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The Newsletter of the Palomar R/C Flyers

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

September 2008

Well the summer just about gone. But the Palomar R/C Flyers sent it out with a bang! First we had a fantastic combat meet in August with 18 pilots. Then we entered into an agreement in which the Car Track Pavilion would be removed. We also hosted a local Cub Scout Troop. Finally we had a fantastic World War I Fly-in and Swap Meet!

On August 16th, the Palomar R/C Flyers held the R/C Combat event, The Battle of Britain on August 24th. 18 pilots showed up ready to compete and about that many spectators and had a fantastic time. The action was intense with plenty of mid-air and lots of cuts. I will defer you to the Combat Article for the scoring details...but what a blast!

As with the rest of the Nation, Slow Survivable Combat is the premier event. Our Build-a-thons are paying off! The purpose of these Build-a-thons, introduced this year by David Drowns, has been 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. This last event certainly showed that Combat is back and we are moving in the right direction as we head to what will undoubtedly be the "National Championship" deciding meet... "The Pearl Harbor Classic"...sanctioned by the AMA on December 6 and 7th! Congratulations to all who participated!

Many of you may have noticed, as I announced at our last meeting, that Bob Peterson successfully negotiated the demolition of the Car Track Pavilion. As you all know the County of San Diego required that we demolish the structure or get rid of it. After months of trying to give it away...we did just that...we basically gave it away. But instead of hauling it away on a truck, we allowed the persons taking the car track to demolish it on site and reap the benefits of the salvage price for the wood. Certainly it cost the club some money, (for the crane to take the top off and a dumpster), but we saved about \$10,000.00 in formal demolition.

The next code compliance project work party will be the division of the Helicopter Sun Shade which should take place in early October. I am planning the same type of project for the Fixed Wing Sun Shade around Mid November. In the mean time I will contact Tom Minegar and have him inform the landowner's Attorney, Mr. Hawes, that the County will require the landowner to put the Cargo Bins on

the filed Master Building plan temporarily. The County has informed me that since a Building Plan has been formally filed the Bins must be temporarily included if they are to remain. This may or may not get us around paying the annual County permit fees associated with the Cargo Bins. I estimate the total cost of both Sun Shade modifications to be about \$1500.00 or less. Certainly we have had expenses in demolition costs uncommon to any year I can remember.

This brings us to the next issue. It is important... so keep reading! Our demolition expenses have been relatively low cost compared to what they could have been. However, our costs have been high. By my calculations, if you take into account dues which start to matriculate in late November, we are just about breaking even with only a slight surplus. This fact, combined with the expenses of a new field has caused the Board concern regarding the current membership dues.

A Board motion was made to raise dues for the upcoming year and will be presented to the Club membership at this upcoming general meeting. With a vote for dues increase to be scheduled for the October meeting to allow 30 days of notice to the general club membership. This does not mean that we will be voting on a motion to raise dues this month, but we will be voting on it next month during the October meeting!!! Please be at both meetings to share your opinions and vote your conscience.

That brings us to our next expense. Unfortunately, it has been a few years since the club put money into resealing the runway. At the August Board meeting, the Board voted unanimously to spend the money necessary to reseal the field for the coming winter months. David Drowns managed to secure a very reasonable bid in the amount of \$2800.00. I will be presenting this bid at the general club meeting for approval.

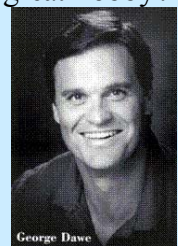
On August 16th the club hosted Cub Scout Pack #709's flying event. The event was run by Tom Minegar and Varley Longson. Ground School was conducted by David Drowns and Doug Albert. Tom Minegar and Bill Hill did a glider demonstration while John Cutler performed an aerobatic demonstration which was followed by David Drowns and Richard Martin's Combat demonstration. The show was capped off by Justin Barry's helicopter demonstration. The Cub Scouts got to try out their flying skills on 6 of the club's trainers. I encourage you to read Varley Longson's full article contained in this issue!

Finally, on September 14, 2008, the Palomar R/C Flyers hosted, what I hope will be one of our annual premier events: The WWI Dawn Patrol Scale Fly-in! What an event! We had 17 pilots with all 13 different types of WWI aircraft from all over Southern California. Robin Solomon ran a very nice swap meet with lots of participation! We had good food and Curtis Kitteringham directed the event in flawless fashion. All the pilots and spectators enjoyed themselves with lots of photos taken. This is an event with a lot of potential to grow and become one of the nations top WWI venues! See the photos!!!

Once again, that's all for this month. The time is flying by! Remember to look at our website in the coming weeks for the upcoming Palomar Dollar work party schedules. 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! Have fun in our great hobby!

Your President

George Dawe



BOARD MEETING

August 08

Called to order 7:00

The Driver's stand at the RC car track is fast disappearing thanks to Bob Peterson's diligent efforts. The usable computer components have been removed. George has been in contact with the county concerning permitting the storage bin at a cost of about \$425.00 a year.

The helicopter shade will be cut up to legal size by a small work party in October. The work party for legalizing the main shade structure will be in November, to be completed by 12/31/08.

