



## GULLS WINGS NEWSLETTER-DECEMBER 2013

Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society (TPG)  
AMA Charter Club 129

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## “Holiday Party & 2013 Awards”

**WHEN:** December 10, 2013, **TIME:** 6:00 pm 9:00 pm

**WHERE:** Automotive Museum

**WHO:** TPG club members and family

**WHAT:** Holiday party and 2013 year end awards

**DONATION FOR THE MEAL - \$1.00**

Please **RSVP** Steve Hurd webmaster with the number of people coming to [steve@torreypinesgulls.org](mailto:steve@torreypinesgulls.org) by **December 5, 2013!**

**December 10, 2013**

**Holiday Party and 2013  
Awards**

**6 pm at the  
Automotive Museum at  
Balboa Park**



**TPG Members & Family 2012 Holiday  
Party**

## November 2013 Election Results

Hello Everyone,

Here are the Club Officers and club positions

### 2014 Club Officers voted on & elected November 12, 2013

<b>President</b>	<b>Marty Dine</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Dan Cummins</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Dan Cummins</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Don Lohead</b>
<b>Thermal Coordinator</b>	<b>Mark Canfield</b>

### 2014 Club Positions

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Bill Eckles</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Dale Gottdank</b>
<b>Winch Master</b>	<b>Keith Finkenbiner</b>
<b>IHLGF</b>	<b>Mike Smith</b>
<b>Hand Launch</b>	
<b>Safety Officer</b>	<b>Cliff Hunter, Parviz Kamiab</b>
<b>Slope Coordinator</b>	
<b>Webmaster</b>	<b>Steve Hurd</b>
<b>TP Soaring Council (TPG)</b>	<b>Marty Dine</b>
<b>TP Soaring Council (AMA)</b>	<b>Marty Dine, Mark Canfield</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>Gary Fogel</b>

Marty



## RESULTS November 10, 2013 - TPG Thermal Duration Contest CD Mark Canfield

November 10, 2013

Place	Master	Raw Total				Total	Normalized
		Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4		
1	Larry Jolly	996.00	997.00	983.00	992.50	3968.50	1000.00
2	Mike Smith	980.00	1000.00	986.50	984.50	3951.00	995.59
3	Dan Fitzgerald	990.00	993.00	986.00	976.00	3945.00	994.08
4	Tom Watson	981.00	992.00	554.00	989.00	3516.00	885.98
5	Mark Canfield	990.00	526.90	969.50	995.00	3481.40	877.26
6	Eric Larson	988.00	833.00	624.00	983.50	3428.50	863.93
7	Scott Condon	992.00	991.30	995.00	192.00	3170.30	798.87
8	Keith Finkenbinder	564.00	490.50	979.50	526.50	2560.50	645.21
<b>Expert</b>							
1	Marty Dine	924.00	981.30	986.00	900.50	3791.80	955.47
2	Cliff Hunter	744.00	298.10	921.00	994.00	2957.10	745.14
3	Amerdeep D.	613.00	712.80	914.00	421.00	2660.80	670.48
4	Steve Hurd	638.00	794.50	520.50	308.50	2261.50	569.86
5	Garth Warner	637.00	685.40	0.00	0.00	1322.40	333.22
6	Jon Vance	986.00	0.00	0.00		986.00	248.46
<b>Sportsman</b>							
1	Bruno Burgin	726.00	574.80	732.00	307.50	2340.30	589.72

## Mark Canfield, Thermal Coordinator 2014

### TPG 2014 Contest Director -Thermal Duration Schedule

January 12	Keith Finkenbiner
February 9	Parviz
March 9	Cliff Hunter
April 13	Steve Condon
May 11	Mark Canfield (Mother's Day???)
June 8	Tom Watson
July 13	Need CD
August 10	Need CD
September 14	Scott Condon
October 12	Tom Watson
November 9	Mark Canfield
December 14	Mike Smith

Hey Guys,

I want to put this out early (November 19, 2013) to try and get "CD" commitments for the upcoming 2014 Season.

