



Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.

Transmitter

March 2025



Hello and welcome March 2025!

As I write this newsletter, I will try and describe the Helicopter Fun Fly. The event was well attended and I witnessed some terrific flying. There was food for everyone. All of the pilots had plenty of flite time. These guys can really fly. It was, by far, a well-organized event!!

We received some really great news from Joe Villarreal regarding our stay at Johnson field; looks like its possible we will remain here until June 2026! With that good news, we are still proceeding with the Valley Center site. Material has been purchased, and a build date is in the near future. Scott Ralston has done a terrific job of developing that site. If you have not been up there, you are missing out!

Speaking of the future, our flight training continues with a start date in June, mostly to accommodate students time off for the summer.

Vic Lerum and his committee are putting together an EDF Jet fun fly, with buddy boxes, lunch and some great exposure for the younger group to go out and learn about our club and how to fly a jet.

As a member, you have a voice, if you have any suggestions or complaints, please see me or a board member. You will be heard!

Charles Lewis, President of the Palomar R/C Flyers, Inc.

February 12, 2025 BOD Minutes

Palomar Radio Control Flyers Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Compiled by: David Ellis, Secretary PRCF

President: Charles Lewis

Vice President: Don Davis

Treasurer: Doug Abel

Secretary: David Ellis

Safety Officer: Mark Olsen

Board members: Joe Villareal, Chuck Riley, Eric Armstrong, Vic Lerum **Additional Roles:**

Chief Flight Instructor: Mark Olson

Membership Chairman: Jim Christy

Webmaster: Richard Torres

Call to order: February 12, 2025, 6:30 PM Via Zoom.

Treasurer's Summary for Month of January 2025

Total Income - \$5,401.00

Big Items: (approx.)

\$1070 – Heli Fun fly 2025 Ticket Purchases

\$4,330 2025 Membership purchases

Total Expenses - \$6,770.84

Big Items: (Approx.)

\$845 - Christmas Dinner Awards & Raffle Prizes

\$465 - AMA Charter & Field Insurance

\$3,000 - Valley Center Field Rent

\$1,535 - New Canopies, T-shirts & Tumblers for Heli Fun Fly

\$660 - Runway Sweeping, Trash, Porta Potties

\$140 - Paypal Fees

Total Net Loss of \$1,369.84

Total Account balance for the club as of 10-16-2024 is \$69,830.42

Meeting agenda topics and approvals

“Feather Flags” – we will delay purchasing until club spending on new field settles down.

Training Budget/Allowance – **BOD approved** \$500 “allowance” for Training leaders to be able to spend without awaiting BOD approval - for items such as replacing a lost airplane, batteries, parts.

Heli Fun Fly – Lot's of prizes donated by sponsors, breakfast, lunch, & dinner available, porta-potties & wash stations will be ready, runway will be swept the day before the event

BOD Approved – Reimbursement to Scott Rolston for the amount of \$10,054.17

Valley Center field – material is being gathered for benches & shade structures. Holes for shade posts will be dug in upcoming weeks.



Membership Chairman James Christy



President Emeritus Bill Hill on an overcast day

The next Trifecta will be held on Sunday, March 2, 2025 @ 9 am.



