



Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.

Transmitter

November 2025



President's Message:

November is a very important month for the members to help direct the new year's 2026 procedures and events.

The board has a function of representing the members of Palomar RC Flyers. The membership has the ability to choose who are the most qualified members to represent you the member, your ideas and what you expect your club to be. This is your opportunity to pick a management team you are comfortable bringing up new ideas and sharing concerns to a board member that will represent you. The ballots are now closed and Jim Christy will be sending these ballots of the members of club who wish to represent you the member in 2026.

Based on active members voicing ways to make our club as safe as possible, we have spent many hours as a board making changes that we feel will enhance safety for our members and spectators. These changes are made by the membership and must be approved by the members before implementation. The bylaws require we offer the members an opportunity to vote and the board must provide explanation in the Transmitter for additional information. Your vote will influence our club to be what the membership would like to see in their club. These changes will be sent to you in a blast from me and also an explanation will appear in the November Transmitter.

Thank you to Jim Christy for his work on handling the voting this year. The voting will end 24 hours prior to our November meeting and results will be announced at the meeting. I want to also thank all the members that volunteered for a board position and leading Palomar RC Flyers in 2026

Congratulations to the Annual Auction Committee. With the help of the infamous actioner Mr. Steve Gebler, we were able to raise over \$1300.00. THANK YOU, STEVE!

Don Davis

President Palomar RC Flyers, Inc.

General Board Meeting

10/15/2025

President: Don Davis

Vice President: Chuck Riley

Treasurer: Doug Abel

Club Secretary: Eric Armstrong

Board members present: Don Davis, Chuck Riley, Doug Abel, Mark Olsen, Eric Armstrong, Vic Lerum, Brandon Liesemeyer

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

6:31 – Treasury report by Doug Abel: \$750.00 income - \$1,234.19 expenses - \$484.19 net loss - \$52,296.69 balance. Doug verified that the Fallbrook Waste Management credit of \$2,705.58 was added to our account.

6:35 – Mark Olsen on Flight Training – Five new pilots completed the training this month! We have eleven current students, five are from previous training programs and six are new. We should have four pilots doing their solo flights in the next week. Thank you again to all involved in our flight training program. It's a program that truly sets our club apart from others!

6:37 – Mark Olsen on safety – Had a few safety issues with a pilot losing control of their aircraft in the last month. Mark discussed the steps he is taking to address any concerns about the pilot. The board agreed with the path forward that Mark suggested.

6:47 – Don Davis discussed gate cards. The first sample of new gate cards arrived from a new company today, and Jim Christy will test them this week and report their performance to Don and the board.

6:48 – Don Davis discussed trash removal. Trash is picked up outside of our gate every Wednesday mid-morning. Don Davis agreed to ensure the trash bins are taken to the designated pickup location. As a reminder, we are required to separate our recyclables from our trash. Please make sure all recyclables are placed in the blue trash bins – thank you!

6:49 – Don Davis discussed badges. It's very exciting to see new faces at our club every month – new members are what keep our great club thriving! As a reminder, pilots who are not guests MUST have proof of current membership in their possession at all times and should display their club ID for identification purposes. For the newer pilots, in particular, we would appreciate seeing your badge so we can remember your names and say hello!

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6:59 – Mark Olsen discussed proposed verbiage changes and additions to the Club's bylaws specific to flight safety. After review, the board asked Mark to make changes to his recommendations and email a new document for review and a vote by the board.

7:05 – Doug Abel made a motion to change the club's bylaws specific to the funding of treats and coffee at the club's monthly meeting. Eric Armstrong seconded the motion. Currently, the bylaws require that donations alone cover the cost of treats and coffee at the club's monthly meetings.

Chuck Riley suggested changing the verbiage to "Refreshments provided during the club's monthly meetings are at the expense of the club. Donations may be solicited to offset the expense".

The motion was approved with eight yes votes and zero no votes.

Meeting minutes taken over by Chuck Riley at 7:13 PM due to a conflict of interest (grievance holder is Eric Armstrong).

7:13 PM – The board discussed a grievance filed by Eric Armstrong regarding defamatory comments made by Charles Lewis. Eric Armstrong recused himself from the conversation.

Don Davis presented the findings of his investigation and interviews to the board. It was agreed that the accusations made by Charles Lewis were unfounded and had an adverse effect on Eric Armstrong. Don Davis proposed that a cease-and-desist (C&D) letter be sent to Charles Lewis by the board, per the club's bylaws. Verbiage in the C&D letter was discussed. A motion to approve the final C&D letter was made by Chuck Riley and seconded by Mark Olsen.

The motion was approved with seven yes votes, zero no votes, one abstention, and one absent.

7:58 – Board meeting adjourned.

The Board has made some recommendations on our existing bylaws in Appendix B as well as adding Appendix C that clarifies the roles of Palomar Flyers .

Our bylaws indicate they need to be communicated to the membership as well as voted on.

I will also be sending this to all members to review prior to voting at the November meeting.

Please add to the Transmitter to review for vote at the November meeting. The board will also be asking for a vote on adding an agreement of understanding of the roles our club has with another organization that we sponsor at our field. This agreement will assist the roles each party will perform to insure safety and compliance with the AMA.

I will be sending an explanation to all members to prepare for vote in November. {Pres. Don Davis}

Appendix B – Flying Site Rules

I. Flying Site Rules

Flying Site Rules apply to all such sites under club control and all other sites which the club may choose to conduct an activity. Flying sites under club control may have rules that apply only to a specific site and not another because of houses, roads, freeways, industry, airports, schools, livestock, wildlife habitat, etc. These special rules will be included in the posted rules at the field where they pertain.

