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Dan Cummins

Message from the President

Hello Gulls,

February and March Flew by this year! The slope fliers kicked off February with our Season Opener Fun Fly at the Torrey Pines bluff. We had great air through the end of March courtesy of a healthy winter storm track this year for San Diego.

The Torrey Pines F3F Classic is coming back again this year on April 8th. Come out and test your speed against the clock or just sit back and watch some of Southern California's most talented slope racers show their stuff. For those of you who don't have a purpose-built F3F molded composite plane in the budget, there will once again be a 60" foam class for those who still have the need for speed.....watch out Ray Pili, we're gunning for ya!

On April 29th, TPG will host the 24th Annual International Hand Launch Glider Festival at our Poway field. This year is shaping up to be awesome, with a big field of pilots coming in from all over the country and internationally for this year's contest. If you've never been to the International, come on out and watch some of the top F3K pilots in the world compete.....you won't be disappointed.

Message from the President (continued)

Lots going on the next couple of months. Check the TPG website calendar for upcoming events!

Till next month;

Fly more, build something cool, and learn something new!

Cheers!

Dan Cummins
2017 TPGulls President



My RCRCM Typhoon, post-maiden at the Torrey Pines Gliderport

Club Meetings, Contests and Activities

As we did last year, TPG will continue to host monthly contests, fun-fly events, and onsite clinics. General meetings have morphed into competitive and non-competitive events throughout the year. Be on the lookout for upcoming details and scheduling for all TPG and related events in the Newsletter, Newsletter Calendar in this issue and on the Torrey Pines Gulls website at:

<http://www.torreypinesgulls.org> and
<http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/calendar/>



Dale Gottdank

Newsletter Update - Dale Gottdank

Please contribute to our **GULL WINGS NEWSLETTER**

Send pictures, or maybe even an article! It doesn't have to be a "novel," just a paragraph or two about something that interests you related in some way to RC soaring...even something interesting you've seen on the internet. I'd like to have the newsletter published by the first week of every month. If there's a project you're working on, don't just post it on RCGroups...share it with your club! **This month, we have some great photos from RCGroups' Slopemaster, and we'll be continuing our series by Gary Fogel on the club's history. Also, check out Ian Cummings' new immersive 360° panorama of our recent Torrey Fun Fly event.**

To make the timely issue possible, I need the club members' support and help in providing me with recent pictures, articles and any upcoming events. If there are too many, we'll save some for the next issue.

Please send in your articles or photos (dgottdank@gmail.com) by the 25th of each month so they can be included in the monthly newsletter. The newsletter can be found on the Torrey Pines Gulls website at <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org>

What do **YOU** think?

You can express your opinion at: www.torreypinesgulls.org.

We have a [QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS](#) link in the drop-down menu that appears when you scroll over [TORREY PINES GULLS](#) next to [LOCATIONS](#), [CALENDAR](#), [MEMBERSHIP...](#) If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions, etc. for the board, here's your chance.

Check out the TPG Facebook Page

From John Blaske:

If you haven't had a chance yet, check out our TPG Facebook page by clicking the links below:

<http://www.facebook.com/TorreyPinesGulls>



Join the Yahoo Forum!

From Lenny Brzezinski:

The Yahoo forum was formed Oct. 18th, 1999. There are over 200 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 including 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. On the TPG website, www.torreypinesgulls.org, you can follow the [YAHOO FORUM](#) link in the drop-down menu that appears when you scroll over [TORREY PINES GULLS](#) next to [LOCATIONS](#), [CALENDAR](#), [MEMBERSHIP](#).

Club Flying Site Panoramas – Ian Cummings

We've all enjoyed veep Ian's excellent photos in the newsletter over the past few years. Well, here's something new from Ian. During the last Fun Fly event at the Gliderport, Ian created an immersive 360° panorama of the event. We look forward to seeing panoramas of our Poway and Encinitas thermal sites in future newsletter issues.

Click on the either of the photos below to enjoy the full 360° panorama.



