



AMA Chapter #3798

# Chino Valley Model Aviators

## Official News Letter



October 25, 2015

*"To create an interest in, further the image of, and promote the hobby/sport of radio controlled aircraft"*

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THEY SUPPORT OUR CLUB  
Please support them as well.

### Electric Fly-In Pilots and Their WWII Planes



Left to right: Scott Ramirez from California, Randy Holt from Utah, Tony Accurso from California, Pat Gagnon from Arizona, Brent Hecht from California and Woody Davis from Ohio.



See more on pages 9 & 10.

### John Stewart's P-51



John 's nice flying silver P-51 as he brings her in for a fly by checking up how the plane handles and lines up with the runway for a landing, the P-51 likes to nose over on landing.



*Field Chatter from CVMA President, Michael Kidd: No Kidding!*

Greetings Fellow Pilots!  
Well, here we are heading into the last leg of 2015. It has been a banner year for this club. We have grown in leaps and bounds, currently at 140 members, awesome. The club has put on the most events ever. It has been a lot of work but also well planned and run.

Thanks to all that

have helped work, cook, cleanup and support these events.

The Christmas Banquet is just around the corner. If you are planning to go, please send in the form with payment. Remember, this is a gift swap event and also a food drive. We had a great time last year and Rick Nichols is going to emcee again this year. If you have not flown lately

you have missed a great year of flying. Yes, we have had some bad weather days but also had a lot of great days for flying.

The flying field is better groomed than it has ever been and I thank all the flyers that have helped with such a large undertaking.

I see a great year ahead of us in 2016, the friendship within this group of

flyers is second to none. It has been an honor serving as President and since I was re-elected this month, it will be an honor serving this club for 2016.

Well, that is all for now, safe flying.



**IF YOU BROUGHT IT, YOU TAKE IT HOME**

There are no trash cans at the field.  
If you bring it you take it home.

**LIGHT YOUR AFTERBURNERS...**



**BUILD SOMETHING, BRING IT TO OUR NEXT MEETING!**

**CAN YOU NAME THIS PLANE?**



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- President — *Mike Kidd*
- Vice President — *Jack Allen*
- Treasurer — *Don Crowe*
- Secretary — *Bob Steffensen*
- Safety Officer — *Charlie Gates*
- At Large Members — *Bob Noulin, Randy Meathrell, Walt Findley, Ken Shephard*
- Newsletter Editor — *Bob Shanks*
- Activities Director — *Don Ferguson*
- Chief Flight Instructor — *Steve Shephard*



# CLUB PILOTS FLYING THIER AIRCRAFT



*Sparky Thornton's WWII Dornier Twin 335*

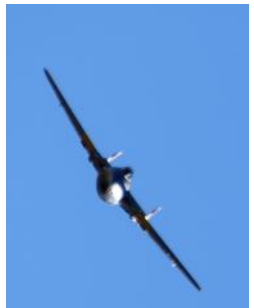
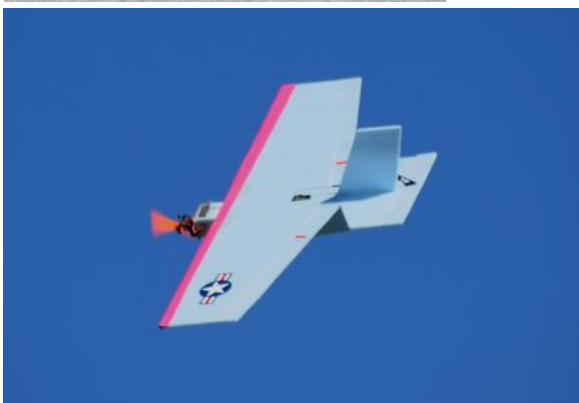
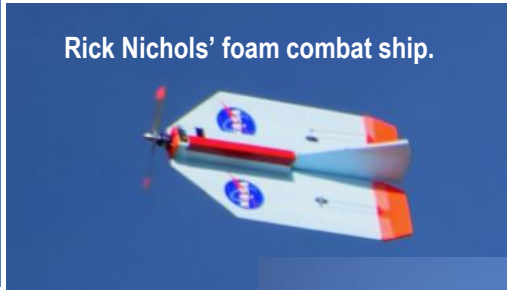
Don Ferguson's F-16 .