A. The use of club facilities is limited to AMA members with Full AMA Membership invited to participate in contests, club members, and guests of club members. Guests must meet the following requirements:

1. Guest pilots must show proof of current AMA membership and must be accompanied by a club member. All others, with proof of current AMA membership, may use the facilities only once per calendar year, as a guest of a club member, without having to become a member.

2. The host member is responsible for informing his guest of the flying site rules and seeing that they are obeyed.

3. Non-participating guests are to remain clear of the flight line and pit areas.

4. Club members are NOT to give guests combinations or keys to club locks.

B. Pilots MUST DISPLAY on their person proof of current club membership.

C. Club members and/or guests are not to rearrange the flying site facilities or the surrounding habitat without prior approval of the club's Board of Directors.

D. All pilots must obey the "Official AMA Member Safety Program" . Particular attention is drawn to the requirement to mark your aircraft with your name and address or AMA number as well as your FAA registration number.

E. All radio equipment must be FCC Type Approved and operated according to FCC regulations, including licensing where required (i.e. 6-meter ham band).

F. All radio systems must conform to AMA standards.

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G. While not in use, FM transmitters will be turned off and stored. FM transmitter antennas are to be fully retracted for range checks. Due to the rarity of pilots who use FM radio systems, there is no longer a frequency board to manage FM frequencies. It is the responsibility of any pilot operating an FM radio system to ensure that there are no other pilots using that frequency. If there are multiple users of the same frequency, those people will be responsible for sharing the frequency safely. Any pilot operating an FM radio system who causes another pilot operating an FM radio system to lose their model from radio interference will pay all replacement costs associated with said model to the owner. Not making such monetary restitution is grounds for the revocation of their club membership.

H. While Flying:

The pilot must control their aircraft at a designated pilot station.

2. Maximum of one pilot per station, with a maximum of five planes in the air at any time with the following exception: during a club sponsored event.

Engines, etc.

1. All engines on aircraft must be equipped with an exhaust system that will enable the airplane to comply with or better the noise standard (limit) in place at the flying site where the aircraft will be flown. All engines must be equipped with the muffling systems supplied by the manufacturer at the minimum. Un-muffled tuned pipes, flow through mufflers and open exhaust (un-muffled) two stroke engines are not allowed. Some four stroke engines may comply with the noise limits at the field where they are being operated even though they are not equipped from the factory with a muffler. Those four stroke engines that DO NOT meet the field noise limits without a muffler WILL NOT be allowed to fly. Pilots are encouraged to lower the sound pressure level of their engines through the use of efficient after-market mufflers or propeller changes where the noise output of their engine is approaching the maximum allowable db level at the flying site.

2. Engine runs in the covered table (social) area is prohibited.

3. Starting benches are positioned on the east and west side of the pits. During engine start and run, the prop and prop blast should be directed away from other aircraft and persons.

4. No full power engine run-up is permitted in the pits. Engine run-ups are to take place in the run-up area or the engine break in area with the prop and prop blast directed away from other models or persons.

J. Noise Regulations at all Palomar RC Flyers sites.

1. All sound measurements are taken at 25' on hard surface, slow response and "A" weighting.

No aircraft above 98 dB will be flown at any Palomar RC Flyers Sites.

Below 85 dB may operate anytime.

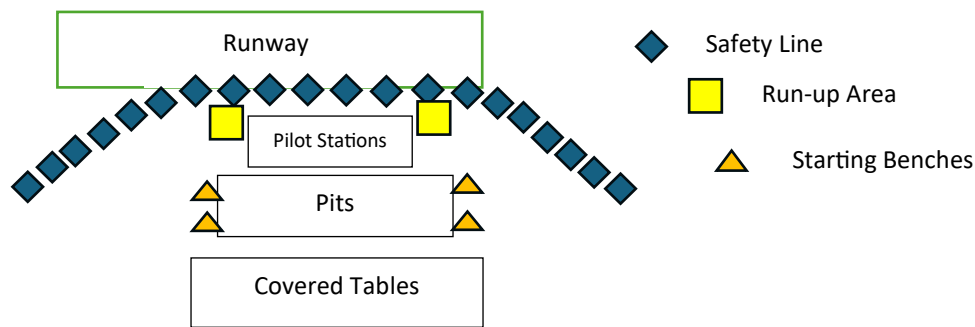
4. 85 dB to 92 dB may be operated between 8 AM to 7 PM Monday through Saturday, 9 AM to 7 PM Sunday.

5. 93 dB to 98 dB may be operated between 9 AM to 5 PM daily.

K. Flight Operations.

1. The Safety Line is centered on the Pilot Stations and runs along the inside or south side of the runway. The Safety Line extends along the south

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1. The Safety Line is centered on the Pilot Stations and runs along the inside or south side of the runway. The Safety Line extends along the south side of the runway in both directions (east/west) then turns approximately 45 degrees to the south on both sides. All flight operations must occur to the north of the Safety Line.

2. Flying over or to the rear of the flight line (edge of runway nearest the pilot), pits, covered tables (social areas) and parking lot is strictly prohibited.

3. Low passes, speed runs and bomb drops must be done beyond the runway boundaries and are not to interfere with takeoffs and landings.

4. Aerobatics are to be performed beyond the far edge of the runway. No aerobatics will be allowed on takeoff unless performed beyond pilots, pit or spectator areas.

5. Takeoff must not be started until the aircraft has taxied out of the designated taxi area and has reached the confines of the runway.

6. With normal wind conditions (westerly), takeoffs and landings will occur west of the takeoff/land line (painted line across the runway near the west end of the pilot stations). Exceptions of this rule will apply to those aircraft with long takeoff and land distances.

7. Hand launches must be made in a direction away from pilot, pit, and social areas and must be from an area clear of people and aircraft.

