

# THE FLYER



Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

June 2004

**NEXT MEETING.** The next PGRC membership meeting will be held at *the field*, Tuesday 15 June 2004 at 7:00 PM. Meetings will be at the field through the summer months.

## MAY MEETING.

**New Members.** 15-year-old Michael Davenport introduced himself at the meeting. Michael has a new Next Star trainer, and is looking forward to learning to fly.

**Proposed Dues Increase.** Dave Turner described the Board's proposal for a \$25 dues increase for all but Junior members, to be effective this year. The increase will generate the necessary funds to enable the Club to pay a mowing contractor for the remainder of this season, increase security, and eventually replace the mower that was lost in the theft at the field. (The proposed increase was inaccurately reported in the May issue of the newsletter.) Members will vote on the proposed increase at the June meeting.

**Locking the Gate.** Dave reminded everyone of the importance of ensuring the gate is locked by the last person leaving the field at the end of the day. Alan Goodman reported that he had some new signs made to remind members of this as they leave the field.

**JR Race.** Steve Baker reminded everyone of the upcoming JR Gold Cup championship pylon race to be held 5, 6 June. This event not only brings national attention to PGRC, through the participation of racers throughout the country and coverage in the hobby press, but also is one of PGRC's big money-making events of the year. Steve is still looking for volunteers to help with the course work. Call him if you can help.

**Show and Tell.** Jeff Chumley brought in a 1/16<sup>th</sup>-scale Caprone CA-42 Italian bomber. Jeff described how he scaled up 3-view

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### PGRC DUES SCHEDULE

Initial Assessment (New First-Time Members)	\$100
Annual Dues (General)	\$50
Annual Dues (Junior)	\$10
Annual Dues (Senior) w/ at least 5 yrs in the club)	\$20
Annual Dues (Senior) w/ less than 5 yrs in the club)	\$35
Annual Dues (Family)	\$60

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:

Bob Cain  
12222 Rolling Hill 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

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illustrations to create the unusual model - his first scratch-build project - and also provided the members with a historical perspective of the aircraft. The full-scale aircraft had a wing span of 100' - enormous for that era of aviation history - and was used by the Italians to bomb the Austrians during WWI. Jeff's model weighs 7 lbs, 13 oz., and is powered by three OS .30 4-strokes - two tractors and one pusher... Richard McFarland showed his new Patty Wagstaff Extra 300 1/4-scale ARF from Great Planes. The craft features a ZDZ 50 NG engine, digital servos, and pull-pull elevator control. Richard's model was waiting for its maiden flight as of the meeting... New Junior member Mike Davenport showed the members his new Hobbico Next Star ARF trainer, with OS .46 power plant and Futaba radio. Mike described that the trainer ensemble comes with flight simulator software and many other features for the new RC pilot... Jonathan Baker, home after successfully completing his first year at VA Tech, brought in his IMAC practice plane. With OS .50 FX , JR receiver, and weighing 5.3 lbs., the model has logged 25 flights. Jonathan is selling the plane (\$500) to help finance the purchase of his next aerobatic model.

**Raffle and 50-50.** Jim Garza won a Graupner Race Rat 1-meter electric in the raffle. Greg Edmunds was not present to claim the \$11 50-50 prize.

**PGRC WINDBREAKERS.** See Alan Goodman if you would like to order a windbreaker emblazoned with the PGRC logo. Our first batch of orders have been delivered.

**CHANNEL OCCUPANCY.** The Club is conducting a survey of RC airplane channels in use at PGRC field. The results of the survey, to be posted in the newsletter (see below) and updated as new information is added, will help members select channels for new or re-tuned radio gear. A number of other clubs have posted such matrices for the benefit of their members. If you wish to participate in the survey, contact Charlie Gettier and let him know the channels that you use.

