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Transmitter

The Newsletter of the Palomar RC Flyers

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Presidents Column

March 2009 President Column

As we enter into March its time to start getting ready for many of our upcoming club events. So far this month we had our first Combat build-a-thon, our first Youth event. Many of the event organizers have reported to the Board at the last meeting, their progress on their upcoming events.

The budget, I proposed last October, was unanimously approved at the general club meeting. As such the Board has started to implement expenditures accordingly for the various events and activities for which the money was allotted. In case anyone is wondering, very few events and or special interest groups will receive all the money "earmarked" for them "up front". Instead, money will be doled out to the event/group as it is needed. If its not needed, the money will remain in the club treasury and may be used for other club events later in the year. We are able to do this because many of our events/groups actually will make a profit and not require the use of all funds. This frugality and accounting for funds keeps from bankrupting the treasury! In these tough economic times, even non-profit clubs must be fiscally responsible!

Speaking of events and fiscal responsibility, Bob Peterson has been busy working with six other clubs trying to get the Second Annual Inter-

Club Fun Fly schedule up and running at least as far as our Club's participation is concerned. Bob will keep us posted on the groups final Fun Fly event schedule. So far the committee by "email" helping to formulate this years "interclub fun fly", but is my understanding that face-to-face meetings for final scheduling are imminent. These events are a lot of fun and I hope you will be a spectator at as many of these fun-fly's as your schedule allow. If you are interested in being a member of this years Fun-Fly Team, contact Bob Peterson!

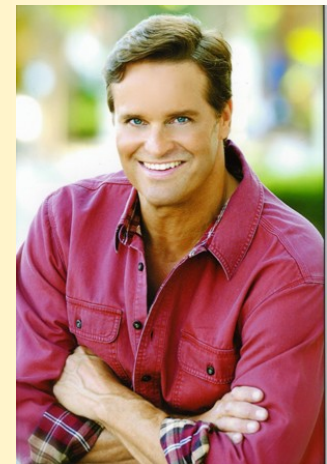
Justin Barry reported the progress of the upcoming Helicopter Fun-Fly at the last Board Meeting. Justin and his committee are methodically arranging all the details necessary to ensure another successful Helicopter event. Though Justin stated it was too early to tell, this event could have international flavor!

This first Combat build-a-thon was a rousing success with David Drowns estimating that nearly all combat aircraft were completed. These build-a-thons are an integral part of assuring participation in the upcoming Combat events. Combat is known for aircraft attrition and build-a-thons keep pilots in the action. If you are interested in participating in the next build-a-thon, contact David Drowns today!

Darrel Albert reported to the Board that preparation for first Combat meet of the year is well underway. Combat is one of the events we expect to turn a profit. Its an exciting event that really turns our hobby into a sport. Some pilots have been know to land their aircraft only to find that they are

"dripping" in sweat from the adrenaline rush! Spectators for this event are always present waiting to see that inevitable Mid-Air, (which generally almost always involves Butch...don't ask me why?) This is one of the aspects that make Combat one of the most exciting events at our field. Plan to watch some combat events this year!

I am told that our first youth event of the year was a rousing success. The Orange Glenn High School Aviation class assembled for a field trip at our airfield on Tuesday, March 3rd. The class is taught by Mr Phil Hummel. It is my understanding that the group had a lot of fun with our members, Varley Longson, Darrel Albert and Bill Hill leading the instruction. It is my understanding that Justin Barry's Helicopter demonstration was a big hit with the kids. Congratulations to all of our club members who participated in this worthy event.



Classes like Mr. Hummel's are what will insure that our hobby continues to grow by promoting aviation to the youth of America!

It is my understanding that Vice President Bill Hill, working with Tim Hitchcock, is organizing a merit badge event that will include a trip to the USS Midway. This could be a very fun event for all our members to participate in, earn Palomar Dollars and steer some of the youth of our county toward aviation interests. Call Bill for more details!

Well that's all for this month. I hope we all have fun this year! Remember to fly safely under 400 feet and not over the highway!

Your President,

George Dawe

Executive Meeting

George mentioned that the proposed 2009 budget was approved at the Feb. club meeting, but instructed S.I.G. chairmen that the budget money will be handed out as needed on an event by event basis. He encouraged board members to be conservative with their spending and to work the sponsorships.

Fallbrook Airfair, April 19th and Ramona Airfair, June 6th and 7th. We need to attend these events as heavily as possible to draw new members and income. These will be great ways to earn Palomar Dollars.

Chairman Justin Barry reported the planning for the Heli Fun Fly is coming along nicely and he is trying to attract some flyers from Europe as well as Championship flyers from the U.S.

Richard Martin received kudos from David Drowns for his CAD work cutting out parts for our combat builds and meets.

