



Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.

Transmitter

August 2026



President's Message:

Greetings!

We're getting closer to the hot part of the year and it's showing. This past week has been hotter and more humid than average and it's taking a toll on me. I've stopped by the field on a couple occasions besides my usual weekend visits (thanks to my recent retirement!) and wasn't too surprised by how few pilots there were. Most are getting out early and leaving before the heat gets going. With this warm weather please be extra cautious regarding snakes and the elevated fire risk. Fight the fires not the snakes!

We had a good meeting on the 18th. Bobby Johannes showed off a beautiful CARF Extra 330 that he's assembled for a client. Seeing Bobby's workmanship is always a treat. Likewise for Pancho Castillo's Hawker Sea Fury entry for the model of the month. Pancho's aircraft are always a showcase of scale detail and amazing craftsmanship! If you're building something or have a tip or trick to share, bring it to the meeting and we'll feature you too.

We are seeing a couple trends that need to be addressed, again! Somebody is bringing large trash items to the field and leaving them next to the trash bins near the gate. There was a clothing rack and a wood bed frame recently. We don't have the dumpster anymore so if the items won't fit in your bin, they won't fit in ours! The other problem is that people are still leaving batteries at the field. It's unsafe to do that as well as against our safety rules. You are responsible for taking all of your batteries with you when you leave, not just the ones you still like!

I look forward to seeing you at the field!

Chuck Riley

President of the Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.

General Board Meeting

6/18/2026

President: Chuck Riley

Vice President: Mark Olsen

Treasurer: Thomas Pollinger

Club Secretary: Eric Armstrong

Board members present: Chuck Riley, Mark Olsen, Tom Pollinger, Brndon Liesemeyer, Mark Anderson, Joe Villarreal, Dave Bracci, Ron Holmann

Non-Board Members present: Safety Officer, Bobby Johannes and Steven Beswick

6:30 – Roll Call. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes approved.

6:31 – Treasury report by Tom Pollinger:

Income: \$2,055.45

Expenses: \$899.16

Net Income: \$1,156.29

Cash On Hand: \$67,110.15

6:35 – Mark Anderson on Fight Training – Nothing new to report. Mark is asking for input on what to do with obsolete / unused transmitters.

6:40 – Bobby Johannes on Safety – Nothing notable other than a few complaints of people running their gas/nitro planes in the pits. Get it together fixed-wing people!

6:44 – Dave Bracci on field maintenance – Nothing new - Dave did paint “X”s and a take-off line at the Valley Center runway.

6:48 – Club Merchandise – Eric Armstrong was not present to provide a report, but guest Steve Beswick thought it would be a good idea to have hats with the club logo on them.

6:55 – Discussion on recommissioning the solar powered charging station – Chuck mentioned that Chris Petersen brought a proposal forward to replace the stolen components and get a 12v battery charging station operational again. Chris was not present at the Board meeting so the topic remains open.

7:00 – Christmas Party – Chuck discussed possible caterer changes and will contact Red Tail catering to inquire about options. Also discussed were dates and locations. Dec 5, 12, and 17 are possibilities. Chuck will reach out to the Senior Center in San Marcos and report back to the Board.

7:05 – Fun Fly Scoreboard – Chuck found a free 4’x 6’ white board, added rows and columns. The board is available for any event or contest, and is located in the shed by the fixed wing pit area.

7:09 – Chuck bought lag screws to be used as canopy stakes for our club canopies. They will require a drill driver, and are located in the shed by the fixed wing pit area.

7:13 – Meeting Adjourned.