Bill Stamm's star covered flying wing.



Rick Nichols' foam combat ship.



John Stewart's silver bird.



Don Crowe's foam Yak-55



Mike Kidd stacked his plane on top of Al Stephens trainer to save space in the pit area.

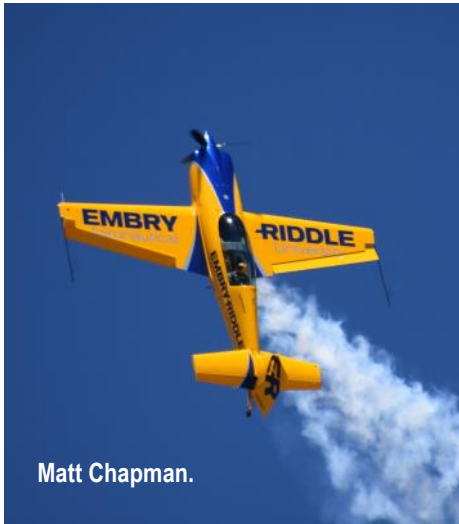
Marc Robbins and his EDF British Vampire.



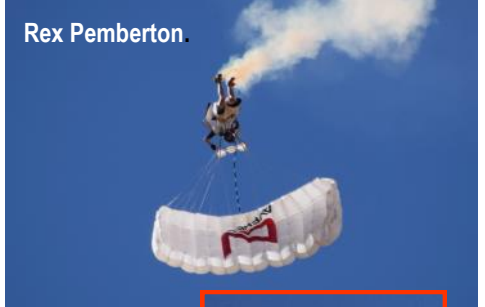
# Prescott Airport ERAU Air Show Well Attended by Public

The Embry-Riddle Prescott Campus kicked off the University's celebration of its 90th Anniversary during October West Homecoming event Sept. 30 through Oct. 3, 2015. Highlighting the event was the Wings Out West Air Show, a free private show for alumni, current students, staff and their guests. The main attraction was the National Aviation Hall of Fame Inductee Patty Wagstaff.

The public was able to ride out to the ERAU area at the airport in two buses contracted for the event. The buses left the campus on regular runs carrying out those not wanting to fight the limited parking at the airport site. Outstanding flyers included parachutist [Rex Pemberton](#) in his winged suit opening the show. [Melissa Pemberton](#) was excellent flying her Edge 540. [Patty Wagstaff](#) wowed the show in her Extra 330 LX. [Bill Stein](#) was outstanding in his Edge 540. And of course, [Matt Chapman](#) was great in the ERAU Edge 540.



Matt Chapman.



Rex Pemberton.



Patty Wagstaff .



Bill Stein.



Bill Stein's Edge 540 had a very iridescent paint design.



Bill Stein.



Melissa Pemberton.



# October General Meeting Highlights



Large T-28 from Electri-Fly

Meeting was opened by President Mike Kidd at 7:01pm with the pledge to the flag led by Charlie Gates and Don Crow. Forty three of 140 members were present. We had one visitor; Mark Johnson who will soon be a new member. Last month's minutes were approved.

President Mike Kidd provided slate for 2016 officers: for President, Mike Kidd; Vice President Jack Allen; Secretary Bob Steffensen, Safety Officer Charlie Gates; Newsletter Editor Bob Shanks (9 years and going strong...thanks Bob!); Chief Flight Instructor Steve Shephard; and for CD Don Ferguson. All were approved by acclamation by members. President Mike Kidd appoint-

ed: Bob Noulin, Randy Meathrell, and Walt Finlay as 2016 Members at Large.

President Mike Kidd congratulated all for their participation in last weekend's very successful Electri-Fly Event. CD Don Ferguson provided additional details on the Electri-Fly; the Jet Rally to be held on 5-7 November and the Club Christmas Party at Gabby's on December 5. Reservations for the Christmas Party are due not later November 18.