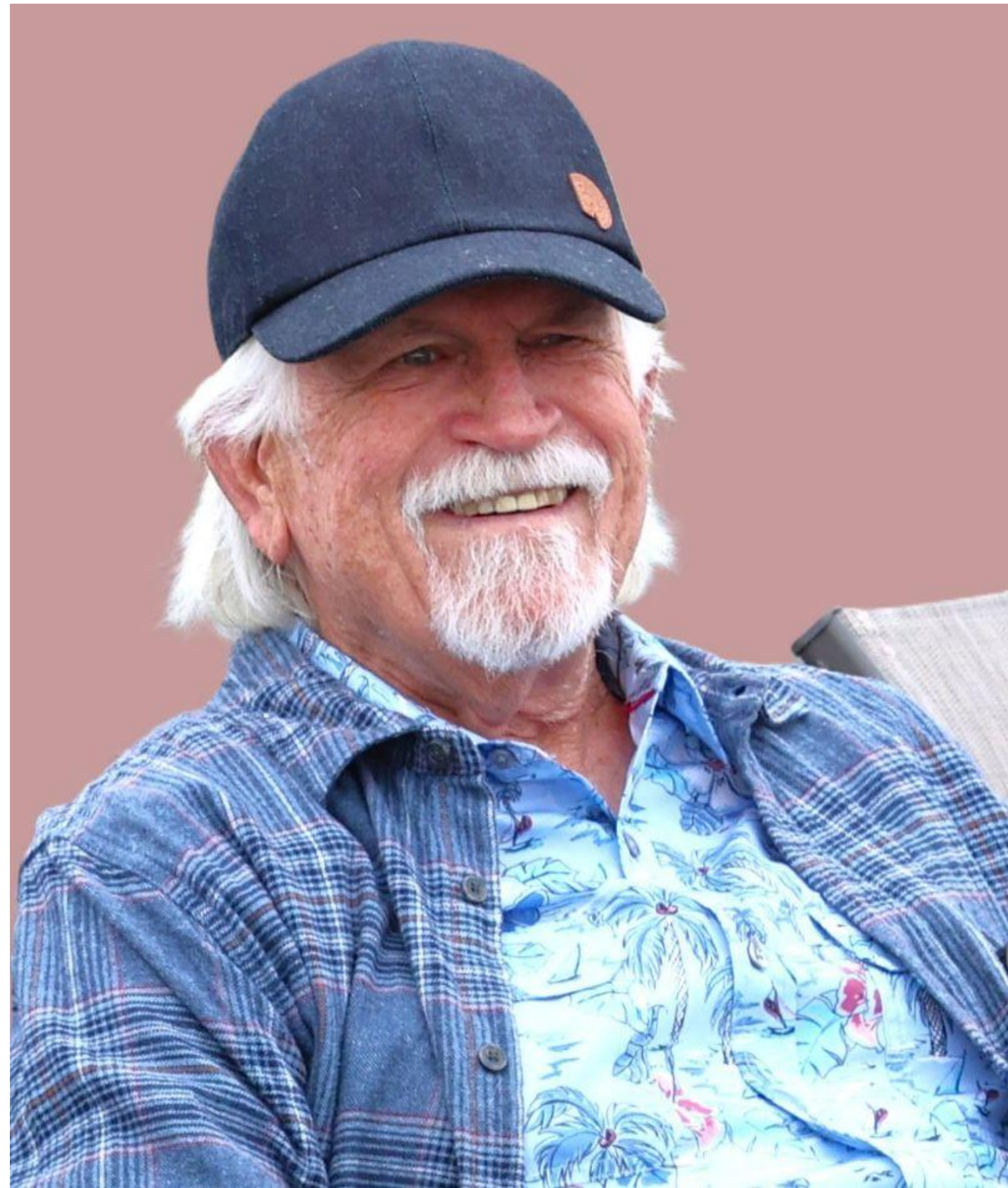
Lady RoseMary and Lord Creedon





Patrick Pnanica on a cool morning

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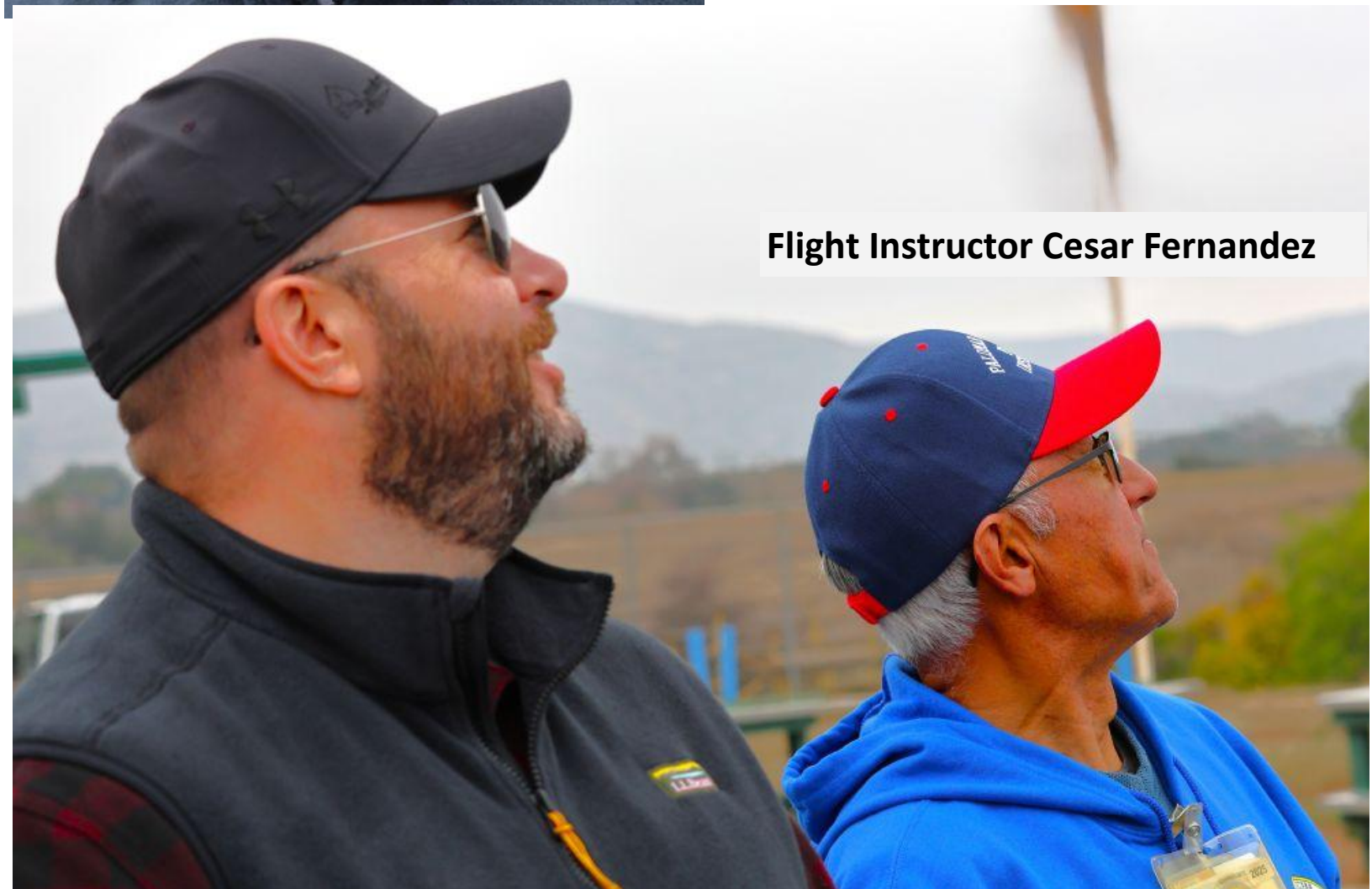
Curtis Kitteringham— See February 2025 issue of AMA Magazine for a report about Curtis. He's a very accomplished pilot!