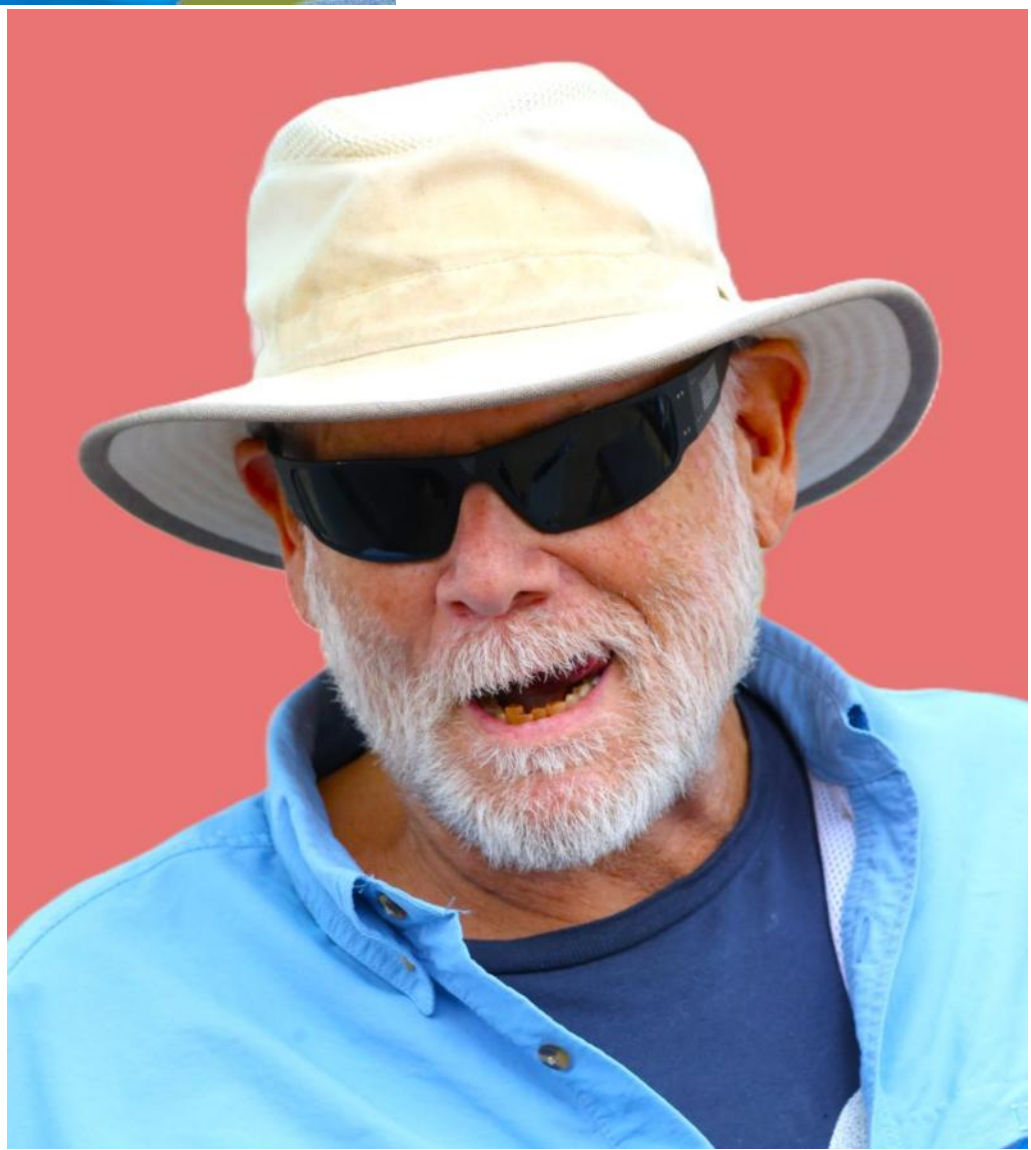


President *emeritus* Bill Hill and his spectacular Waco YMF-5. Did you know this plane has been remanufactured full scale since 1983 in Battle Creek, Michigan!



Tom Pollock

Brian Otto





Bill is reaching for the sky with his tiny glider that performs!





Patrick Pranica and James D'Eliseo

June 30, 2026



Dave Litaker



My favorite photo of Kristen and James D'Eliseo was taken in 2018!



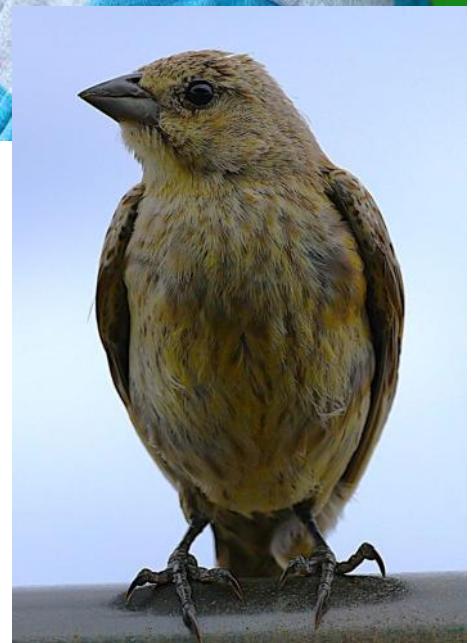
Patrick Pranica's PT-17



Curtis Kitteringham



Patrick Pranica This B-1RD came to visit as we watched from the pits.

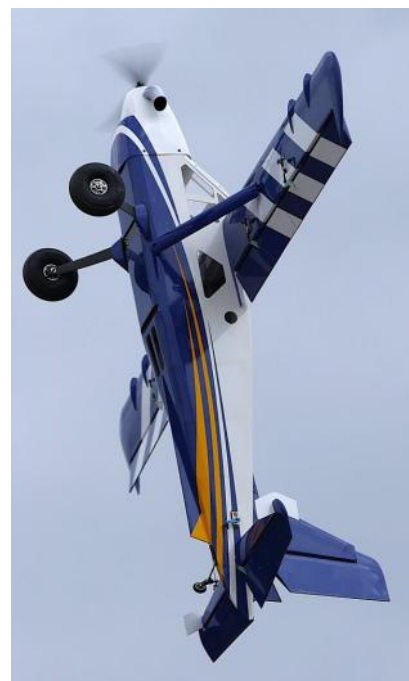




Steve Gebler and his Coast Guard cargo plane that drops parachutes.



James D'Eliseo flew this Beaver-like plane aerobically. What a show!!

