

THE FLYER



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Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

August 2020

AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING

We will hold an informal meeting at the pavilion at 7:00 PM Tuesday August 18.

BE VIRUS SAFE. Maryland has relaxed some outdoor gathering restrictions. However, our members are still urged to refrain from gathering in groups of more than 10 in any one area of the field (e.g., under the pavilion), and to mind the 6-foot social-distancing guideline. Members are encouraged to wear a face mask; and, please, if you don't feel well, do not come to the field.

Members are responsible for their own health. Every member should assume that all surfaces at the field are contaminated and will remain so for extended periods of time from the last human contact. **Neither PGRC nor M-NCPPC are responsible should you contract COVID-19 at the field.**

MEMBERSHIP MEETING. We held a brief membership meeting at the pavilion on 19 July.

New Members. Vincent Neal, from northern Virginia and previously from California, joined up and introduced himself. He is a drone flyer, and wants to learn to fly fixed-wing electrics. Alan Goodman also reported the joining of new member Sokha Pann, an accomplished flyer of EDFs and other models. Sokha is deaf and mute, but can communicate effectively with anyone via an app on his smart phone. Welcome aboard, Vincent and Sokha.

Treasury. We currently have \$8,129 in the treasury, and 149 paid members.

NATS. Steve Baker recapped his trip to the NATS in Muncie where, due to COVID, the only events competed were pylon and control line. He got his hotel room for half price, and

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PGRC DUES SCHEDULE

Initial Assessment (New First-Time Members)	\$100
Annual Dues (General)	\$75
Annual Dues (Junior)	\$10
Annual Dues (Family)	\$85

Annual dues for current members are considered late if paid after the January general membership meeting. An additional \$25 late fee will be assessed. New members joining after July 31 pay half the annual dues for the remainder of the year.

Dues can be paid at the meetings, via Pay Pal, or can be mailed to:

Steve Baker
12215 Malin Lane
Bowie, MD 20715

Be sure to include your address, phone number, **and AMA Number** if paid by check. You **must** be an active AMA member to fly at the field.

DIRECTIONS TO PGRC FIELD

(South of Bowie, MD) Take US Rt. 301 south approx. 3 miles south of Rt. 214. Turn east on Swanson Rd. and follow the signs. Address: 17230 Swanson Rd, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

RUNWAY COORDINATES

38°51'03"N 76°41'59"W

PGRC'S WEB SITE

Visit with PGRC on the Internet:
<http://www.pgrclub.com/>

brought all his pylon planes home with him - a successful trip. He also brought back 48 gallons of glow fuel for sale to PGRC members.

Sullivan Store. Member Chuck Russell works for Sullivan, the noted RC parts and equipment manufacturer, at their facility in east Baltimore. Besides design and manufacturing, the facility also features a walk-up retail counter. Chuck indicated that he can arrange for a discount for PGRC members.

Raffle and 50-50. Willie Randall won a glow igniter in the raffle. Jonathan Schumacher missed out on \$73.50 in the 50-50 drawing. He was at the field in the afternoon, but departed before the meeting. Too bad, Jonathan.

FROM THE BOARD MEETING. The Board held a short meeting at the pavilion on 4 August. The following is a recap:

Remaining 2020 Events Cancelled. The remaining PGRC flying events for 2020: Big Bird / War Bird Fly-In, and Electric Fly-In, have been cancelled due to the continuing Coronavirus situation. As with our previous 2020 cancellations, the level of effort involved with staging these events versus the health risks and likely impacts on attendance led us to the cancellation decision.

Meetings. We will continue to hold brief Board and Membership meetings, as normally scheduled, under the pavilion.

Road Maintenance. Our hay farmer friend, Mike, has offered to help us spread asphalt millings with his Bobcat, when we can get a few loads delivered. We will alert our members when we schedule the road maintenance activities.

Tractor. We have resolved an infuriating ignition problem with the tractor by flushing out several decades worth of debris from the distributor housing and installing new points, plug wires, cap and rotor. Rick also had a broken hitch strut repaired by a local welder.

Runway Cracks. We are contacting our runway re-surfacing contractor to fill some widening / deepening cracks in the runway.

We'll let everyone know when this repair is scheduled.

New Seat. Alan Goodman has replaced the drooping bench seat on the picnic table at the north end of the pavilion with a new 2x10 plank. This has been in need of repair for only ten years or so.



Terp Team Visit. A team of engineering students from University of Maryland will be visiting the field periodically as part of their involvement in an aviation research project. Bob Gensler and other PGRC members will be assisting.



ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS. If you are receiving the newsletter via the US mail and have an e-mail account, please send me your e-mail address to receive the newsletter via e-mail. You'll get it sooner and in color, and you'll be saving the Club money. Also, if you don't see your AMA number next to your name in the Current Members list posted in most issues of the newsletter, we do not have it in our database. Please e-mail it to me at cagettier@gmail.com. Thanks.

2020 GATE KEYS. Gate keys for the 2020 season are available for sale (\$5) to paid-up soloed members. Board members will carry a supply of keys with them, for sale to our members throughout the year.

MOWING SCHEDULE. Mowing will normally start around 10:00 Wednesday mornings and be completed by early afternoon. If inclement weather is forecast for Wednesday, the grass will be cut on a later day as soon as conditions allow.

At this time of year, with flourishing crab grass and hot humid weather, we will attempt to cut the infield twice a week if necessary, to minimize clumping of the cut grass. This will generally occur early Saturday or Sunday, and take approximately one hour to minimize disruption of flying activities.

STUFF FOR SALE - (LEGIT)

From: [Maureen Asper](#)
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 4:53 PM
To: [Alan Goodman](#)
Subject: deep discount on planes prior to moving in August

Hi Alan -
A month ago I sent you a pdf of the planes in my husband's estate, I want to thank you for sharing with your members. I am scheduled to move at the end of August so I have cut prices on all planes left by 25% - 50%. Would you be so kind to circulate this final price list? I know several buyers were admiring the more expensive planes, but felt they were out of reach financially. They have been drastically discounted now. I will be auctioning off what is left, but I wanted to give everyone one last chance before they go. The less I have to transport, the better!!
All price and contact information is in the pdf. Thank you in advance for passing this along. ~ Maureen Asper
(Contact Maureen, Alan, or me for the PDF that includes photos)

Small twin foamie – wing span 32” – was \$60 now \$45; DRAGON LADY electric - 53” wingspan was \$250 NOW \$180; Beechcraft Baron Bonanza – single engine with retracts Wing span 66” was \$200 NOW \$130; VQ Piper Comanche – 2 stroke engine with wing span of 72” was \$425 NOW \$275; E Flite Pulse XL 25e – wing span 52 ½” - has some damage to wing was \$200 NOW \$135; RC Aerodyne Beechcraft Baron G-58 – electric twin engine tri-prop with 76.5” wingspan - has tail damage from shipping was \$750 NOW \$450; Blitz Wingmaster

foamie – 63” wingspan. Night lights all work, was \$200 NOW \$135; Nitro Planes Boeing P-26 Peashooter with OS 120 4 stroke engine was \$575 NOW \$425; ElectriFly Cirrus SR 22 Turbo – new in box. No longer made! Was \$175 NOW \$125; Malibu Wakesetter VLX RC boat– full function. Never used, new in box ready to float. Was \$75 NOW \$50; Other stuff – Only a few lipo batteries left were \$10 each – now \$5; Spektrum DX5e was \$30 – now \$25; large hard case for controllers was \$20 – now \$10

Contact Alan, Maureen, or me for a PDF with photos of the models.

On Sat, Jul 25, 2020, 8:43 AM
<cagettier@gmail.com> wrote:

Looks like you guys are fogged in. (See you on the field cameras).

Charlie

From: John Robertson
Sent: Saturday, July 25, 2020 3:17 PM
To: Charlie Gettier
Subject: Re: Fogged in

?? Just saw this...Yeah... Field was IFR this morning. Had to get clearance from Washington Approach for the ILS on Runway 04... flew them right down to minimums. (OK... So we sat and drank coffee... and talked s**t)



Tuesday Evening Training, July 14. Tim Williams assists control-line aficionado Tim LaNore in learning to fly airplanes without strings attached. Behind them, Tim W’s grandson Bradley goofs around with his buddies.



Proud Pilot. Callum Jones, son of PGRC member Ben Jones, poses with his foamy. At six years of age, Callum has soloed and logged several flights on his own - including unassisted takeoffs and landings. *And hey, that ain't no trainer.* Callum is now back in the US with his parents after a stay in the UK. We look forward to seeing them back at the field soon.

From: [Connie Fahim](mailto:cfahim1@gmail.com)

Sent: Saturday, August 8, 2020 3:41 PM

I want to reach out to you regarding the auction of my father's giant model airplanes. He was the founding president of the Ocean County, NJ Modelers Club. The auction will take place this Labor Day, September 3, 2020 9 am at the Gateway Gallery Auction in Chambersburg, Pa.