President Emeritus George Dawe



Student Pilot Paul Hitchcock



Flight Instructor Cesar Fernandez



David Bracci





Don Wadlington

President Emeritus Bill Hill



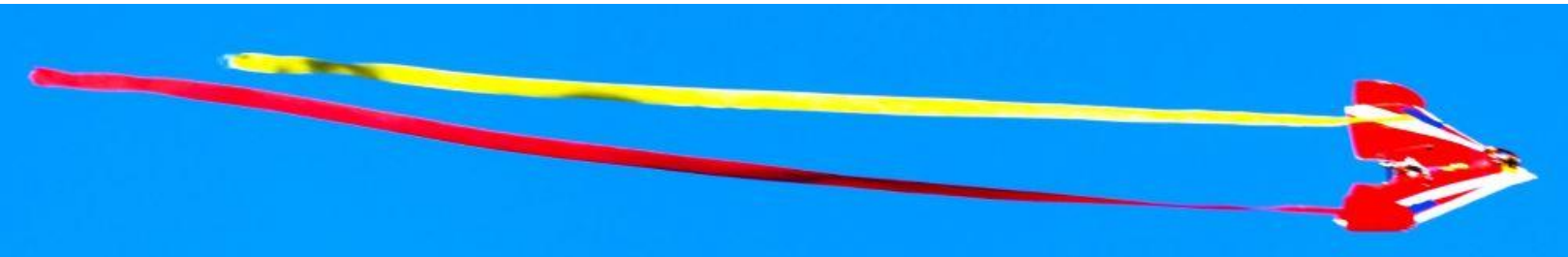
Trifecta

February 8, 2025

Scorekeeper Smokey
Scott Ralston



Chuck Riley, Brandon Liesemeyer, William Taft, Joe Villarreal



Steve Gebler

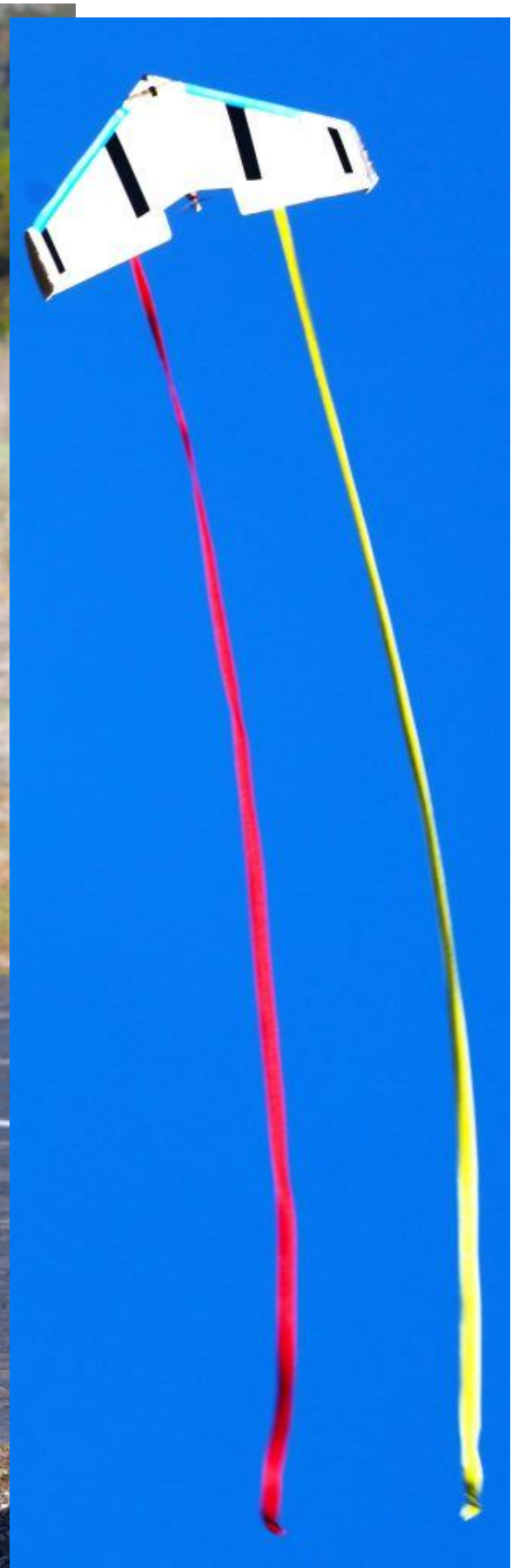
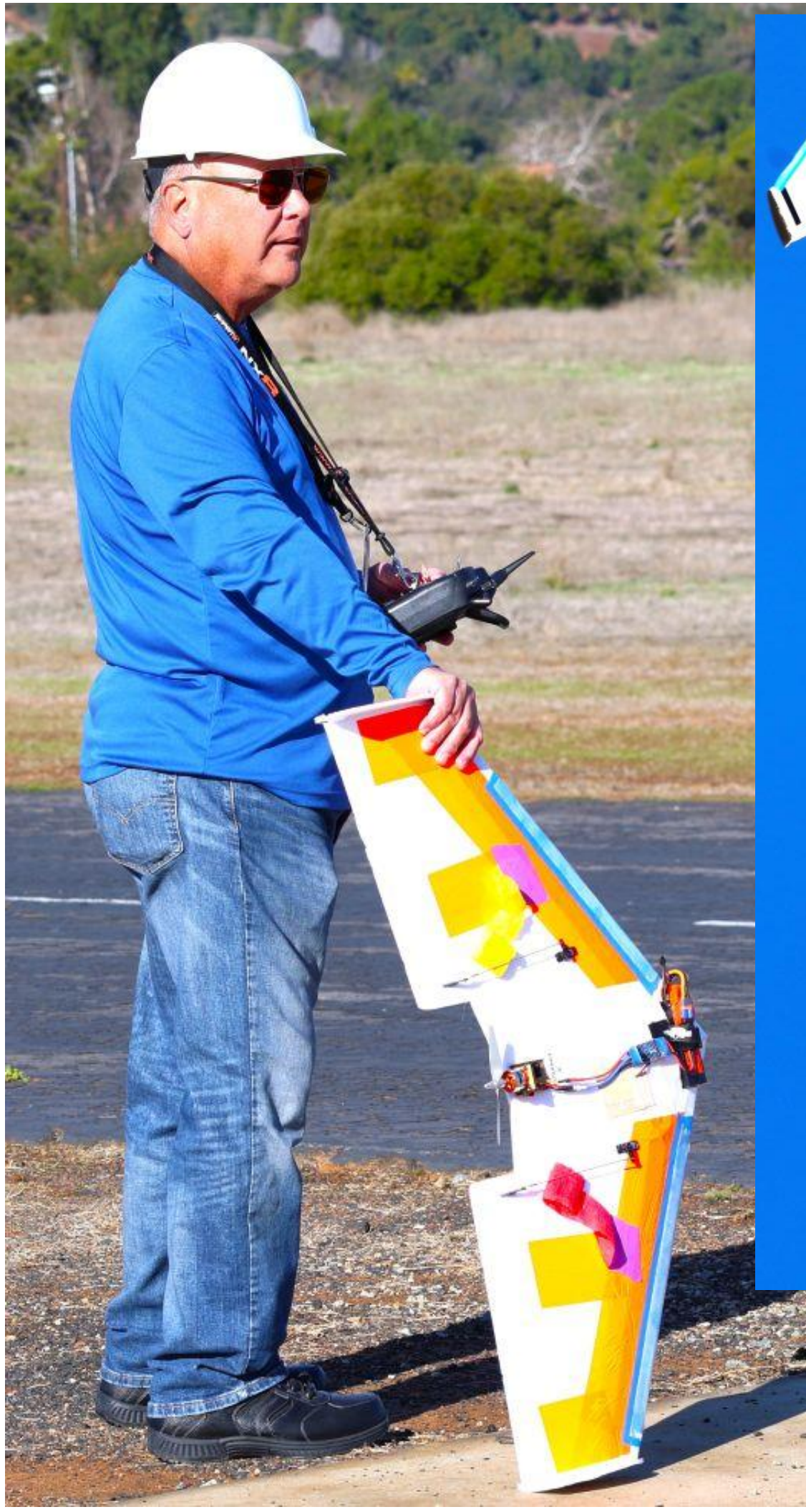


Safety Officer Mark OLson



William Taft



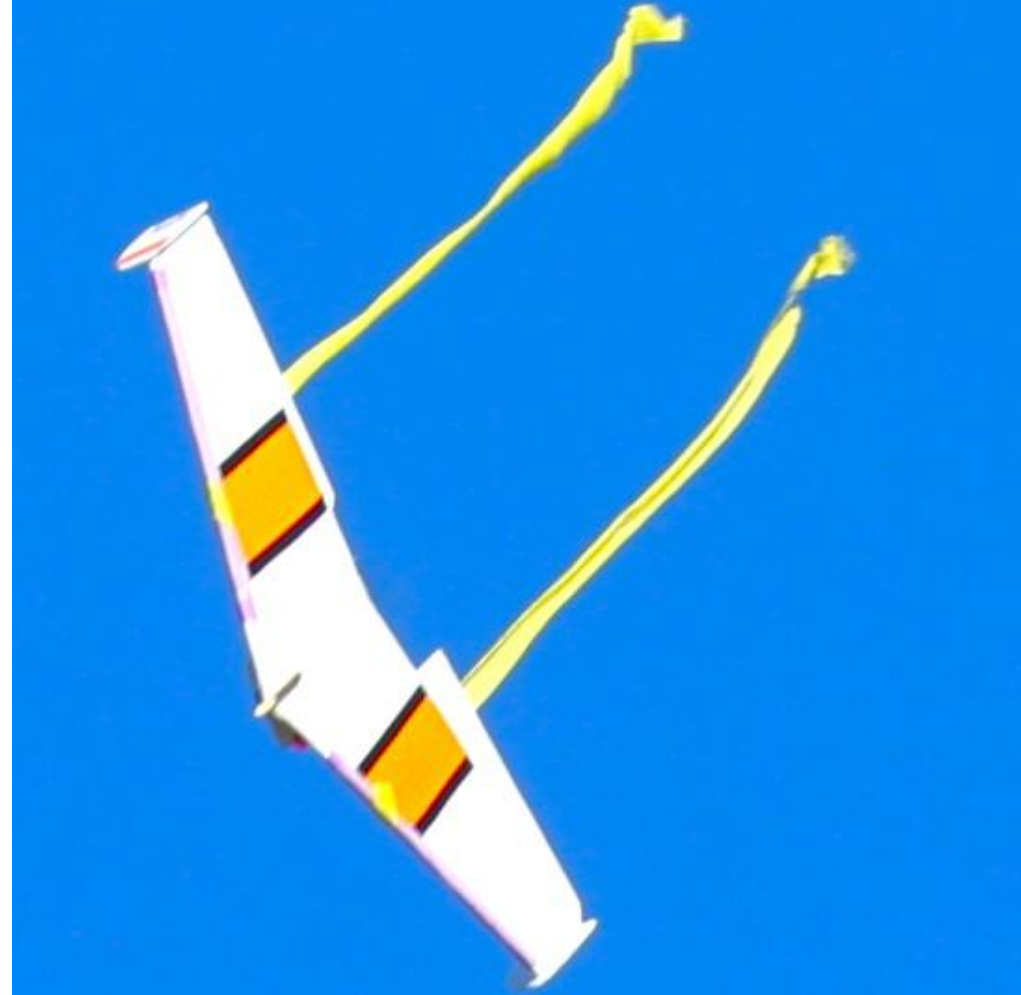


Mark Olson



President Emeritus Joe Villarreal





Below
Randy Brunette and Secretary Dave Ellis





Chuck Riley



Brandon Liesemeyer



Steve Gebler, Randy Brunette, Scott Ralston, David Ellis, William Taft, Joe Villarreal