8. Dead stick landings always have the right of way but must be called out.

9. Landings have the right of way over takeoffs and both must be called out.

L. Spectators.

1. A Spectator is defined as an individual not involved in flight operations (actively flying, preparing to fly, returning from flying, or assisting others actively flying).

2. Non-club member spectators should remain behind the fence on the north side of the covered tables. If this is not possible, they should stay in the area just forward of the covered tables, but not past the seats in front of the fence.

3. A club member spectator may sit in the eastern portion of the pit area if those actively flying land and takeoff west of the takeoff/land line painted on the runway as described above.

M. New members with supposed prior pilot experience shall be required to make a flight check with an instructor. Members receiving flight instruction shall be issued a student card requiring a flight instructor/buddy box until they pass their solo flight test. No student shall be permitted to fly below 100 feet AGL without a buddy box.

N. Solo certificates and their pilot club card will be provided following their solo flight test and being signed off by their instructor and a second instructor.

O. The facilities shall at all times be kept clean of trash and litter. Under no circumstances shall a member or guest intentionally leave or discard any hazardous material or waste such as, but not limited to, fuel or batteries at the flying site.

P. It is the responsibility of ALL CLUB MEMBERS to ENFORCE and OBEY the rules. Repeated offenses must be brought to the attention of the Safety Co ordinator, Flight Instructors or Board Member.

Q. Lack of compliance with any of the above rules may result in the Board of Directors suspending all flying privileges or the revocation of club membership.



Poker Fun Fly

Saturday, November 8, 2025

The Poker Fun Fly is open to all Palomar RC pilots; fixed wing, helicopters, and drones, too!

The Rules

1. Each pilot draws two cards at the time of registration
2. Pilot must complete 3 flights lasting at least 3 minutes and taxi back to the start area (or heli/drone landing zone) to qualify as a completed flight
3. Pilot draws an additional card for each complete flight
4. After drawing the 5th card, pilot may discard one card, complete a 4th flight and draw a final card

When all pilots have five final cards, the best HIGH HAND and LOW HAND will win \$50

Entry Fee is \$10

Registration opens at 8 A.M. Contest commences at 9 A.M.

**For more information: Steve Gebler
(760) 519-8163 or fly@stevegebler.com
Open flying all day.**



Jay Wooten (and Rez) taking a break from helis for some FVP flying.



Cute Gopher snake watching heli flying at the heli field!

These 2 and the next 11 heli photos were taken by Eric Armstrong. Many thanks for your fine addition to the Transmitter. Ed.

It's not easy to pop a rising balloon with an RC helicopter - Scott Travers nailed this one!





Rez (our Heli Field Dog) had a birthday in October. His best buddy, Dave Lester, came with presents! Sadly, the helicopter was not a present.



Steve Gebler, Scott McClintock, Scott Ralston, and Eric Armstrong went to Alabama Hills for a camping trip. Scott and Scott were flying their night Timbers at sunset - in the background is Mt Whitney - beautiful!



The heli field has a brand new windsock - thank you, Scott Travers, for putting it together!



Three SAB Kraken Nitro helicopters with different color schemes belonging to Don White, Jay Wooten, and Eric Armstrong.



Joe Villerreal, Dave Lester, and Jeremy Schmidt talking helis - Dave's beautiful helicopters in the foreground.



Heli pilots seem to work on their aircraft more than actually flying them! From left to right: Scott Travers, Jim Figger, and Don White.



Our youngest pilot, Leroy Wood, after flying his triple-blade Goblin Raw 700. Leroy needs a little help carrying his heli to the pad, but he is quite the pilot!



Greg Neilsen with his son, Rick, and his Kraken Nitro 580. Greg is new to our club, but not flying - he uses a Mikado VBar transmitter, and is an excellent RC Helicopter pilot!

