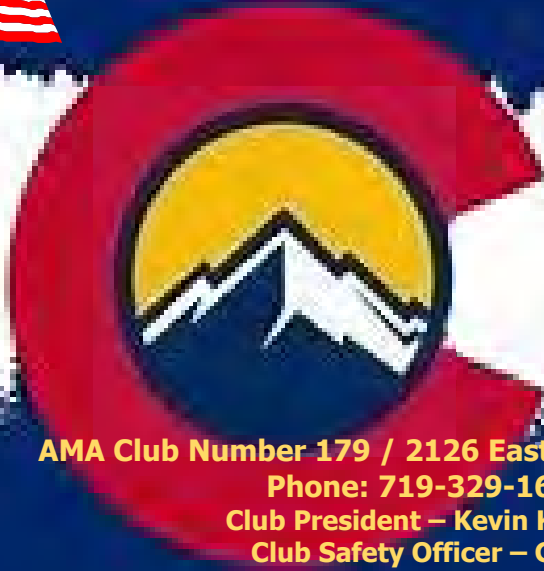




Pikes Peak Radio Control Club Newsletter



Happy Thanksgiving from PPRCC!

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“Keep Calm and PPRCC On!”

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Next PPRCC Meeting:
November 2020
@ Location and time to be determined

Local RC events happening this month:
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Last Month's Minutes . . .



The October club meeting was held at the airfield

Meeting started: 11:00 am
Meeting adjourned: 11:50 am

Members attended: 21
New members: 1 – Jim. Welcome!
Visitors: 1 – Brent DeBruine. Welcome!

New Business:

- 1) Club president Kevin Kinzel, informed everyone that our previous meeting place, the VFW building, has been sold and will be torn down to make room for a new facility. The search for a new meeting location is on again.
- 2) Club secretary Keith Davis, informed everyone the club is now accepting 2021 renewal applications. The 2021 form can be found on the PPRCC website.

- 3) The club is now accepting nominees for the 2021 vice president position.

Airplane Anomalies



**“Does any know where I can find Duane Zinke?
I heard he can rebuild any airplane crash!”**

PPRCC October Club Meeting



Meeting took place: Sunday / 11 Oct 2020

Throughout the summer PPRCC held its club meetings at the airfield, surprisingly, not once did we get weathered out, so we tried again for the month of October and we survived! The weather was great, but it did get windy.

A mini swap meet was also held in conjunction with the meeting. Several planes were up for sale and several planes were sold. And yes, despite the wind, there was some flying going on too.



“Two of the three planes shown here were sold.”



“The winds really tossed this plane around, but the pilot got it back to the runway ok.”



Jets Over Pikes Peak!

Event took place: Sunday / 20 Sep 2020



PPRCC hosted another successful jet event in September. What constitutes a successful event? No crashes, no injuries and everyone had a good time! It was good flying weather, but only 11-12 pilots participated. Probably because at the last minute, the Love-Air RC club up north decided to conduct a jet rally during the same weekend.



“The jet event was open to EDF (Above) & turbine (Below) powered jets.”



The pilots flew a variety of jet styles; military, civilian, sport and trainer. Whatever the pilot's preference, they were all exciting to watch from the spectator's view.

Lunch was offered around noon (Subway sandwiches, chips and soda) and awards were presented around 2:00 pm. Overall, it was a good day to get some jet flying in or come out to watch some jet flying. Photos of the event can be seen on the PPRCC website.



“This was one of my personal favorites; PPRCC member Claude Maney's EDF P-80 Shooting Star.”



“PPRCC member Dan Brunson's turbine jet presented a nice smoke trail in the blue sky.”



“The award winners at the end of the day: (L) Eric Oliver – Best EDF jet. (C) Bob Motazed – Pilot's Choice. (R) Eric McKnight – Best turbine jet.”

Model Aviation
Political Action Committee



Email dated: 23 Sep 2020



Fellow modelers,

With the FAA's rule for remote ID right around the corner, the stakes have never been higher. The Model Aviation PAC needs your continued support if our hobby is going to survive. Every hobbyist needs to become more engaged in the political process if we are going to secure the policy changes our community needs. This isn't just about restoring the status quo – it's about advocating for the policies that will allow our hobby to grow and thrive and continue to inspire the next generation of aviators, scientists, and dreamers. We have always been stronger together, so now is the time we ask that you join the fight.