Mark Olson, Brandon Liesemeyer, Chuck Riley, William Taft, Joe Villarreal, Randy Brunette, Steve Gebler





Steve Gebler

Chuck Riley

Brandon Liesemeyer Trifecta winners



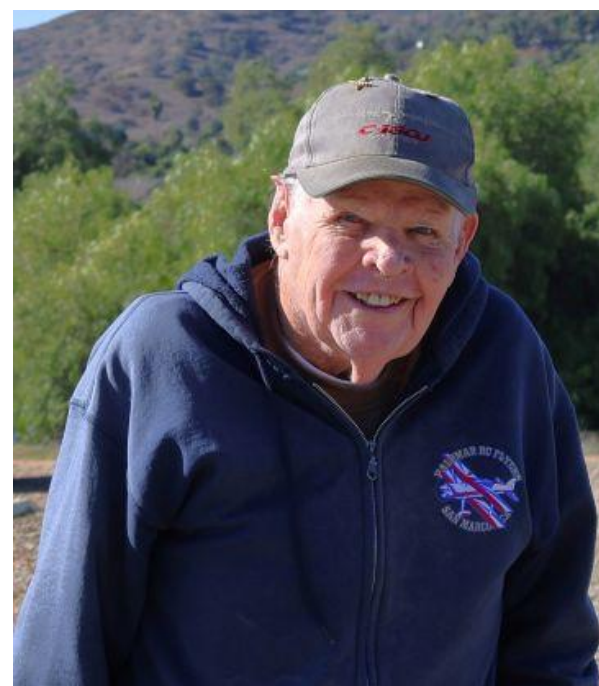
Nolan and Mike

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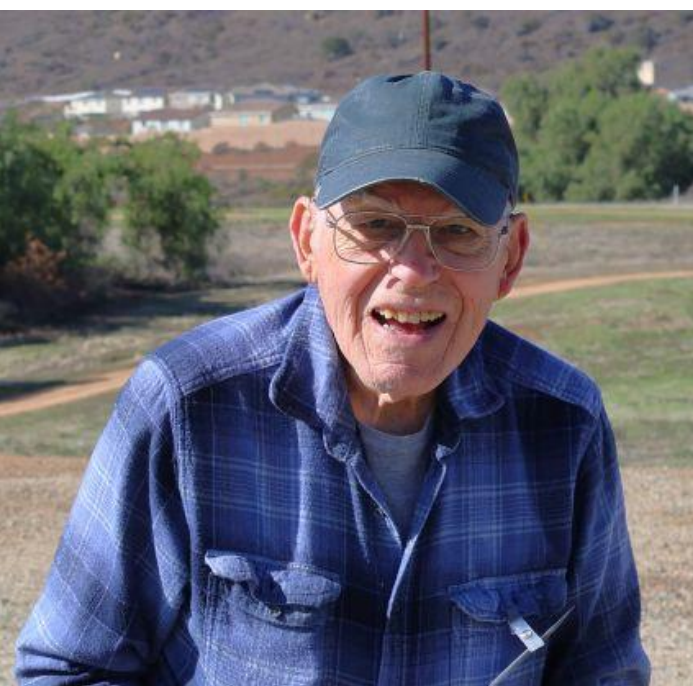
(Mike is the dad)

They fly on Saturdays

Feb.8, 2025.



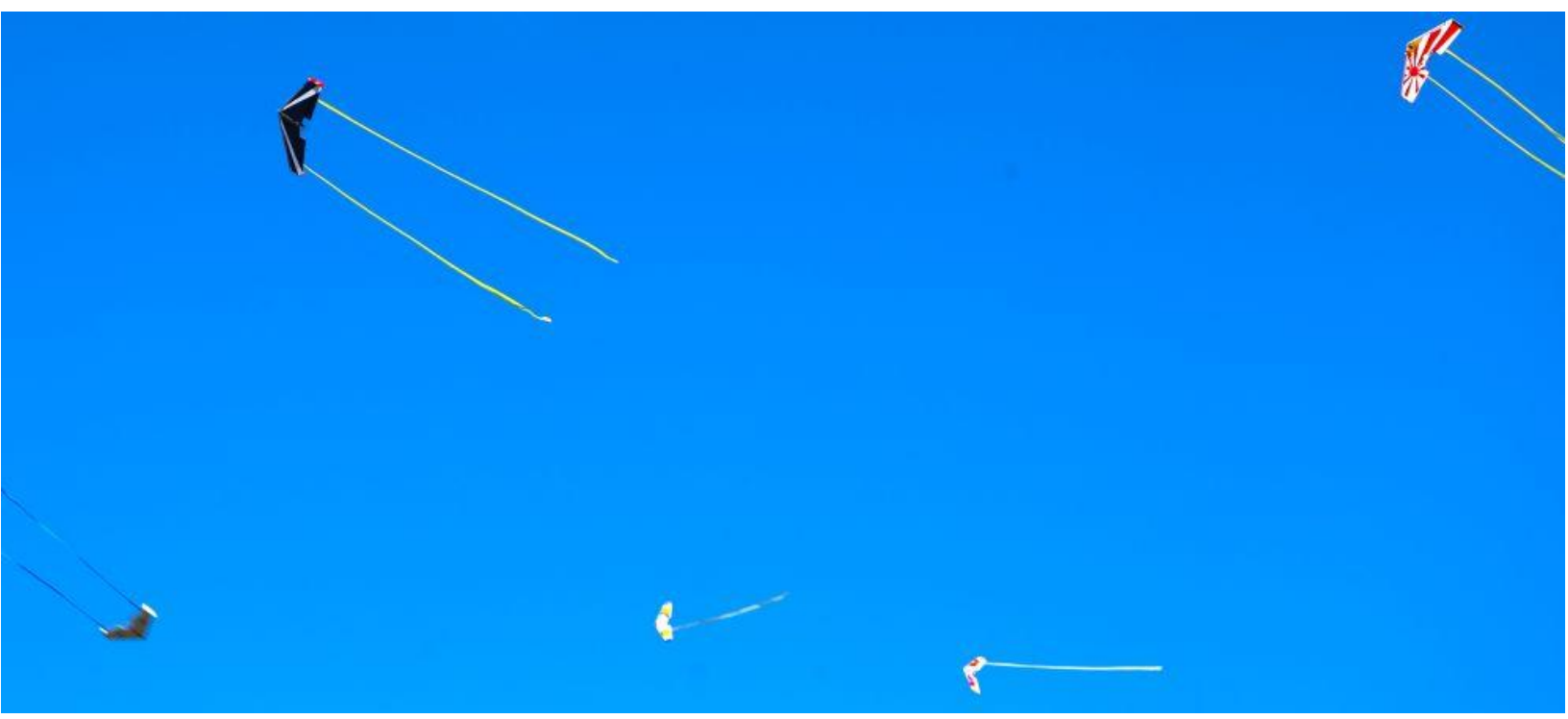
Youthful John Hartsell Sr.