Online bidding is also available due to the pandemic and the planes will be shipped to the successful bidder. <https://gatewayauction.com>

I was wondering if you would be able to spread the word and post the attached ad (all formats) I assembled and place them on your Facebook

and website for all to see. If you have any questions, please call/email me at the number listed below. cfahim1@gmail.com (732) 208-0848

Models to be auctioned



University of Maryland team leader Lina Castano observes team member Prasheel Renkuntla as he checks out their research vehicle during the team's first visit to the field on 11 August. As darkness approached, Alan Goodman performed a taxi test with the model. The team absorbed a number of suggestions from our club members and will aim for an initial test flight on their next visit.

Current Members - August 2020

Gregory Aldrich 853808
Alwin Alleyne 620916
Giancarlo Almodovar
1017855
Thomas Avedisian 136018
Jonathan Baker 601832
Lawrence Baker 599782
Steve Baker 68276
William Baldiga 67301
Carl Becker 623227
Rodger Binger 1763
Bill Blacker 914663
John Blom 56219
Eric Blowers 982405
R. Allen Blowers 84468
Howard Bonds 1011061
Elwyn Boykin 929639
Greg Brewer 339113
Michael Bruno 129863
Rob Buhrman 316301
Mark Bush 172249
Peter Castine 6132
Stan Chrusciel 831377
Kerry Cocherell 451622
Odel Coley
John Creamer 726937
Michael Cross 459926
Richard Cross 4452
Peter Curtis 432416
Peter Dahlstrom 759534
Warren Dahlstrom 757889
Charles Davis 1199155
Maurice DeBeary Jr. 511756
Amit Doron 976349
Franklin Edwards 685140
Bill Fairweather 533596
Edward Forsythe 10018
Johnathan Gadsden 882559
Stephen Galvin 777745
Hernan Garcia 927138
Ethan Gaskin 1188253
Joe Gaston 1055753
Bob Gensler 252215
Charlie Gettier 245615
Alan Goodman 313596
Heath Graham
Harvey Gross 692340
Mary Gurlacz 113018
Tom Gurlacz 113066
Jim Guthrie 346144
Curtis Hafer 1073593

Leon Hamilton 6467
David Harris 492209
Edward Haskin 882693
Bill Henschen 328079
Bennett Holmes 851939
Cameron Holmes 731941
Eric Holmes 44438
Joseph (Al) Holmes 55196
Daniel Holtan 1197273
Edgar Hopson 209095
Dwight Hulvey 986786
Dirk Jabin 753849
Jeff Jackson 1171222
Roland Jackson 58267
Aubrey (Stoney) Jasper
205948
Eugene Johnson 1019274
Reginald Johnson 778748
Ben Jones 987550
Byron Jones 898381
Paul Kelton 1134654
Mark Kikta 990866
James Klapp 621571
Kwang Ko 73381
Jonathan LaNore 496693
Kathleen LaNore 937304
Tim LaNore 63894
Joe Lawrence 37969
Jeffery Linkins
Michael Lorino 869355
John Loy 578712
George Marenka 81879
Andrew McCleod 1016777
Harry McCormick 21903
Michael McEvilley 237043
John McLain 893245
Dylan McLaughlin 1049573
Rick Moreland 3113
Kenny Morris 1087769
Dan Myer 155927
Kevyn Myer 575775
Paul Nance 797588
Vincent Neal 706941
Butch Oliff 933213
Sokha Pann
Joe Pekny 562443
Chad Pensy 742680
Clinton Ponce
Hugh Price III 568601
James Pursley 107462
Willie Randall 1025960

Neal Rehm 150379
John Reinhardt 1152426
Charles Ritchey 471611
John Robertson 749214
Frank Rowsome III 303455
Charles Russell 795778
Michael Saar 994702
Rudolph Schneider
1175200
Ralph Schreiner 527786
Jonathan Schumacher
1162790
Steven Scott 1192435
Russell Sevigny 994023
Byron Smith 885782
Robert Smith 56375
Robert Snedegar 28964
Tyler Sonnett
Keith Stalder 643147
Brice Stephens 997360
Chris Stephens 1143913
Ed Stern 7424
Ed Stone 1059327
Dennis Swartzel 940470
Vaclav Sychlovy 244279
David Taylor 964312
Garrie Taylor 24132
Harold Thompson 74127
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Stay Safe. Stay Well.

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