Vice President Steve Shephard set a work party date for Wednesday November 4 at 7am to clean up for the Jet Rally beginning the following day. Safety Officer Charlie Gates reported that there was

one incident at the Electri-Fly when a LIPO battery got hot, was quickly removed from the plane and tossed on to the concrete where it burst into flame. There was no injury or damage except for the burned spot on the concrete. Discussion on proper use of the sand bucket was not resolved. Treasurer Don Crowe gave the Treasurers report, it was approved by members present.

President Mike Kidd identified a need to power wash the concrete and there were no objections by members for him to proceed with the rental of the equipment. There was a general discussion of the need for gravel or concrete pad to alleviate the mud problem in front of the shed...no a final resolution was

made. Member Randy Meathrell asked if "pusher jets" could be flown at the Jet Rally. After discussion Randy agreed to follow up with member Dan Avilla for concurrence. President Mike Kidd outlined events and volunteer to assist CD Don Ferguson for the six event scheduled for 2016.

We broke for coffee and goodies provided by Charlie Gates.

### Show-N-Tell

Larry Parker's "salvaged" FW 190; Bob Noulin's AeroWorks Edge 260; Jack Allen's vertical take-off foam creation; and Rick Nichols' "Witch" and foam Combat AC with templates made available to the club by Jay Riddle.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.  
Bob Steffensen Secretary



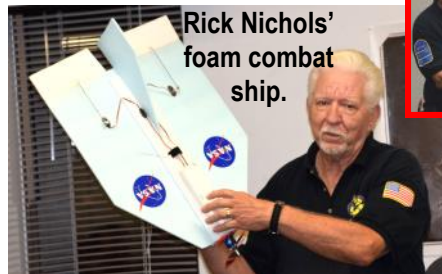
Rick Hartley gets his solo certificate from Larry Parker.



Larry Parker explains his FW-190. (rt)



Bob Noulin's little Aeroworks profile



Rick Nichols' foam combat ship.



Rick Nichols' witch for Halloween.



Jack Allen's foam flyer with lights built in for night flying.

SHOP VALLEY HOBBY



# A Nightmare of Electronic Communication Choices

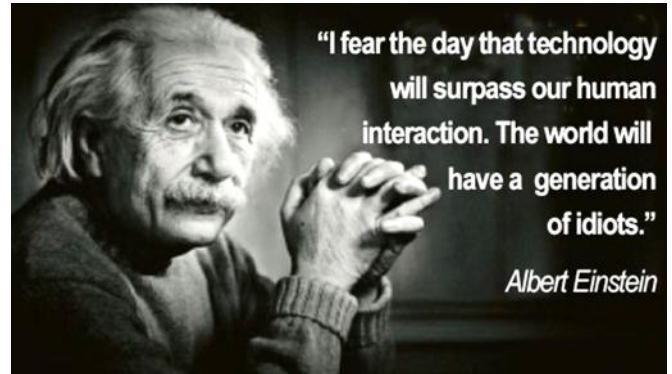
By Bob Shanks

I received a phone call from a new member, yes an actual phone call with a voice at the other end wanting to talk to me! The call was about some minor day to day RC matters and it ended with a series of interesting communication questions. He wanted to know if I had a *Face Book account*, how about a *smart phone* and can you *text* with your phone, do you use *Instagram*, and he asked if I had a *Twitter account* and wanted my *email address*? He asked if I had a *website* or a *Flickr Site* for my photographs (I am somewhat of an amateur photographer). There is also now a *smart watch* to help you communicate. We have *smart cars* as well so it is truly a Dick Tracy age.

Wow, that got me to thinking about how we communicate these days. You must be a part of this age of instantaneous communication phenomenon to function to any productive degree in our hectic world and to have not only a phone but a smart phone! And have at your disposal any number of other devices and electronic programs to keep track of friends and family. Albert Einstein's fear of uncontrolled technology may be coming to fruition.

Do we need computers, lap tops, smart phones and tablets with our faces forever tilted downward as we look at the electronic text? What about face to face communications? Whatever happened to friends meeting over coffee? At least our new member called me to visit but now I only communicate with him silently using my many different electronic devices and programs. I may forget what he looks like if I don't see him again at the field soon!