Pathfinder Roger Cosio III



This DR-1 belongs to Bill Hill. Patrick Pranica built and finished it. Outstanding plane that the camera loves!



*February 15, 2025 Club Meeting on
the following pages.....*

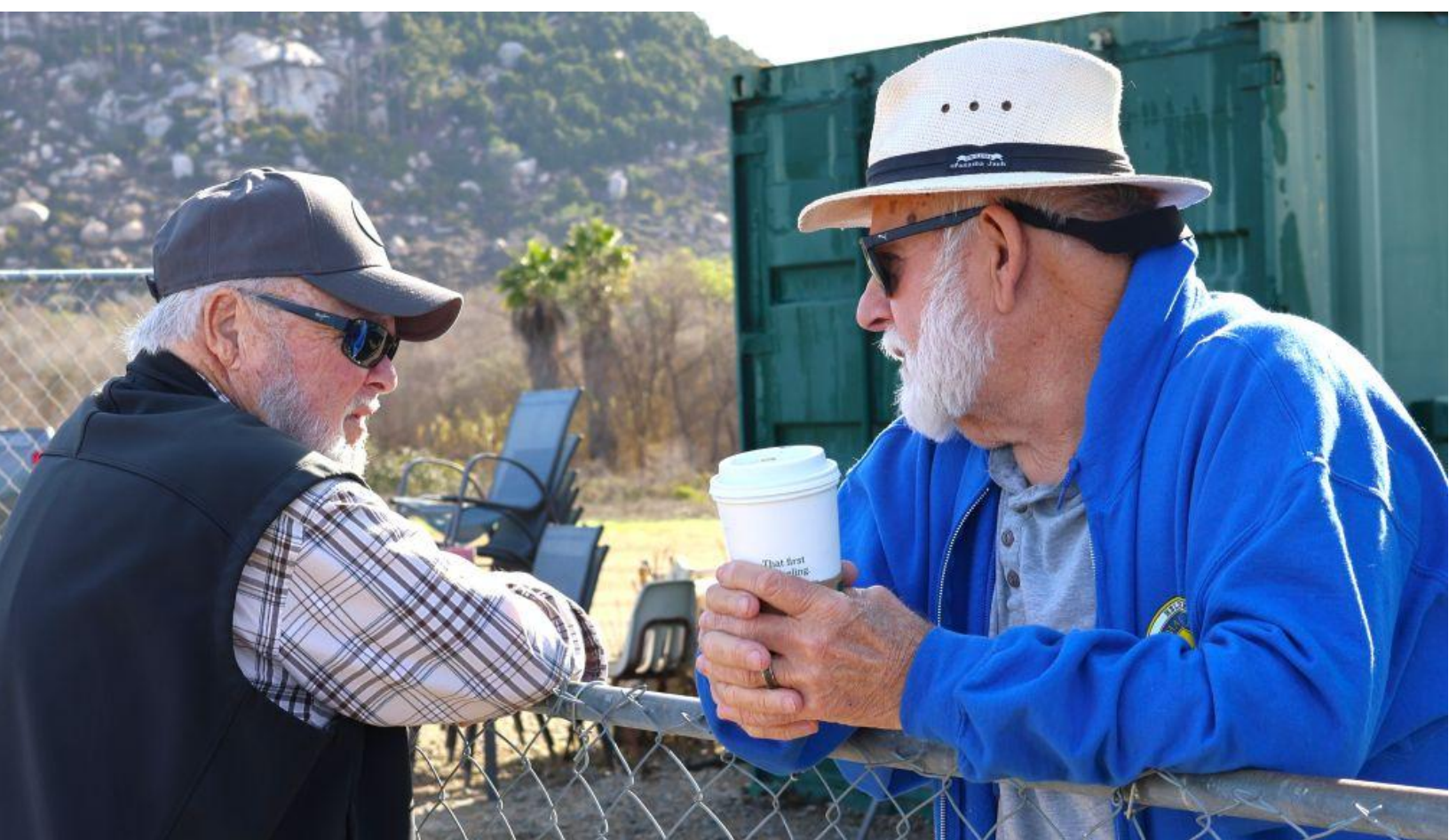


Cast of Characters: Steve Gebler, Jennifer Torres, Richard Torres, Dave Ellis, Charles Lewis, Rick Hilton



V.P. Don Davis

Richard Bell



Mandatory photo of Jim Gallacher

Manny Souza



President Charles Lewis

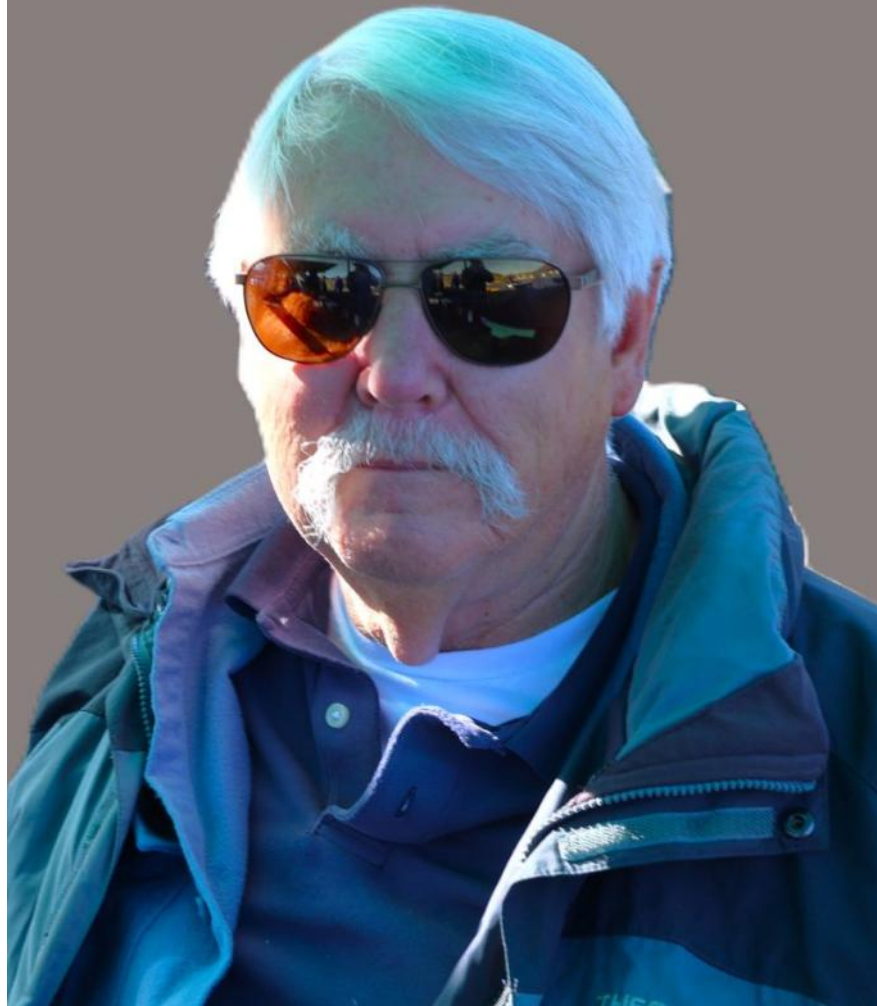
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Roger Cosio

