



Palomar RC Flyers

Transmitter



January 2012 Happy New Year to you!



Build & Fly

I'm not sure that I say THANK YOU enough, so I want to start by thanking all the club members who donate their time and efforts to making this a great club. It's hard to recognize every one so I'm just saying that all your hard work is appreciated. A special shout out to Mike Rapp and Larry Hufford who were awarded the Man of the Year award; well deserved! I also want to recognize all those that came before us and established the wonderful flying site that we now are privileged to have and use. It's our duty to keep and maintain it to the best of our ability.

I have to confess, I'm a model airplane junky. I've got the habit, if I'm not at the field flying I'm probably in my shop building. I have to force myself to take care of other business like eating and sleeping. I wake up in the middle of the night thinking about the project I'm working on. I have model airplanes all over the house. If you're like me you're probably doing the right thing, renewing your membership in the Palomar RC Flyers. Let's have some fun!

It's not much fun if it's not safe. Safety will be priority #1 at all times. Since I've been a member I think our club has had a very good safety record. Or is it that we've just been lucky? Safety is the pilot's responsibility as he is ultimately responsible for his or her aircraft, but the club has a duty too. Field rules and AMA rules are established to create a safe environment. I would like to propose a new activity to keep us all thinking safety. We'll call it "Best Practices". At every meeting I would like to have a "Best Practices" session where a club member discusses something related to safety. It can be something as simple as the idea of

staying behind a spinning propeller. If you have a good topic for best practices bring it to the meeting. The idea is to get us all thinking safety.

I hope it never happens, but what would we do if there was a serious injury accident at the field? What are the procedures we would follow? How are we covered for liability? How is the report filed? To answer these questions I've asked Todd Melton, our club safety officer, to give a presentation to the club at the January meeting. I've also invited Tom Minegar to speak on the liability issues and insurance coverage. These are important topics and I'm inviting all club members to join us and bring your questions.

The Pearl Harbor Classic combat took place on December 10th & 11th. Brave and daring pilots assembled to test their skills in the skies over Johnson field. One of the highlights for me was watching Ron Edwards in a one on one make two cuts while flying just off the deck; that was great flying! In Open-B Jason Erwin, and in SSC Russ Donnely where the first place finishers, Good job!

I want to thank Dave Truax for organizing our Christmas dinner. The meal was catered by the Apple Spice Junction. That was some nice roast beef.

Check out the Palomar RC Flyers on Facebook. That's the work of Barry Hirschberg. Barry is the man responsible for our great website. Thanks Barry!

Remember to attend the key exchange on January 7th from 8am to noon. Be sure to thank Varley and Glenn for their work in organizing and getting the new keys and name badges ready. The AMA convention is the 6th, 7th, and 8th. If you've never been, this is well worth the trip up to the Ontario Convention Center. All aspects of our hobby are covered; it makes for a delightful day. I always feel like a kid in the candy store at this event.

January 19th will be our first general meeting, I'll see you there

Bill Hill
President of the Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc

Thank you from Joe Buko

I was deeply touched at our Christmas/Holiday party by the generosity of you club members who honored me with a gift symbolizing your gratitude to me as president for the past two years. I do not know the names of those who contributed, so I cannot express my individual thanks. To you I give my deep thanks. I was close to tears when Tom Johnston presented your most generous gift to me and to my wife, Ann. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! I give a special 'thank you' to Tom Johnston who orchestrated this gift. He later told me that some years ago, the club members did this for Bob Lang, a past president, who led the effort to find and build our field. It has been a high honor to have served you these past two years. Thank you.

Joe



Larry Drisner and Ron Schuyler

Joe Buko photos

**New
Board
Member**

**Ron
Schuyler**





New Board member Denver Bates

Joe Buko photos

Our new president:

Bill Hill and his Lou Procter Nieuport 17



Last Saturday evening, Dec. 17th, our annual Christmas Party was held. The gathering took place at the Joslyn Senior Center in San Marcos. Planning has been in the works for some months now and it all came together nicely. Our Vice President, Dave Truax, has been in charge of planning for the event and also handling the ticket sales. Dave did a great job and presented the club with a very enjoyable evening. Thanks Dave for all your hard work.