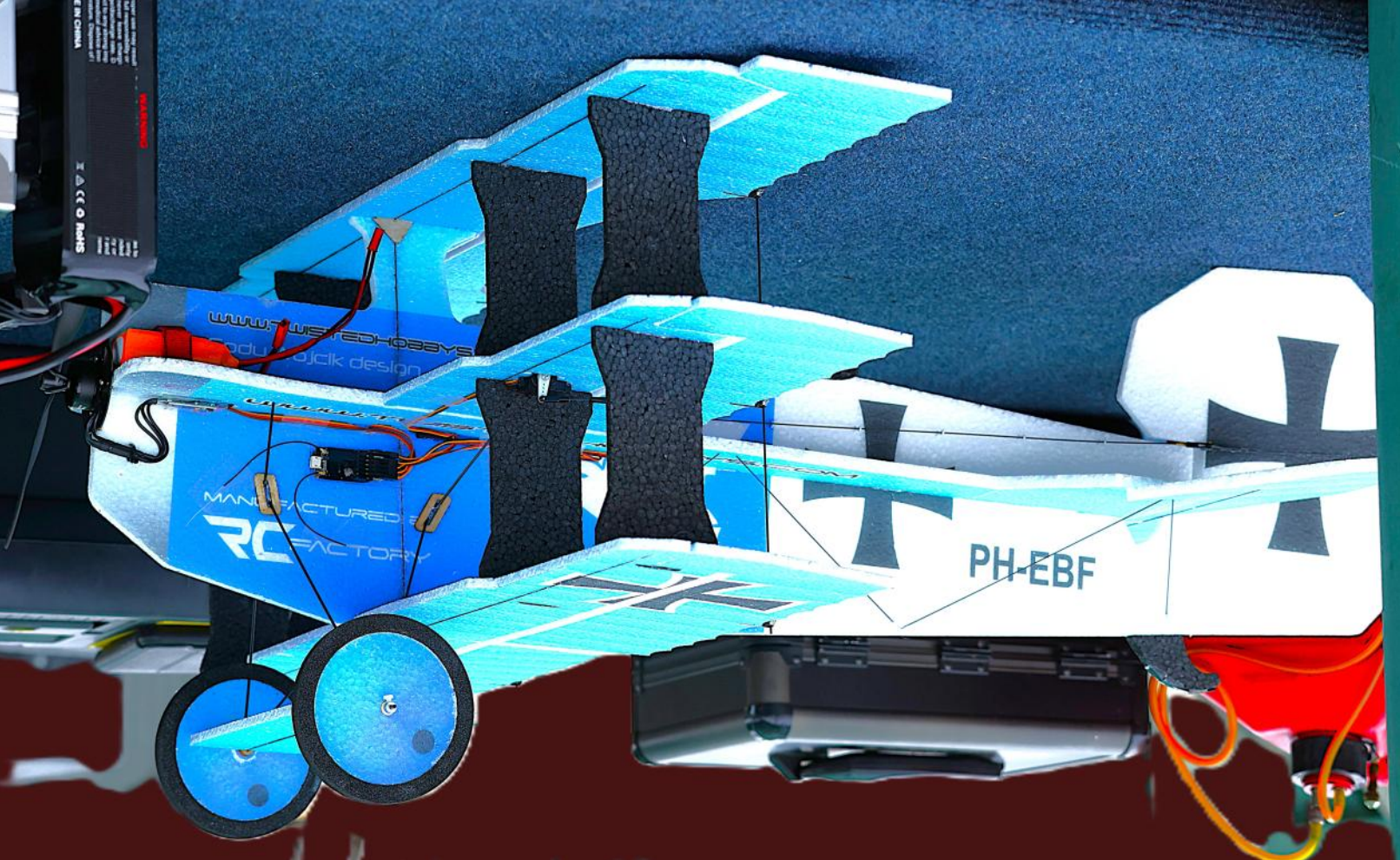




James D'Eliseo and Dave Litaker with an aerobatic, tiny wheels plane.



**Is this not a perfect
photo of his plane?**

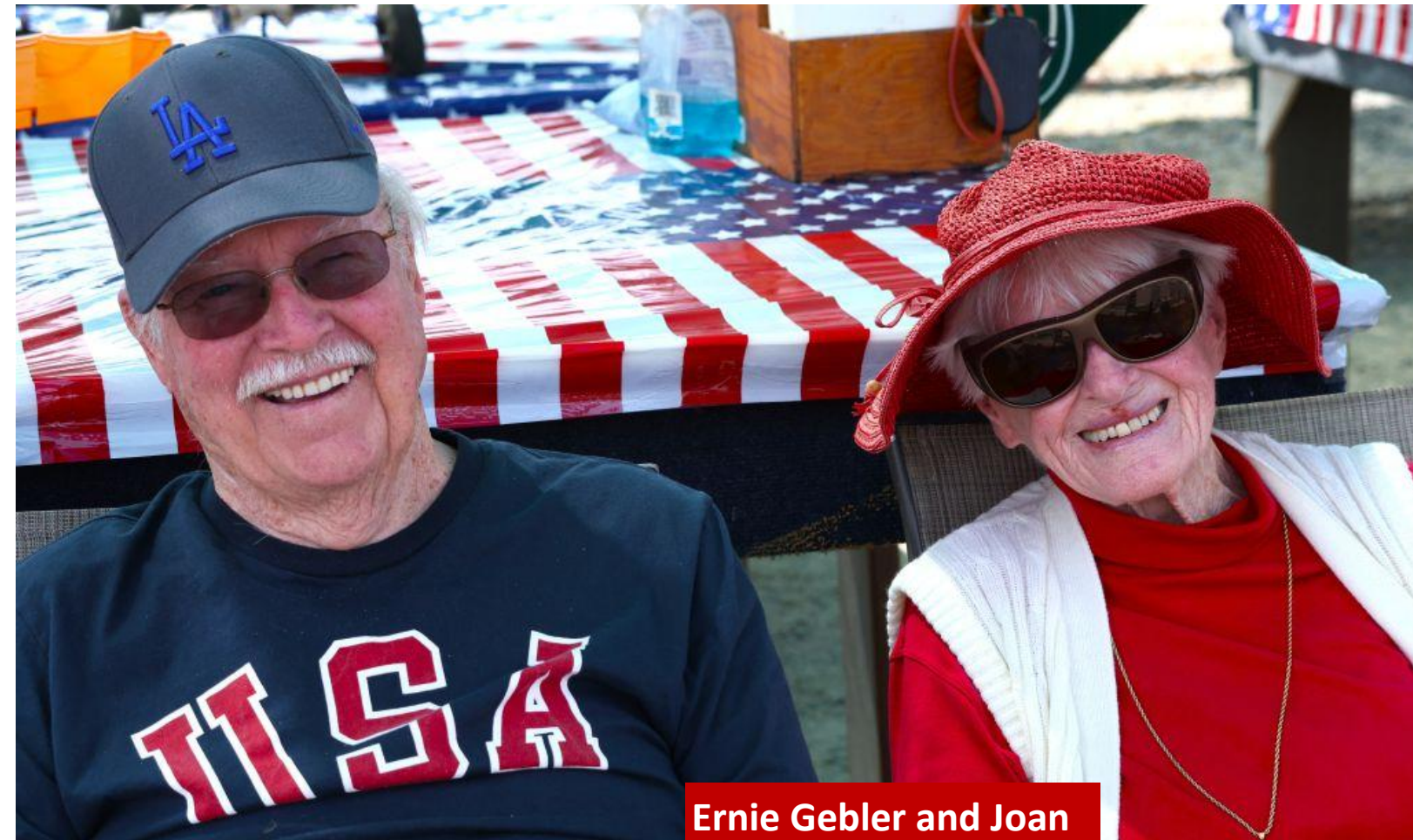


This photo has been rotated 180 degrees; in other words, it's upside down. It was on our table in the pit area and was worth photographing this DR-1.



