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Transmitter

The Newsletter of the Palomar RC Flyers

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President's Column

August 2008

I hope your summer is going well. Obviously the summer months are a little slower for the Palomar RC Flyers, at least as far as events are concerned. However, the month of July saw a couple of really exciting events including a great R/C Combat event. In August, so far, we had another Interclub Fun Fly and we have one youth event with a local Boy Scout troop scheduled for August 16th, and R/C Combat event, The Battle of Britain on August 24th.

Many of you know from my last President's Column that our first 2008 combat event had a respectable showing of about 10 pilots. In this past event that figure was almost doubled! As with the rest of the Nation, Slow Survivable Combat is the premier event. Our Build-a-thons are paying off! As you know, the purpose of these Build-a-thons is to develop more Combat pilots, not just from our club, but from other clubs as well. We do not limit the Build-a-thon to just Club members. Rather some of our members give their time and efforts to promote Combat as a whole.

Certainly our July Combat event, The Marianas Turkey Shoot, reaped the fruits of tease Build-a-thons! The action was incredible with at least 20 midairs. Your President suffered from 3 midairs but these Coroplast aircraft seem to survive with little damage. Even with Three midairs my aircraft was able to fly in every round with only minor repairs! David Drowns won the overall 1st place by placing second in the Open Combat Event and 2nd in the Slow Survivable Event. Doug Albert took 1st in the Open Event with an impressive Score exceeding 1200 points! And finally, last but not least, Butch Abongan redeemed himself from his May setback and had the highest score in the Slow Survivable event. Congratulations to all whom participated! I encourage you to read the full Combat article. in this issue, for all the results!

Remember, If you have never flown Combat, but were always curious, come to the upcoming August 24th event! These contests have a good mix of differently skilled pilots with lots of action. It is a "spectator" event almost like going to a NASCAR Race! Skill is somewhat of a fact, but luck plays a big role and that means anybody can win,,,,, even Butch! Come join the excitement and fun! See the midairs and see who survives the day!

The purchase of the Club's new training helicopter from Don White was finalized upon Don White's return from his vacation. It is my understanding that many club members have shown up for Monday

night training which should put any doubters at ease that this was a good club purchase. Hopefully, all of you who are interested in learning to fly a helicopter will now get a chance to do so! Contact our helicopter chairman and chief helicopter Instructor, Justin Barry, to arrange instruction.

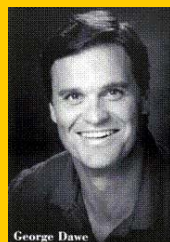
As you may know another round of the Interclub Fun Fly was held this past Saturday, August 9th. This time Bob "Lawndart" Peterson put his money where it counts blowing away the competition and insuring that the Palomar R/C Flyers remained in first place. Congratulations to our Fun Fly Team. I understand there is one more Inter-Club Fun Fly event, so plan to attend and root your team on to the Interclub Championship!

On August 16th the club will host a Boy Scout Troop flying event. This event will be run by Tom Minegar and Varley Longson. Please volunteer your time by helping out at this event. Contact either Tom or Varley for details! **The field will be closed for general flying during this event!**

Once again, that's all for this month. Where is the time going? The year is flying by... (pun intended...lol) Again, as always, and I know some of you are tired of hearing it, but I must remind you Highway 15 slants in a NE direction. The further out you go, the more likely you will fly over the highway! Please be careful. Lets all have fun flying during the rest of the year! But keep safety in mind! Never fly alone! Always have a cell phone! Again, I hope you all will attend as many events as you can, as participants and spectators!

Your President

George Dawe



George Dawe

BOARD MEETING

JULY29th 2008

George announced that we are seeking a replacement for our newsletter editor, Sean O'Connor. Sean has done a great job over the last few years but needs a break to tend to his real life business.

The board voted to add \$250.00 to the raffle fund, to help generate more prizes and interest. We will hold the raffle at the August meeting and then vote to see if we want to continue the raffle, change the format, or cancel out.