Act now and support our great hobby. Visit <https://modelaviationpac.com/> to learn more.

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Sincerely,
The PAC for Model Aviation Board
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A Cut Chain,
Not Good



Several days before PPRCC realized the gate chain was cut, I received a few notices that when the first person arrived at the airfield, the gate was left open.

Then on Sunday morning, during the club meeting, it was brought to our attention again, the gate was left open that morning and the gate looks like it may have been damaged.

After the meeting, club president Kevin Kinzel went down to the gate to inspect it. Turns out, someone had cut the chain, not the lock. Kevin found a few bits of the cut link on the ground.

There was not any noted damage on the airfield property. The chain was now too short to lock the gate but thanks to Kevin, he replaced the chain that afternoon.

Who's to say that it won't happen again, but if you do find the gate, chain or lock damaged, if possible, close the gate for now and we will try and fix it later.

The Story of a Plane Named Jenny



Back in 2013, I bought this Maxford USA J4 Jenny (ARF). With 105-inch wingspan, it was my first plane with over a 100-inch wingspan. I first had a O.S. BGX 1-3500 glow engine in it, it flew ok but not the best.

By 2017, I now had several large airplanes and decided to change out my glow engines to gas engines. The Jenny became my first gas-powered airplane with a DLE-61cc engine. The performance of the plane was 100% better. I even won a few awards at several RC events that I flew the plane in.

Then in late 2019, while flying the Jenny at the PPRCC airfield, the engine suddenly died, and the plane landed hard off in the distance. After recovering the plane, it was moderately damaged but with lots of work, still repairable.

Reluctantly, I decided to just strip the plane and toss it in the dumpster. I have had the plane for several years now, it was a nice plane but very big, bulky and hard to store and transport. And I had several other large planes I wanted to work on. While I was taking the plane apart, I realized the fuel line had come off in flight, causing the engine to quit. Apparently after a few years of gas going through the fuel line, the line got stiff and slipped off the fuel nozzle. Being new to gas engines, I didn't know that important fact about gas fuel lines and I should have safety-wired the fuel line in place. I now do that on all my planes.

I continued to carefully take the plane apart and place it in the dumpster. That afternoon, I called Duane Zinke and told him there was a damaged but possibly repairable Bi-plane in the dumpster. The plane was gone the next day.

Duane called me a few days later and told me he and fellow club member Larry Laughlin were in the process of rebuilding the plane and if I still had the instruction manual for it. Yes, I did along with some extra parts and handed all over to him.

Just a few months later, I saw Duane, Larry and the re-born Jenny at the airfield, getting ready for its first flight. The Jenny was totally recovered and now had a 71cc twin gas engine.

The first flight went well, Duane and Larry still had to work out a few issues with the plane, but it's now back in the air and not in the dumpster!



“Same plane - Keith’s Jenny top two photos / Duane’s Jenny bottom two photos.”

Can You Name That Helicopter?



Clue #1: Only one was built in 2010 and now on display in a museum. Reaching a top speed of over 300 mph, this helicopter was considered one of the fastest helicopters in the world.



Clue #2: Not having a tail rotor, the two fixed-winged propellers compensated for the engine torque. The engine nacelles or wings did not rotate like on the V-22 Osprey.

Clue #3: In 2012, this helicopter flew over 55 demonstration flight hours in the USA for commercial and military potential buyers. There were no buyers.



Last month's airplane: The McDonnell XF-88 Voodoo. With improved modifications it later became the F-101 Voodoo. No one knew that one.

Airfield Reminder



1 - With the new housing development now going on south of the PPRCC airfield, please do your best not to fly past Judge Orr road. Although the homes are still a distance from us, Judge Orr road makes a good separation line.

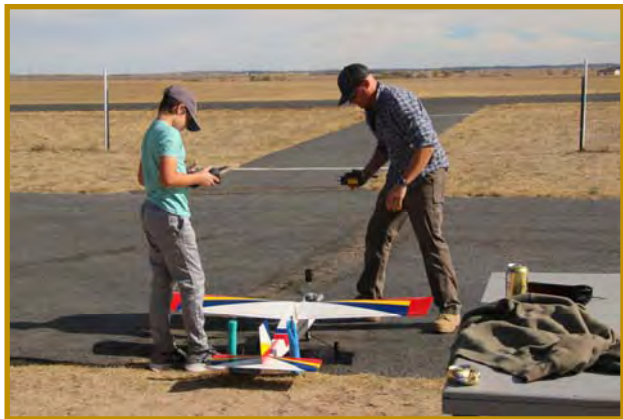
2 - Personal safety at the airfield: A few members expressed their concern while flying at the airfield alone. At times, while flying, vehicles would drive up to the parking lot and watch the flying. Which is fine. And so far, there has been no personal safety incidents.

