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*"I was always afraid of dying. Always. It was my fear that made me learn everything I could about my airplane and my emergency equipment, and kept me flying respectful of my machine and always alert in the cockpit."*

*Chuck Yeager*

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The Safeway Center  
Prescott Valley, AZ  
TONY & DONNA PACINI  
THEY SUPPORT OUR CLUB

## RANDY MEATHRELL'S PATRIOTIC FREEDOM 3D



Randy Meathrell's Freedom 3D electric red white and blue airplane with stars helps highlight this month's Independence Day celebrations. Randy's plane is powered by a monster 46 sized electric motor from Nitro Planes. It has an 80 amp ESC and is powered by a 4cell 3700 mAh battery. Unfortunately this ARF is no longer available. His plane helps remind us of our freedoms and opportunities not found anywhere else in the world.

## PYLON RACES HELD JULY 17 WITH LOTS OF EXCITEMENT



Race day photos taken by both Byron Cluckey and John Eckert (see page 5)

July 17 was the date for our second pylon race, more information can be found on page 5. Getting four airplanes into the air all at once to race can cause a crowded runway and yes you guessed it a runway incursion happened. Jay Riddle's blue and white T-28 collided with Rick Nichols T-28. Both went on to race however.



# STEVE'S STUFF

BY STEVE KILE CVMA PRESIDENT

Hey everyone thanks again for attending our monthly meeting held July 21. The club needs your support. We are getting closer to our fun fly event in September. Dennis O'Connor, our C.D. will be needing help in different areas, so don't hesitate to volunteer. The more help we get the less you work and the more you can fly.

Don't forget the potluck on Saturday night, Put some lights on your planes and come

on out fly at night.

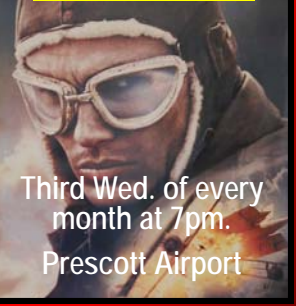
On another note, Randy Meathrell and Rick Nichols have been busy with "combat" planes. The are inexpensive and let's face it, disposable fun. the only real expense will be your receiver and battery. Come on out and have a little fun. Hopefully we will have enough flyers at the fun fly to have a combat event during our Fun Fly September 11. Last one in the air wins!

Our solar charging system has been updated thanks for to Dennis O'Connor, Tom Root and Rick Nichols. Hope I didn't miss anyone. Allan Collins is looking into a larger controller for the system, we may upgrade that at no cost to the club. Allan and myself will buy out the old ones and donate the new one. Don't forget to check out the yearly calendar of our upcoming events Randy Meathrell put together. [Fly Safe members.](#)

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- August 28 Valle Air Fair display, Valle, AZ airport.
- Sept. 4 Chino Valley Territorial Days
- Sept. 11-12 CVMA FunFly & 3rd Pylon Race
- November Fourth Pylon Race

### CVMA MEETINGS



Third Wed. of every month at 7pm.  
Prescott Airport



## ENGINE FUMES

By Bob Shanks, Editor

Well we have had a lot of changes at the field, all for the good too. We haven't neglected any modeler no matter what he flies. We have a weed abatement runway under development if it would just rain a little to pack down the dust. We have upgraded our electric charging station that can be used by both glow and electric folks alike.

We have installed some great flight stations that can be used by both glow and electric if needed, thanks to superb member Tom Root.

We need to thank Tom Root, Dennis O'Connor, Rick Nichols and countless others

who have contributed to our field improvement. We have such a limited budget but seem to find members with lots of energy to contribute.

One of those members who recently contributed a very important addition to our field was Jay Riddle. He bought and had installed a very nice enclosed bulletin board (picture below) that is right next to our frequency pin board. It is so functional, thanks Jay.



## CVMA MEMBERS LIGHT UP YOUR AMBITIONS...



BUILD SOMETHING, BRING IT TO OUR NEXT MEETING!

### A GREAT CA TIP

The long, thin CA applicator tips work great, except when they're clogged or gummed up with dried glue.

After you've finished using them, soak the tip in acetone; they will be clean in no time and will last a long time. This will even work for tips that have built up dried CA on them so don't throw them away try this first.