Comments by the President

Prior to the dinner being served our President, Joe Buko, took to the microphone to talk about a couple of topics. After welcoming everyone to the dinner, Joe introduced the new officers and Board of Directors for 2012. They include President, Bill Hill, Vice President, Dave Truax, Treasurer, Varley Longson, and Secretary, Don Wadlington. Board Members are, Denver Bates, Scott Dedic, Charles Micheli, Ron Schuyler, David Drowns, Darrell Albert and Alan Wholstenholme.

Man of the year award

The next item on the agenda was the Club's "Man of the year award". Actually there were two presentations to be made. This year, as in years past, these awards go to club members who have gone "above and beyond" in their service to the Club. Donating many hours of their time and giving more of themselves to the betterment of our Club than anyone else. The first plaque went to Larry Hufford. Not only does Larry donate many hours mowing and keeping the weeds cut down for the Club, it seems whenever there is extra work to be done he is always there. In addition to his mowing duties, Larry took control of the RC car track removal. He spent many hours removing metal poles, chain link fencing, wood debris and just about everything else that needed to be done. From all of us, "thank you for your dedication to the Club, Larry"! The next recipient was Michal Rapp. Michal is another club member who is always willing to "lend a hand". Whenever the call goes out for a "work party" he is there, with his "what can I do to help attitude". Last spring after the rains stopped the Club needed to repair a drainage culvert and replace the underground pipe. Not a fun thing to do for sure. On the day scheduled to do the work, Michal and his son arrived early and completed the entire job before anyone else even arrived ! That's dedication. Michal is in the Navy and was not able to attend the banquet this night due to his military obligations. A plaque was presented in his honor. Thank you Michael !

A "thank you" to our President

Club Member Tom Johnston came to the microphone make a presentation on behalf of the Club Members. Tom presented our outgoing President, Joe Buko, with a "token of our appreciation for all the work he has done for Palomar RC Flyers during his tenure as Club President". Joe was presented with a \$200 gift certificate to Hobby Town Hobbies in San Marcos along with \$ 100 for his lovely wife, Ann. The two of them also received a complimentary dinner at the Soup Plantation. We hope that these small gifts will convey our most sincere gratitude for a "job well done", Joe !

Time to Eat!

The prime rib dinner provided by The Apple Spice Junction catering service was excellent! All the side dishes such as garlic potatoes, steamed vegetables, green salad, home baked bread and stuffed chicken just added to the enjoyment. Many people returned to the line more than once for second helpings. Various drinks and a cake for dessert left everyone feeling very satisfied indeed!

Raffle Time

Following dinner, the Annual Banquet raffle took place. With your Banquet ticket purchase came the opportunity to participate in the evenings raffle. Lots of chances to take home some great prizes. There were ten \$50 dollar bills up for grabs along with aircraft related calenders and other items plus a Clipped Wing Cub arf. All in all, over 20 chances to win. A really fun way to cap off an enjoyable evening.

5 The evening closed with a lot of people saying "Merry Christmas" and Happy Holidays to one another as they departed. It was evident we all had a great time! See you next year!



Larry Hufford won Man of the Year award for 2011. Larry is in charge of maintenance. He and his crew keep the field mowed for us. He recently spent 30 hours cleaning up the former car track area. Larry is one of the most generous men in our club and deserves great praise and thanks for the many hours he freely gives to us.

Two Man of the Year awards were given this year.



Michael Rapp won the Man of the Year award for 2011. He is in the Navy and was out at sea on Dec. 17th when the award was presented. Bill Hill received it on Mike's behalf.

Michel and his sons contribute so very much to our club, especially the heli side. Thank you for your gentle, quiet work for the rest of us. We appreciate you and your great generosity.

Joe Buko photos



Steve Hoffmann and his inverted TREX.

