

THE FLYER



Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

August 2007

Our next PGRC membership meeting will be held *at the field*, Tuesday 21 August 2007 at 7:00 PM.

JULY MEETING

New Members. Charles Brooks, a qualified solo pilot, joined the Club and attended his first meeting. Tim Williams has visited the field several times after moving to the area from Oregon. He recently completed a very nicely done Sig Kadet - built from a kit (NOT an ARF!). Tim is planning to join in the near future. Shawn Wisler has also visited the field several times this season, and is planning to join. Byron Smith just joined as a new member and has purchased a trainer. Welcome, to you all.

Family Picnic. Members and their families are urged to attend our family Picnic Sunday 19 August. Bring a dish, chairs, beach blanket, and your airplanes. See the flyer below.

Times Article. Dave Turner recapped a very complimentary article appearing recently in the Washington Times. A reporter had visited several of the area clubs and interviewed a number of modelers. Our own Dave Turner, Garrie Taylor, and Jonathan Baker were interviewed and were quoted in the article.

Warbirds Recap. Dave recapped the visit he and a few additional PGRC members made to Warbirds Over Delaware. There are some photos posted on the PGRC web site. This has grown to be a very big event, attracting modelers from across the country. It's well worth the less-than-two-hour drive to Lums Pond State Park.

Fire Extinguishers. The Board has purchased some additional fire extinguishers. They are available at the field, under the pavilion.

New Cop on the Beat. Dave related a recent visit by PG County Police Officer, Ray Ginac.

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PGRC DUES SCHEDULE

Initial Assessment (New First-Time Members)	\$100
Annual Dues (General)	\$75
Annual Dues (Junior)	\$10
Annual Dues (Senior w/ at least 5 yrs in the club)	\$45
Annual Dues (Senior w/ less than 5 yrs in the club)	\$60
Annual Dues (Family)	\$85

Annual dues are considered late if paid after the January general membership meeting. An additional \$25 late fee will be assessed.

Dues can be paid at the meetings, or can be mailed to:

Steve Baker
12215 Malin Lane
Bowie, MD 20715

Be sure to include your address, phone number, **and AMA Number** on the check. You **must** be an active AMA member to fly at the field.

DIRECTIONS TO THE PGRC FLYING 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 PGRC signs.

PGRC'S WEB PAGE

Visit with PGRC on the Internet:
<http://www.pgrclub.com/>

Ray is a full-scale pilot, and flies his Kit Fox "all the time" over PGRC field. (He performed a low fly-by a few hours before the meeting.) He expressed his admiration for the beauty of the field and his curiosity about the hobby. Ray might possibly be talked into joining the club and learning to fly. He indicated he would "keep an eye out" on the field in his official constabulary capacity.

Gator. Evandro Valente, PGRC member and University of Maryland, College Park, Aerospace Engineering professor, is donating a surplus 626 John Deere Gator 4x5 to the Club. He indicated that the University had two such vehicles that were to be discarded, but Evandro cannibalized one to create one serviceable vehicle. He is donating it to PGRC in recognition of the help the club has provided to him and his engineering team in their aircraft design projects. The Gator will be a very nice addition to the Club. It will be useful for recovery of crashed aircraft from the woods, hauling, and other maintenance chores at the field. We may even use it to chauffeur visiting VIPs around the field during events. Thanks very much, Evandro.

Raffle and 50-50. Tom Johnson won a Lanier Stinger 10 kit in the meeting raffle, and immediately donated the prize back to the Club (Thanks, Tom.). Fred Lebert missed out on a whopping \$24.50 in the 50-50 drawing.

IMAC CONTEST

PGRC Members,

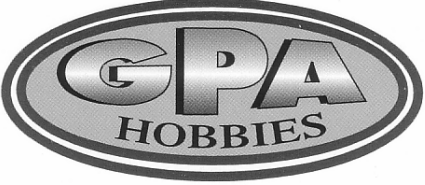
I wanted to ask if you could mention at your next meeting or newsletter that Prince Georges R/C will be having an IMAC contest the last weekend in August, the 25th and 26th. This will be the 11th consecutive year for the event. Registration opens at 9AM, flying starts at 11AM on Saturday. On Sunday, flying starts at 9AM.

