  
*Everyone needs a Cub*

Patrick Pranica created the livery for Bill Hill's Cub. A mighty fine job!





Top 3 photos are of Bill Hill's Cub. The bottom photo to the right is Curtis Kitteringham's Super Cub flown on July 23, 2024. Happy Summer!







President *emeritus* Bill Hill.

**August 4, 2024 @  
9am is the next  
TRIFECTA.** It's on Sunday.





President *emeritus* Joe Villarreal setting the gate posts which are placed in concrete @ our Valley Center site.







Greg Wilson

Bill Hill electrified Patrick Pranica's 15 year old Pawnee and it flies well.

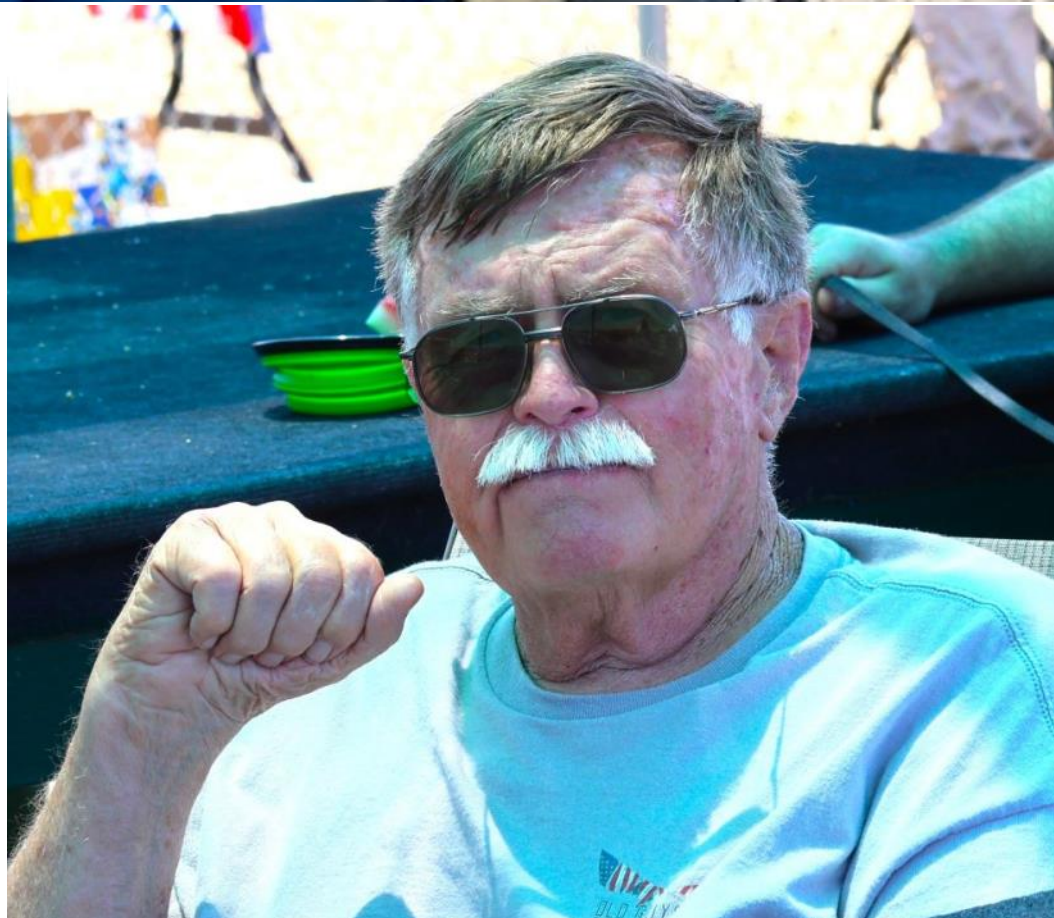


**Bill Hill just completed a range check for the Pawnee. Patrick P. our club secretary is seated. July 9, 2024 taken with a phone's camera.**



**Take a guess how many photos you have just seen. Over 75? Sure. Over 100? Sure  
There are 115 photos in this summer issue! Enjoy!**