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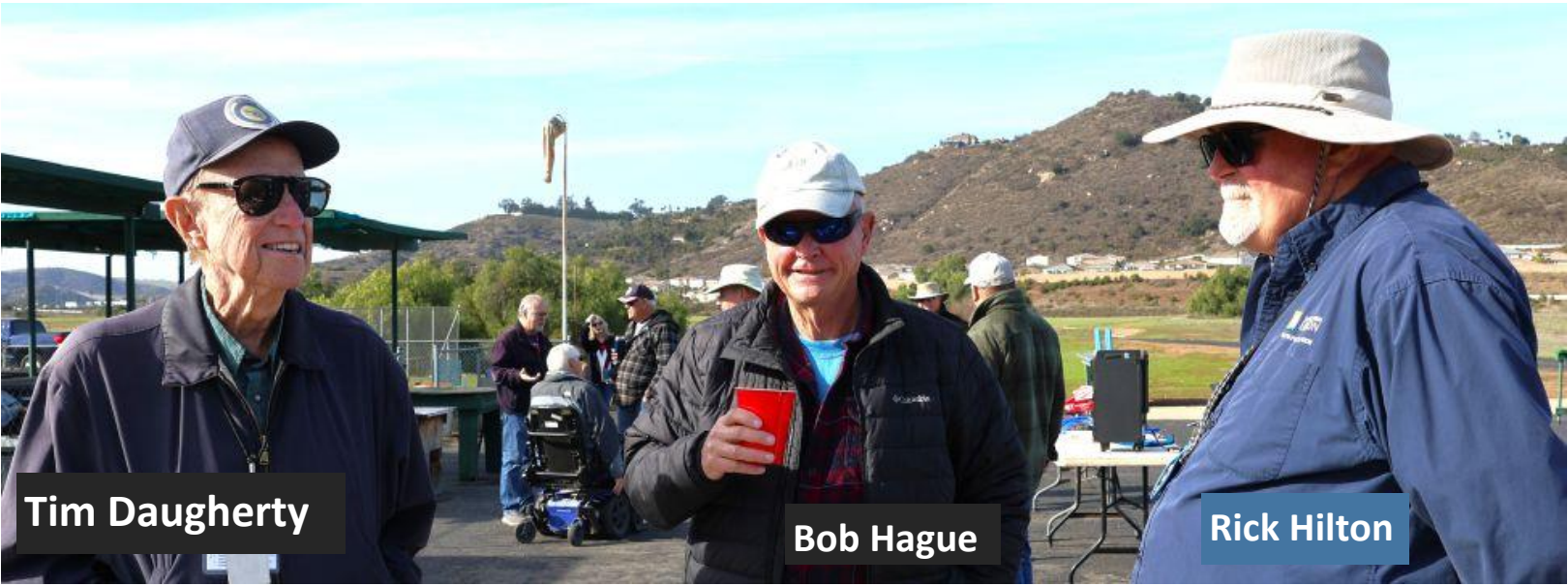
Board member Joe Villareal has been in contact with the owners of our field and was recently informed that we would be able to use it to June 2026, 16 months from now! Pictured are board members, the VP and President.



Cap't Barry Hirschberg

Steve Gebler

Randy Brunette



Tim Daugherty

Bob Hague

Rick Hilton



President Charles Lewis



Treasurer Doug Abel gave his report to the club.



Eric Armstrong spoke about the Heli-Fun Fly.



Mark Anderson

V.P. Don Davis



Scott McClintock

Chuck Riley

Tim Hitchcock

Steve Gebler



The airplane which Steve is holding is controlled by four pilots! Each pilot controls only one function. E.G. Steve controls engine speed. He speeds down the runway and Chuck Riley controls the elevator. After the plane is airborne, Scott controls the rudder while Tim controls the ailerons! They managed two short flights of about 2 or 3 seconds before the plane cartwheeled. It was a hoot!





President Emeritus Steve Gebler shows a model rocket that is battery powered and has a propeller. It flies to 200 feet when a parachute deploys and it lands. He gets 40 flights on one battery charge! It's a hoot too!



President Emeritus George Dawe received his plaque for Model of the Month for August 2024 for his Fokker DR-1.



Wayne Bonfietti won Model of the Month for Feb. 2025 for his P-38.



Chuck Riley created this adjustable stand for his models. The workmanship is superb!

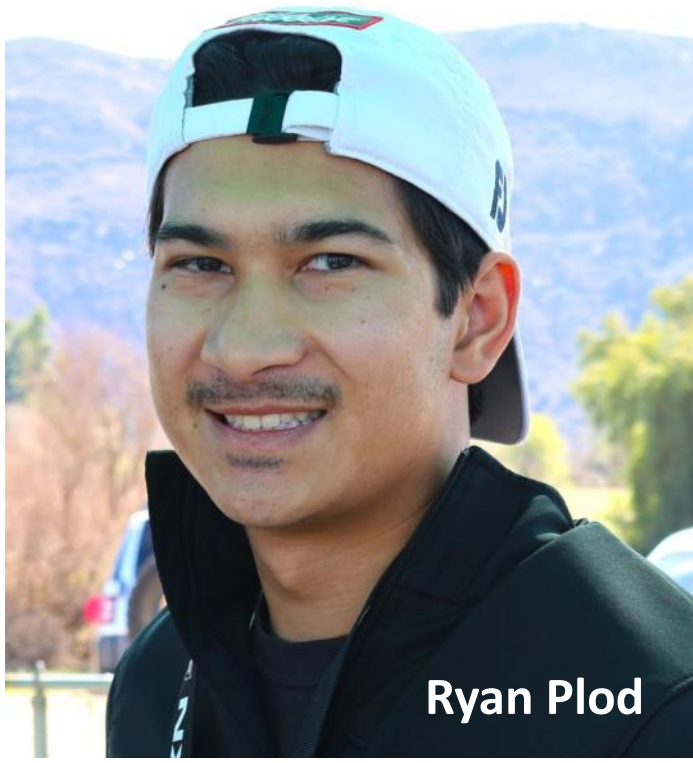


Mark Anderson on the left instructing Paul Hitchcock.



Ryan Gadiano





Ryan Plod

2025 Palomar R/C Flyers Heli-Fun Fly!!!



Wednesday February 19, 2025 the day before the Heli Fun-Fly, saw two campers. The front one belongs to Don White while the other belongs to Eric Armstrong. They early to set up for the Fun Fly.



Our parking area was filled to capacity with so many heli pilots from near and far. It was well-attended. Put these three photos side-by-side for a panoramic view of our parking area!



Scott Dedic and Richard Keppel



All the front row seats you could want and more going the other way!