Aviation Roundtable Announcement – Gary Fogel



INLAND EMPIRE AVIATION ROUNDTABLE Soaring in Southern California: A Brief History

Presented by Dr. Gary Fogel

March Field Air Museum – Wednesday, April 19th, 2017 - 7 pm

Southern California has a unique heritage in gliding and soaring. This is especially true of the San Diego area, from the earliest days of gliding by John J. Montgomery in 1884 to endurance records set by William H. Bowlus in the 1930s, and the formation and history of the Torrey Pines Gliderport in La Jolla. Join us this evening and learn about the local history of this aviation sport, highlighting those who have also transferred their passion for "doing more with less" to other areas of science and engineering well beyond soaring.

A Schweizer TG-2 Training Glider is on exhibit at the March Field Air Museum, and several large-scale remote-controlled sailplanes will be available for viewing as part of the evening roundtable program. The lecture by Dr. Gary Fogel also will address the importance of preserving historic aviation sites so that these unique aspects of aviation can continue to be appreciated by, and available to, future generations.



Dr. Gary Fogel is CEO of Natural Selection, Inc. in San Diego, a computer science company focusing on machine learning. He has a Ph.D. in biology from UCLA, is a Fellow of the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and serves as editor-in-chief of the journal *BioSystems*. Gary has a passion for aerospace, in particular silent flight. He has established world and national records for model airplanes, and has written three aviation history books: *Wind and Wings: The History of Soaring in San Diego* (2000); *Quest for Flight: John J. Montgomery and the Dawn of Aviation in the West* (2012), and *The Torrey Pines Gliderport* (2014), in addition to many articles and lectures on gliding history.

Dr. Fogel and his father were instrumental in preserving the Torrey Pines Gliderport in San Diego with various historical designations at the City, State, and Federal levels. In order to encourage youth interest in aerospace, he teaches an introductory course in aerospace at San Diego State University as adjunct faculty. He is a member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) and the American Aviation Historical Society (AAHS).

The Inland Empire Aviation Roundtable is sponsored by the March Field Air Museum, and is dedicated to the local aviation and aerospace community. Monthly meetings are open to the public, with subjects of interest to the air-minded public presented including aviation and aerospace history, both civil and military, as well as new developments in these fields. Parking and admission are free for this event.

The March Field Air Museum is located in Riverside, California, at 22550 Van Buren Blvd. (at the intersection of Van Buren Blvd. and the 215 Freeway) adjacent to March Air Reserve Base

More Information: (951) 902-5949 or visit www.marchfield.org

News from the Slope – Ray Pili, Slope Coordinator



Ray Pili

**Don't you just
love Daylight
Savings Time!!!**



Our Opening Fun Fly February 4th greeted us slopers with beautiful, sunny SoCal springlike conditions; a much needed break from what seem like weekly rain showers.

President Dan hooked up a Ka-8 with a Buddy Box which was a big hit with the spectators. Another big hit was the appearance Mr. Mark Wood.

One month later we did it again, March 4th was our inaugural Happy Hour Fun Fly. The buddy box was another hit. The surprise appearance of Los Tres Pismos was an unexpected surprise.



March 4th Fun Fly panorama (Justin Tolman)

News from the Slope (continued)



Los Tres Pismos (Matin Taraz)



Builder Extraordinaire Steve and his Bobcat (Ray Pili)

News from the Slope (continued)

Upcoming events at the Gliderport are:

- April 2nd TPSSS Scale Meet
- April 8th F3F Torrey Classic
- May 6th Foamy Fun Fly
- June 3rd Katie Martin Memorial
- July 22nd TWF/PNF Fun Fly
- August 26th Scale Fun Fly



Dr. Ian and Dr. Steve (Ray Pili)



Always be aware of your plane's location.



Is Ray flying FPV, or playing Half-Life? With Dan and Mike (Ian Cummings)

*Blue Skies,
Ray*



TPG History: The Trophy – Gary Fogel



This Month: Kelly Pike, First TPG President, 1972 Modeler of the Year

Last month I wrote about the first modeler of the year, Jim Haldy. This month is about TPG's first club President, Kelly Pike. I had the pleasure of interviewing Kelly for this article on February 14, and he is pleased to know that the club is still going strong.