The lost and found department is run through Frank Battaglia in the news letter, George said, not through E-Bay.

Joe Buko recommended "Masters of Flight" by Donald L. Miller as great vacation reading.

Model of the Month

This month's entries were the finest I have ever seen in club competition.

Danny Lanz brought in a 22% Hawker Sea Fury built from Bob Holman short kit of Jerry Bates plans. The aircraft uses a 3W 157 engine to pull its 47lbs. It took Danny approximately 500 hours to build and it now has 9 flights on it. The planes 7th flight was videoed by a local producer, who added a sound track to it and made for a great presentation on our screen at the meeting.

Felix Alvarez showed his King Cobra built from a Sig kit .Features were trike gear retracts and fibreglassed foam wings.

Frank and Ethel Burke displayed an F.W. 190 from a Top Flite kit. Wingspan of 63.5', weight of 11.5lbs# and power by a Saito 125 Robart Retracts. Frank didn't use any flat or drab covering on this one. Every piece of covering was shiny Monocote, with contrasting pin-striping dividing the colors. It shined like a show car under the lights.

Don Clary's entry was an 18lbs# Predator carbon gasser helicopter. It featured a 26cc gas motor and a 60" diameter rotor.

Larry Adams displayed an Italian fantasy redesign of a Gee-Bee R-3 manufactured in France and distributed by Hobby Lobby. Got all that? The e-power ARF uses a 1600 watt motor and turns the 14x8.5 prop at 9000 rpm. Weight is 8.3lbs with battery

Vince Tolomeo showed off a Jet Rookie Jet Cat P-80. Features are retracts speed brakes, a cruise of 160mph and top speed of 200 mph. The 1 gallon tank is only good for 6.5-7 minutes. Very slick.

Frank Burke won the members vote as Model of the Month and then

presented the plaque to Danny's Sea Fury. As I said, a very impressive show.

Dave Truax

Model of the Month

Model of the Month for February resulted in a tie



This German Focke Wulf 190 "The Butcher Bird" was built by Frank Burke. It is powered by a 125 Saito 4-stroke engine, with modified Slim Line exhaust, and Robart air retracts. The Top Flite kit was modified from a FW-190-D9 to resemble an earlier radial engine version by using a Corsair cowling and reshaping the formers from the wing forward.



Model of the Month

Hats off to Danny Lantz for the outstanding building project on his Giant Sea Fury. This was a major endeavor, and he successfully concluded the laborious work to the end result of an awesome flying model. Two thumbs up also for his extremely good flying abilities. (You must view his flight video.)



The Hawker Sea Fury (introduced to the military after WWII) and known to be the fastest propeller driven plane at that time. Model is 22% scale, weighs 47 lbs, wingspan 101", length 100". Engine is 3W 157 cc opposed twin with custom muffler built to fit scale exhaust exit openings. Pneumatic Sierra custom retracts. Plane is scratch built from Jerry Bates plans using a set of laser cut parts from Bob Holman and loads of stock balsa and spruce. Fuselage and wings are sheeted in 1/8" balsa, fiber glassed and painted. Radio is Spektrum with a second satellite receiver. Flaps alone required 4 high torque servos. Plane has 9 flights so far, 2 of which were at Johnson Field. Builder and pilot: Danny Lantz



Seen at the Field

By Ethel Burke

(Photo's courtesy of Clay Hoag)



Jerry Toppel and Bill Hill are each flying this matched pair of new E-Flite BAE Hawks. They have a 70 milliamp ducted fan with 60 amp Castle Creations speed controller and uses a 3 or 4 cell Lipo battery.

Seen at the Field

By Ethel Burke

(Photo's courtesy of Clay Hoag)



A new clipwing Monocoupe 110 ARF by Pacific Arrow
Took its maiden flight with Frank Burke piloting.

It has a 69 in. wing span and is powered with an SPE-26 gas engine.

Spectrum receiver and HiTec servos are used, and it weighed in at 14 lbs. 4 oz.



Seen at the Field

By Ethel Burke

(Photo's courtesy of Clay Hoag)



Bill Demore is flying a new P-51 Mustang ARF from Model Tech. He is using an OS-50 inverted engine, mechanical retracts, and a Hangar 9 canopy. (This was a one-time only purchase with total cost to owner of \$85.00, including engine--"Thanks" to Tom Johnston.)

Seen at the Field

By Ethel Burke

(Photo's courtesy of Clay Hoag)



Ed Ramsey flew his new electric foam F-16 jet in our fantastic CA. flying weather for this winter. The F-16 is from Hobby Lobby and has a 4-cell 220 milliamp battery.

Seen at the Field

By Ethel Burke

(Photo's courtesy of Clay Hoag)

Mario Di Russo flew a new P-51 Mustang Combat plane by Great Planes. He modified it by adding landing gear, rudder, and steerable tail wheel for takeoffs and landings on the runway. He is running an OS-30 four-stroke glow engine.



