

THE FLYER



Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

November 2022

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The next membership meeting will be held at the Club House 7:00 PM on November 15.

Board member elections will be held.

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING RECAP.

Treasury, etc. Steve reported \$19,329 in the treasury, and a current membership of 161 folks.

Raffle and 50/50. Dave Robertson won a mini quadcopter in the raffle. Terry Houey was not present and missed out on \$131 in the 50-50 drawing. Steve couldn't locate the traditional tin container of counters that he uses every month for the 50-50 drawing, and was in the process of calling off the drawing when Alden Moses saved the day. Alden stepped forward and executed a random number generator app on his smart phone to select a random integer between 1 and 161, which yielded number 61, corresponding to Terry Houey as the 61st member to pay dues in 2022.

Board Member Nominations. Nominations for the PGRC Board were accepted at the meeting. The terms of Board members Steve Baker, Charlie Gettier, Tim LaNore and Mark Kikta will expire this year. Recall that Tim, runner up in the 2021 election, was appointed by the Board to fill Roland Jackson's term which would have expired this year. We will also be electing a member to fill the position vacated by Carl Becker earlier this year. Steve, Charlie, Tim, and Mark were all nominated to continue on the Board. In addition, Dave Robertson and Paul ("Pop") Christian were also nominated. Additional nominations will be accepted up until the November membership meeting when the elections will be held.

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PGRC DUES SCHEDULE

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| Initial Assessment (New First-Time Members) | \$125 |
| 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 a meeting, or 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/>

2022 PGRC Events Schedule

| Date | Event | POC / CD |
|--------------|--------------------------------|--|
| March 19 | Spring Clean-Up Day | N/A |
| April 16 | Spring Swap Shop and Breakfast | Alan Goodman (301) 509-8589 |
| May 7 | Open House Fly-In | Bob Gensler (410) 353-1570 |
| June 17-18 | Jet Fest (cancelled) | Chuck Russell (240) 478-2379 |
| Sept. 10 | Electric Fly-In | Harold Thompson promod17525@yahoo.com |
| Sept. 24, 25 | Big Bird / War Bird Fly-In | Chuck Russell (240) 478-2379 |
| October 8 | Club Picnic | Harold Thompson promod17525@yahoo.com |
| November 5 | Fall Swap Shop and Breakfast | Alan Goodman (301) 509-8589 |
| November 12 | Fall Clean-Up Day | N/A |

Company Picnic. Dave Robertson is planning a picnic for his contracting company employees and their families at the field on Friday 11 November 10 am – 3 pm. (Rain date is 18 November.) Dave will handle all arrangements for the event, but is asking that a few PGRC members bring trainers and buddy boxes to provide his guests the opportunity to fly. Note that the field will be open to our members, as usual, for general flying.

Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon. Tim LaNore and George Marenka recapped the 15th Annual Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon control-line event, including PGRC’s CL participation. This year, a record 10,481 flights were logged by 605 pilots worldwide. Our participants included first-time CL flyers Mark Bush and junior members Georgie Harrison and Alden Moses.

Show and Tell. Our prodigy junior member Alden Moses brought in a 5” quad copter that he built by integrating separately researched and purchased components: frame, motors, 4 circuit board modules, camera, etc., admitting that integration of the video module was a challenge. He indicated that the quad will go 100 MPH in a straight line, and said that he took it to his aerospace class at school where they videoed several demo flights.

THE RECREATIONAL UAS SAFETY TEST (TRUST). Our members are urged to take the FAA-mandated recreational UAS safety test, TRUST. The link is on the AMA website www.modelaircraft.org. It’s a test you cannot fail, and it takes about 20 minutes.

FOR SALE. Hitec X2 Multi-Function AC/DC charger: twin channels for simultaneous dual

battery charging, dual input and power distribution, 10 battery memory. \$100. Contact Derrick Schreiner, dershers@aol.com 301-868-1075.

WEBSITE EXPERTISE. Web Meister Byron Jones is looking for someone in the Club with knowledge of the WordPress website builder, to help migrate the PGRC website to that environment. Contact Byron if you can help. pgrc512@aol.com

NMPRA REPORT by Rick Moreland. The 2022 NMPRA Pylon Championship Race returned to Mike Langlois’ beautiful Liberty, NC flying site. The best of the best in the pylon community travel from all over the world to attend this event. Things this year were different because our normal host and friend Mike Langlois passed away of cancer this year. Mike was one of the nicest persons you could ever know. If Mike doesn’t make it to heaven, we are all in trouble. Mike will be missed.