Kelly grew up in La Jolla, attending Muirlands Junior-High and La Jolla High School. His father, Jim worked at Convair in San Diego, helping with aircraft design and development. Jim's engineering background naturally led to a "learn by doing" method of parenting, and both Kelly and his brothers were tasked with choosing a



hobby that they could get into as father-son. Kelly chose to build an RC model sailplane. A kit was purchased at the local model shop, and after many hours of construction, they searched for a suitable test flying area. Some new homes were being constructed near the top of Mt. Soledad and these empty lots faced a natural canyon. It seemed perfect for flight tests. Jim handed Kelly the transmitter and with zero knowledge of really what to do to, the aircraft was launched, went into a series of stalls and crashed. Kelly was dejected but rebuilt the model. Their house was near the La Jolla Country Club, so once repairs were completed, Kelly would take the glider out to the fairways at dusk and practice straight glides, then glides with turns, etc. until both his throwing technique and piloting improved. Meanwhile, Jim purchased a gas powered RC model and went to Hourglass Field in Mira Mesa to learn how to fly RC. **Jim's thought was that by using the motor to get aloft, he could have more stick time for practice.** Together, probably through a model magazine, they heard about a hi-start used for launching of gliders. Seemed like a fun way to go! So a hi-start was purchased and they took it out to Hourglass to try. The powered guys stood wondering what was going on, with this kid holding an RC sailplane connected to a large rubber band, but the launch worked and Kelly managed to stay up 45 minutes!

TPG History: The Trophy (continued)



This was, however, in the days of limited frequencies and so while the power guys were amazed that a model sailplane could stay up for more than just mere minutes on thermals, 45 minutes **per flight wasn't in the interests of frequency sharing.** A better place was needed.

Jim and Kelly knew about the manned sailplane activities at the Torrey Pines Gliderport and reasoned that would be a great place to learn how to soar with RC. Kelly, still too young to drive, would be dropped off on Saturday morning at Torrey Pines, fly all day on his own, and then be picked up in the afternoon. This was about long enough to run out of batteries anyway. The manned sailplanes were still in regular operation at the same time, but one kid with one RC sailplane didn't make much difference.

RCers had been flying at Torrey with RC sailplanes already since about 1955, but they were sporadic activities not organized in any serious manner. However, slowly more and more powered RCers came out to Torrey, interested to see if they too could learn this mysterious art of flying without a motor. Kelly describes this as generally two age groups – experienced adults typically with a technical background in aerospace or other industry, and geeky teenagers interested by technology but learning by doing. The “adults” immediately began helping the “kids” and this led to formation of a sort of club atmosphere. One of the adults, Len Kincade from Ryan Aeronautics, had a small RC sailplane and suggested that a club really should be formed. Dwayne Simmons, a local hobby shop owner who was also flying at Torrey in the 1960s suggested having the first meeting at the hobby shop. It was 1969 and at the first meeting, young Kelly Pike was elected club President.

Kelly relayed in my interview that this initial group was a remarkable set of self-motivated, driven, pleasant, entrepreneurs. Everyone was excited by this new sport of RC soaring and wanted to see the club come together and work. For the youngsters in the group, this environment taught several **new skills, some of course related to RC soaring, others “bigger picture” skills of self-reliance, the acceptance of failure, importance of practice, etc.** The tech-competent teenagers were treated really well by elders who thought a lot like Kelly's dad Jim. And in that way, it was most appropriate that a youngster was elected the club's first President. (Or perhaps better stated “roped into a position of organization learning.”)

TPG History: The Trophy (continued)

Key leaders in the club were Paul Denson, Irv Stafford, Jim Haldy, and Larry Fogel. Paul Denson took on the mission of securing AMA club status. Kelly graduated high school in 1970, two other kids at LJHS became TPG members – Randy Warner and Keith Cox and they all stayed in tech to some degree for the remainder of their lives.

The aircraft used at the time were generally either wood or foam, and mostly heavy and not all that well designed, until the kits of the early 70s started to arrive and really elevated performance. Kelly and Jim started out on a Phoebus, but soon graduated to a Cirrus, Windward, and a large Nelson Ka-6, a scale model sailplane.



Fliteglas Laminates, Inc. Phoebus kit label and built model.

At the same time, RC soaring clubs were forming elsewhere, notably the first dedicated AMA RC soaring club – the Harbor Slope Soaring Society – in Orange County. HSSS used to have contests, mainly thermal contests at Estancia High School. Kelly and others from TPG would leave early to help pitch in to set up the winches, etc., and through these contests Kelly met many RC soaring greats such as Mark and Rod Smith and others. The Smiths were also thermal soaring in Vista, and so rather quickly in the early 1970s, TPG expanded to being both a slope and thermal club, and the early experience of TPG members at the slope paid off with exceptional skill in thermal duration contests.