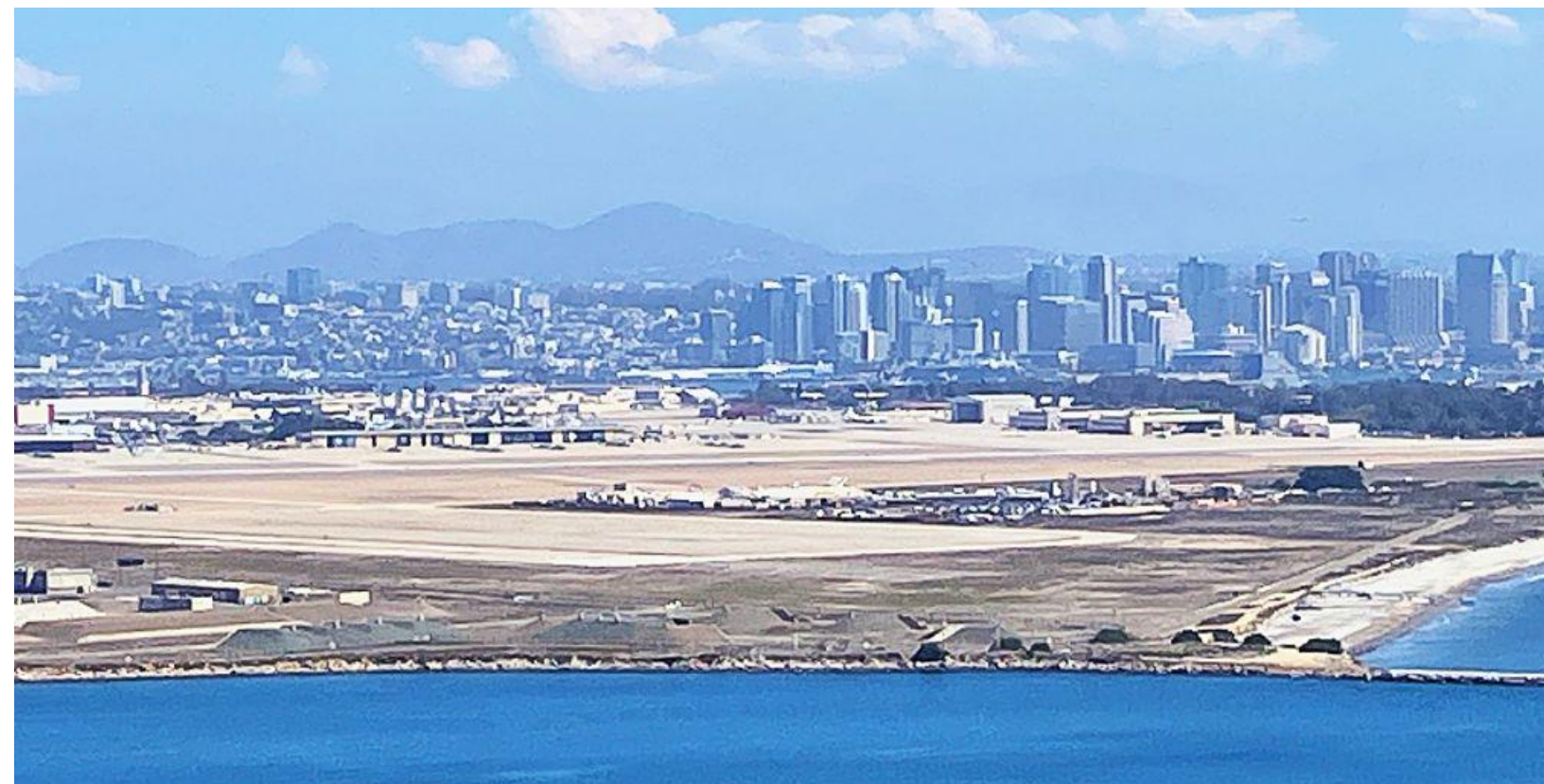


When not in the air, helis make excellent wall art! These beautiful helicopters belong to Anthony Wood.

Note from the editor: I consider the following photo to be the best one of this issue. If anyone would like a full-size copy (megapixels that is) kindly let me know and I shall send it to you via e-mail. Don't just glance at it but really look. Thanks.



Cotton-ball clouds over San Marcos, CA 10/9/25



North Island Naval Air Station seen from Point Loma Lighthouse.





Kathleen Gregory



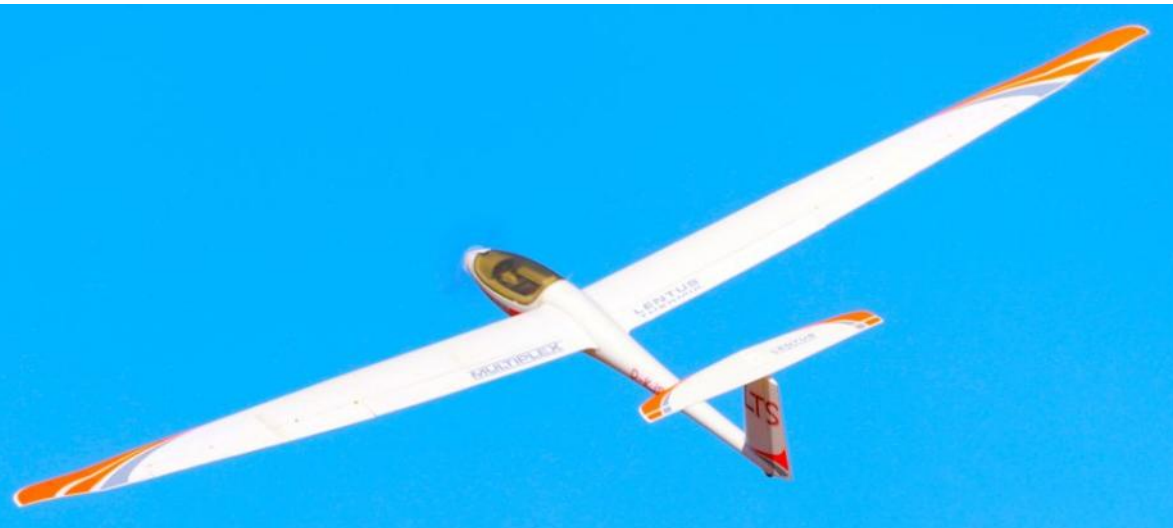
Kathleen Gregory is a fine pilot.