If any member thinks they might like to try their hand at it please have them contact Dave Michael at davidmichael1@comcast.net. I'll be happy to talk with them about what they would

need to do. We get many first time competitors each year and it's a lot of fun.

Thanks!
Dave Michael

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FOR SALE. New in box and NEVER unpacked: Great Planes 78" Wagstaff Extra 330 A.R.F. Asking only \$320/offer - will deliver to club field only. Please contact Richard at ramcfarl@comcast.net



**24404 Three Notch Rd
Hollywood, MD 20636
301 373-6674**

DESIGNATED TRAINING DAY. Dave Turner, Alan Goodman and Charlie Gettier have been providing instruction for folks on Tuesday afternoons after work. The word is getting out and lots of new members, and current members in need of additional instruction, are showing up. Several new members have recently been "soloed". Additional instructors would be appreciated.

GRASS CUTTING SCHEDULE. Rodger Binger will normally be cutting the grass *every Friday morning*. The field will be closed for flying from early morning until Rodger finishes at approximately 2:00 in the afternoon. Please

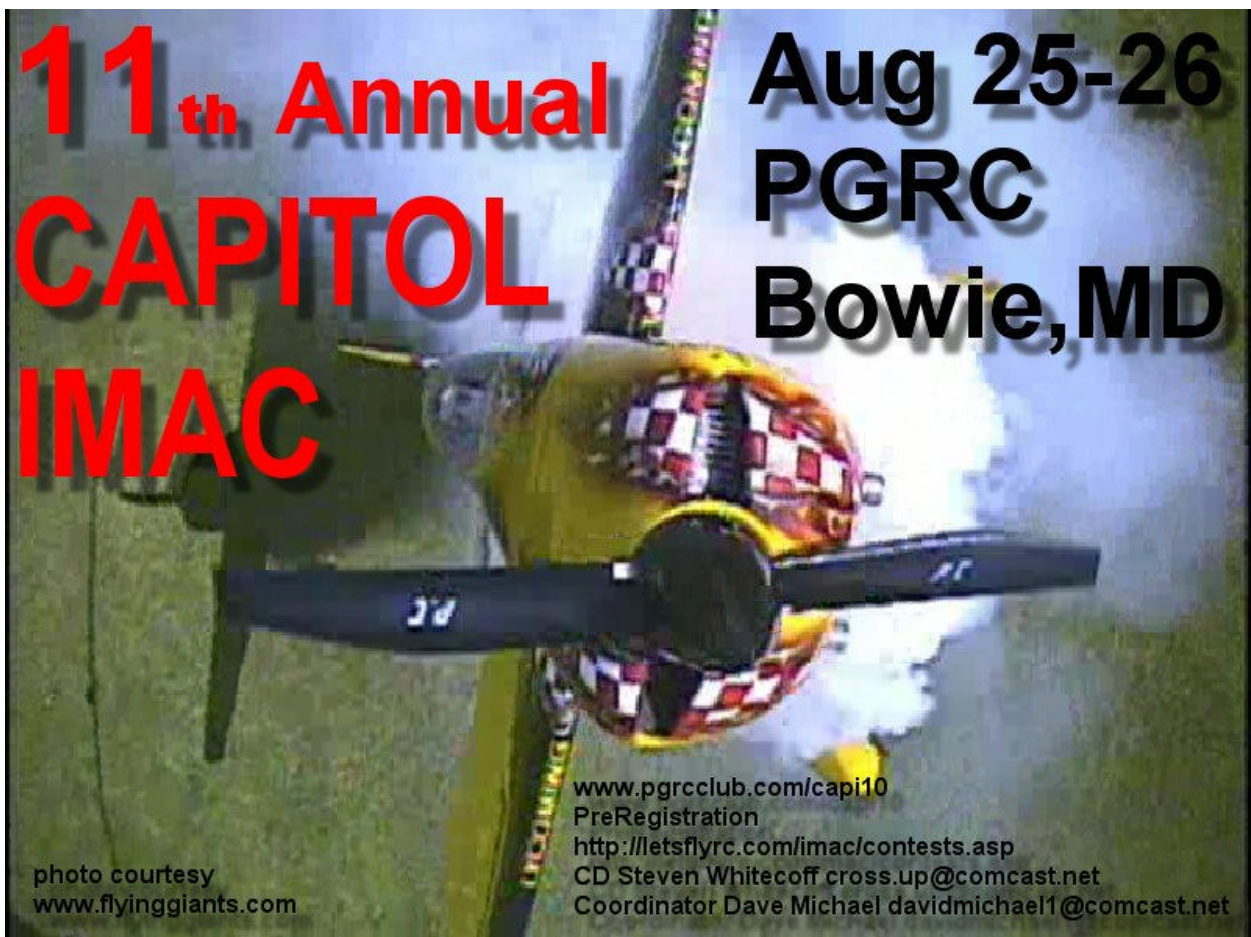
do not set up your stuff and become an obstacle during mowing operations. If you do not intend to help, at least stay out of the way. Your assistance will always be appreciated in moving geezer tables, flight-line safety nets, no-taxi signs, and in helping with trimming. Note that if rain is forecast for Friday, Rodger will attempt to cut the grass on **Thursday morning**. Please cooperate with Rodger in performing this extremely valuable volunteer function of field maintenance.