The bid from George W. Weir Asphalt Co., to reseal the runway, was \$3348.00. It will be voted on at the club meeting on September 18th.

The Oceanside Stargazers group gave the board a proposed 2009 schedule of prime star watching nights. Dates are April 4th, May 2nd, June 27th, July 25th, August 29th, Sept 26th, Oct 24th, and Nov 21st.

The Board reviewed a proposal to raise the club dues. At this point in the year we have spent \$19,000.00. We still have runway expenses and upgrading of our trainer fleet., fencing materials, trophies and plaques, and sanitation expenses. Single member \$200.00. Family member \$220.00 with the ability to earn \$125.00 Palomar Dollars. Senior membership would remain \$75.00 with no Palomar Dollars requirement. We need the money and we need the help on our work parties.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

GENERAL MEETING Aug 08

Joe Buko reported that we have:-

Checking -- \$538.85

Money Makt Fund -- \$10544.49

Interest earned since deposit in March 07
\$570.96

Doug Albert was awarded the coveted silver coffee mug for winning the Open B combat event, by George. George also awarded Butch Abongan another coveted silver mug for winning SSC. After next weeks combat event they in turn will award silver mugs to those winners.

Tom Minigar reported on the event that he and Varley Longson ran with the help of many other club members for the Cub Scouts at our field. Another Boy Scout event will be held in October.

Our R.C. car stand has been contracted to be removed. This white elephant deal was done by Bob Peterson. Sun shades will be legalized by the end of the year.

The San Diego City Sheriff's Dept. has been given a key to the gate to let them in to work their dogs.

Several planes have been donated to the club by a former member. George will pick them up next week.

Our Dawn Patrol event for September 13th has been sanctioned. Curtis distributed fliers to several clubs over Southern California. We hope to make this an annual event.

After the break, George discussed the future of the raffle. We voted to keep it as is.

The Mall show scheduled for September 20th has been cancelled.

The Treasurer's report and Secretaries minutes were accepted as read.

Minutes of General Meeting Cont'd

The motion to cover the crane costs for removing the roof of the drivers stand up to \$600.00 was moved, seconded and carried.

The attendance prize, an OS 25 engine, was awarded to Mohammed Malas. He was not present so the prize carries over to next month.

Bob Peterson edged Bill Hill for the win at the inter club fun fly. Palomar is still in first place.

October 25th will be a pylon race for Quickie 500's, Sportsman, and Open B. We hope to have an inter club series. We will have the pylons up and hope to have a good turn out of both newbies and veteran racers. Call Dave Truax 760-747-3485 for details.

A representative from Oceanside Photo & Telescope gave a presentation and asked permission to use our field a few times a year for observation sessions. Members voted to OK it. More information will follow.

MODEL OF THE MONTH

Was won by Mario Alisio with a Great Planes Ultimate Biplane kit. It was powered by a Magnum .70 4-stroke. It Weighs in at 71/2 lbs. and took about 10 weeks of construction time. Excellent yellow and white covering scheme.

Other participants were:-

Robin Solomon with a Great Planes Piper Cherokee .40 ARF.

Don White with an Avant Aurora Helicopter, powered by a YS .91 4-stroke. Manufactured by club member Augusto Aravallo. Made in USA

Angel with a coroplast SSC Combat Model powered by a Magnum .15 whose main unusual features were kill marks of George's face.

Justin Barry showed his version of the same helicopter as Don White with the latest quick reaction servos.

The raffle main winners were as follows:-

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| P-51 ARF | Bob Peterson |
| Flight PAC | Doug Albert |
| Die cast P51 | Bob Peterson |
| OS 46 | Mario Alisio |

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CUB SCOUT EVENT



CUB SCOUTS LEARN TO FLY R/C

On Saturday, August 16, Cub Scout pack #709 from Vista led by Ray Timmerman came to Johnson Field to try their hands at flying R/C planes.

Palomar R/C Flyers provided six trainers for the group to fly along with several instructors and support people. We put three trainers in the air at a time and each got to fly at least two – three times. The smiles on their faces and excitement in their eyes were very satisfying to see.

Even some of the parents got into the action!

Prior to everyone flying, a “ground school” was given by David Drowns and Doug Albert. When they came to the flight line they were basically familiar with the controls, but actually seeing what movements the stick would do to the model in the air was really exciting to them!

During a break a glider tow demonstration was put on by Tom Minegar and Bill Hill. Tom used his big gasoline powered Cub to tow Bill’s glider in the air. Tom also demonstrated an electric powered flying wing and hand catch at the end of the flight. Bill also flew his electric powered T-28 for the kids.

John Cutler gave an acrobatic demo flying his Yak-54 powered with a SPE 26 gas engine.

David Drowns and Richard Martin gave a combat demonstration for the kids and there was a lot of gasps when several times the planes nearly collided and of course a big one when David got the “cut”.

The big thrill for the kids was at the end of the day when Justin Barry came over and gave a helicopter demonstration, doing things that seem impossible for a helicopter to do, but Justin does with no problem at all.

