



CHINO VALLEY FLYERS

Video and Photo Journal



Videos



The CVF PVJ (Photo Video Journal) is a "just for fun" publication and should not be confused with the club's official newsletter published monthly by Bob Shanks.

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ALW

High Desert Soaring Challenge Practice

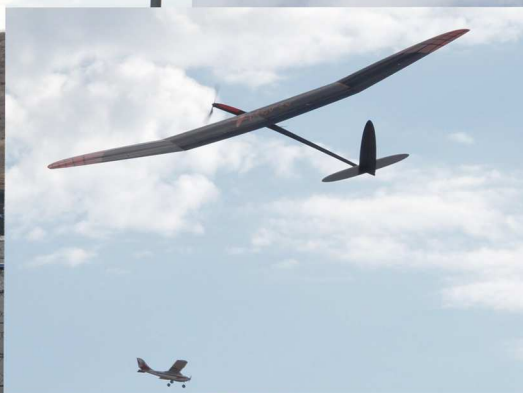
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Dave B.



Windy conditions made practice challenging.



A strong crosswind prevented John from landing near the yellow landing tape area.



John D.

High Desert Soaring Challenge Practice

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Dennis O. Jr.



As it turned out Dennis wasn't in the glider contest.



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High Desert Soaring Challenge

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High Desert Soaring Challenge

06-20-2026



Eric receives last minute instructions from the more experienced glider pilot (brother Mark).

Don't mess up!

Eric says his forte is really Warbird scale flying.





High Desert Soaring Challenge

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Dave B.

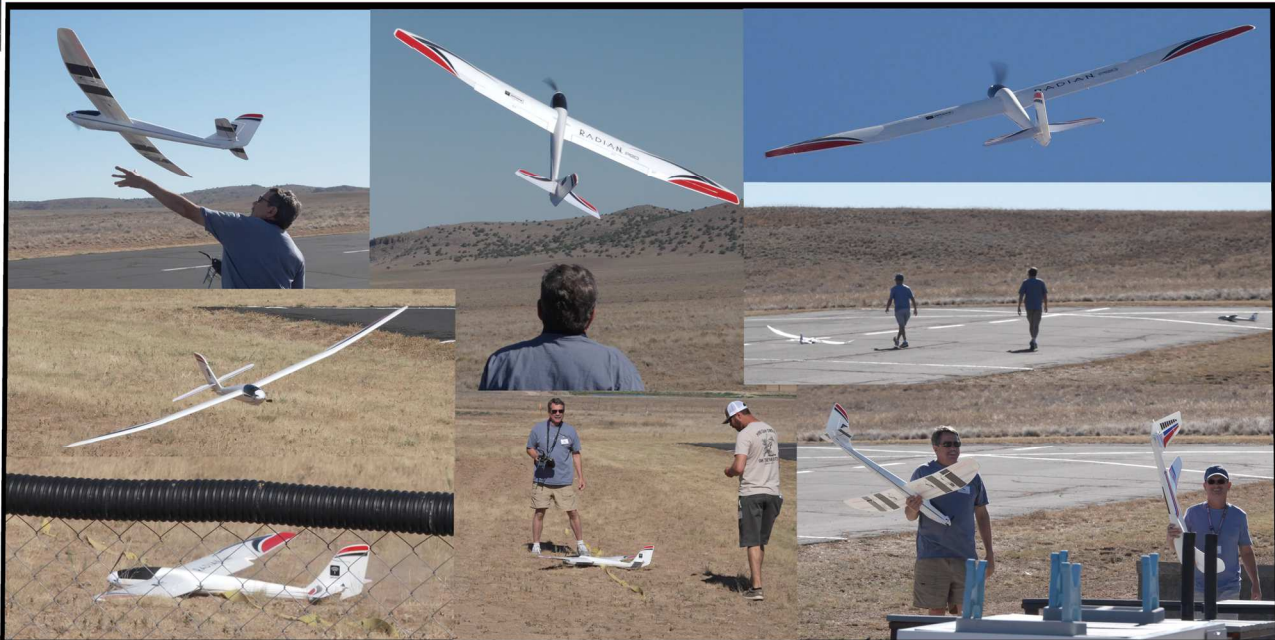


High Desert Soaring Challenge

* pics are from multiple heats

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Craig W.