TPG History: The Trophy (continued)

Kelly was routinely at or near the top of the pack. Once members became proficient at slope soaring at Torrey, there was a natural tendency to ask “what’s next?” and for most, thermal soaring was it. In addition, as people started transitioning out of the club there was a question of how to successfully transition the club officer positions to new people, but in the end this was achieved and the core group who started the club rested assured that what they had started would last for a long time.



Graupner Cirrus packaging



Graupner Cirrus in flight



Mark's Models Windward



Mark's Models Windward packaging

Kelly continued his education at San Diego State University, graduating in 1974 with a Bachelor's in Industrial Technology. Directly after graduation, he took a position with Hobie Alter to help sell Hobie Hawks on the east coast. From 1975-to spring 1976, he traveled from contest to contest, flying and selling Hobie Hawks and generally bringing that “west coast” level of fun and competitive prowess to people on the east coast who were just getting into the sport. Those familiar with the promotional film made for the Hobie Hawk will recognize Kelly as the pilot at locations like Torrey Pines and Kate Sessions Park.

TPG History: The Trophy (continued)



Kelly Pike

The video can be found here:

<https://youtu.be/zk8DqLbKWMo> but without sound. The promotional video starts at 3:34, Kelly shows up in the video at 5:20, and Torrey Pines at 6:21.

After spring 1976, he continued to work at the Hobie factory in Dana Point, on Hobie Cats. This changed his life passion from soaring to sailing and he has continued with sailing as a profession and hobby ever since. Kelly currently lives in Half Moon Bay with his wife and is a long-standing member of the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club. He is President of the HMBYC Foundation, a group dedicated to help underserved youth find the enjoyment of sailing, including programs with autistic kids.

Kelly continues to credit his father, Torrey Pines, and the TPG with his life-long passion for science and technology, education, and the ability to connect with others quickly as a leader. For his many efforts in the initial formation of the Torrey Pines Gulls, he was awarded Modeler of the Year in 1972.

As an aside, I have to add that it was my pleasure as a kid to grow up in the TPG watching Kelly. He and his father Jim were always exceedingly kind and fun to be with, and Kelly would routinely offer any spectator at Torrey the opportunity to try their hand at soaring and this led to many new members. In many ways he embodied the foundation and spirit of the Torrey Pines Gulls.

Fly Idaho – Ken Hawkins



Ken with his P-80 Shooting Star

While perusing the Slope Forum on RCGroups, I came across an excellent Build Log on the Leading Edge Gliders P-80 Shooting Star from Ken (Slopemaster): <https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?2512688-Leading-Edge-Gliders-P-80-Shooting-Star>. Check it out for some great PSS foamy building tips.

Ken recently posted some photos, which I'm sharing below, of his P-80 flying over the Swan Falls Dam on the Snake River, south of Boise. His very nicely built P-80 looks great flying over this beautiful slope site.



Close-up of the P-80



Fly Idaho (continued)



Fly Idaho (continued)