A big thanks to all the Palomar R/C Flyers who helped put this event on! Also thanks to the Burkes for use of Hilltop Hangar for storage of planes before and after.

Pictures provided by Tom Johnston.

Varley



CUB SCOUTS EVENT



DAWN PATROL

SATURDAY 13TH September









SEEN AT THE FIELD

By Ethel Burke



Ed Ramsey returns after an absence bringing out a new Sig ARF P-51B model razorback for its maiden flight. He runs a Saito 100 4-stroke glow engine with Spring Air retracts weighing only 9-1/4 lbs.



Varley Longson provides us with lots of excitement as he flies his new Edge 540 ARF by Carl Goldberg. It is powered by a DA-50 gas engine with a 23 x 8 prop. The wing span is 77 in. and he is running high-



Tim Waldon and his lovely lady flyer brought out a new Cessna 182 ARF by Great Planes. The engine is an OS-FS-40 4-stroke glow. His radio, receiver, & servos are all Hitec.



Labor Day was busy at the flying field and was sure not dull with Robert Wiley prepping here to fly his giant Extra 300 2.6 meter with 102 in. wing span. It is well-powered with a BME-110 gas engine. He is using a 27 x 10 prop with a canister muffler.

SEEN AT THE FIELD Continued



Bill Hill gets some practice in for the Dawn Patrol WWI event with a maiden flight on his new 1/6 scale Nieuport 17 biplane. He built this Balsa USA kit weighing in at only 5-1/2 lbs. He is running an electric motor AXI 4120/18 with a 13 x 6 prop. He has two 3-cell 2170 milliamp batteries in series with a Jeti 70 amp speed controller. Spectrum radio and Hitec servos are used. Nicely detailed to scale, and the pilot's head turns with the rudder servo.

Graham Lloyd writes from across the pond

As you can tell from the rate of my building, the weather here in England has been dreadful. I think we have had two days with the wind below 10 mph and lots of the wet stuff as well. This plane is interesting as the fuselage is two sheets of 1/8 carbon fiber at the front end with a balsa frame at the rear end. The whole lot is then covered with a 1/64 sheet of carbon fiber each side. Very strong and not much extra weight. FS70 up front so had to add 2 oz. of tail weight. I have a mate who works for a carbon factory; this sort of sheet is very expensive.

Graham Lloyd



SEEN AT THE FIELD

Continued

James D'Eliseo always delights the crowd with his flying skills. We like to watch those fast snap rolls on takeoffs just clearing the runway, and he can actually hover his planes so low with the tail never touching the ground. How we do envy him! Here he is flying his Cap 232 from Hangar 9. It is powered by a Moki 210, and it has a 72 in. wing span. Thanks for your performance, James!



Combat Corner

COMBAT CORNER

BY. DARRELL ALBERT

The Battle of Britain is over and everyone had a great time. We had 19 pilots this time, which shows that combat is growing in So.Cal... The Butch or Bust had a hard time this contest. I do want to thank all the pilots that came to the contest, and hope to see more at the December 6th and 7th contest.

In SSC 1st place went to Todd Melton with 908 points, 2nd went to Doug Albert with 810 points, and 3rd went to Michael Banschbach with 760 points. In Open-B, 1st place was Peter Sullivan with 920 points, 2nd was Doug Albert with 815 points, and 3rd was David Drowns with 800 points. The overall points winner was Doug Albert with 1625 points.

I also want to thank Dwayne Yates of Pure-Tech and Terry Harner of Area 52 for their donations of prizes.

So remember no cuts (guts) no glory.

The way I will set up the running of next years contest is the following:

1. Registration starting at 8:15 to 8:45
2. Pilots meeting 8:45 to 9:15
3. Open field for trim flight 9:15 to 9:50
4. First flight to be ready at 9:55 to take off at 10:00
5. Fly first two round of all classes then break for lunch and allow pilot to look for aircraft that have landed beyond the bank. For this year, if your aircraft can not be retrieved from the sight of the bank you will not be able to retrieve it until the break. (Suggest that you have at least 2 aircraft per event).

Next years calendar is proposed as follows;

April 26th

The Hunt for Yamamoto
Classes 2548, SSC, and Open-B

July 26th:

The Battle of Rabual
Classes: 2548, SSC, and Open-B

Aug. 23rd

The Battle of Britain
Classes 2548, SSC, and Open-B

Dec. 5-6th

The Pearl Harbor Classic
Classes 2584, SSC, and Open-B





THE COMPETITORS



**THE DEMISE
OF THE DRIVERS STAND**



Drivers stand

As we say in R/C, what goes up, must come down. It is also the same with drivers stands. Here are a couple photos of how things are going at this time. If anyone in the club is interested in some CHEAP 4' chain link fence, let me know.

George said that after the track area is cleaned and smoothed, he will be putting in a carpet track for electric cars, swing sets for those of you that have children, a horseshoe pit, and a jogging track. He will be asking for your vote to appropriate about \$20,000 for this project. Let's support him. Right? Right? NO?

Bob Peterson

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 **September 18th** 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 - Johnson 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 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