This acetone trick works great on spray-can nozzles too.

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# "AT THE FIELD" PHOTOS



Rod Stewart and his Moki powered Yak.



Chris Myhre's 1/4 scale Piper Cub.



John Stewart's beautiful T-6.



Editor's "Blue Smooth"



Glenn Heithold's big twin.



Rick Nichol's foam combat ship.



# MORE "AT THE FIELD" PHOTOS



Al Collin's cool Extra with a DA50.



Graham Johnson's Big Bird electric glider



Glenn Heithold's Pt-19 with the sun shinning through the yellow wing.



Dennis O'Connor's Corsair, what a scale craftsman.



Steve Kile's Pitts framed by our monsoon clouds.



Steve Kile's biplane built by Ray Stone

Chris Myhre's helicopter.







**Law of Gravity - Any tool, nut, bolt, or screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner!**

**RAISING MONEY FOR CLUB PROJECTS**

There is a financial burden we must bear in the maintenance and improvement of our flying field. Dues, of course, are the primary source of getting this accomplished. That is how we pay for the bucket of asphalt, gas for the mowers, repairing the fencing, and other day-to-day needs. Major projects or large repairs require our club to delve into the arena of fund-raising.

we could use to raise extra cash.

Auctions are a good way to raise money. We could have members clean out their work shops and donate items they no longer use to a club auction. Partnering with a community charity and sharing the proceeds works well, remember we did this with the library flat screen TV raffle last year.

What techniques are effective in raising additional cash requirements? Here's a few techniques

Let's not forget the AMA has a pool of cash available for club site improvement projects that can fund 10% of project costs, they helped with our runway resurfacing.

**PYLON RACES ARE A POPULAR CVMA EVENT**

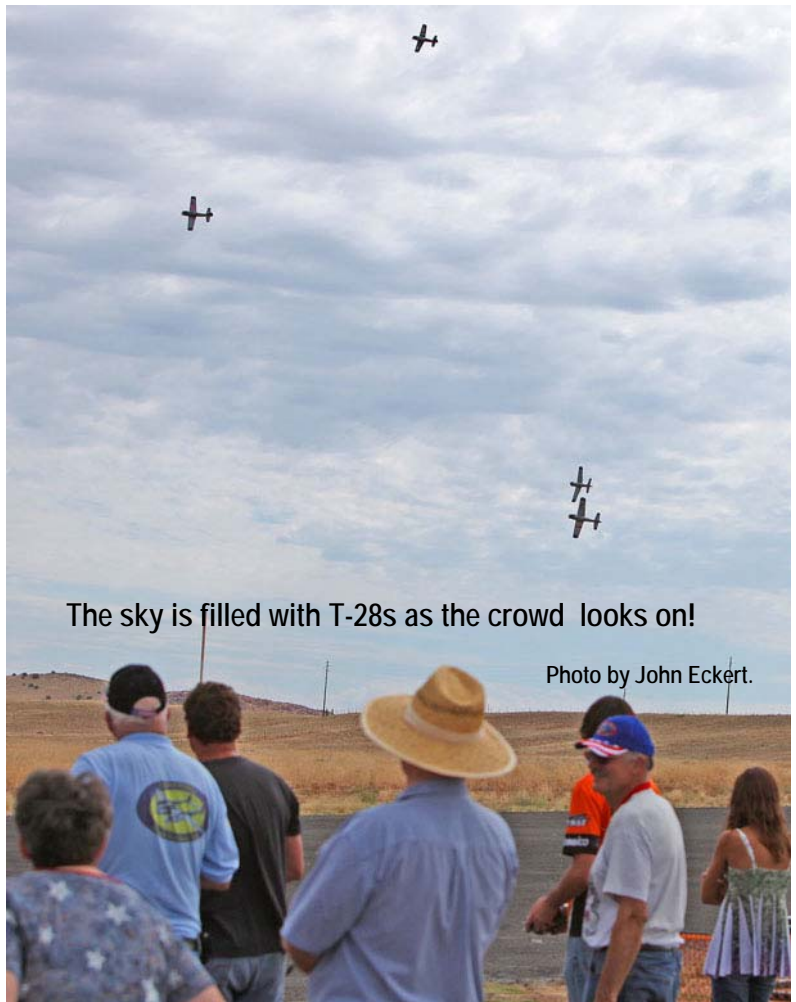
Race results for our July 17 racing day are as follows:

STANDARD CLASS	Graham Johnson	First
	Bob Shanks	Second
	Jay Riddle	Third
	Rick Nichols	Fourth
ADVANCED CLASS	Tanner Pacini	First
	Randy Meathrell	Second
	Tim Wilson	Third
	Chris Corbitt	Fourth

The most exciting moments of the day occurred when Rick Nichols and Jay Riddle had a mid air collision. Before that they had an on-the-ground collision with their airplanes on their takeoff runs.

Randy Meathrell and Tim Wilson had a real mid air collision on the final lap of the final race. Randy's airplane was still flyable and he managed to finish the race in second place. However, during the post race excitement, Randy's attempted Victory roll ended up with a crashed airplane and a total wipeout. As Randy described it his e-mail to members: "Stupid thumbs but that's racing!"

Graham Johnson will now move up to the Advanced Class, leaving room for lots more members to join us. Donna is still offering the T-28s at a discount for those who may be interested in racing, her prices are simply outstanding. If you don't want to race, the T-28 makes a great fun fly airplane and she will still sell it to you at the same great sale prices.



The sky is filled with T-28s as the crowd looks on!

Photo by John Eckert.

# CVMA MEETING HIGHLIGHTS - JULY 2010



The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Steve Kile. There were 29 members were in attendance.

Steve introduced new member John Eckert and we welcomed back past member Jay Reynolds.

Steve reported that we have added the new solar panel and upgraded the electrical circuitry. We also have new 12 volt batteries. The old ones were donated and lasted for two years. Steve thanked Tom Root and Dennis O'Conner for the work that they put into the system.

Tom Root, safety officer, re-

ported on a close call with an out of control airplane. The pilot lost sight of it while flying and it crashed very almost hitting 2 of our members. Tom said if you lose sight of your plane immediately chop the throttle.

Rick Nichols read the treasurers report, a motion was made by Randy, seconded by Ray Stone to accept the report. Accepted as read.

Dennis O'Conner reported on the alternate runway progress. Right now we are waiting for rain so we can roll it. Steve thanked Dennis and Tom Root for all their work on the runway.

Dennis O'Conner gave a report on the fun fly slated for Sept. 11 and 12.

A sheet was passed around for volunteer sign-ups to do the various jobs needed for our annual event.

Randy Meathrell showed a video on building foam combat planes and the ERAU flight test. Sparky Thornton showed his Eindecker WW-1 airplane. Rick Nichols brought 2 Combat planes using different motors. Graham Johnson brought 3 flying wing combat airplanes. Zach Reynolds told of his \$20.00 flight simulator available from Nitro-Planes and Don Ferguson showed his electric foam combat WW-II Airplane.

New Member Doug Miller re-

ported on First Person View (FPV) flying used by search and rescue.

The Valley Hobby Shop donation of airplane fuel was won by Ray Shouse. Bill Lindenthaler won Epoxy Glue and a fuel pump. Bob Nabors won Shrink Tubing and a \$15.00 Gift Certificate. Alec Barry won a spray paint gun. Len Brown won a 12 volt starter battery. Youngster Zachery Reynolds won a pilot and Sparky Thornton won a cutting board.

A slide show was shown of a series of field photos taken by Byron Cluckey. Respectfully submitted, Rick Nichols Sec/Treasurer.



Randy using the new projector and his lap top.



Graham's combat wings.



Don Ferguson and his foam WWII styled Bird.



What's left of Randy's Navy T-28, a cow!



Rick's two combat ships.



Sparky's Eindecker, very cool!