This year the European contestant participation was not what it has been in the past but we did have people from Mexico, the UK, and Canada. With the world in a recession and air travel a mess, I think this contributed to the smaller foreign participation.

There were 38 entries this year including some of our folks from PGRC and close friends. The photo (*below*) starting from left to right is Chuck Andraka. Chuck grew up in Laurel but after graduating from VA Tech he took a job in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He has now retired and is in the process of moving back east. Next is our own Steve Baker and Ben Jones. Last but not least is Ben’s good friend, Julian Downham,

who travelled all the way from the UK. You will notice all our guys still have airplanes, which is a good thing.

This year Lorrie and I traveled down to see some old friends and enjoy four days of preparation and racing. The weather was great as well as the racing. We had a great time. If you want to see some spectacular racing with speeds of 180+ MPH you should check out one of these events.



LAST MOWING. Our last mowing of the year was on 27 October. The Hustler mowers will shortly be power-washed and put away for the winter. We will also replace the tires on the main drive wheels for both mowers. Thanks go to our team of grounds keepers who assisted this season. Next mowing is in April 2023.

BIG BIRD / WAR BIRD EVENT PHOTOS

(See page 4). (upper left) A view of the north end of the busy pit area early Saturday morning. Beautiful weather and an excellent job by CD Chuck Russell and his volunteer workers made the event one of the most successful in memory. (upper right) Long-time members Danny Myer and his son Kevyn came all the way from Berlin, MD to attend. Here they assemble their 1/4-scale Cub. (middle left) Dave Robertson gets an assist from Frank Edwards assembling his 116" SkyWing Edge 540. The model is powered by a ZDZ 140 swinging a 32/12 Falcon propeller, and includes a Holy Smokes smoke pump system. (middle right) Frank Edwards assembles his

own Troy Built Shock Jet trainer. Frank indicated that the Shock Jet was one of the first turbine trainers ever produced. (lower left) Greg Aldrich and eldest son Tyler, with Carl Becker looking on, pose with their Hanger 9 Cubcrafters X Cub with 60cc gas engine. (lower right) Jeff Jackson assembles his big OV-10 with twin reversing electric motors, with CD Chuck Russell's dad Mike Konkel observing. Chuck indicated that he's trying to get his dad to move to the area so he can join and fly at PGRC. Photos by Stoney Jasper.

RIP Joe Lawrence

I was recently informed that my cousin and PGRC member Joe Lawrence passed away on Thursday 6 October. Joe had been in declining health for the past few years but was able to drop by for the Big Bird event this year with his daughter Lee. It was great seeing them again for sure.

Joe was one of the first 15 members of PGRC. He had been a continuous member for all those 59 years. Joe and I flew control-line in the early sixties. R/C was out of the question for both of us but when he signed up for the Vo Tech program at our high school where he studied electronics, things changed. He started tinkering with the old R/C radios and got some stuff to work. Roger Binger, Joe and myself spent many hours flying on Roger's uncle's farm in those early days of PGRC. A successful flight was when you got your plane back. I had my first successful flight there myself.

Later Joe became the local Kraft Radio Service Tech for many years. He was also a pioneer with the early helicopter stuff. I can remember when we traveled to the Toledo Show in 1972 where the R/C helicopter just was just being introduced. He was one of the first guys in the area to have a successful flight with one. He has flown helos ever since.

Without Joe I don't think I would have progressed in the R/C world myself.

Joe will be missed by all his friends and family.