Joe Buko photos



**Steve Hoffmann and his
TREX 600**



Loris Koder and his Gaudi 550

Joe Buko photos



James Garabedian and his
TREX 600
Pro Fly Barless



Haig Garabedian and his TREX 600 Fly Barless

Jerry Shelden and his TREX 500 Fly Barless

Joe Buko photos



Russ Parks and his Gaii 550
Joe Buko Photos



Alan W. Wolstenholme is a new board member.





**Larry Hufford and his Edge 540
which is Burke built.**

Joe Buko photos



The awesome James D'Eliseo flying 3-D.

Ron Edwards photo



Former Treasurer and Annapolis graduate, Harvey Atkinson

Joe Buko photo

Pearl Harbor Classic December 10-11, 2011

Dec. 10, 2011 Combat event participants. The weather was perfect. Look at those short sleeves in December!

Joe Buko photos



John D. Hartsell

Les Crook—Temecula Valley Flyers

Terry Harner

Tim Hitchcock



**Jason Irwin from Strathmore, CA
West Coast Open B Champion**

**Todd Melton
West Coast SSC Champion**

Combat judges used a rented sky hook to more accurately award points! From the left: Todd Melton, Butch Abongen, Bill Hill and David Drowns trying it out. Alas, it was too expensive and dangerous to repeat.





Les Crook from Temecula Valley Flyers

Joe Buko Photos



Darrell Albert Board Member and the organizer/announcer of the combat Pearl Harbor Classic.



Model of the Month for November 2011

Varley Longson won the award for this beautiful P-51 B Top Flight Mustang. Span is 65", weighs 12 lbs. 13 oz. for a 40.25 oz. per sq. foot wing loading. Robart Air Retracts, DLE 20 swinging a 16X8 prop. Covered in Ultracoat.



Charles Micheli is a new board member. For the past two years, Charles and his wife Melody have been providing the snacks at our club meetings. He is a member of long-standing, a great builder, and a generous, gentle man.

Larry Hufford's Edge 540

Joe Buko photo



OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS /HOLIDAY PARTY DECEMBER 17, 2011



Varley Longson -Treasurer/Membership Chairman and his friend Varia Schwope



Bob Peterson

Bill Demore, Ph.D.

Evan Davidson



John Hartsell

Secretary Don Wadlington

Joe Buko photos



Vanessa Abongen and her Dad, Butch



Tom and Beverly Johnston

Joe Buko photos



Dick and Peggy Van Slyke



Ellie and Bill Hill our new president

Joe Buko photos



Irene and David Truax our Vice President



Beverly and Richard Andersen Joe Buko photos
(Richard Anderson has been a club member longer than anyone else. He's been a member since 1974.)



Larry Hufford— Man of the Year!

Ron Schuyler a new board member



Charles and Kay Wajdak

Joe Buko photos



Janis and Evan Davidson



Jesse and Richard Martin

Richard Martin fabricated our aluminum table tops at the field.

Joe Buko photos



Richard and Martha McCool



Board Member David Drowns

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Hahn and Bill Demore



Graham and Deirdre Lloyd



Alan and Sylvia Wolstenholme

Joe Buko photos



Ann Buko

Joe Buko the Transmitter's new editor



**Barry Hirschberg is
our club's
Website manager. He
does an awesome job!**

**Many, many thanks,
Barry!**



Vince Tolomeo the jet setter!



John D. Hartsell

**A board member
during 2011.**

Joe Buko photos

AS SEEN AT THE FIELD

By Ethel Burke



Gary Kaplan has a fast new red Pylon Racer from Hobby King. It has a fiberglass fuselage 32" long with a balsa wing 35" span. It has a 3200 KV motor and 3S battery. Gary also has another new Pylon Racer in blue called "string" from E-flite. The wingspan is 50.5" and the length is 36.5" with NMPRA EF-1 Spec (1250 kv, 4s, 8X8) at approx.3 lbs. flying



Photos by Ethel Burke



Joseph Kelsch recently joined our club and is flying this nice fiberglass Cirrus SR-22 from Great Planes. It has a Rim-Fire .10 35-30-1250 brushless outrunner motor, 45 amp ESC with BEC, 10 x 7E prop, and 3 cell 20 amp 2200 battery.



