

# THE FLYER



Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

January 2024

## FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The next membership meeting will be held at the Club House, Tuesday 20 February at 7:00 PM.

## JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**RECAP.** The January meeting was cancelled due to weather.

## AREA CLUB EVENTS

**Kent County Aeromodelers Warbirds and Classics Event.** May 23-25 at their club field, located at 657 Mahan Corner Road, Sandtown, Delaware (near Milford, Delaware). For more information, visit <https://kentcountyaeromodelers.com>.

**2024 Central Penn Aeromodelers Association 43rd Annual RC Expo.** Lebanon Valley Exposition Center & Fairgrounds, 80 Rocherty Rd, Lebanon, PA 17042, Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 3pm-5pm. Doors open to public on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 8:30am. Show is over at 3pm Saturday. For more info, visit <https://www.centralpennaeromodelers.club/about>

## JIM GUTHRIE VISITORS

PGRC member Jim Guthrie is at home under hospice care. His daughter Mary has indicated he would be receptive to visitors. Jim's cell is 843 217-7900, home phone 410 224-4159, address: 2578 Misty Ridge Cove, Annapolis MD 21401.

## FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING RECAP

**Field Rolling.** This was the main topic of discussion at the meeting. Rick had done some research on rollers: renting vs buying vs paying a pro to do it. The Board pretty much agreed that we would rent a heavy rolling machine for the initial rolling and purchase a smaller

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## PGRC DUES SCHEDULE

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. A \$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

**Checks must be made out to PGRC (not Steve Baker).** Be sure to include your address, phone number, **and AMA Number** on your 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

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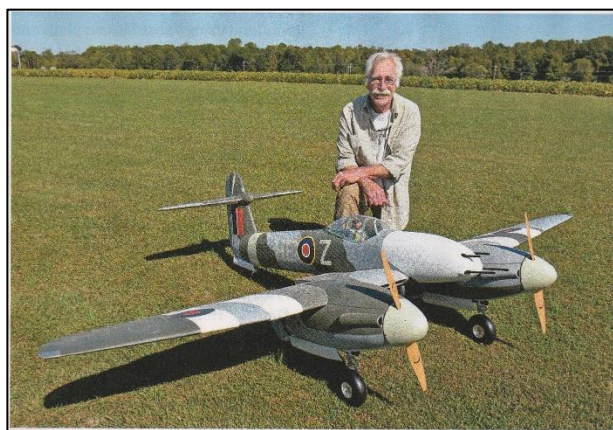
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<http://www.pgrclub.com/>

machine to roll the field every several months. More research needs to be done on exactly which rolling machine we want and where to rent it. Same goes for purchasing our own roller.

**Swap Shop.** Bob, Alan, Charlie and Rick will meet at the American Legion Hall to see what equipment they have in the kitchen and whether we need to bring anything for breakfast preparation. Alan has applied to AMA for a non-flying sanction for the event. It should show up in the next magazine issue. We will also send invitation emails to area clubs.

**AMA Charter.** Alan has submitted our 2024 charter and site owner's insurance paperwork.



PGRC's own Carl Becker with his Westland Whirlwind are shown in the February issue of *Model Aviation*. Carl built the model from Vance Mosher plans, and deviated from his usual gas engines to power the model with two DualSky 6360 electric motors and 10S LiPo batteries.

#### 2024 PGRC Events Schedule - tentative

Date	Event	POC / CD
March 16	Spring Clean-Up Day	N/A
March 30	Spring Swap Shop at Mayo American Legion Hall	Rick Moreland (301) 261-7366
May 4	Open House Fly-In	Bob Gensler (410) 353-1570
June 15-16	Jet Fest	Chuck Russell (240) 478-2379
Sept. 7	Electric Fly-In	Harold Thompson <a href="mailto:promod17525@yahoo.com">promod17525@yahoo.com</a>
Sept. 21, 22	Big Bird / War Bird Fly-In	Chuck Russell (240) 478-2379
October 5	Club Picnic	Harold Thompson <a href="mailto:promod17525@yahoo.com">promod17525@yahoo.com</a>
November 2	Fall Swap Shop and Breakfast	Alan Goodman (301) 509-8589
November 9	Fall Clean-Up Day	N/A

## 20 YEARS AGO IN THE FLYER (from the June 2004 meeting recap)

Bill Setzler brought a spectacular, in-the-bones, 1/2-scale (14-ft wingspan) Pietenpol. Bill described how he manufactured many of the components for the scratch-built project started over a year ago, including built-up ribs with scale gussets and nails, replica 4-banger in-line engine constructed from wood, replica radiator from junk-yard parts, home-made metal hardware (control horns, hinges, etc.), "antique" wheels purchased from Bike Doctor, and struts made from aluminum tubing and formed to the correct streamline cross section in a wood press. Bill related the sometimes-uncomfortable process of securing a 1/2-scale pilot for the aircraft - engaging a doll maker in western Maryland for the human form, and purchasing clothes for it in the children's department at Sears. The completed craft will

be powered by a Sachs 5.8 gas engine, and will weigh in the neighborhood of 75 lbs.



***Need some RC equipment?***



## **Come to PGRC's 17th Annual Spring Swap Shop**

**Saturday, March 30, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

**Mayo American Legion Hall**

**Cummings-Behlke Post 226**

**830 Mayo Rd, Edgewater, MD 21037**

***The Club will be providing breakfast: \$5 for Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee, and Alan's Home Fries from 9 to 11 AM***

**Come out and sell your excess RC gear, pick up a spring project, or look for that hard-to-find item**

### **FEES**

- \$5 Entry
- \$5 / Table
- \$5 Breakfast

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