Zach Reynolds's (L) tells about his Nitro Planes \$20



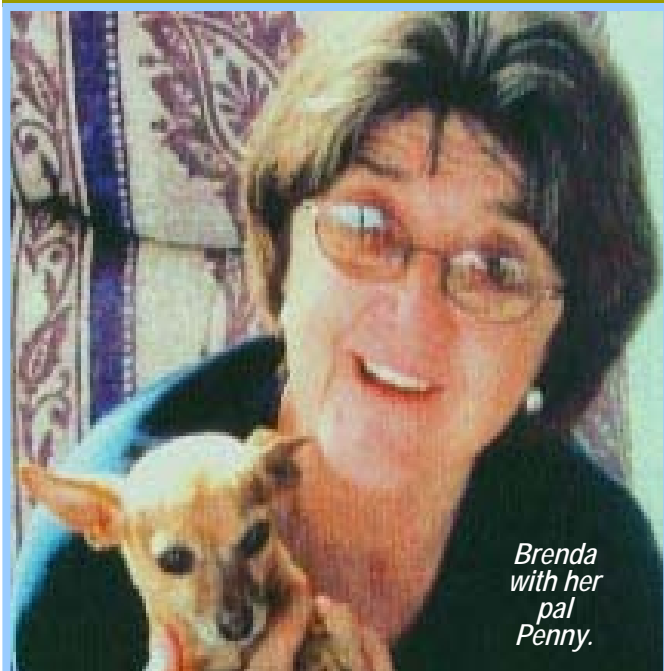
VALLEY HOBBY RAFFLE

VALLEY HOBBY

Ray Shouse won a gallon of fuel for our door prize, thanks Donna!



## BRENDA STEWART LOSES BATTLE TO CANCER



Brenda  
with her  
pal  
Penny.

*"Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call.  
I turned my back and left it all.*

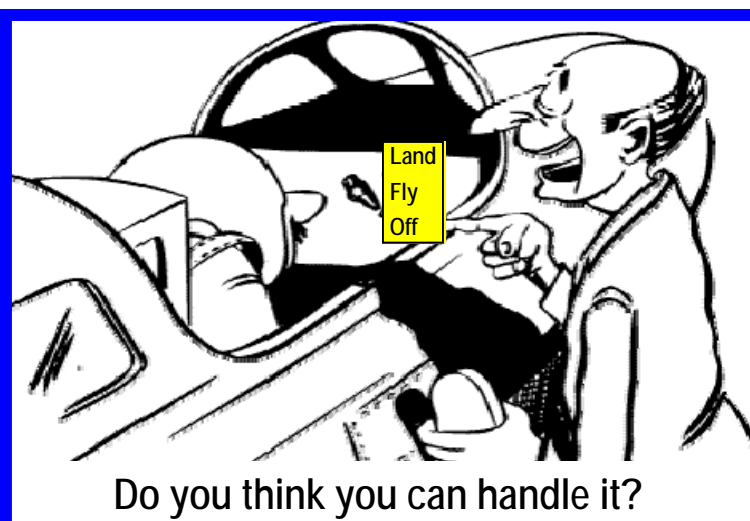
*I could not stay another day.  
To laugh, to love, to work or play...  
God wanted me now, He set me free."*

Member John Stewart's soul mate Brenda lost her battle with cancer June 27.

John, along with Brenda have been such strong supporters of our club. We had over 25 members and spouses attending her funeral held in Prescott Valley July 1. The Mass was held at St. Germaine's Catholic Church.

Brenda often came to the field with John and was such an active support to him and our club. We will miss her wonderful friendship.

Our RC club simply cannot function without our spouses' support and Brenda set the example. God speed dear heart!



## SAFETY IS ALWAYS AN ISSUE

For those of you with metal cans you use to transport your batteries to the field, copy the graphic at far right, enlarge it to whatever size you want and print it out on clear mailing label material in large sheets. Paste it on to some white trim material and you're ready to affix it to your can. Spray it with flat clear for protection and you now have your battery can labeled.

This was an idea from reading the safety column in our AMA journal *Model Aviation*.

Your editor has his metal battery can labeled with this graphic so if you want to see it check it out next time I'm flying electrics, hey I'm a slimer too!

We had a near disastrous incident where a small park flyer was lost from site and crashed near the parking lot where, of all people, your safety officer Tom Root was

standing talking to your editor. The plane narrowly missed hitting Tom in the head. Even though it was a small park flyer at the speed it was flying and with that sharp electric prop it could still inflict some serious injury.

If you lose sight of your plane immediately chop the throttle and always have a spotter if helping someone else learn to fly because both you and the student could lose sight of the plane.



**FEROCIOUS BATTERIES**