Joe Buko's Treasurer's report

Checking account ----- \$1143.00

Money Market Fund -----\$10545.00

Expenses this month of \$1467.00, including purchase of a club Helicopter trainer. Darrel Albert reported he has four heli students on Monday student nights, all of whom are his fixed wing instructors. The disposal of the driver's stand from the RC car track is still hanging. Bob Peterson is going to put it on Craig's list.

George added that we need to wear our ID tags at the field and need to consider wearing them at meetings also.

The combat meet on July 20th was a wild success. Twelve pilots went at it in two classes. Butch Abongan won the SSC class and Darell Albert won Open B. David Drowns still leads the total points chase. There will be more building sessions at George's garage. More details at the meeting

Our runway needs sealing and filling. We will be getting bids with the work to start in October.

The decibel limit at the field is still 98 db at 9'.

GENERAL MEETING

JULY 16th 2008

Treasurer's report

Money Market ---- \$10544.49
 Checking ----- \$1106.61
 TOTAL \$11651.10

George's report on Flight's of Fancy mentioned a fine turn out and a great barbeque for the kids and volunteers. We will be hosting a similar event for a Boy Scout group on August 16th. Volunteers will be needed.

Solo certificate was awarded to Frank Bataglia. He is expected to compete at our combat event on July 19th.

Bob Lang and George have been investigating another plot of land for another field location. Details to follow. George has received several e-mails from Temecula flyers who are about to lose their field due to noise issues. Our board will discuss membership requirements to allow them into our club.

Saturday September 13th will be our first annual Dawn Patrol Fly-In. Prizes will be awarded for best scale flights. Of course volunteers will be needed. A swap meet will be held in the morning before the flying.

Evan Hitchcock's name was drawn for the attendance prize, but he was not present so the prize rolls over to next month once again.

Heli chairman Justin Berry reported that he acquired the club heli trainer. He will have the heli at the field on Monday evenings and arrangements can be made for weekends also. Call Justin for details.

Darrel Albert announced that we will have another combat meet on August 24th. A raffle will also be held at that event.

Dave Long won MOM with his big heli. It

was a Bergen Heli kit from Kassopolis Michigan. The 6' blade is swung at 1700 rpm by a 4H'P' 26cc gas Zenoah engine running a 36-1 oil mix. Dave spent 60-80 hours assembling the "million of little pieces of the kit".

Bill Hill showed his neat conversion of a coroplast Mig 3 combat plane to e-power.

Don White showed off the club heli trainer.

Butch showed us the progress of the foam scale spitfire combat model that he and Terry Harner are developing. Simplicity takes a long time to research.

Joe Buko brought in the top wing of the 1/4 scale Balsa USA Fokker D-7 covered with lozenge pattern Solartex with scale rib stitching.

Raffle prizes from July 16th '08

Ernie Emory	LA flyer 40
Ernie Emory	Magnum .53
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Keith Albert	V-3 Heli



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Graham Lloyd, who recently returned back to his native England, has built a new model of a Fledermause, that's German for bat. It's not a scale model, rather just a look alike of the German flying boats of the 1930's. He built it from a free plan that was in a British magazine. The hull is all plywood, the sponsons have retracts fitted, and the wing is swept back to get the C of G in the right place. The plan is modified a bit, especially the nacelle. The motors had a mechanical linkage to the hull. He did away with this and put two servos in the nacelle, and he drives each motor on a separate channel. This way he just has to connect wires, not a mechanical linkage. The all up weight is 8 lbs. and it has a 61 in. wing span. The wing loading must be about 30 oz. per square foot! The motors are two OS-25's driving 9x5 props-- the rear one is a pusher prop. The black, red, and yellow engine cover is temporary made from card and is just there to keep oil off the servos. There is a nice wooden one ready to fit after the engines are run in. It is nice to share in what Graham is flying across "the pond" at his other RC Club. We look forward to his return to our group again in the fall.



SEEN AT THE FIELD

By Ethel Burke



This 30% Yak flown by Dave Litaker has an 87 in. wing span and is powered by DA-50 gas engine. He uses a Futaba radio and it has a canister muffler. Notice that the prop, spinner, landing gear, and wheel pants are all carbon fiber.