Dave Litaker and his proud bird.

July 4, 2026 Club Picnic Celebration



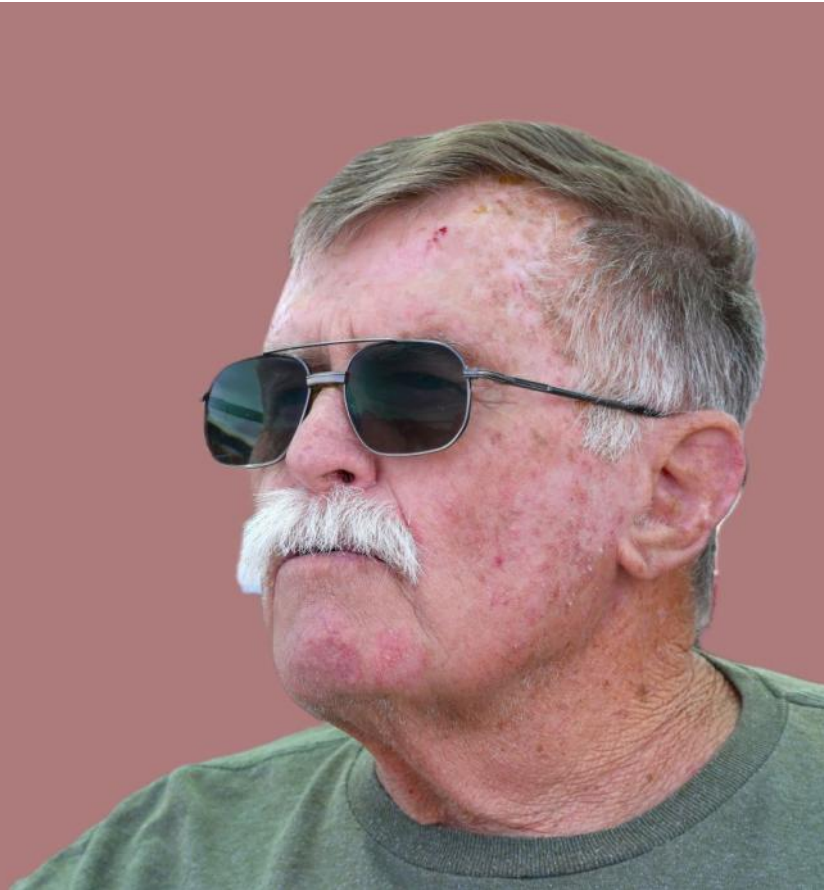
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Gwen Riley



Jim Christy Membership Chair



Dennis Teason



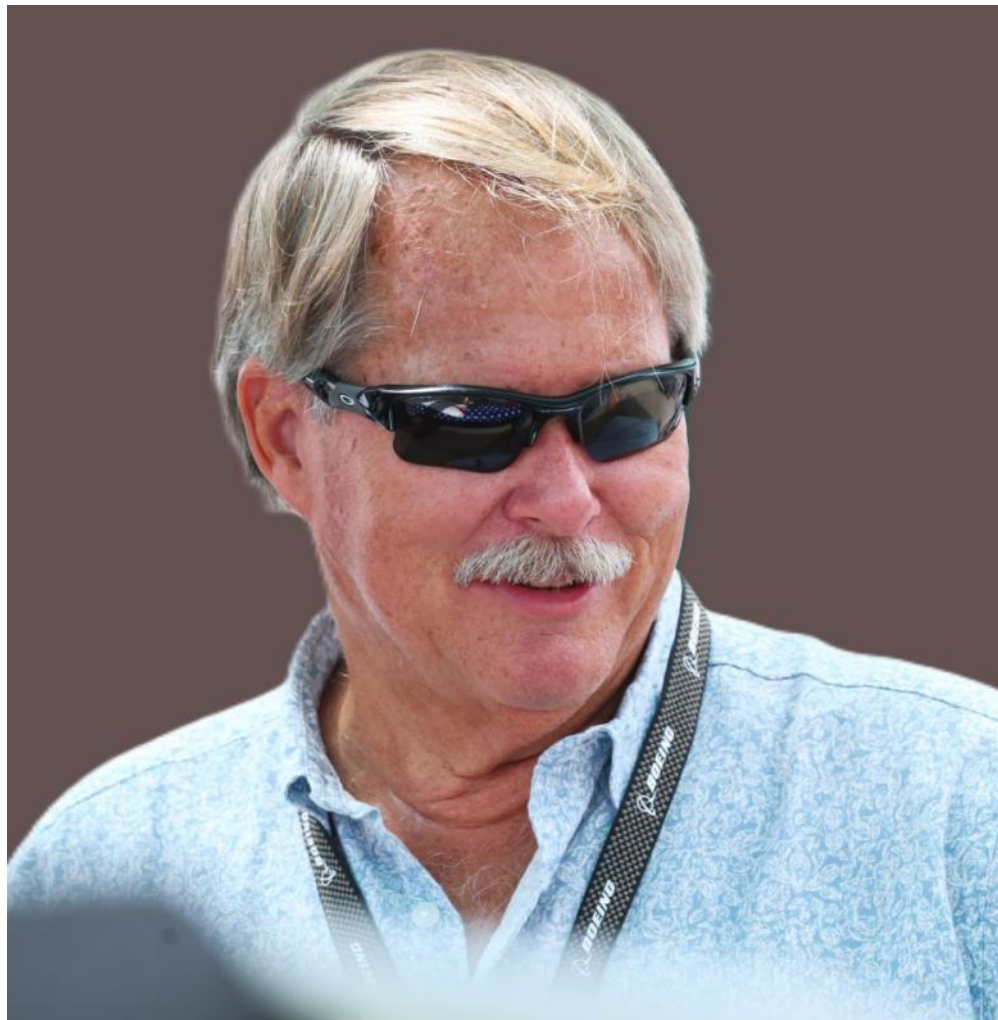
Charles and Beverly Onstott



Mr. and Mrs. Robin Solomon



Steve Gebler



*Mark
Anderson*



Patty and Don White



Tim Martin

Chuck Riley

Mark Olsen



Roger Nutter



Bill Hill and Joe Villarreal were our chefs.