However, if you feel uncomfortable about being alone while flying out there and have unknown visitors arrive, you have the option to close and lock the gate behind you before heading up to the airfield. In doing that, you will know the next person driving up is a PPRCC member.

In addition, if you are the only PPRCC member at the airfield and packing up to leave but there may be a spectator or two still hanging around, please ask them to leave because you must lock the gate.



**Father & Son Teams
Spotted at the Airfield**



Above – PPRCC members (Father & Son) Andrea and James Gloumeau, taxi out to get a flight or two on their Kadet trainer.

Below – PPRCC members (Father & Son) Chris and Dean McCleron, are about to start their Trainer 40 to get a few flights of their own.

Both teams had some great father & son time!

**Do you have a
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photo or a
change in email?
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**Keith Davis - PPRCC
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**Last one leaving the
airfield, please close
and lock the gate. First
one arriving at the
airfield, don't cut the
chain or the lock!**

Just passing Through . . .



Living fairly close to Peterson AFB, I get to see and hear all types of aircraft going in and out of PAFB and the Colorado Springs airport.

One day while working in my garage, I heard a familiar sound from my old USAF days, but not common around here. As I stuck my head outside the garage, I saw a B-52H flying overhead (Top photo). I ran inside, grabbed my camera and took a few photos as it came around again. Pretty neat.

The next day as I was working in my garage again, I heard multiple jet engine sounds approaching. This time I had my camera ready and peered outside. Flying away were a flight of three T-34 Talons(?) (Bottom photo) heading towards PAFB. Again, pretty neat.

I'm still waiting to get a few photos of that elusive V-22 Osprey that drops in and out of PAFB at times.

Donated Airplanes



A very nice lady named Audrey Windon, called me and said her husband had recently passed away and she had 5-6 planes with accessories that she wanted to donate to the club.

Roy Windon was a PPRCC member during the 1990's.

I went to her house on Thursday, cleaned the items up on Friday and brought them to the airfield on Saturday. Everything was gone in about 30 minutes.

Items included 3 sport planes, 3 trainer planes, 2 partially built kits, a field box and a few boxes of accessories.

Thank-You Ms Audrey Windon!



PPRCC Electric Fun Day



Event took place: Sunday / 27 Sep 2020

The PPRCC electric event was the last scheduled event for 2020. It started at 9:00 am and was over by 11:00 am. It was probably the shortest event in PPRCC history, not because of a lack of participation (18 pilots), but because the weather suddenly moved in, in a matter of minutes!

At 9:00 am, it started out with great skies, no winds and everyone having fun. Then around 10:45 am, the winds suddenly kicked up, the clouds rolled in, the sun disappeared, and the temperature dropped.

But before all of that happened, the west runway was busy with electric flyers; sport, military and even a guest pilot from Pueblo flying helicopters.

Throughout the event, the pilots got the chance to view the numerous electric aircraft and secretly vote on their favorite airplane. Votes were then tallied up for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards.

The fun was supposed to last until at least 1:00 pm, but as the winds kicked up and planes began to get tossed around, it was time to give out the awards and call it a day. It was still a good day!



1st Place Best Electric – Eric Oliver (PPRCC) and his military Tucano (Center).

2nd Place Best Electric – Helicopter James (Pueblo) and his sport helicopter (Left).

3rd Place Electric – Keith Davis (PPRCC) and his Ne-3 Navy Cub (Right).



“View all the photos of the event on the PPRCC website.”

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Upcoming RC Events:

- 03 Nov (Tue) 2020 - PPRCC meeting - Location and time to be determined.
- 01 Dec (Tue) 2020 - PPRCC meeting - Location and time to be determined.
- **01 JAN (FRI) 2021 - PPRCC FROZEN NEEDLE-VALVE FLY-IN**
- 05 Jan (Tue) 2021 - PPRCC meeting - Location and time to be determined.