Rick Moreland

Big Bird / War Bird Fly-In 2022



PGRC MEMBERS - NOVEMBER 2022

Gregory Aldrich 853808
Tyler Aldrich 979886
Alwin Alleyne 620916
Giancarlo Almodovar 1017855
Thomas Avedisian 136018
Christine Baker 1227162
Jonathan Baker 601832
Lawrence Baker 599782
Steve Baker 68276
William Baldiga 67301
Carl Becker 623227
Brad Best 1229050
Henry Best
Rodger Binger 1763
John Blom 56219
Howard Bonds 1011061
Greg Brewer 339113
Michael Bruno 129863
Rob Buhrman 316301
Mark Bush 172249
Mark Campbell 788661
Peter Castine 6132
Paul Christian 1217791
John Clark 743743
Kerry Cocherell 451622
Richard Coleman 1228638
John Creamer 726937
Michael Cross Hotcross
Richard Cross 4452
Peter Curtis 432416
Peter Dahlstrom 759534
Warren Dahlstrom 757889
Charles Davis 1199155
Jack Davis 1245024
Donna Dietz 1228051
Anson Eaglin 502346
Franklin Edwards 685140
Bill Fairweather 533596
Edward Forsythe 10018
Johnathan Gadsden 882559
Andre Galery
Hernan Garcia 927138
Bob Gensler 252215
Charlie Gettier 245615
Alan Goodman 313596
Harvey Gross 692340
Mary Gurlacz 113018
Tom Gurlacz 113066
Jim Guthrie 346144
Leon Hamilton 6467
Georgie Harrison IV 1218543
Edward Haskin 882693
Bill Henschen 328079
Antonio Herald

Eric Holmes 44438
Seth Holmes 573350
Daniel Holtan 1197273
Edgar Hopson 209095
Terrance Houey
Jeff Jackson 1171222
Roland Jackson 58267
Aubrey (Stoney) Jasper 205948
Reginald Johnson 778748
Ben Jones 987550
Byron Jones 898381
Howard Kahn 121124
Mark Kikta 990866
James Klapp 621571
Kwang Ko 73381
Jonathan LaNore 496693
Kathleen LaNore 937304
Tim LaNore 63894
Joe Lawrence 37969
Roger Link 1232495
Jeffery Linkins
Philip Littleton 1173509
Michael Lorino 869355
Andrew Lotz 512851
John Loy 578712
George Marenka 81879
Charles Matiella 1258249
Carlos McCalvin
Andrew McCleod 1016777
Harry McCormick 21903
William McKnight 1221219
Daryl McLaughlin 1207599
Dustyn McLaughlin 1207598
Dylan McLaughlin 1049573
Carl Moore 1101184
Rick Moreland 3113
Laszlo Morocz 1230347
Kenny Morris 1087769
Alden Moses 1216773
Dan Myer 155927
Kevyn Myer 575775
Chad Nalls 1228026
Leo Nalls
Paul Nance 797588
Butch Oliff 933213
Sokha Pann
Joe Pekny 562443
Christopher Pisares 1249538
Petr Polasek
Clinton Ponce
John Porter 1245243
Hugh Price III 568601
James Pursley 107462
Willie Randall 1025960

Neal Rehm 150379
Charles Ritchey 471611
Dave Robertson
John Robertson 749214
Edwin Robinson
Michael Robinson 422753
Theodore Robinson
Zachary Robinson 1220367
Frank Rowsome III 303455
Charles Russell 795778
Michael Saar 994702
Derrick Schreiner 527787
Ralph Schreiner 527786
Jonathan Schumacher 1162790
Bill Setzler 107134
Russell Sevigny 994023
Ajay Sharma
Mohinder Sharma
Vijay Sharma 972713
Byron Smith 885782
Robert Smith 56375
Robert Snedegar 28964
Tyler Sonnett
Keith Stalder 643147
Lenard Starks 1237546
Ed Stern 7424
Ed Stone 1059327
Paul Susol
Dennis Swartzel 940470
Vaclav Sychlovy 244279
Harold Thompson 74127
Robert Tiger 1123433
Terrence Till 77702
Shawn Tunson 961898
Sean Tuomey 967524
Melville Turner 1133181
Vasilios Tziamouranis 1245643
Rommel Velasquez 1216531
John Vlna 4536
Joey Wade 1217691
Mauve Wade
Brian Walker 68112
Rob Waltman
Doug Washington 786022
Marvin Washington 491724
Chester Wells 716545
Chic White 3R
Dorwell White 848359
Scott Wiley 740535
Mark Wilkins 1007577
Jimmy Wilkinson
Stephan Williams 953204
Warren Williams 1239321
Michael Yeargin 576729

Board Elections at the November Meeting

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