NEW MEMBERS

If you see new members introduce your self and get to know them



New member Daryl Bacon enjoys flying Helicopters but took time out to join us at the Combat build held at Dave Drowns on Feb. 28

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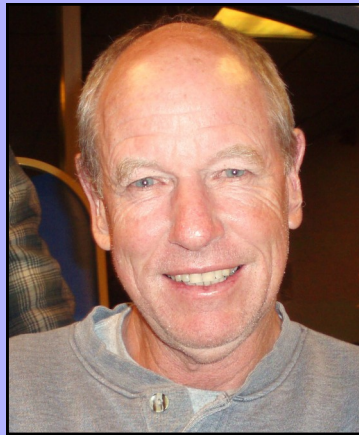
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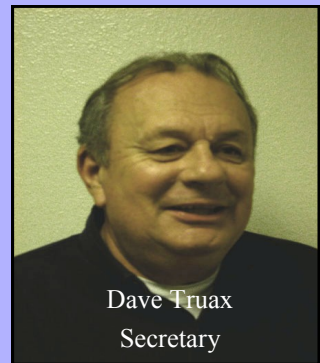
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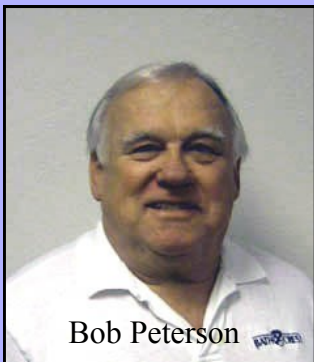


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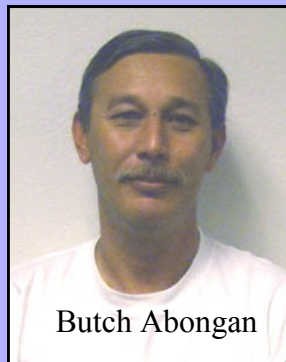


Dave Truax
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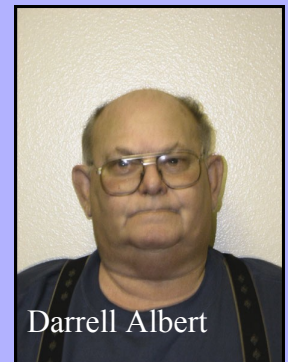
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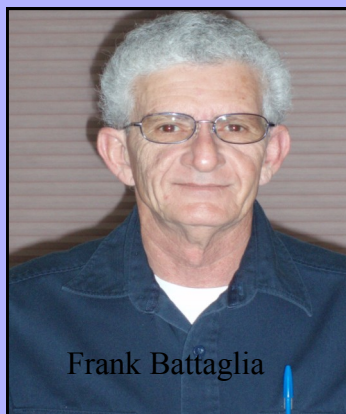
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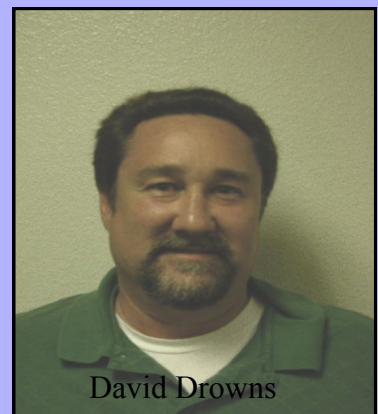
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- Pull Test - Linkages and control surfaces.
- Receiver Antenna - Fully extended and away from metal.
- Verify Center of gravity location.
- Conduct Range Test- with transmitter antenna collapsed.

PRE-FLIGHT(EACH FLIGHT)

- Check receiver voltage under load.
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Meeting Notice:

The **March 19th** club meeting will be held at the usual place, i.e. the San Marcos Joslyn Senior Center, 101 Richmar Avenue, San Marcos, CA.

January

February

28th Combat Build at Dave drowns

March

3rd Youth program 9am to 12pm

16th Monday night flight instruction begins 5pm till dark Johnson Field off Pankey Rd.

April

4th Dawn Patrol Gilman Springs

5th-DooLittel's Raid Combat

11th Glider Tow

19th Fallbrook Air Show

May

2nd Wounded Warrior Fun Fly

22nd 23rd and 24th San Diego Helicopter FLY IN

June

14th Battle of Midway Combat

July

4th Club Picnic

11th Glider Tow

18th Flights of Fancy

August

23rd Battle of Britain Combat

29th Dawn Patrol Johnson Field

September

12th Club Air Show and Swap meet

28th last Monday night of flight instruction

October

November

14th Glider Tow

December

13 Pearl Harbor Classic Combat