We are overwhelmed with all manner of communication devices and methods that all began when the fledgling word processors, used mainly in the beginning for scientific research communication, began to slowly replace the venerable typewriter, what's a typewriter you ask? Don't



laugh, seems many youth today really don't know what a typewriter is and how it works, and believe this or not many have never even seen one! Try going into an office products store to buy a typewriter ribbon! You most likely will get a look of total dismay like a deer looking at your car's headlights at night as you race down the road on a possible collision course! What's the answer to this communication nightmare of choices and devices?

In our little RC club we have a tradition of going to lunch on Taco Tuesday but even there you see friends popping out their smart phones for a quick check of email and messages but overall it is a refreshing meeting with friends over lunch to just simply visit and even look at each other discussing the flying activities of that day, a rather astounding event that happens most Tuesdays. If you have never been flying on Tuesday and can make it someday plan on coming out and flying and then actually visiting face to face with flying friends over lunch.

Of course the irony of this little satirical look at technology is how we use all the wonderful radio controlled developments that make this hobby what it is today. We have about a half a dozen members without electronic communication and can't receive our newsletter. If we couldn't do this publication electronically we wouldn't have a monthly communication about our club, a catch 22 of sorts!

Develop your own perspective of how you use your technology. Try turning off your many electronic devices occasionally and having a quiet lunch with your spouse. Go on a walk and enjoy nature unencumbered by your electronic umbilical cords. See you at the field members!





## October Red Moon Lunar Eclipse: Next One is in 2033



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### CVMA 2015 EVENTS

Nov 6, 7: Thunder in Chino Valley RC Jet Rally  
 Dec 5: Christmas Party



Club meetings:  
 Third Wed. of each  
 month at 7pm.  
Prescott Airport

# BORN IN A BARN?



IF YOU ARE THE LAST ONE TO LEAVE THE FIELD:  
PLEASE REMEMBER TO LOCK THE GATE.  
 SPIN THE LOCK A FEW TIMES AFTER FASTENING TO INSURE  
 IT IS FASTENED, AND NOT ON THE OPENING NUMBER.

## SAFETY: ALWAYS A CRITICAL ISSUE

Our club worked hard to support the Electri-Fly this month with 26 registered pilots flying almost constantly for almost a week despite some rain. [Jerry English](#) and [Don Ferguson](#) worked hard to support this event with daily pilot meetings for safety. The only close call was a Li-po battery short that began in the plane at set up for flying. The pilot saw the danger developing and pulled the battery and tossed it on the concrete where it ignited. There was little time to get it out of the plane, it happened so quickly.

So members, we all know how dangerous our batteries can be if not handled properly. The pictures at right should serve as a reminder to use cau-

tion and have a lipo bag for your batteries. I believe the entire episode was videoed by one of our visiting pilots and can be seen on RC Groups.

The pictures at right show what can happen if not careful. The battery was a three cell 3000 milliamp used in a nice scale WWII Curtis HSB2C Hell Diver. The pilot had spare batteries so the plane flew later. The main point is no one was hurt and it serves as a good safety reminder for all electric flyers.



## The Convair XF-92



The Convair XF-92, certainly a weird aircraft to look at, was originally conceived as a point-defense interceptor but was ultimately used for experimental purposes. Renamed the XF-92A, the jet was used to test the delta-wing configuration later used on various Convair designs including F-102 Delta Dagger, F-106 Delta Dart, B-58 Hustler, the US Navy's F2Y Sea Dart as well as the VTOL FY Pogo.

Taking to the air for the first time on June 9, 1948, the XF-92A was flown by such aviation legends as Chuck Yeager and Frank Everest. Hollywood later came calling, using the aircraft as a Russian MiG in the 1957 Howard Hughes film *Jet Pilot*, starring John Wayne and Janet Leigh. It had also been used – in the more believable guise of an F-102 Delta Dagger – in *Toward the Unknown* (1956) starring William Holden.

One XF-92A was built at a cost of \$4.3 million. It can now be seen on display in the Research & Development Gallery at the National Museum of the United States Air Force in Dayton, Ohio.

If you have never visited the USAF Museum at Dayton, Ohio put it on your “To do list.”