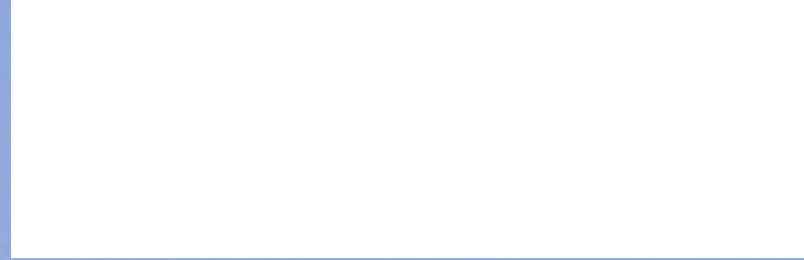
**Bob Holkan from Sacramento
drove 9 hours to our Heli Fun-Fly!**

**Rhonda and Varley
Longson**



*Rhonda Longson and Barbara
Villarreal*







He has a fist-full of raffle tickets!



HELI'S KITCHEN



Eric Armstrong



**Eric Armstrong and
Richard Torres**



Pablo Castro
on Feb. 25,
2025

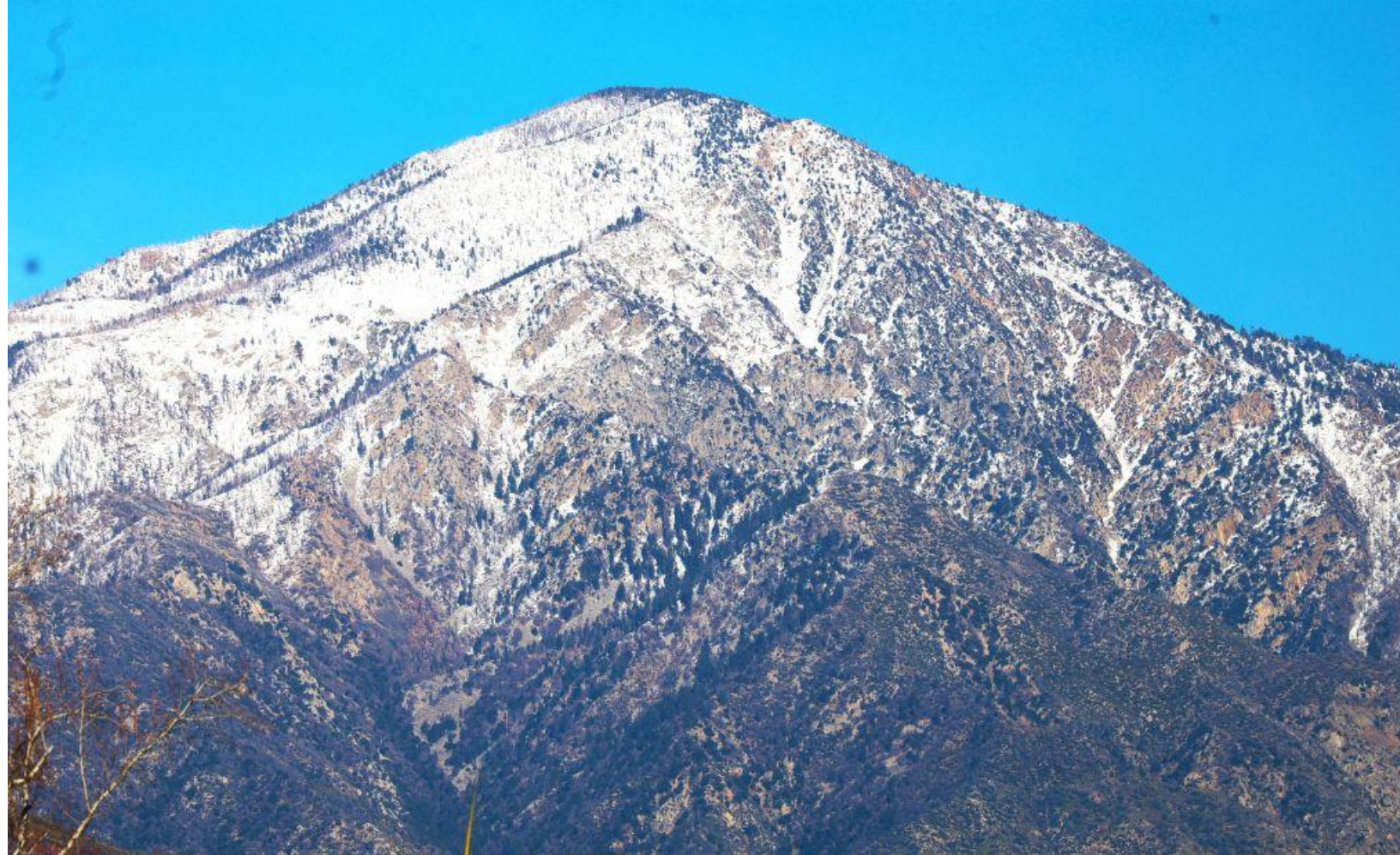
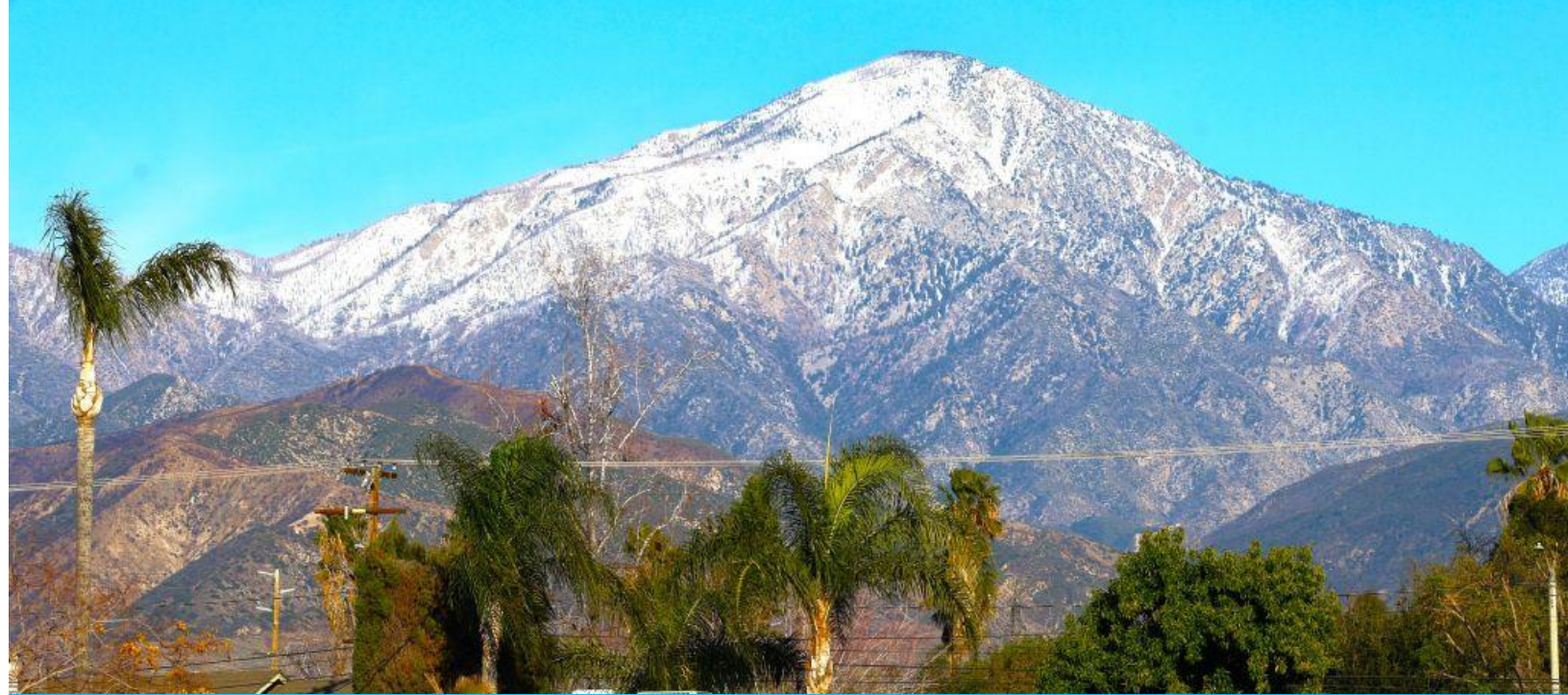