Jeff M.







High Desert Soaring Challenge

06-20-2026



Jeff M.



Having fun is what it's all about.

Over the landing tape and into the fence.

Are we having fun yet?



Dave B.



Don C.
Treasurer



John R.



Dennis O.



Randy M.



Dan A.



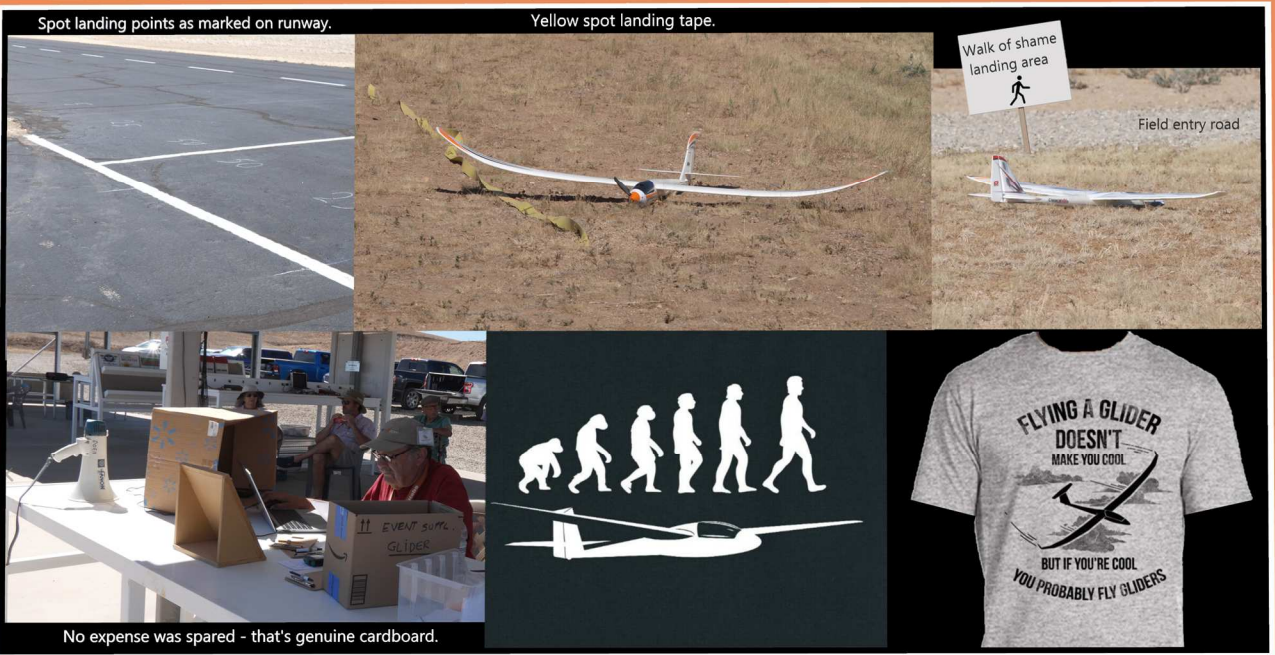
Eric P.

High Desert Soaring Challenge

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John D.



Spot landing points as marked on runway.

Yellow spot landing tape.

Walk of shame landing area

Field entry road

No expense was spared - that's genuine cardboard.



Dave B.

High Desert Soaring Challenge

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High Desert Soaring Challenge

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2 Meter

Winners in Action



Unlimited



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Gary C.



"Stupid Hobby"

SAY IT
WITH
LOVE



T-28 pilot

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A/W's Photo Gallery

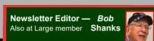
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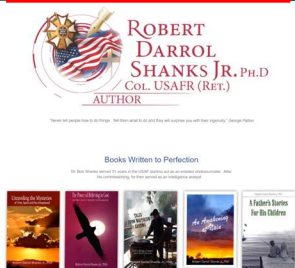


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Newsletter Editor — Bob
Also at Large member — Shanks

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Dr. Bob Shanks served 31 years in the USAF starting out as an enlisted photojournalist. After his commissioning he then served as an intelligence analyst. His last Air Force assignment was as a professor at the US Air Force Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL.