NEW GATE ISSUES. Our landlord, M-NCPPC, has contracted with a farmer to maintain the upper portion of the property. The farmer has installed his own lock in the chain of locks in the gate. The last PGRC member leaving the field for the day needs to lock the gate, regardless of which lock needs to be closed. Even if the farmer is still on the property, LOCK THE GATE if you are the last PGRC member to leave. On recent occasions

we have found the gate open in the morning. The farmer has a key and will be able to let himself out.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS NEEDED. We are looking for additional volunteer flight instructors, particularly to help during the Tuesday evening training session. Note that you don't have to be a former TOC champion to qualify. Patience, time, and willingness to help new members master the fundamentals of RC flight are the key prerequisites. Please contact Dave Turner if you can serve.

LLOYD CHARLES PLAQUE. A plaque designating our pavilion as the Lloyd Charles Pavilion was recently installed at the field. The plaque includes a full-color rendition of our dear departed friend in typical reclining pose. Check it out.



**11th Annual
CAPITOL
IMAC**

**Aug 25-26
PGRC
Bowie, MD**

www.pgrclub.com/capi10
PreRegistration
<http://letsflyrc.com/imac/contests.asp>
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PGRC and Area Events Schedule for 2007

Updated August 15

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Contest / Event Director</i>
Mar 24	Spring Field Clean-Up Day	N/A
April 28	Q-500, AMA 424	Rick Moreland (301) 261-7366
May 12	Open House Fly-In	Charlie Gettier (410) 757-3195
May 19	Q-500, AMA 424	Steve Baker (301) 352-4580
May 18-20	Armed Forces Day Show at Andrews AFB	N/A
May 26	Bowie Memorial Day Parade	Dave Turner (301) 855-7796 Charlie Gettier (410) 757-3195
June 2	Bowie Fest at Allen's Pond Park	Dave Turner (301) 855-7796 Charlie Gettier (410) 757-3195
June 23	Electric Fly-In	Dave Turner (301) 855-7796
July 27-29	NMPRA Q-40 Championship	TBA Registration: R. Moreland (301) 261-7366
August 19	PGRC Family Picnic	Carl Siefring (301) 855-9226
Aug 25, 26	CAPI IMAC Aerobatic Contest	Steve Whitecoff (410) 280-5372
Sept 15	NMPRA District 6 Championships AMA 424 and 428	Rick Moreland (301) 261-7366 Steve Baker (301) 352-4580
Sept 22	IMAA Giant-Scale Fly-In	Charlie Gettier (410) 757-3195
Sept 23	War Bird Scale Rally	Alan Goodman (410) 867-7281 Jake Flory (410) 212-3854
October 6	Q-500, AMA 424	Dan Myer (301) 251-5284

In general, field preparation and setup will occur on Friday afternoon preceding Saturday events. General flying may be curtailed.

Please notify Charlie Gettier of any schedule changes.

PGRC Cookout and Family Picnic

Join us for a Picnic at the PGRC flying field
Sunday, Aug 19, 2007
3:00 PM to Sunset

The club will be grilling and supplying beverages.



Bring your Spouse, Significant Other, Kids and Grand Kids.

Please bring a side-dish to share.

The the flying field will be open. This is not primarily a flying event, but we may close the field for short periods for fun-fly and children activities



If possible Bring:

- Lawn chairs
- Sturdy folding table
- Pop-up sun shelter