Bill Demore built this Focke-Wulf from a Top Flite kit about 8 yrs. ago and is just getting to fly it now. It is the Fw-190-D-9 model with long nose and wingspan is 63.5 in. It is powered by a 61 two-stroke glow engine from Tower Hobbies and weighs about 10.5 lbs. The plane is fiberglassed and painted in dove gray and olive drab.

Photos by Ethel Burke



John Cutler has a new MX2 by Troybuilt Models. It is powered by a DA-55cc gas engine with a 23 x 8 prop. It has an 88 in. wingspan, carbon fiber wing tube and landing gear. He took advantage of a good savings on purchase over the Thanksgiving weekend sales promotion. He has custom made the pilot and added neoprene edge guard around the exhaust cut-out holes making a neat, clean appearance on the cowling.

Photos by Ethel Burke

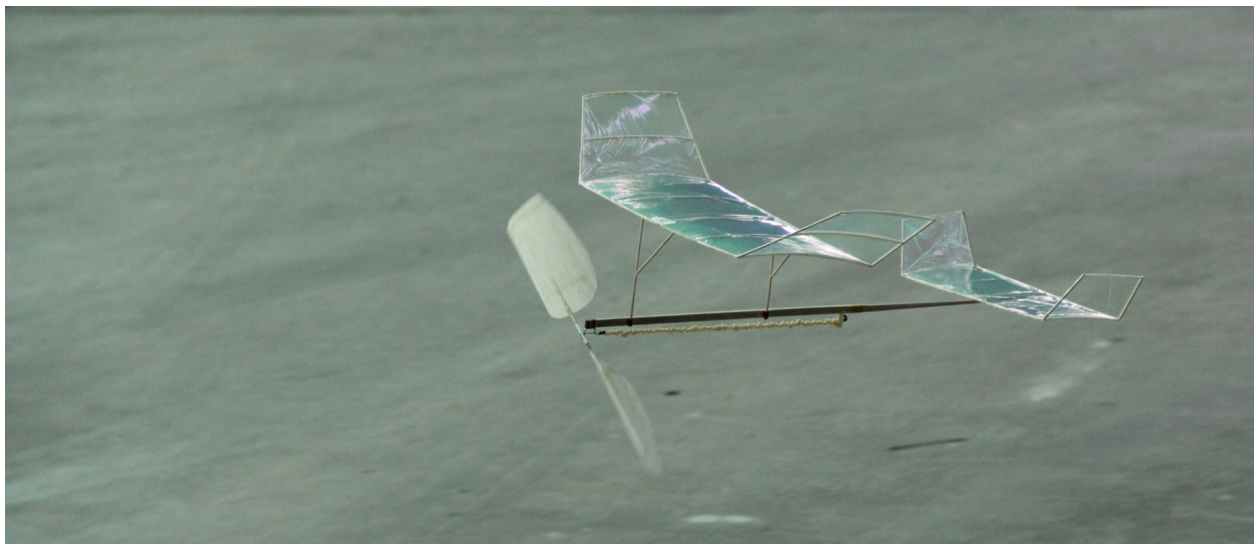
On Dec. 28, 2011, Ernie Emory, Bill Hill, Jack Dedrick and Joe Buko went indoor rubber flying at the Blimp Hangar in Tustin, CA. Ernie and Bill are holding the Phantom Flash. A Flash flew over three minutes.



Jack Dedrick at the Tustin Hangar



Yuan Kang Lee is a world-class flyer. His EZB pictured here weighs .35 of a gram and easily flies over 30 minutes! That means it weighs about 1/3 of one gram! Kang will give a presentation at a club meeting later this year. His picture has been in several recent issues of the AMA magazine. It is the most amazing plane that Jack, Bill, Ernie or Joe have ever seen fly!



Joe Buko's Penny Plane weighs as much as an old copper penny and flew 10.5 minutes!

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