Bob received his BA, MS, and PhD degrees from the University of Nebraska. He has served as a reserve intelligence analyst working both for federal law enforcement as part of the war on drugs as well as the reserves. He has served in seven major commands.

After which, he served as an adjunct professor at Prescott, Arizona's Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU) as part of the Global Security and Intelligence Studies College.

Robert D. Shanks Jr. PhD Col. USAFR (Ret.) University of Nebraska Graduate Go Huskers!

Aircraft registration N61298 is a Cessna A185F Skywagon operated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. [FlightRadar24](#)

The aircraft, manufactured in 1980, is primarily used for wildlife observation, game surveys, and backcountry transport across Arizona's rugged terrain. Due to the department's operations, the plane frequently flies out of and around hubs like Phoenix Deer Valley Airport (KDV). [FlightAware](#) [X2](#)



Harold E.



Dr. Bob has recently expressed his desire to step down as CVF newsletter editor.

A big salute to Dr. Bob for producing all the CVF newsletters over the years.



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Bob W.



Bob W.

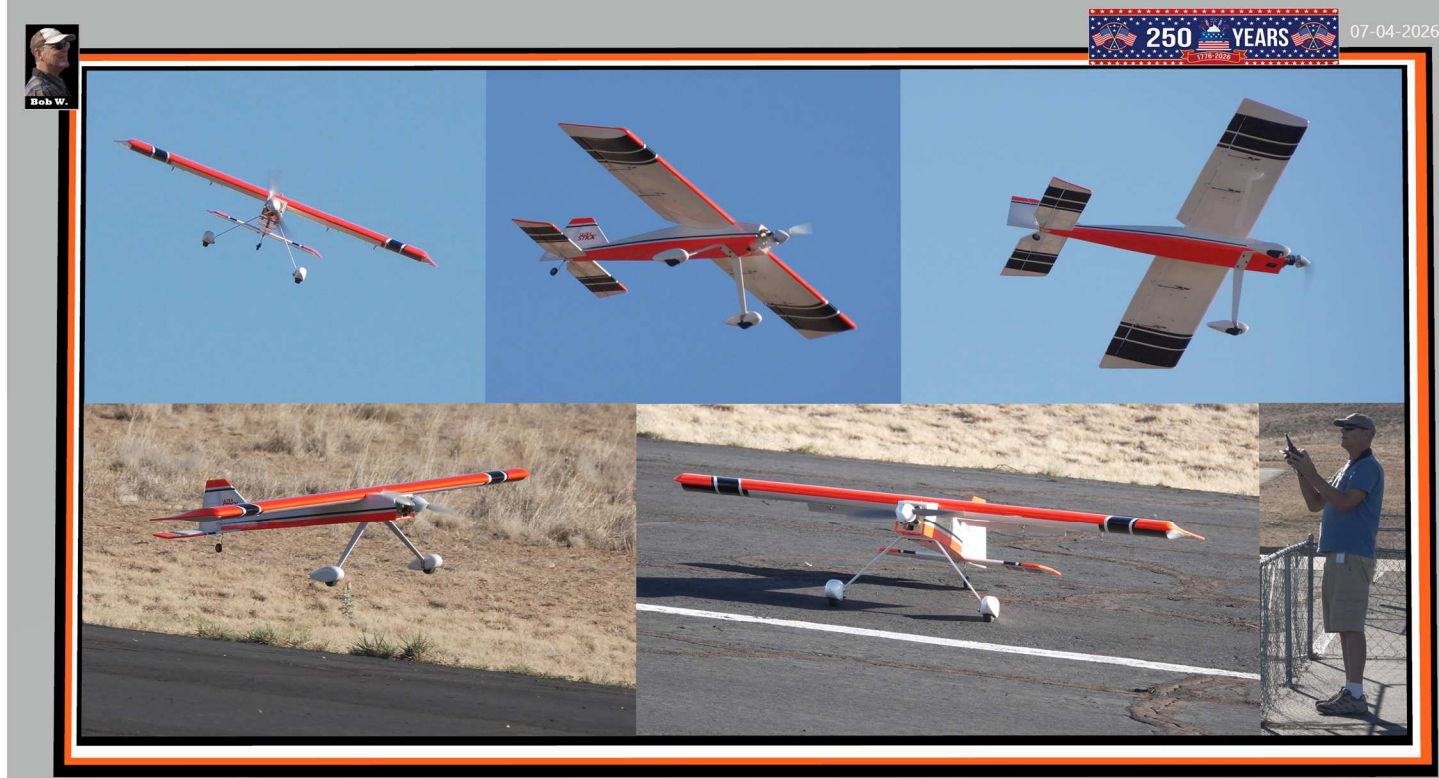
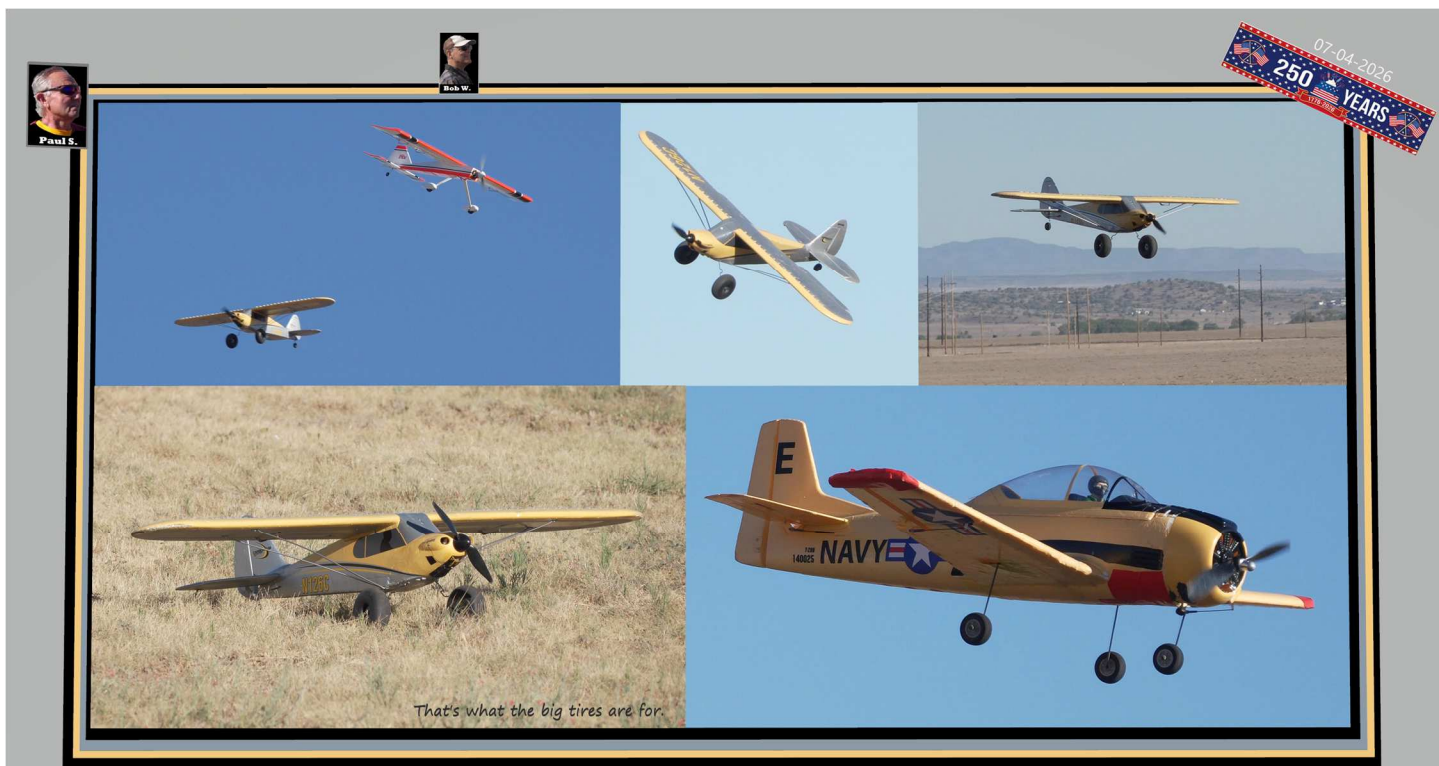
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Chief Flight Instructor



Steve S.