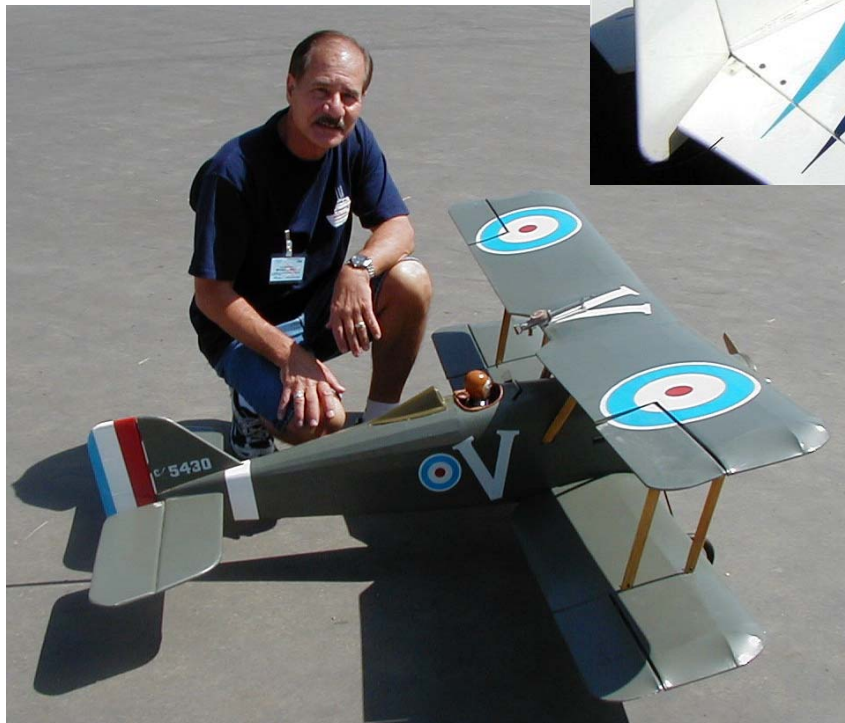
Clay Hoag is flying this Gee Bee Model Y with an 82 in. wing span. It is powered by a 26cc gas engine and he uses a J.R. 9303 radio.



SEEN AT THE FIELD
Continued



Larry Hufford has a new Tower Hobbies Up-Roar 40 size. He calls it the "Screamin' Eagle II" and he runs a 2-stroke glow Magnum 46 engine with a Futaba 9-CAP radio

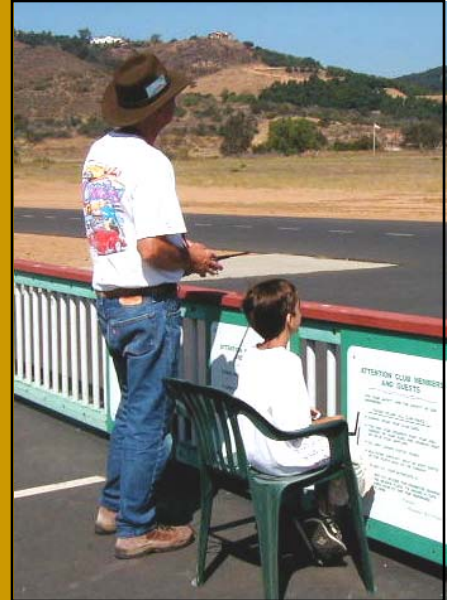


Mike Wolf has done a fine job building this Great Planes kit of the World War I era biplane SE-5A. Nice detail with gun mounted on top wing. It has a 91 Magnum 4-stroke engine with an Airtronics radio and is covered with Mono-kote.

SEEN AT THE FIELD Continued



Bill Hill is using this styrofoam electric as a trainer in teaching a new student pilot, Mike Schneider, 14. It is good for practicing take-offs and landings. Mike runs RC cars, but has been flying on a flight simulator and working towards his solo flight certificate, which he received this same day. This plane is a Multiplex Acro Master set up with 2820-10 AXI and 40 amp speed controller with 2170 milliamp battery. The total weight is 2 lb s. 4 oz. and the flight time is 5 mins.



Bill Demore is flying a new 40 size Cherokee by Great Planes. The engine is a 46 Evolution two-stroke.