Chris Avellino put on a wonderful demonstration of his aerobatic skills. The plane he flew follows this photo.



Chris, the finest compliment that this editor can make is that you fly like James D'Eliseo! Double wow!



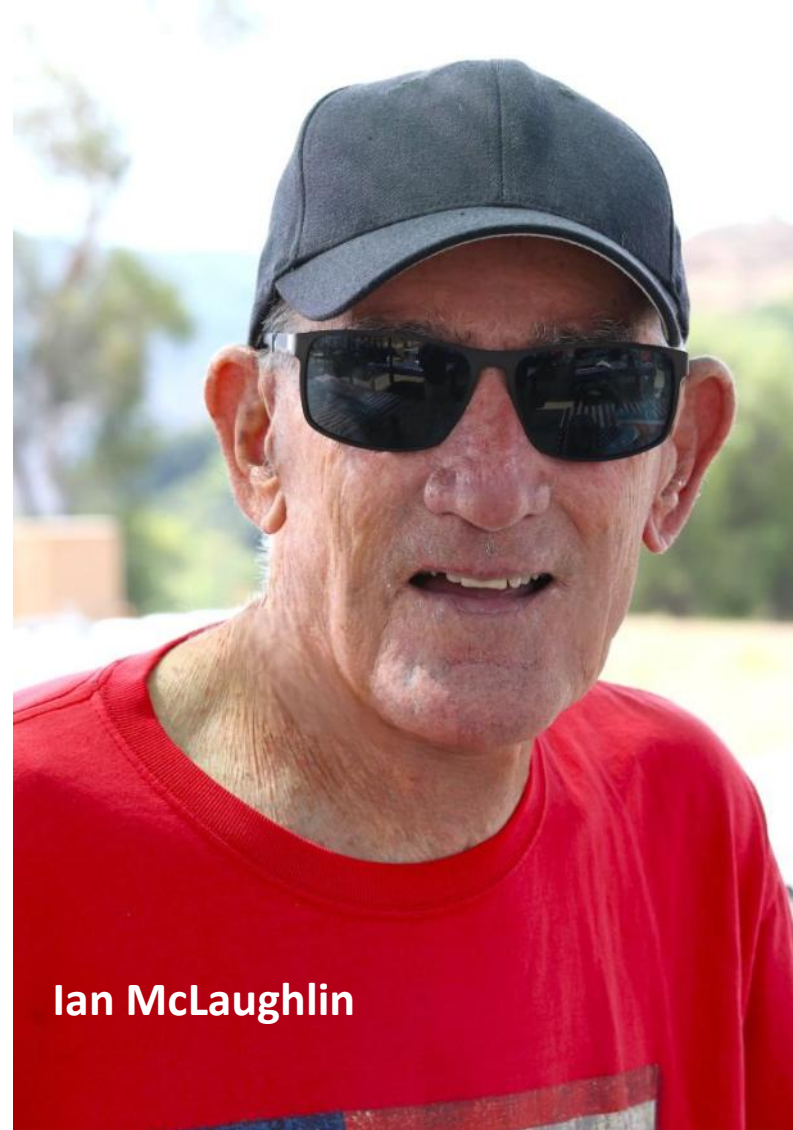
Doug Abel



President Chuck Riley restrains Chris Avellino's bird.