Generally all TPG events will be at the Encinitas Field unless noted otherwise by the CD for that month.

Contests will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month. I know there will be overlap with SC2 and other events, but wanted to put this out as early as possible to help plan ahead.

Please post what events you could CD.

Mark Canfield

## TPG DLG at Poway December 7, 2013, John McNeil CD

Pilot's meeting 8:45, fly at 9:00, we will fly 6 rounds, and drop the lowest round score.  
This is a sanctioned contest.

Here are the tasks:

- 1) Task D (Increasing time by 15 seconds): 30 s; 45 s; 60 s; 75 s; 90 s; 105 s; 120 s
- 2) Task G (Five longest flights): 2 minute max, unlimited throws
- 3) Task E (Poker - variable target time)
- 4) Task A: (Last flight) --- 5 min max with 7 min window
- 5) Task C (All up last down): 3 flights one launch each, 3 minute max
- 6) Task H (One, two, three and four minute flights, any order)

Here is the RC Groups thread:

<http://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?t=1990630&page=3>

I'd appreciate it if you can post there if you can join us!  
See you there!



Mike Smith CD - [mike@themapsmith.com](mailto:mike@themapsmith.com)

### December 8, 2013 Thermal Duration Contest

Happy Holidays TPG'ers,

Sunday the 8th will be our final TD contest for the 2013 season. I have been the CD for the last 4 December contests, and trust me when I say I cannot believe how fast this contest gets here. What the heck happened to 2013? I hope you all enjoyed your Thanksgiving and spent it with family and friends dining on fine food and enjoying some adult beverages. Might I suggest Fireball Cinnamon flavored whiskey and apple cider as a festive holiday grog....

So, for this December contest:

2 rounds back to back 2 minute precision on the AMA Bell curve. This throw back task will require that everyone is ready and turned on and lined up at the winches. Pilots will be in line with their planes and timers will be at the turnarounds. When a pilot's timer gets back with a chute, that pilot will launch and so on. After your first flight timer becomes pilot. After that, first pilot does it again, followed by him timing for his partner. Back to back nonstop, no turning in of score cards until after the 2nd 2 minute is finished.

Then: 3 rounds of 10 minute duration scored 950/50. All landings measure by a standard AMA landing tape. See you all on the 8th at the Encinitas Flight Center.

8:45 pilots meeting, 9am first launch.

Cheers, Mike Smith



Cliff Hunter

## Newsletter Editor - Cliff Hunter –Please read!

Newsletter Editor Update!

We have a new newsletter editor. He is **Dale Gottdank** and his Email address is [he4gott@gmail.com](mailto:he4gott@gmail.com) Please send your articles and emails for the newsletter to Dale!

Thanks to all for your support for 2013 newsletter success. Just a reminder the newsletter is published by the **first of every month or every other month in the summer.**

Please send in your articles by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month so they can be included in the monthly newsletter. Email to Cliff Hunter at [cfhunter@att.net](mailto:cfhunter@att.net)

The newsletter can be found on the Torrey Pines Gulls Web site at <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org>

Thanks,  
Cliff Hunter

### What is the Yahoo Forum?

By Lenny Brzezinski -TPG Moderator

The Yahoo forum was formed Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1999. There are 252 members in the Yahoo Group. This group has many things to offer for the club. It is a way of communicating with each other. If you have any concerns you can post them here. Other questions about almost anything having to do with flying, building, finding another person, and so on.

If you are new to the club the website will give you a lot of information about the club. On the website there is a link that you can use to join the group. This group is moderated. Please use this group for flying related items. You can post on the Yahoo group files, photos, polls, members, and calendar. All of these sections are available to any member. I hope that your experience with this group will be great. Click the link below for more information:

<http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/forum.htm>

**Club Sponser for the Photo Contest for 2013! Please support them when buying soaring products!**

**SoaringUSA.com**

Great Sunset - Visalia October 5 & 6, 2013 Photo By Cliff Hunter



### Club Sponsors for 2013

To our Club members and friends, when you are thinking of buying a hobby-related item, please consider these outstanding companies first. Please click on vendor's logo to go to their web site for more i



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## Update - 2013 Membership to TPG today!