Combat Corner

COMBAT CORNER

BY. DARRELL ALBERT

Now that we have had our second combat match there is much to debrief. The “Butch or Bust” plane (George Dawe) showed up to up-hold its ace standing, but did not succeed this time. The “Butch” plane, in a dazzling display of aggression, overwhelmed “Butch or Bust” and went on to take first place. We weren’t really sure that the “Butch” plane would survive since it had a forced landing in the first round (In the jungle), but after being retrieved in poor condition, (damaged wing) the flight mechanic went to work on it by finding a replacement wing and getting it back into the air for the final victory of the day. He had two midairs with “Butch or Bust” contributing to the carnage.

The final standings went this way;-

1st place went to Butch Abongen with a score of 865 points.

2nd place went to David Drowns with 652 points.

3rd place went to Sean O’Connor with 720 points.

In Open-B there were only 4 pilots. One withdrew; leaving three to go at it. One crashed, leaving only two for the final battle. And what a battle it was. Douglas Albert and David Drowns had the crowd mesmerized with a fantastic display of high speed aerobatics. We all watched in anticipation of the mid air collision that would surely have resulted in disintegration, but it never happened. The results were as follows;-

1st Place - Douglas Albert with 914 points,

2nd Place - David Drowns with 480 points,

3rd Place - Tim Hitchcock with 140 points.

The over-all trophy went to David Drowns with total points of 1132 points. It would have been a close race between David and Doug for total points, since Doug only got one flight in of SSC and lost total points by only 98, which equals one cut.

I want to thank David and George for holding the build-a-thons that helped support and promote the sport.

THE LINE-UP



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INTER CLUB FUN FLY

Round #4 August 9th at Hemet R/C Modelers

It was a beautiful WARM (93 degrees and muggy) day in Hemet. They have a really nice field and runway. Not too much shade area, so I suggest bringing shade if you fly there. The Hemet club members were perfect hosts and treated us well.

The events were as follows:

Event #1- Taxi around two cones doing a 180 degree turn and a 270 degree turn, take off, turn a 90 to the right and level wings. Then turn a 90 down wind and do a BARREL ROLL in front of the judges, then turn base and final and land BEFORE crossing the starting line, and roll over the start line to end the round.

Event #2- This was really easy. Take off, turn right, turn right, do a large loop, turn right, turn right, land BEFORE the start line and roll over line to end round.

Both of these events were both judged and timed.

The official results aren't out yet, but of course we are still in FIRST place as a TEAM. Bill Hill had a little problem and flew over the start line, and had to go around again. No Problem, he is still in FIRST place in the Individual competition. Unless we really screw up, we should be able to take first in both team and Individual. Butch, we missed you. Hope you are well again.

Next year we should be doing at least Two Inter Club events.

One will be the FUN FLY again, and the other will be a PYLON RACE. These events happen once at each clubs field. The sixth and final event will be only for the leader of each club team, and will probably be at the MENIFEE FLYERS field.

The competition is really exciting, yet events are easy. Why not get yourself involved next year and get in on the fun. If interested, contact

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Meeting Notice:

The **June 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

March

Start Monday night instruction to continue until Sept 29th

April

20th Fallbrook Air Show (tentative)

27th COMBAT - Hunt for Yamamoto (Open B and SSC)

May

3rd - Carlsbad Mall show

4th - Swap Meet and Open House - Johns on Field

9th - 10th - 11th - San Diego Helicopter Fun Fly sanction C

June

21st Flights of Fancy

July

4th Club Picnic

20th COMBAT Open B and SSC

August

2nd ELECTRIC SCALE contest

9th FUN FLY

24th COMBAT (Battle of Britain) Open B and SSC

September

13th Dawn Patrol WWI fly in

20th Mall Show North County Fair

21st Air show and Swap Meet

October

Date TBA Miramar Air Show

25th Pylon Race - Quicke 500, sportsman and Open B

November

22nd - FUN FLY Palomar Turkey Shoot

December

7th COMBAT (Pearl Harbor Classic) 25/48 Open Band SSC

20th Club Dinner and raffle

