

Hot Air



Message from the President

January 2015

Happy New Year, everyone! I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday season with friends and family.

If you didn't get all the cool modeling gifts you had hoped for over the holidays, the [AMA EXPO](#) is right around the corner. There are always a lot of great new products and deals to be had at the Expo. The dates are January 9th through the 11th.

We had a great "Holiday Raffle" last month. Your VP, Jerry Lake, did a great job pulling all the goodies together. A big thank you to Jerry for making it happen.

Our treasurer, Mike Lewis, has been busy with work and has asked to hand off the treasurer responsibilities to someone else. Alan Templin agreed to take on the job. We will be working the transition over the next couple of months. Thanks to both Mike and Alan for your support of our club.

John Spielman, our Treasurer, would like to relinquish this post at the end of 2015. Please contact John or one of your club officers to learn more about the activities John has been covering.

The locks at Entradero Park continue to give us headaches. They are either missing or locked incorrectly on a regular basis. This will probably continue until all of the sump refurbishments are completed. Please let me or one of the other club officers know if you are unable to access the park or lock the gates.

For those of you not attending the AMA EXPO on Saturday, we will hold a Fun Fly at Del Cerro Park on January 10th. Flying should start after 12:00. The next Entradero Park Fun-Fly will be held Saturday, January 24th, starting after 8:00 AM.

We will be having our annual "Swap Meet" at the February meeting. Time to clean out the garage and attic and head to the meeting. The date is Wednesday, February 4th.

If you haven't renewed your PSF membership, either download the forms and send them to John, or come to the meeting on Wednesday. John will have the paperwork. Make sure to bring proof of AMA membership and read through the rules for flying at each of the sites.

There are lots of opportunities to enjoy our hobby over the next month - the AMA EXPO, club meeting and Fun Fly's, our Swap meet, flying at our two great sites, etc. I hope everyone has a great New Year and that our club continues to prosper.

All the best in 2015!

-Jeff

Next Meeting

**Wednesday,
January 7th**

**La Romeria Park
7:30pm**

Upcoming Fun-Flys

**Del Cerro January 10th
Entradero January 24th**



Kit Bashing the Multiplex Easy Glider - Alan Templin

Lonny gave me one of Paul's old planes, a Multiplex Easy Glider. It must be 10 to 15 years old, and is a forerunner of the very popular Multiplex Easy Star. I fixed the plane, added modern electronics, and converted it to a powered glider with a twin pusher configuration.

-Alan



6 foot wing span, with a total of 200 watts of power !!



A close up of the twin pushers on a boom. A fair amount of down thrust, plus elevator mixed to the throttle, is needed to get a good glide and still keep the damn thing from looping under power

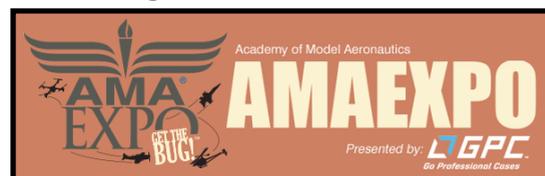


A view from the rear. My thanks to Ralph for his help in launching for the trim flights. You must launch holding the plane from behind the wing to avoid the twin "veg-o-matic" propellers.



The ESCs are attached to the fuselage under the wing. No room for them under the canopy. To achieve the correct CG a large 3S-2200maH battery is pushed all the way forward in the nose. Flight times with that battery and modest power are about 25 minutes.

Don't Forget...



January 9-11, 2015



Update on Entradero Park

Entradero Park continues to be something of a challenge, due to the ongoing construction. However, the place is generally still "flyable" and progress is being made. The recent rains hampered things a bit, but encouraged a whole new growth of greenery on the field. If you've got a ship without landing gear, it's nice to land in the "soft stuff" - now about 18" high. For the birds with legs, we're limited mostly to the infield, but it remains fairly flat and free of gopher holes.

-Chris



Our familiar "flight line" was pretty torn up a few weeks back. Luckily it's (mostly) restored now.



A nice growth of "greenery" graces the outfield right now.



Pretty much says it all - flyable, with hazards :-)

Membership Renewals are Now Due!
If you've not already done so, please renew your club membership. You can either download the membership package from our [website](#), or take care of it directly at our next club meeting.



Lee came out recently to tune up his new Radian. After some minor trimming, she flew beautifully for the first time. I gave it the first toss, but it was really unnecessary - the big motor just pulled it right out of my hand. Overall, very nice handling and an excellent floater!

-Chris

**Peninsula Silent Flyers
Balance Sheet
As of November 30, 2014**

	Nov 30, 14
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Raffle Fund	1,200.00
WFCU Checking	1,812.21
WFCU Savings - Entradero Fund	1,563.19
Total Checking/Savings	4,575.40
Total Current Assets	4,575.40
TOTAL ASSETS	4,575.40
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	3,411.35
Unrestricted Net Assets	-467.39
Net Income	1,631.44
Total Equity	4,575.40
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	4,575.40

**Club Officers and Volunteers
(again) for 2014**

- President: Jeff Chambers
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*Come join us at the monthly meeting for
another great raffle!*