### Memberships - By Bill Eckles

Here's an update for the memberships of 2013.

**We gained a couple new memberships this past month putting us at 108 for the year. This will likely be our final number as requests for membership are very few and far between. We'll be getting out the forms for 2014 memberships in late November or early December, so get your AMAs updated and renew your commitment to the Gulls, far and away the best club in Southern California!**

For those of you, who haven't renewed your memberships, don't miss the great days. It's like the stock market: you may not get a great day when you sign up, but when they come, it's only those who are ready who get the rewards! Don't get caught short. The 2012 locks will go away in about a week and you'll need your new key to get into the TD fields and you'll need your new card to use the Gliderport.

Thanks for the support so far! Now, let's go for a new record membership. It's a great club!


- ✓ Access to three Flying Fields in La Jolla, Encinitas and Poway.
- ✓ Frequent meetings at Balboa Park to schmooze with each other and promote good friendships. Great speakers at club meetings, on all subjects
- ✓ A group of guys who can answer just about any question you might ask, and do it with a smile.
- ✓ Contests that bring out world class competitors from around the globe.
- ✓ Competition and help for you, regardless of your skill level.
- ✓ A holiday party that's the envy of most gourmands in Southern California.
- ✓ A web site for current and past information [www.torreypinesgulls.org](http://www.torreypinesgulls.org)
- ✓ An interesting monthly newsletter with current information to help keep members informed
- ✓ We are an AMA Chartered Club #129, with benefits - field Insurance etc.

The dues remain at \$60 for the year and you can even get credit as much as \$20 for two half day work sessions if you want to help at club events or field maintenance.

Dues are as follows:

- ✓ Dues for the membership (calendar) year are as follows for submissions during.
- ✓ January through June are \$60
- ✓ July through September are \$30
- ✓ October through December are \$60 (gives you a jump on next year)
- ✓ Juniors age 15 and under \$5
- ✓ Receive a *credit* of up to \$20, ten for each of up to two half-day work sessions helping the club.

We will send out renewal letters, consider them invoices, in the next weeks with all you need to know and even postage paid envelopes to send your information in with.

Also, if you don't want to do paper you can use  to speed your membership along. Go to [www.torreypinesgulls.org](http://www.torreypinesgulls.org) and click on the tab "Membership". We'll make it as simple as possible to continue your membership.

New ID cards and keys will be sent for the new locks at Poway field & Encinitas field as soon as you renew your membership. Don't miss a thermal!



## Photos of the Month Contest

All members can submit photos of an activity related to soaring and the newsletter editor will post a winner. The winners will receive a gift certificate from Soaring USA. email your photos (.JPG format preferred) to Cliff Hunter at [cfhunter@att.net](mailto:cfhunter@att.net) . Please provide your name, location of photo and what we are looking at. Photos will be displayed and voted upon at the holiday party by those in attendance to determine the winner.