Ethan and Cap't Barry Hirschberg



Ian McLaughlin



Tina and Bob Gruenstern



Brandon Liesemeyer Board Member



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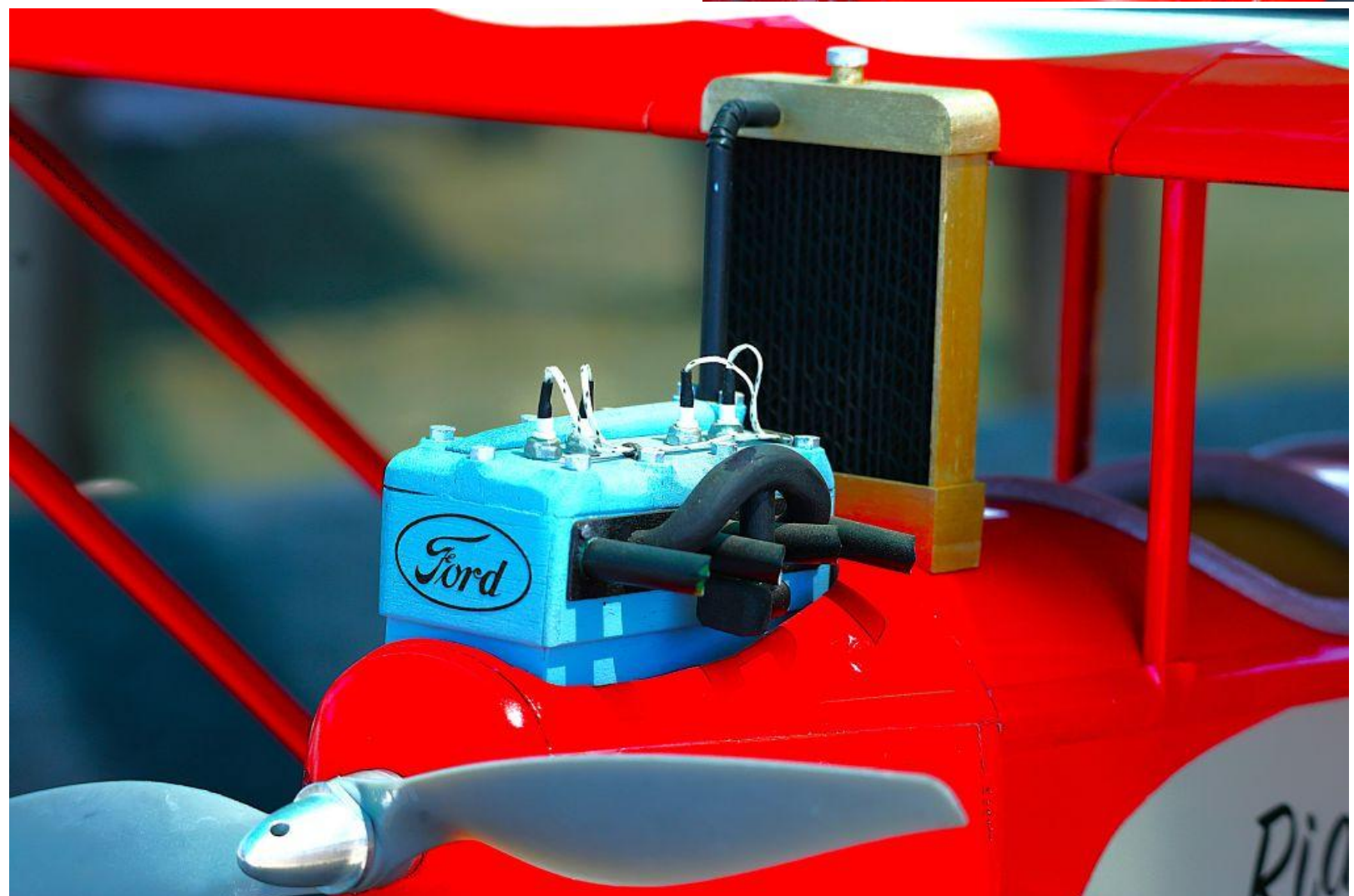
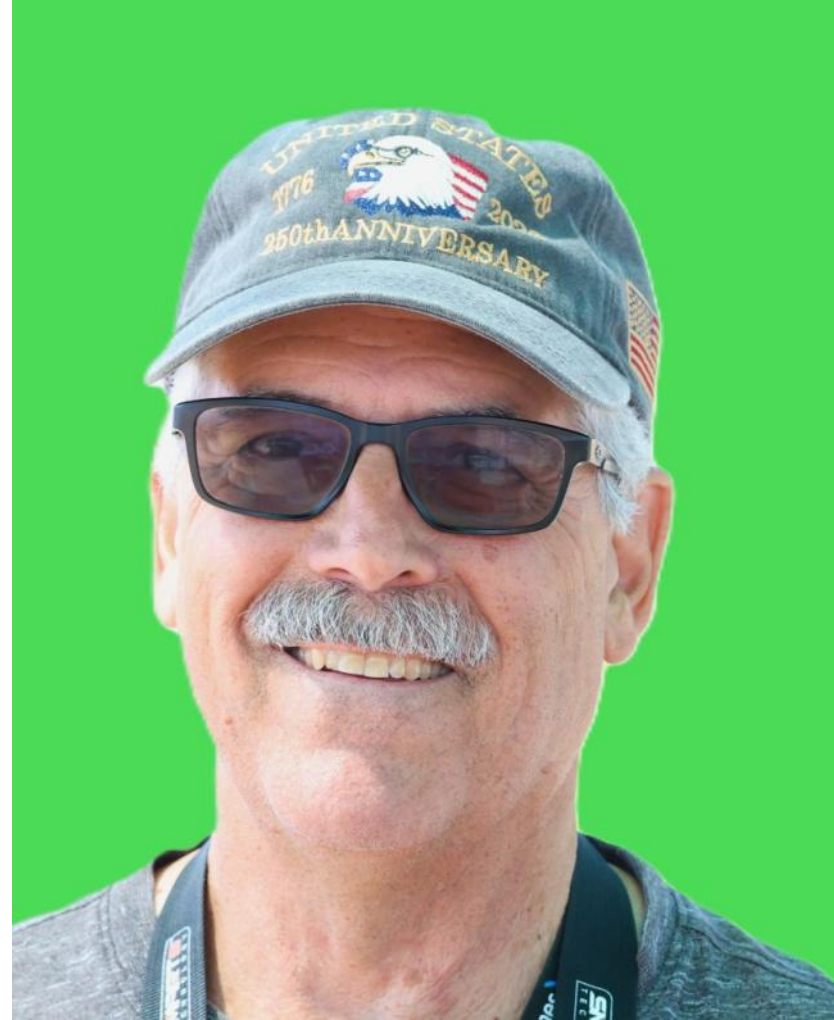


Board Member Mark Anderson with Roger Nutter's B-25



Drue Marquard

Below –detail of Bill Hill's Pietenpol 's engine



July 18, 2026 Club Meeting



Scott Dedic

Wayne Bonfietti

Steve Gebler

Roger Nutter



Bobby Johannes builds planes like this for others. It's expensive.