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NEW
MEMBER



07-06-2026



Jerry C.



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Bill G.

Just a friendly reminder to be wary of distracting pilots when they are assembling their aircraft. Also, please do not distract pilots while they are flying. This is good safety etiquette to prevent forgetting items during setup. Unnecessary distractions while flying can cause unintended accidents as well.





Dave G.
(new CDA member)

AIW's Photo Gallery

CdA - Robert Road Runway

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Casa de Aero is a local remote control (RC) flying club that maintains a primary flying site in Prescott Valley near Robert Road and Roundup Drive. The club is registered with the Academy of Model Aeronautics and provides a designated outdoor area for aeromodeling and drone enthusiasts.



* CVF member



Larry R.
* CVF member

AIW's Photo Gallery

CdA - Robert Road Runway

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UMX Turbo Tundra



AI W. All photos

Prescott Valley Silent Flyers (PVSF)

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<https://www.modelaircraft.org/club/prescott-valley-silent-flyers>

"Dave M had been contacted by glider guys in Phoenix asking if they could come to PVSF to fly without the heat. Dave pointed out to me that I was watching \$4000 gliders. These guys are national competitors". - AI



The Prescott Valley Silent Flyers (AMA Charter 4884) is a local Radio Control (RC) soaring club. Welcoming both expert and guest pilots, the club primarily meets to fly unpowered and electric gliders at their designated flying field.

Club Overview

Club Name: Prescott Valley Silent Flyers (PVSF)

Charter Number: 4884

Membership: Open to the public; requires Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) membership.

Contact: David Marston (Phone: 928-308-1665 | Email: dlmaston47@earthlink.net).



Leo B.
Cvf member

PVSF visitor



AI W. All photos

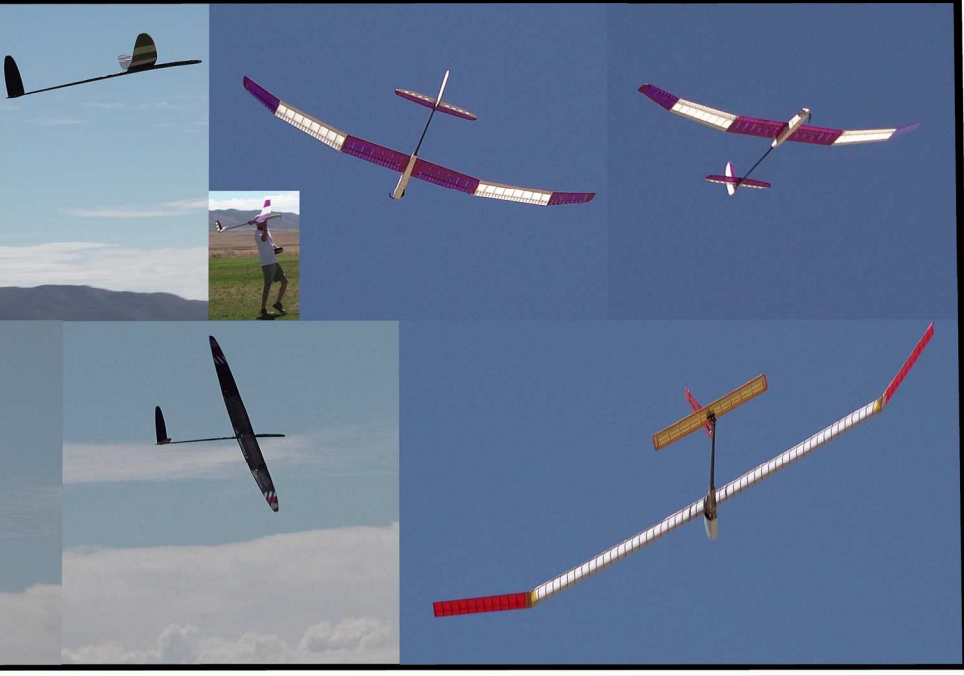
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PVSF visitor







Dave M.