### WINNER JANUARY 2013

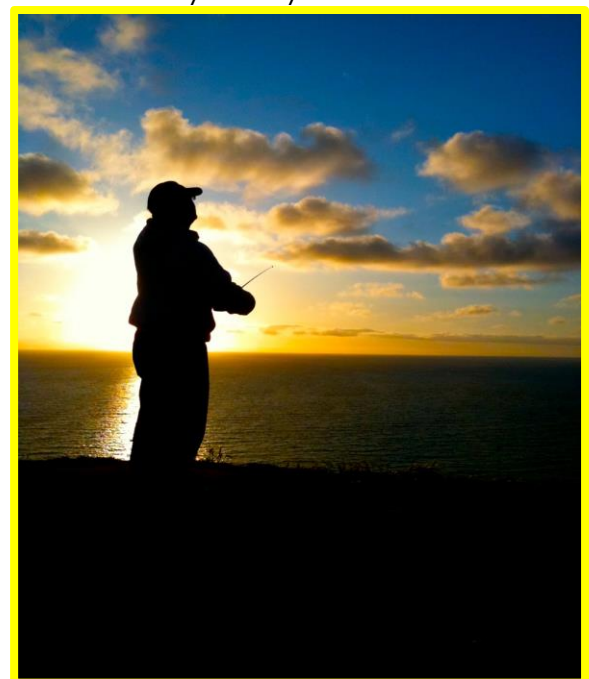
By Sandy Hunter



Visalia 2 day contest 2012 Sunset

### WINNER FEBRUARY 2013

By Marty Dine 2013



Torrey Pine Glider Port

### WINNER MARCH 2013

By Mark Canfield



### WINNER APRIL 2013

By Marty Dine



## Photos of the Month Contest June/July 2013 Continued

### WINNER May 2013

By Dan Cummins



### WINNER June 2013

By Mark Canfield



### WINNER July 2013

By Steffen peters



**WINNER OCTOBER 2013**  
**By Cliff Hunter**



**Winner for NOVEMBER 2013**  
**By Dan Cummins**



***TPG QUOTE OF THE MONTH:***

*If not us, who? If not now, when?*

## 2013 Cub Officers and Contact Information

President	Marty Dine	619-665-9463	<a href="mailto:mdine@quattrologolf.com">mdine@quattrologolf.com</a>
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Slope Coordinator	Jim Scott	619-339-6869	<a href="mailto:sdpismo@gmail.com">sdpismo@gmail.com</a>
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TP Soaring Council (TPG)	Jim Scott	619-339-6869	<a href="mailto:sdpismo@gmail.com">sdpismo@gmail.com</a>
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TP Soaring Council (AMA)	Mark Canfield Marty Dine		
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Marty Dine  
President



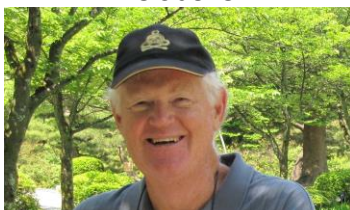
Mark Canfield  
Vice- President



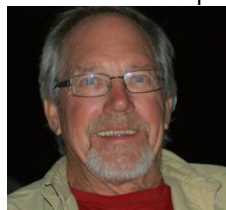
Dan Cummins  
Secretary



Don Lockheed  
Treasurer



Bill Eckles  
Membership



## 2013 Contest and Activity Calendar

Month	Dates	CD	SC2	Other Contest	Club Meeting & Board Meeting
January	13	Keith Finkenbiner	20 <sup>th</sup> Sula		8
February	10	Mark Canfield	17 <sup>th</sup> Swsa	21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> Phoenix	B-12
March	10	Cliff Hunter	17 <sup>th</sup> Vvrc	23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> TPG Classic Glider Port	C&B-12
April	14	Scott Condon	21 <sup>st</sup> TPG	6 & 7 Fresno 26-28 IHGF	B-9
May	19	Parviz Kamiab	19 <sup>th</sup> Toss		B-14
June	9	Tom Watson	15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> Sula MOM	8 <sup>th</sup> F3F TPG Glider Port	<b>C &amp; B-22</b>
July	14	Cliff Hunter	21 <sup>st</sup> HSS@swsa		Summer Vacation
August	11	Scott Condon	18 <sup>th</sup> iss		<b>B-13</b>
September	8	Keith Finkenbiner	15 <sup>th</sup> vvrc		C&B-7
October	13	Tom Watson	27 <sup>th</sup> Downy @ TPG	Visalia 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	B-8
<b>November</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Mark Canfield</b>	<b>17 th Rain Day TBA</b>		<b>C&amp;B-12</b>
December	8	Mike Smith			<b>Christmas Party 10</b>

Note: Calendar subject to change at any moment without warning or notice. Check the Calendar often at [www.torreyпинesgulls.org](http://www.torreyпинesgulls.org) for updates. The SC2 schedule could change on availability of club field's check Website: <http://site.sc2soaring.com/>