

THE FLYER



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Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

May 2019

MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our next monthly membership meeting will be held *at the field*, Tuesday May 21 at 7:00 PM.

OPEN HOUSE.

We hope you can join us for our 28th Annual Open House Fly-In on Saturday 11 May. See the flyer below for details. Since this is a DMV Multi-Club event, we're expecting some guest flyers from neighboring clubs. Our raffle prize is a 2.7 meter Radian electric sail plane. CD Charlie Gettier is still looking for a few volunteers to help with concessions and other chores. Hope to see you on the 11th.

APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Treasury. Steve reported \$10,620 in the treasury, as of the latest bank statement. Currently we have 133 folks paid for 2019.

AMA PR Firm Visit. On Wednesday 10 April, Lauren Wiggins from the DC public relations firm *CLS Strategies* hired by the AMA, and Kiran Stacy, a reporter for *Financial Times*, met with a small group at the club house, representing a cross section of the PGRC membership. The visit was requested by AMA to provide background for a *Financial Times* article regarding the AMA's relationship with FAA over the years, and current issues surrounding commercial drones and their impact on the hobby. After the club house meeting, both Kiran and Lauren came down to the field, and were provided some stick time on a club trainer. A very nice turnout of members exhibited their models and provided flying demonstrations. AMA Government Affairs Director Tyler Dobbs and District IV VP Jay Marsh, in a follow-up call with Rick Moreland, indicated that they were very pleased with the

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PGRC DUES SCHEDULE

Initial Assessment (New First-Time Members)	\$100
Annual Dues (General)	\$75
Annual Dues (Junior)	\$10
Annual Dues (Family)	\$85

Annual dues for current members are considered late if paid after the January general membership meeting. An additional \$25 late fee will be assessed. New members joining after July 31 pay half the annual dues for the remainder of the year.

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 PGRC 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 signs. Address: 17230 Swanson Rd, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

RUNWAY COORDINATES

38°51'03"N 76°41'59"W

PGRC'S WEB SITE

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

feedback they received from *CLS Strategies*, and expressed their thanks to our members for their hospitality and participation.

Raffle and 50-50. Tyler Sonnett won a mini quadcopter in the raffle. Alan Blowers was not present to win \$152 in the 50-50 drawing.

RUNWAY REHAB. Our paving contractor completed a rehab of the runway on 11 April: filling cracks, re-sealing the surface and re-painting lines. They indicated that the cracks swallowed up 150 pounds of rubberized filler. The runway looks great, and the field was open for business the following afternoon. The fix should be good for another five years.

ROAD REPAIR. PGRC extends sincere appreciation to our landlord, M-NCPPC, for the fine repair made to the access road during the week of 22 April. The Parks crew brought a loader and roller, and used the pile of millings next to the road to the house to fill and smooth out wash-out areas and ruts all along the road. Thanks again, Kyle, and the Parks road maintenance team.

MOWER BACK IN SERVICE. The bottom crank case oil seal was replaced in the older of our two commercial mowers and the mower is now back in service - just in time for the start of our Wednesday morning mowing schedule.

SWAP SHOP RECAP. Our 12th annual Swap Shop and Pancake Breakfast on 20 April was a big success. The club made over \$800 on the breakfast and sales of donated equipment - particularly the estate items from our departed friend Wayne Butler. Thanks to Alan for managing the Butler estate sale and for his magnificent breakfast home fries. There were no breakfast leftovers.

TUESDAY TRAINING. Fledgling pilots needing RC flight instruction, and current pilots looking for help with setup or maiden flights, are encouraged to come out to the field on Tuesday late afternoon / evenings. As always, we can always use some additional experienced members to serve as instructors or to offer technical support.

SCAM: National Aviation Center

Some of our members may receive an official – looking letter from National Aviation Center indicating that your FAA registration is about to expire, and offering an expensive on-line service to renew. This has been reported as a scam. The FAA will contact you directly when your registration is due. *Thanks to Charles Ritchey for bringing this to our attention.*

RC Pilots



What my friends think I do



What my mom thinks I do



What society thinks I do



What the government thinks I do



What I think I do



What I actually do

Courtesy of Weatherman Hernan Garcia

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2019 PGRC Events Schedule		
Date	Event	POC
March 23	Spring Clean-Up Day	N/A
April 20	PGRC Swap Shop	Alan Goodman (301) 509-8589
May 4	IMAC Basic-Only CANCELLED	Dave Deacon (443) 822-5805
May 11	Open House Fly-In (DMV Multi-Club)	Charlie Gettier (410) 991-3178
June 1,2	CAPI IMAC	Dave Deacon (443) 822-5805
Sept. 21, 22	Big Bird / War Bird Fly-In	Rick Moreland (301) 261-7366
Sept. 28	Electric Fly-In	Harold Thompson promod17525@yahoo.com
TBD	Fall Clean-Up Day	N/A
2019 DMV Multi-Club Events		
Date	Event / Location	POC
April 13	DCRC DMV Fly-In / Boyds, MD	Andy Kane, andykane01@gmail.com
May 12	Open House Fly-In (DMV Multi-Club)	Charlie Gettier (410) 991-3178
TBD	Freestate RC Airplanes of the World / Laurel, MD	
TBD	FARM Club DMV / Bealeton, VA	Dave Rothbart, davidrothbart@comcast.net
TBD	Eastern Shore Aeromodelers DMV / Hurlock, MD	Eastern Shore Aeromodelers Hurlock, MD jack@upchurchs.net
TBD	DCRC Bealeton Fly-In / Flying Circus Aerodrome	Andy Kane, andykane01@gmail.com DCRC Club Bealeton Fly IN Flying Circus, Aerodrome
TBD	Fredericksburg RC DMV / Thornburg, VA	info@fredericksburgrc.com Fredericksburg RC Thornburg, VA
TBD	Culpeper RC Club DMV / Culpeper, VA	Nic Burhans, npb6218@earthlink.net

FREE FIREWOOD. There is firewood (hardwood logs cut to convenient fireplace / wood-stove lengths) available in the area between the kiosk and equipment shed, from the trees recently cut down by Parks. Any members willing to split and haul it away are welcome to do so.