Club Treasurer and airline pilot Tom Pollinger



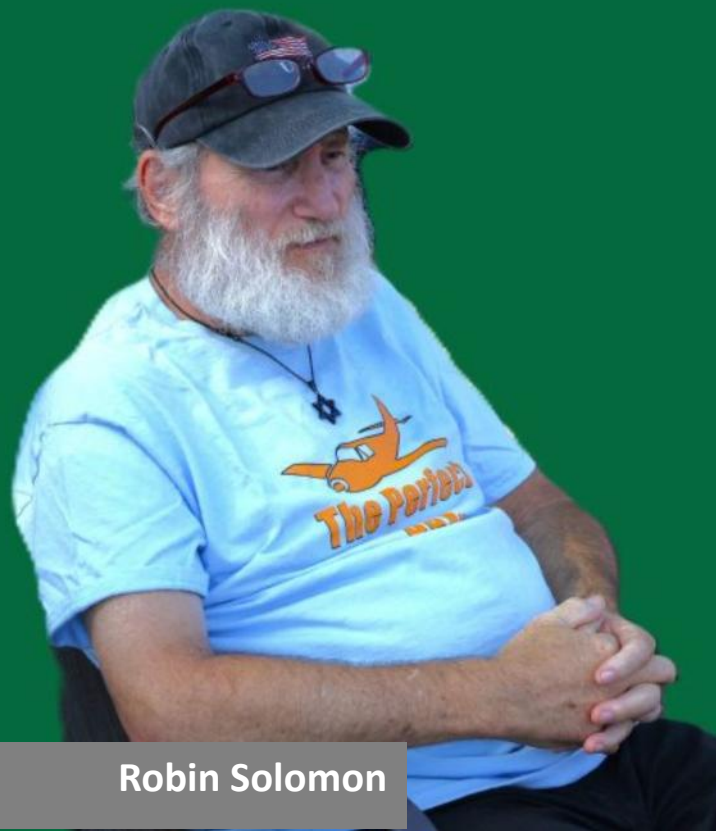
Club Treasurer Tom Pollinger gives his report.



President Chuck Riley presents the June plaque for Model-of-the-Month to Wayne Bonfietti.



Dennis Teason



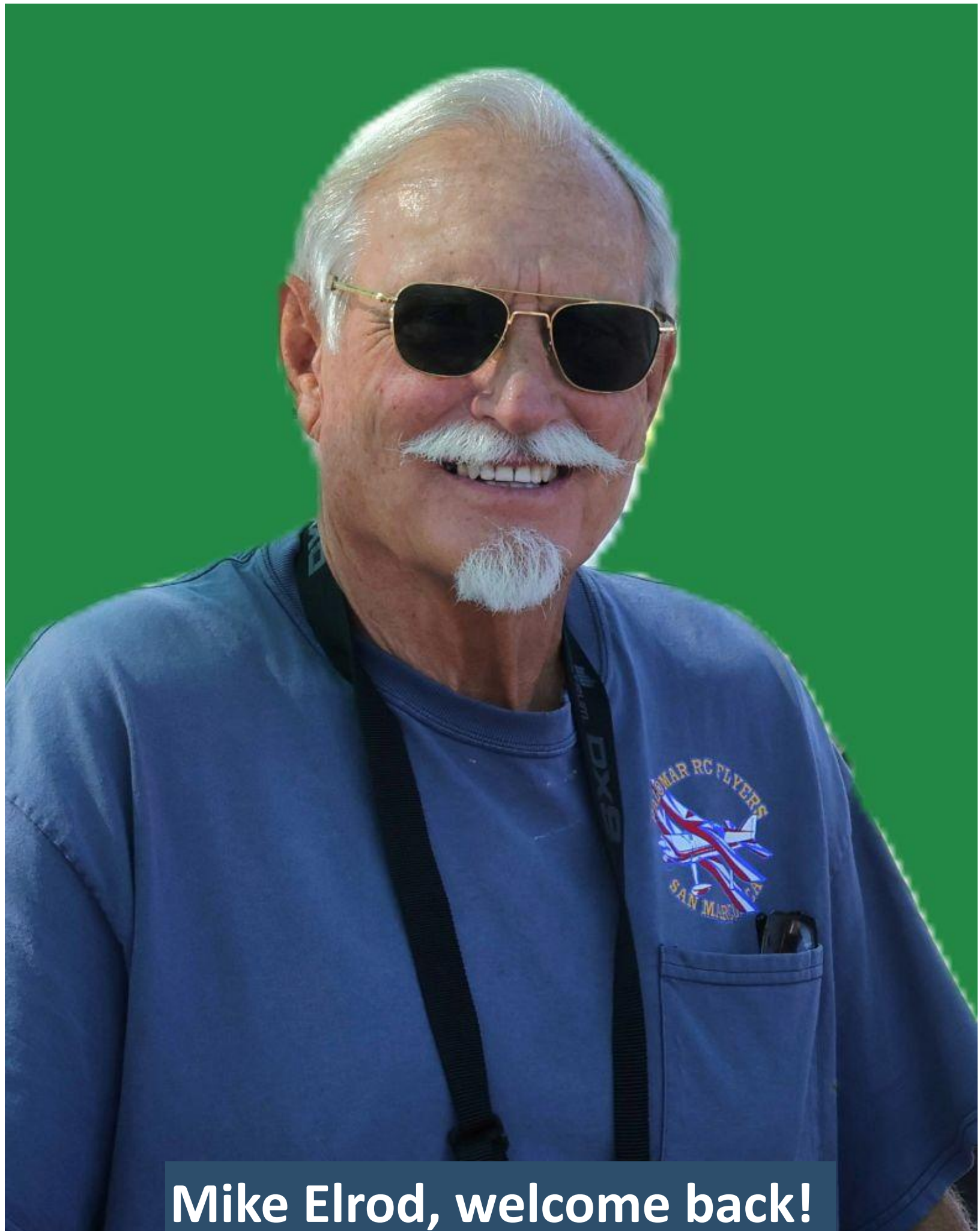
Robin Solomon



Pancho Castillo won Model-of-the-Month with his Hawker Sea Fury.



President Chuck Riley presents the plaque to Pancho Castillo



Mike Elrod, welcome back!



Eric Armstrong and Res



Curtis Kitteringham's Rat-Terrier is a cutie.





Jim Christy and Don Davis



Mark Anderson flies his P-38 Lightning so well!

July Trifecta Winners



Mark Olsen-1

Brandon Liesemeyer-2

Joe Villarreal-3



David Carner, Mark Olsen, Brandon Liesemeyer, Joe Villarreal, Randy Brunette, Chuck Riley, Steve Gebler

Photos courtesy of Steve Gebler.