**Dennis Teason**







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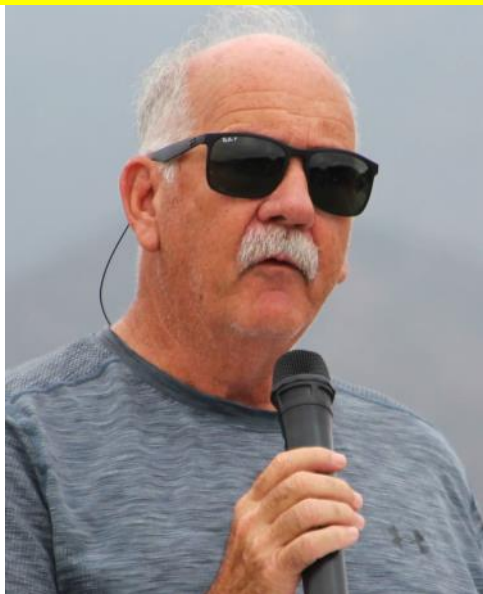


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## Club Officers



**James Christy—Membership Chairman**



**President Charles Lewis**



**Vice president Don Davis**

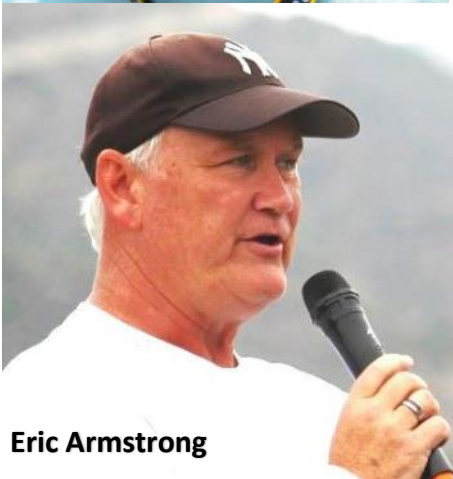


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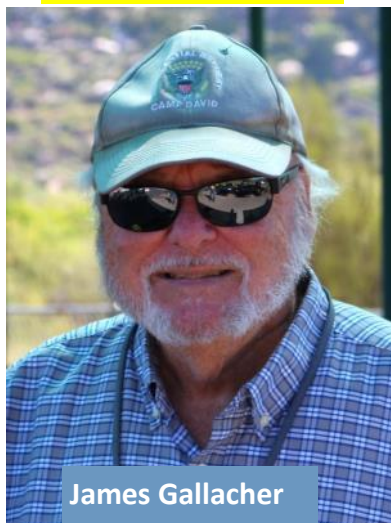
**Secretary Patrick Pranica**



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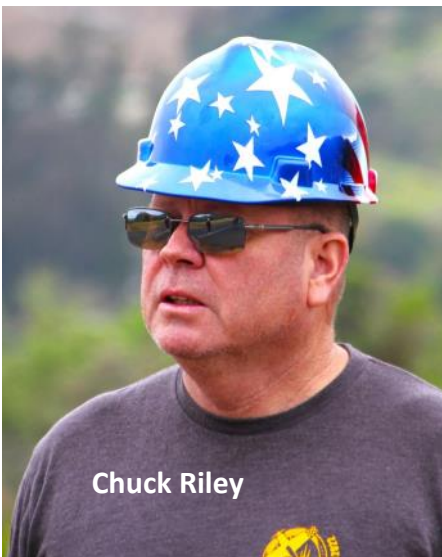
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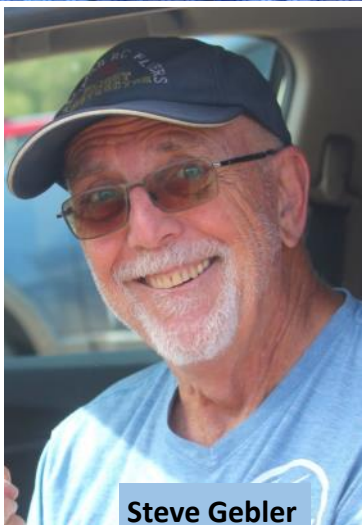
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