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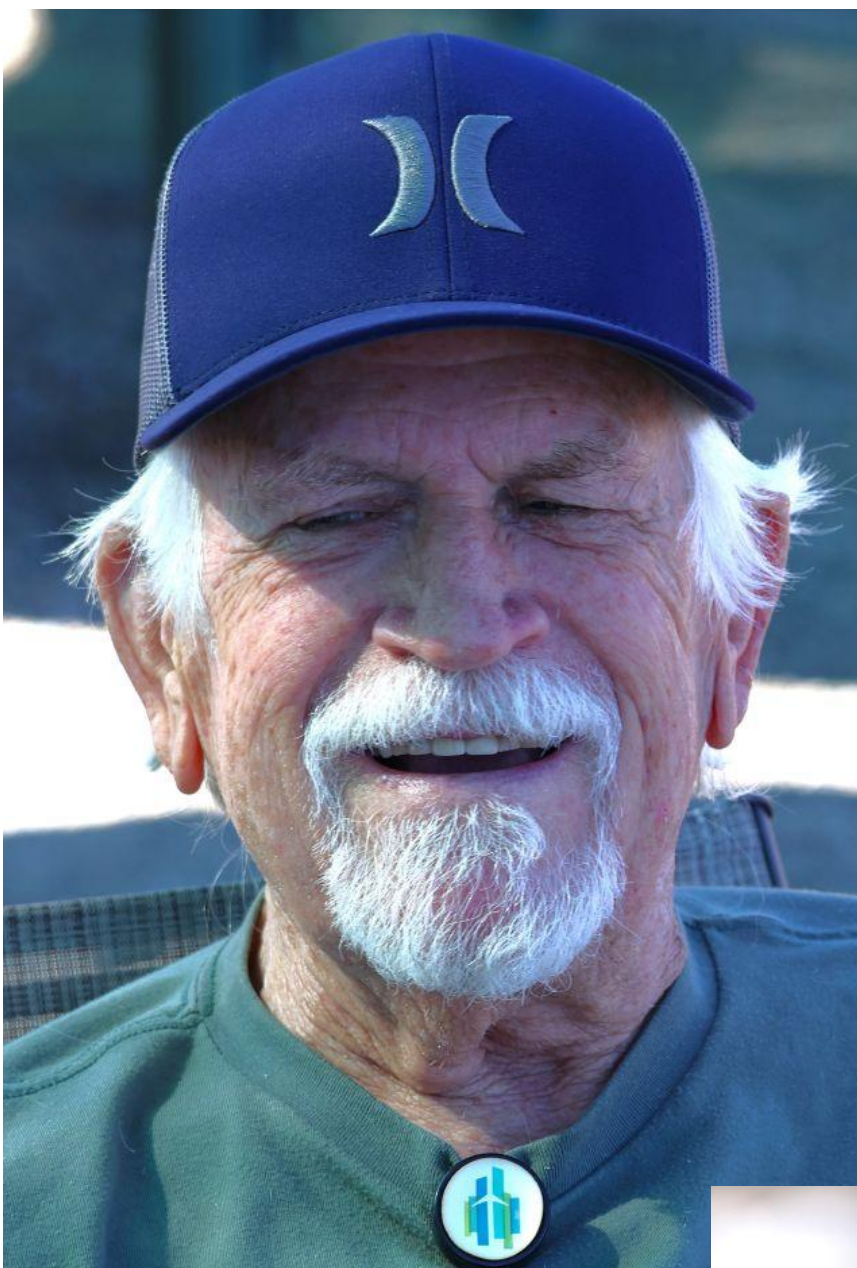


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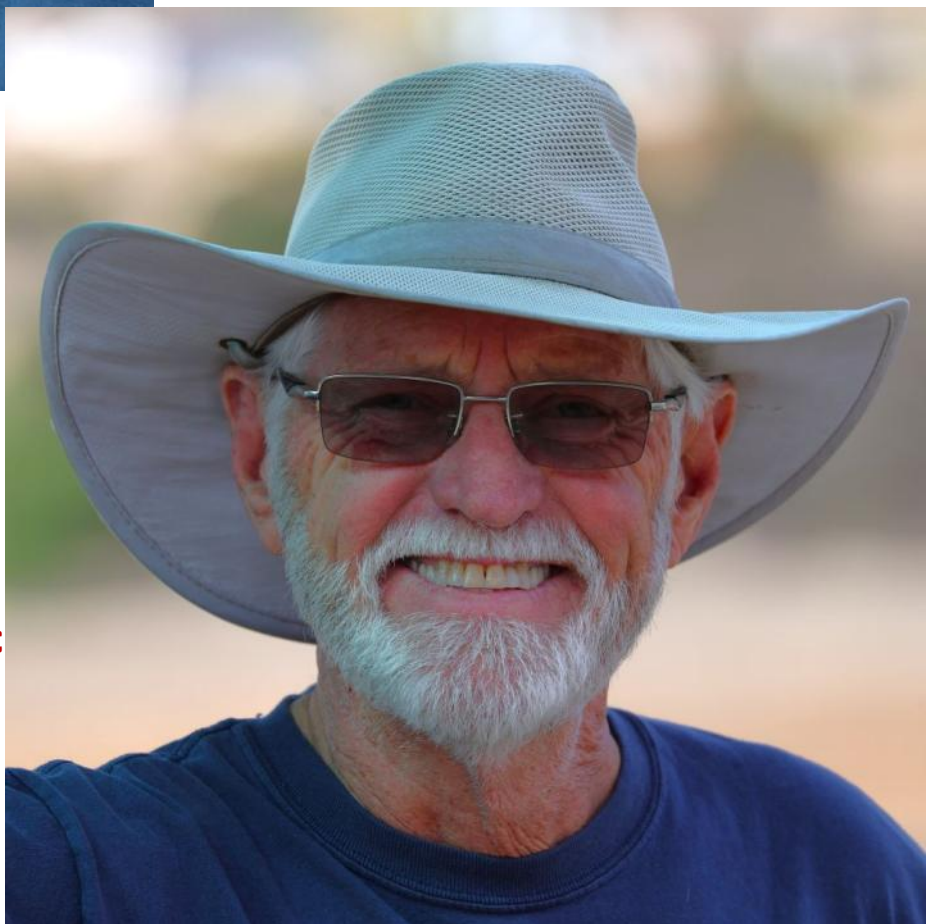
**Mandatory photo of
Jim Gallacher and his
sailplane**





Don Wadlington now lives one hour and twenty minutes away in Alpine! He is a former club secretary. It's good to see him when he makes such a long trek to the field.

Jim Christy is our membership chairman. Jim is a most photogenic man; the camera loves him!