PVSF visitor

PVSF visitor

PVSF visitor



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Shel mimics his fluttering aileron.

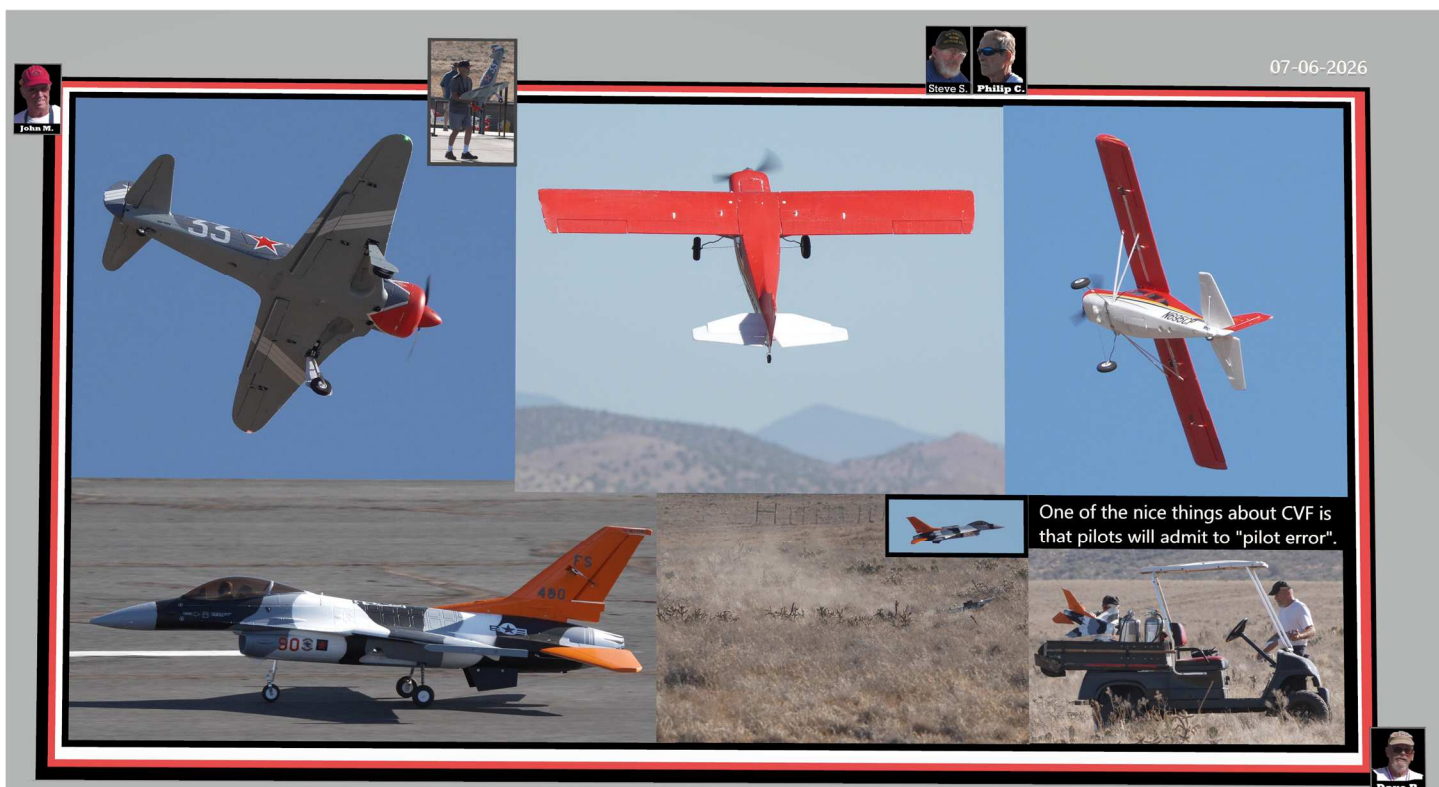