Trifecta Schedule 2026-2027

2026

Saturday, July 11

August 2 Sunday

September 5 Saturday

October 4 Sunday

November 7 Saturday,

December 5 Saturday

2027

Sunday, January 10 (to allow for holiday travel)

February 6 Saturday

March 7 Sunday

April 3 Saturday

May 2 Sunday

June 5 Saturday

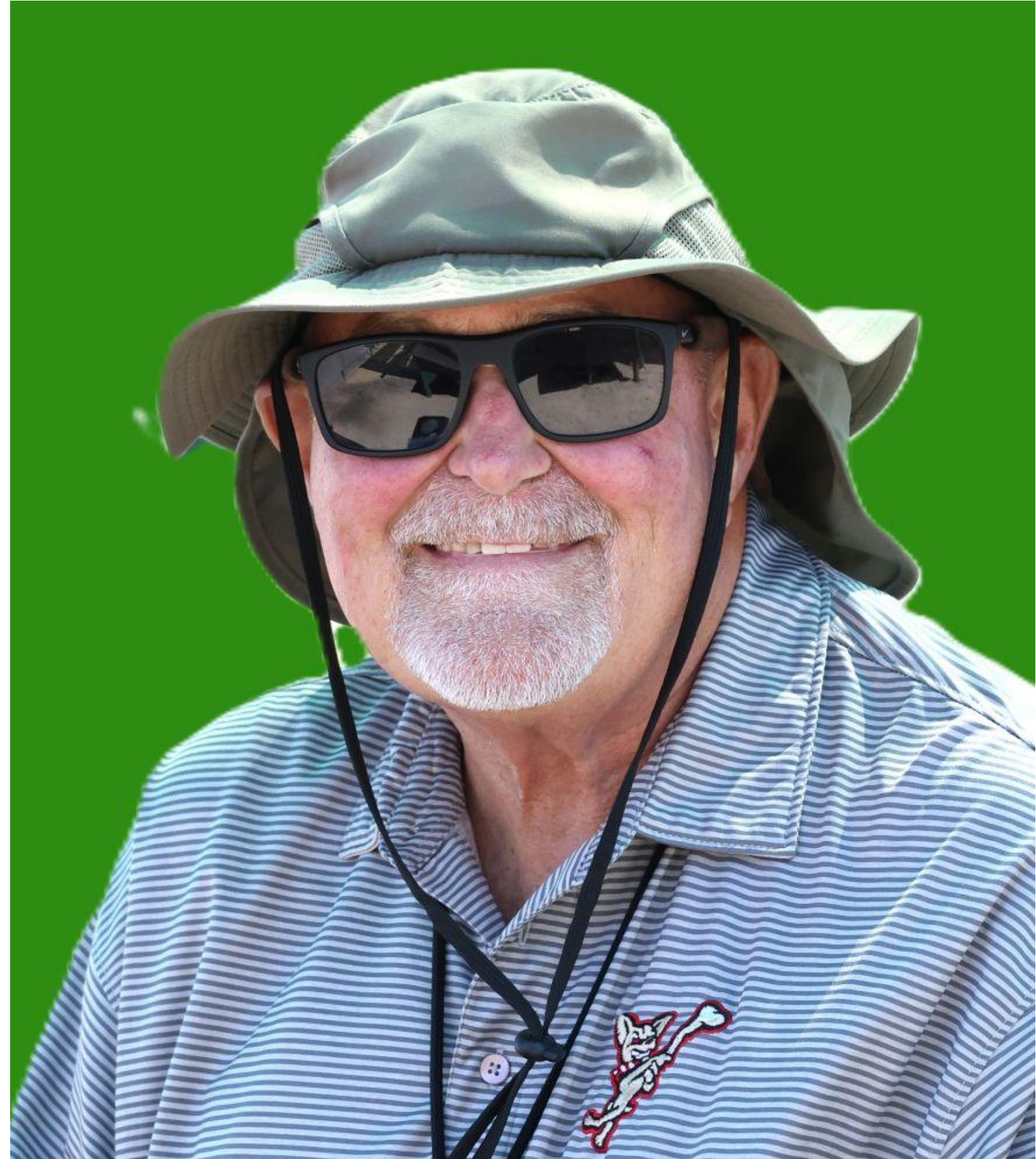
Dates are subject to change if they conflict with other club activities on those dates



Pancho Castillo



Rick Heymann



Rick Hilton



President emeritus George Dawe



John Forestieri from Texas



**Lest we forget– from the archives,
mandatory photo of Jim Gallacher.
And here Jim, you thought I forgot
you!**



Photo from a Trifecta of long ago!



Taken at a Mira-Mar airshow

- RC CARS
- RC PLANES
- RC BOATS
- GUNDAMS
- MODEL CAR KITS
- AND SO MUCH MORE!



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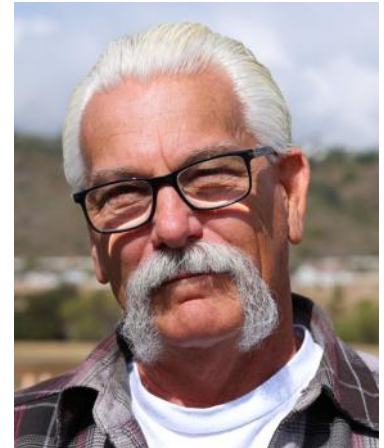


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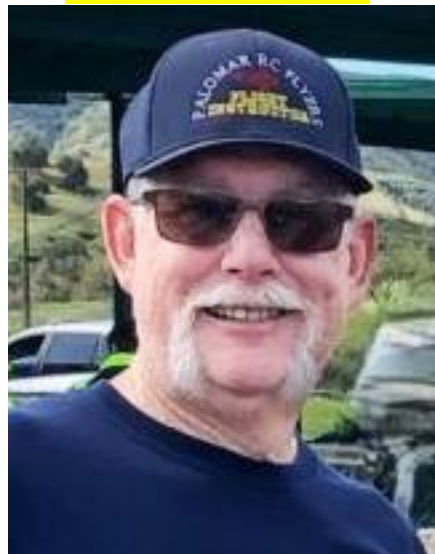
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