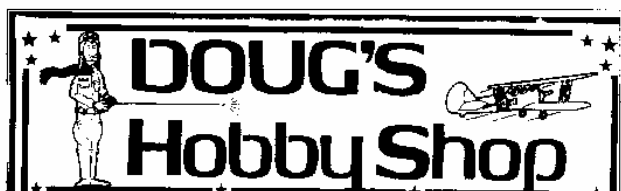
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**FLIGHT INSTRUCTION.** Training Coordinator Dave Turner is looking for additional volunteers to serve as flight instructors this year. Please see Dave if you can help in this important Club activity to attract new participants to the hobby and to help keep PGRC a growing and vibrant organization. Also, see Dave if you have an unused Futaba transmitter that could be used in our training program.



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**WINGS OVER PIPER.** We cordially invite you to come to Wings Over Piper and help us build it into one of the most recognized RC events in the country. Our website [www.wingsoverpiper.com](http://www.wingsoverpiper.com) has all the information and links needed with regard to the event. This year, for flyers convenience, we have a pre-registration form available on the website. Completion of the pre-registration form will help us to plan for the number of flyers we will have and simplify registering at the event. We look forward to seeing you at the second annual Wings Over Piper event on August 6, 7, and 8, 2004.  
Hal Lusk, President, Wings of Williamsport



**LOCK THAT GATE.**  
Protect our property and your investment in PGRC.  
Remember to lock the gate when you are the last to leave the field at the end of the day.

**From the Giant Scale Fly-In**

*(above)* Alan Goodman poses with his lovely Stinson Reliant SR-9. The model weighs 23 lbs., has a 102" wing span, and is powered by a G-38.



*(above)* Bill Setzler brought his 1/2-scale Pietenpol, in-the-bones, for display at the Fly-In. Bill began this impressive scratch-build project over a year ago. When completed, the 14' model will be powered by a Sachs 5.8 (hidden under the scale replica engine), and weigh in the neighborhood of 75 lbs.



*(left)* This view of the pit area shows two of Bob Gensler's own-design QD models in the foreground, flanked by two Piper Cubs.

## ***PGRC 2004 Events Schedule***

*All dates as of June 2004*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Contest / Event Director</i>
Mar 27	Spring Clean-Up Day	N/A
May 1	Q-500 (424 and 428)	Steve Baker (240) 481-3676 John Albritton (703) 938-1084
May 8	IMAA Giant-Scale Fly-In	Charlie Gettier (410) 974-4785
May 14 – 16	Armed Forces Day Show at Andrews AFB (Ralph Schreiner – POC)	
June 4 - 6	JR Gold Cup Race	Rick Moreland (301) 261-7366
June 5	Bowie Fest at Allen's Pond Park	
June 19	Q-500 (424 and 428)	Neal Rehm (540) 592-3060 Dave Beazley (434) 589-4886
July 31	PRCA Bull Roast	Jennifer Topping
Aug 21, 22	CAPi IMAC Aerobatic Contest	David Michael (301) 384-7185
Sept 11, 12	Q-500 (424 and 428) District 4 Championship Race	Danny Myer (301) 460-0132 Art Edsall (301) 855-8707
Sept 19	War Bird Scale Rally	Alan Goodman (301) 627-7649 Jake Flory (410) 212-3854
Oct 2	Open House Fly-In	Charlie Gettier (410) 974-4785
Oct 9	Q-500 (424 and 428)	Warren Gillette (410) 799-8575 Gene Bass (301) 404-3493 (c) (610) 494 4833 (h)

*Please notify Charlie Gettier of any schedule changes.*

### **72 MHz Channel Usage at PGRC Field (18 members reporting)**

Chan	Usage	Chan	Usage	Chan	Usage	Chan	Usage	Chan	Usage
11		21		31	1	41		51	1
12		22	1	32	1	42		52	1
13	1	23	2	33	1	43	1	53	
14		24		34	1	44	3	54	1
15	2	25		35		45		55	1
16	1	26		36	2	46	1	56	
17	2	27		37	1	47	1	57	
18		28	1	38	2	48		58	1
19	1	29	1	39	2	49		59	1
20	2	30		40	2	50	3	60	

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