## Hot Dogs Served Up...



Thank you to [Kathy and Ken Shephard](#), [Steve and Therese Shephard](#) for cooking and selling hot dogs, soda and chips at the Electric Fly-In and our Steve Crowe Fun Fly as well. A big help to our club and much appreciated by spectators too.

## One of a Kind EDF B-66 at Electri-Fly Meet



The only known RC B-66 in existence was taxi tested during our Electri-Fly. The plane was test taxied by [Tony Accurso](#) from California. Plans are to add Viet Nam markings from the famous Viet Nam Bat 21 story. It was damaged in transport so it didn't fly.



# CVMA Electri-Fly: Oct. 16-18

We had a very good turn out for the Electri-Fly In Oct. 16-18. Pilots started arriving on Tuesday with a lot of flying happening Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The official start of the activity began on Friday with intermittent rain through Saturday but that did not stop these intrepid pilots. At every break in the weather the sky was full of planes. With so many pilots your editor didn't get everyone's name and the planes they flew with the exception of the pictures on page one.

Here's the attendance break down of the 26 pilots that registered to fly.

Arizona	9	(2 from Mesa and 1 from Glendale)
California	6	
Kansas	1	
Nevada	2	
Texas	2	
Utah	3	
Ohio	1	
Tennessee	1	
Germany	1	(Did Not Fly during the event)
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Pilots</b>



Slow flying RC para-glider.



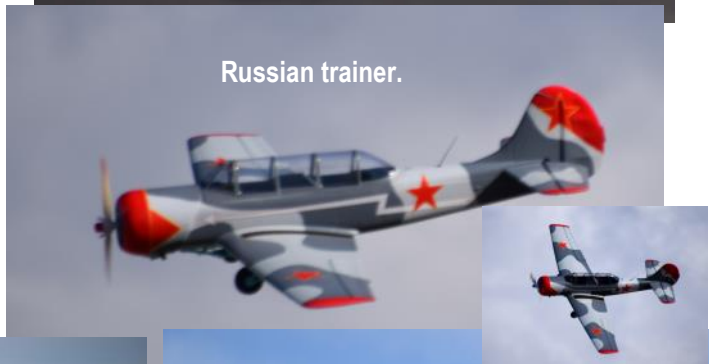
Nice foam B-17.



P-40 has unique nose art.



A 1930's de Havilland Dragon Rapide a most unusual electric twin.



Russian trainer.



Our own Chris Myhre's Jet Ranger.



Pilatus PC-6

# More on CVMA Electri-Fly In: Oct. 16-18



Our safety officer Charlie Gates in his Halloween FAA costume?



Cool ducted fan ME-262.



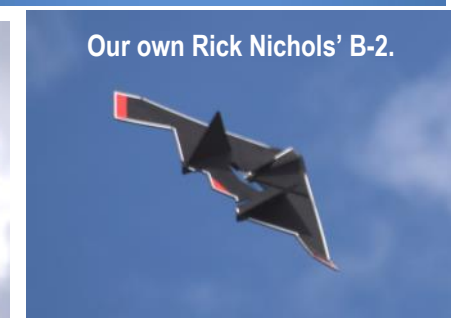
Two A-6 Intruders in formation.



Nice F-14 Tom Cat and she flies very well.



Nice WWII Curtiss HSB2C Hell Diver.



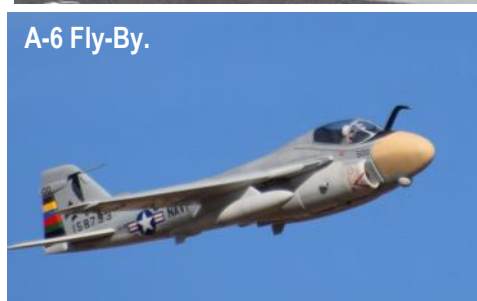
Our own Rick Nichols' B-2.



Our own Rick Nichols' Halloween Witch.



Chopper has realistic pilot, operating doors and an electric instrument panel.



A-6 Fly-By.



A father daughter team: Very cool.



Hollywood's German fighter from Indiana Jones movie.