MIKE PAURAZAS



Dave Ellis



Mark Anderson

Patrick Pranica



Ken Kaye



Lady Rosemary and Lord Creedon His Lordship celebrated his 97th birthday on October 3, 2025 making Lew our oldest club member! Happy Birthday! May you have many more!.....I commented that Lew is always well dressed and Patrick Pranica responded, "Of course! He's a Brit!" implying that the British exemplify culture. Lew is a member of the British Royal Spitfire Society, was a full-scale pilot, and made and flew his experimental airplane for years. During WW II, Lew worked on the Spitfire.

Mark Olarsch is introducing a young friend to aeromodelling.







**Dave Ellis'
new plane.**





John Forestieri hails from Texas.



Did you know that in 1890-91, 100 Starlings were released in Central Park in NYC? It is estimated that there are now over 200 million starlings foraging and nesting in places in North America that were previously used by native birds!

Hovering flight for hummingbirds emerged between 34 to 46 million years ago! These birds feed at least 100 times a day and their heart beats can be as high as 1,300 per minute!

Winglets on birds have been around for millions of years. In 1989, the first winglets were installed on a production airliner! It saves about 5% in fuel.

This info is from a book, “How Birds Fly” published 2024 by Firefly Books, written by Peter Cavanagh. It’s about the science and art of avian flight and is fascinating!



John Valente

Mike Majewski

Finn Majewski



Mike Frandsen is now the proud owner of this DeHavilland Tiger Moth— named the Dave Truax Special. Dave Truax gave it to your editor in Sept. 2013! It's a great flyer and was advertised as a give-away in the October Transmitter.

John Valente



V.P. Chuck Riley

Mighty fine helmet!
Great smile!

Trifecta Oct. 4, 2025





Doug Abel

Brandon Liesemeyer

William Taft

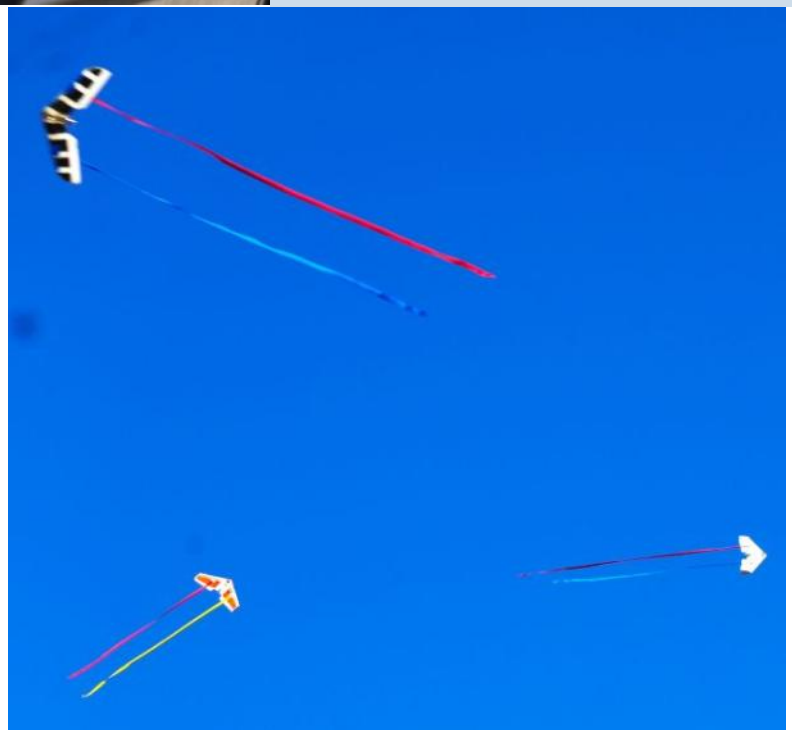
VP Chuck Riley



Mark Olsen



Score keeper Mark Anderson





A better view of Mark Anderson, score keeper.



Brandon Liesemeyer



Mark Olsen Chuck Riley Steve Gebler Brandon Liesemeyer William Taft Doug Abel



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Trifecta Winners:

Brandon Liesemeyer 1

V.P. Chuck Riley 2

William Taft 3



Sean Harris



Curtis Kitteringham

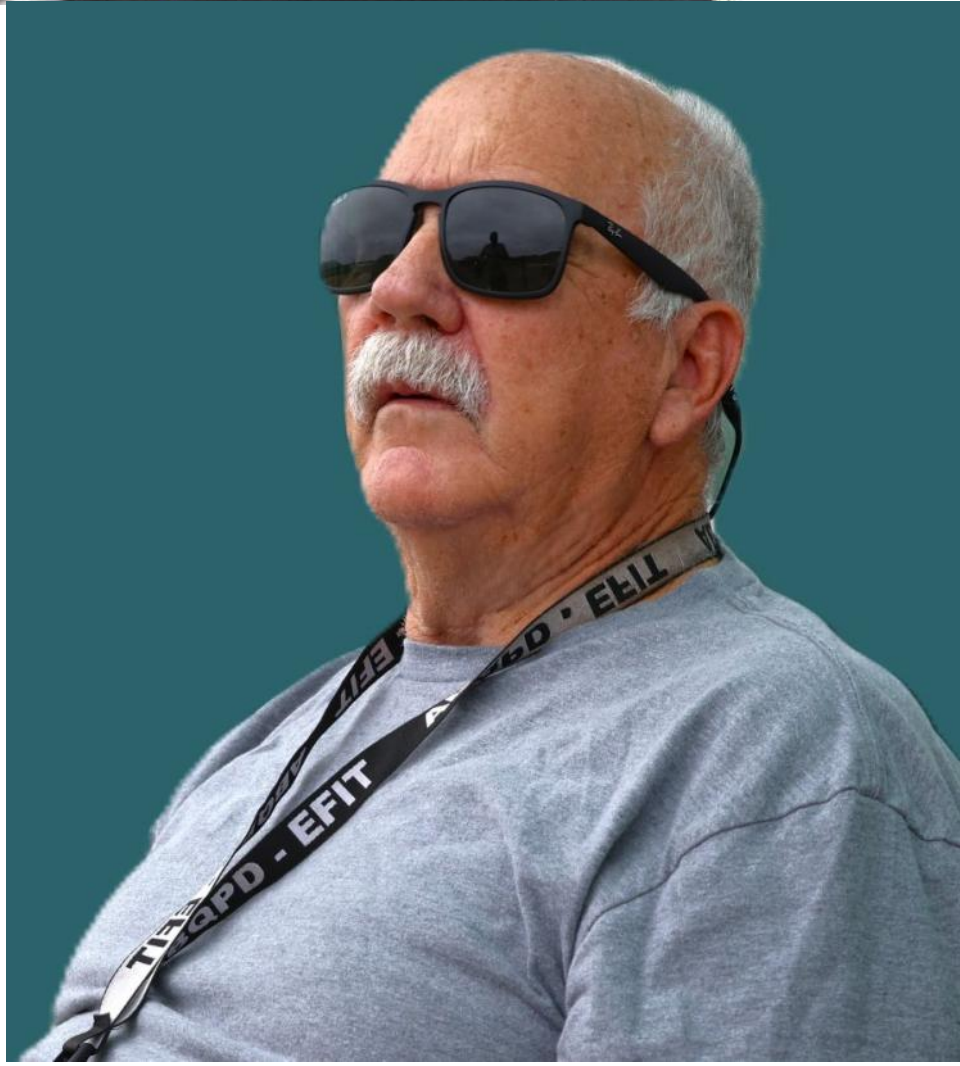


President Don Davis

Mark Andersson



*President Emeritus
Charles Lewis*



Three gallons of 15% nitro POWER MASTER fuel for 4 stroke engines @ \$12.00 per gallon. Call Joe Buko if you are interested. My # is in the Club directory below as editor.

FOR SALE



James D'Eliseo and Ian MacLaughlin Oct. 16. 2025

Jim Gallacher's car



President *emeritus* Steve Gebler and James D'Eliseo



Take a guess— Is this a Yak 54?



Dave Litaker and James D'Eliseo The Yak belongs to Dave.





David Carner



October 18, 2025 Club Meeting and Auction



President Don Davis



Former club secretary, Don Wadlington, donated the big red plane above to the auction! What a beauty—the plane that is! It sold for just \$500!





Auction Stuff

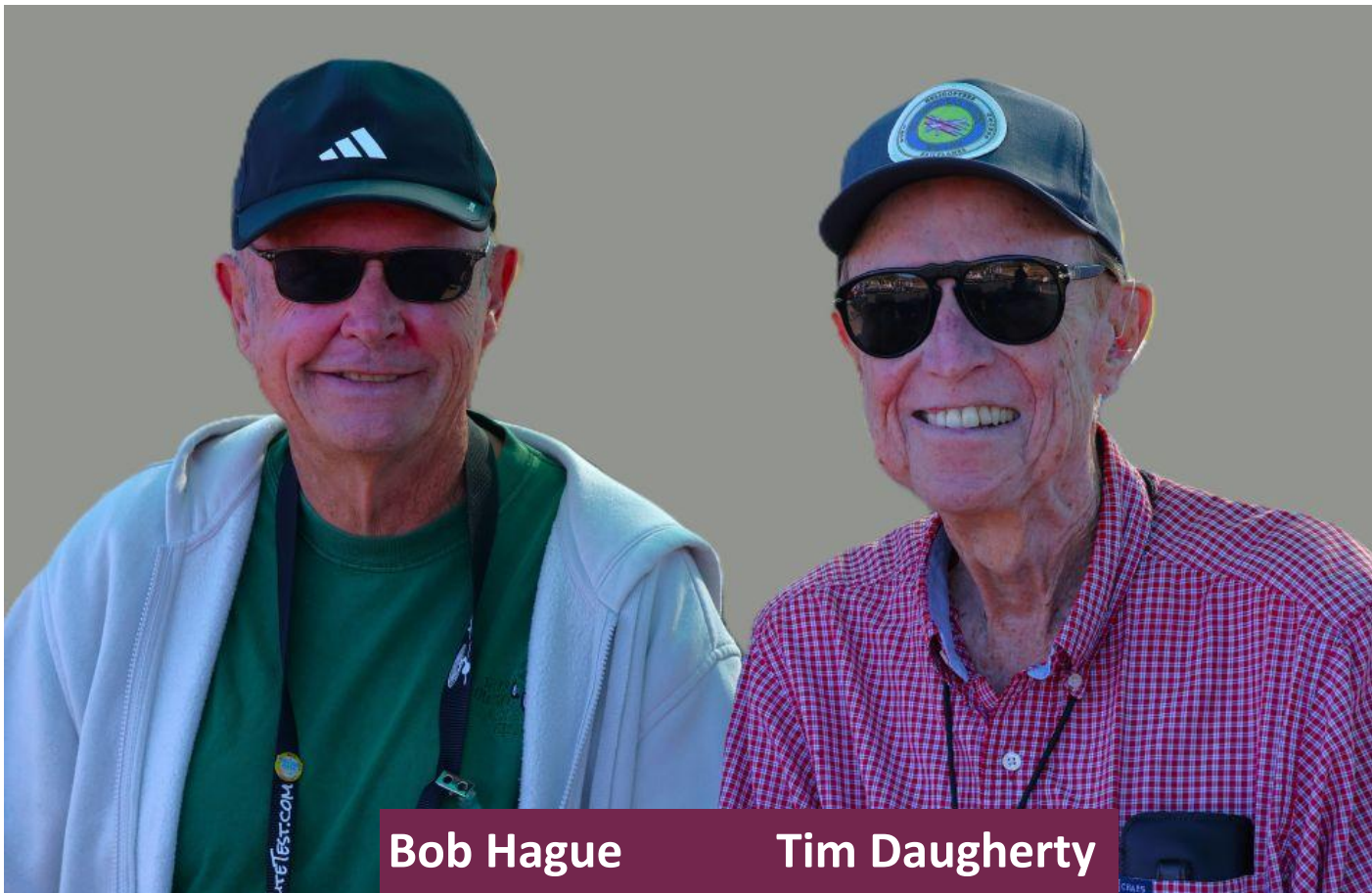


More auction stuff





Frank Burke





Kawasaki KI-64 Wayne Bonfietti won Model of the Month for October.