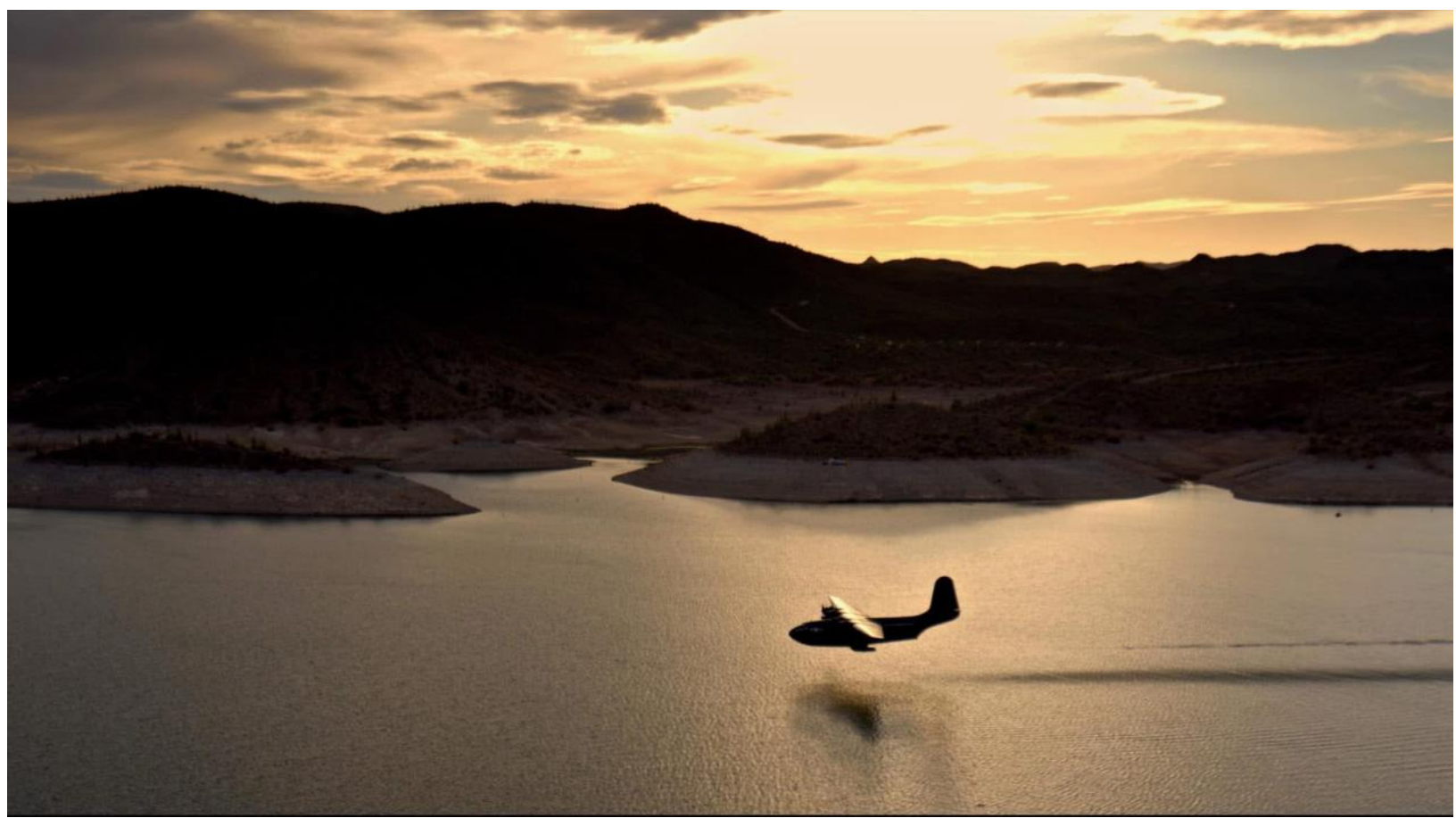
Above is Steve Gebler's aerobatic bi-plane.

Below, is Bill Hill's excellent, beautiful Waco YMF-5





100 miles to the north are the Idelwild Mountains. I took these photos in Redlands, CA, home of the University of Redlands. I like snow far away.



On Feb. 10, 2025, the Philippine Mars, a large amphibian from 1946, flew the final leg of its journey to the Pima Air Museum in Arizona. It is shown here landing on Lake Pleasant in Arizona where it was dismantled and trucked to the museum as its final resting place.



A sunset in Costa Rica which your editor took.



Your editor with what looks like a half-scale Fokker DR-1. The full-scale has a wingspan of 23 feet 7 inches. This model looks like it has a wingspan of half that size. It's my guess. What do you think? Have you seen this model fly?

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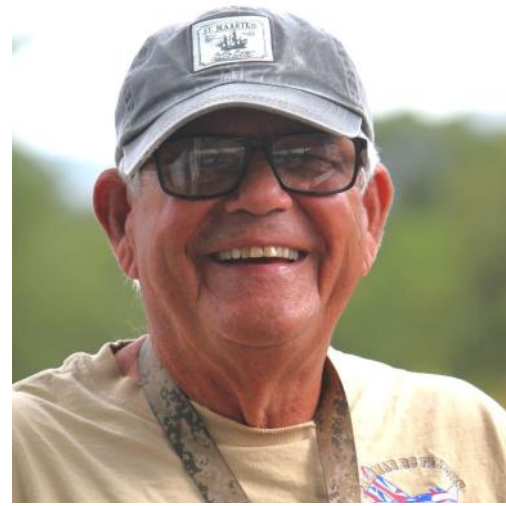
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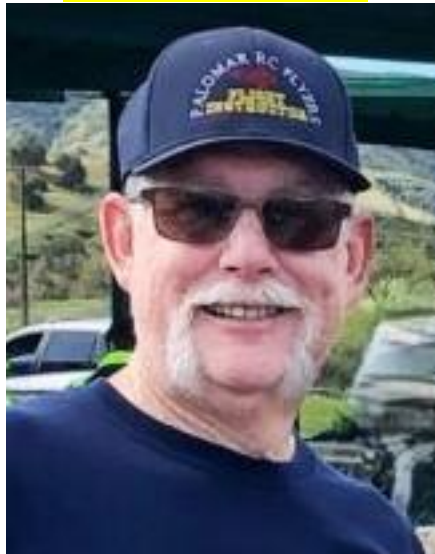


Treasurer Doug Abel

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Safety Officer: Mark Olson and Board member



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