BASIC-ONLY CANCELLED. The Basic-Only IMAC event scheduled for 4 May has been cancelled. The field will be open for general flying.

BEES. During the Tuesday evening training session on 23 April, Harold Thompson proclaimed that he had dispatched 32 bees, of various species, under the pavilion that day. We need to find a way to keep Harold under the pavilion throughout the summer. We'll even buy him a supply of badminton rackets. No other proposed solution to the bee problem has yet worked.

THANKS BRICE. New junior member Brice Stephens recently climbed the tree across the field that had snatched Reggie Johnson's trainer from the sky, and successfully retrieved the model. Thanks, Brice. It's good to be young.



Rick Moreland chats with Lauren Wiggins during the PR visit on 10 April. Rick was battling flu-like symptoms that day but toughed it out.

PGRC's 2019 28th Annual Open House RC Fly-In

Sponsored by the Prince George's Radio Control Club



Saturday 11 May, 9:00 am 'til dusk

A Delaware-Maryland-Virginia Multi-Club Event

**All AMA Members Welcome to Fly
Free Admission
Spectators Welcome – Family Friendly
Concessions, Raffle, Flying Exhibitions**

Additional Information

Location: PGRC Club Field, 17230 Swanson Rd,
Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

Directions: Take US Rt. 301 south from Bowie,
MD, approx. 3 mi. south of Rt. 214, turn east on
Swanson Rd. and follow PGRC signs

Flying Site: 400' paved runway, 800' grass strip,
campers welcome - no hookups

Runway Coordinates: 38°51'03"N 76°41'59"W

Event Director: Charlie Gettier
(410) 991-3178 cell
cagettier@gmail.com

an AMA-sanctioned event



Current PGRC Members - May 2019

Alwin Alleyne 620916	Dwight Hulvey 986786	Robert Smith 56375
Giancarlo Almodovar	Roland Jackson 58267	Byron Smith 885782
Lawrence Baker 599782	Jeff Jackson	Robert Snedegar 28964
Jonathan Baker 601832	Aubrey (Stoney) Jasper 205948	Frederick Sobeck 71763
Steve Baker 68276	Eugene Johnson 1019274	Tyler Sonnett
William Baldiga 67301	Durante (Andre) Jones 951050	Keith Stalder 643147
Carl Becker 623227	Ben Jones 987550	Chris Stephens 1143913
Rodger Binger 1763	Byron Jones 898381	Brice Stephens 997360
Bill Blacker 914663	Paul Kelton 1134654	Ed Stern 7424
John Blom 56219	Patrick Kenny	Ed Stone 1059327
Eric Blowers 982405	Mark Kikta 990866	Dennis Swartzel 940470
R. Allen Blowers 84468	James Klapp 621571	Vaclav Sychlový 244279
Joseph Bodnar Sr. 77283	Charles Kozlowski	Garrie Taylor 24132
Howard Bonds 1011061	Kathleen LaNore 937304	Harold Thompson 74127
Greg Brewer 339113	Jonathan LaNore 496693	Robert Tiger 1123433
Michael Bruno 952078	Tim LaNore 63894	Terrence Till 77702
Rob Buhrman 316301	Joe Lawrence 37969	Christopher True 180101
Mark Bush 172249	Stephen Leavitt 1086712	Shawn Tunson 961898
Peter Castine 6132	Russell Levin 766250	Sean Tuomey 967524
Stan Chrusciel 831377	David Levin 799250	Melville Turner 1133181
Kerry Cocherell 451622	David Littleton 132638	John Vlna 4536
Michael Cross 459926	Michael Lorino 869355	Marvin Washington 491724
Richard Cross 4452	John Loy 578712	Doug Washington 786022
Cornell Cuffy 1031844	George Marenka 81879	Joseph Webster 374405
Peter Curtis 432416	Harry McCormick 21903	Chic White 3R
Warren Dahlstrom 757889	Michael McEvilley 237043	Dorwell White 848359
Peter Dahlstrom 759534	Dylan McLaughlin 1049573	Daryll White
David Deacon 802761	Rick Moreland 3113	Samantha White (Binger) 1082219
Franklin Edwards 685140	Dan Myer 155927	Steven Whitecoff 9327
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Jim Guthrie 346144	Charles Russell 795778	
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David Harris 492209	Alexander Schmidt 861515	
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Cameron Holmes 731941	Rudolph Schneider 1175200	
Bennett Holmes 851939	Ralph Schreiner 527786	
Eric Holmes 44438	Jonathan Schumacher 1162790	
Joseph (Al) Holmes 55196	Bill Setzler 107134	
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Open House Fly-In Saturday 11 May

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