President emeritus Joe Villarreal recently spoke with the property owners of our field. Chances are good that we may be at this beautiful flying field into 2027!



President emeritus Varley Longson and Rick Hilton



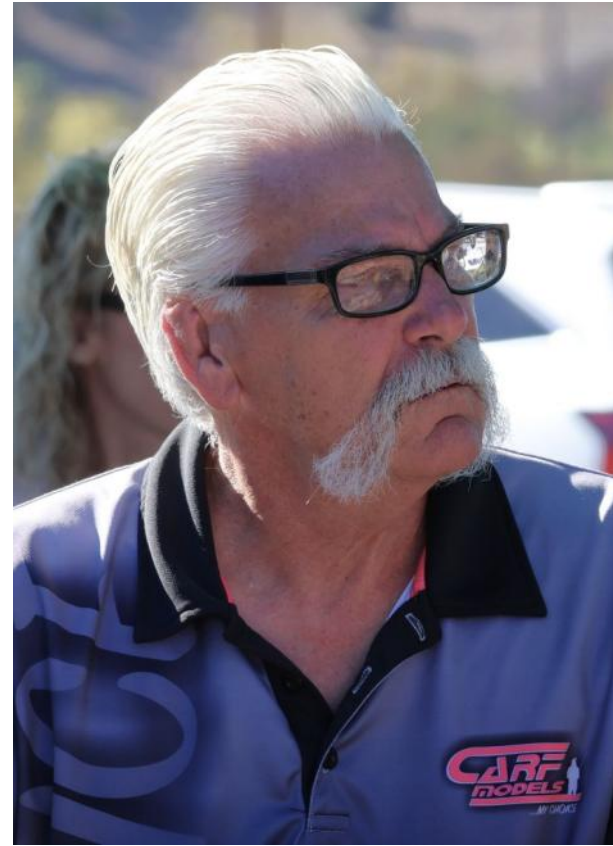
John Hartsell, Sr.



Our annual auction had something for nearly everyone. Steve Gebler was the auctioneer.



Pancho Castillo (left) and Bobby Johannes spoke about their lives giving us insights about themselves.



Bobby displayed trophies from his pylon racing days!



Patrick Pranica 10/21/25





**Were you fooled
into thinking
this was a full-
size Radian?
Steve Gebler has
all the toys and
he continues to
win!**

Oct. 21, 2025



Rick Heymann

Vote for board members. Ballots will be mailed within the week. Ballots closed November 17th.

Vote for Changes in By-Laws. Changes in the By-Laws require majority membership approval. Ballots will be sent prior to the 24th of October.

November 1 Combat 9-10 Trifecta

November 8 Flying Poker Day Flyer is attached

November 15th Last board meeting of the year.

November 18th Last Club meeting of the Year Johnson field 9-10

VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE



Bob Miller hails from Kansas and has been a club member for three years.

You have just seen over 100 photos! WOW!

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



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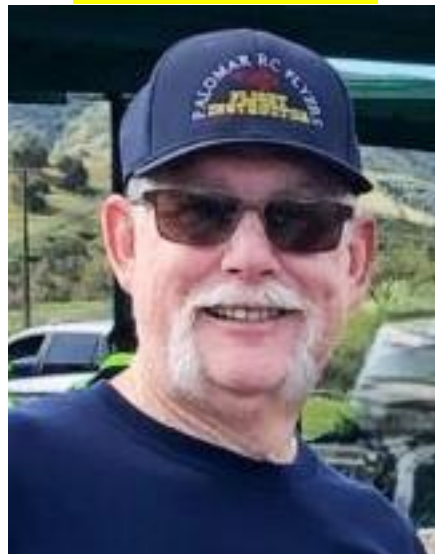


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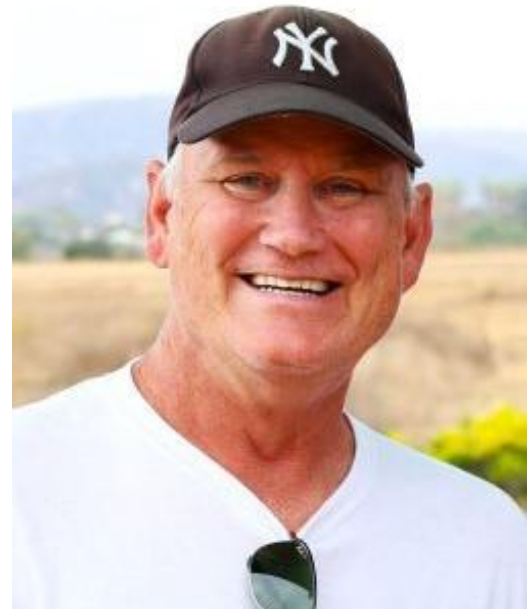
Board Members



Brandon Liesemeyer



Joe Villarreal



Eric Armstrong Secretary & Board Member



**Vic
Lerum**



Safety Officer and Board Member

Club Directory

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