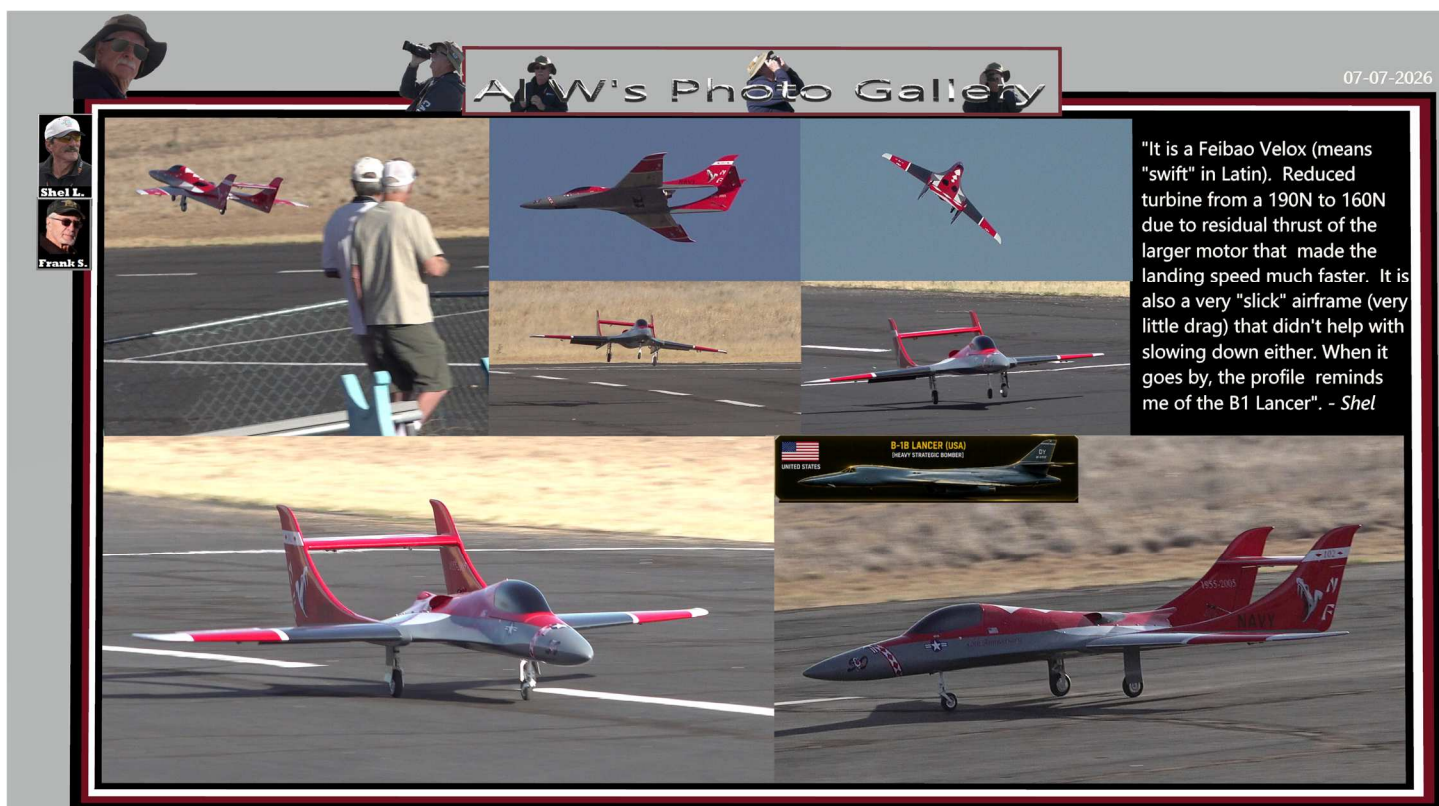
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E-flite S.E.5a 900mm BNF Basic







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