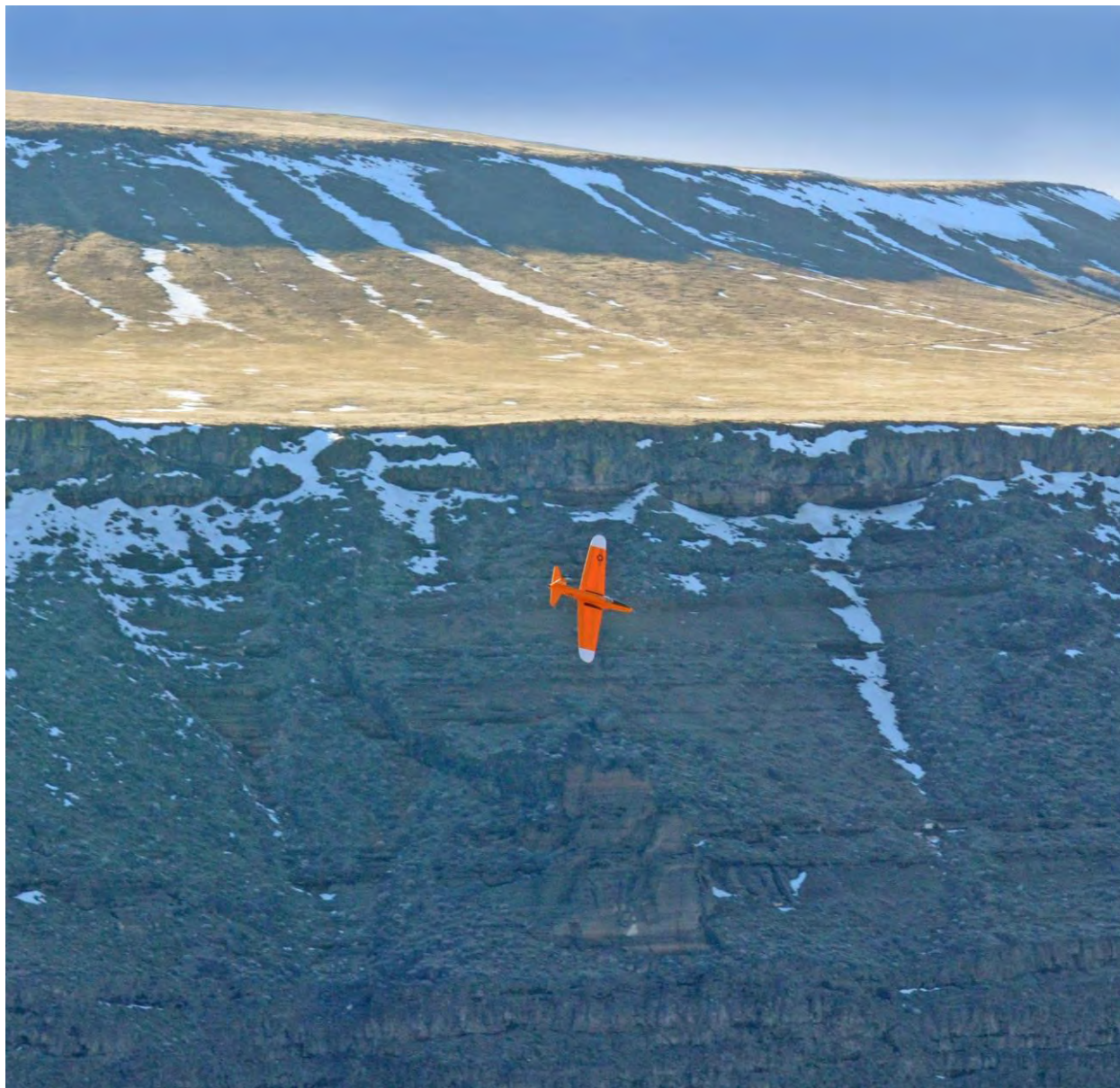
Nice detail on the underside...and removable ballast.

Fly Idaho (continued)



Flying over the dam.

Fly Idaho (continued)



Winter flying in the Northwest.

Club Competition Activity

Thermal Duration



Cliff Hunter

TD Coordinator – Cliff Hunter

For thermal duration contest dates, check the calendar on the Torrey Pines Gulls website: <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/calendar/>

For information, contacts, rules, etc. for past and upcoming Thermal Duration contests, check the following link on the Torrey Pines Gulls website: <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/event/thermal-duration-contest-April/>, or contact Cliff Hunter at cfhunter@att.net

Additional information may be shown in the F3X Vault site (<http://www.f3xvault.com>) as TPG coordinates with the Vault for contest sign-ups, tasks, results, etc.

Hand Launch



Tim Traver

F3K Coordinator – Tim Traver

For DLG contest dates, check the calendar on the Torrey Pines Gulls website: <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/calendar/>

For information, contacts, rules, etc. for past and upcoming Hand Launch/DLG contests, check the following link on the Torrey Pines Gulls website: <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/discus-launch-glider-series/>, or contact Tim Traver at TimTraver@gmail.com

Additional information may be shown in the F3X Vault site (<http://www.f3xvault.com>) as TPG coordinates with the Vault for contest sign-ups, tasks, results, etc. and in this RCGroups thread: <https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?2820127-2017-Torrey-Pines-Gulls-DLG-Contest-and-Clinic-Series>

Also, check out the upcoming International Hand Launch Glider Festival (IHLGF) scheduled for late April, in this RCGroups thread: <https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?2744337-IHLGF-2017-24th-Annual-International-Hand-Launch-Glider-Festival> and on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/events/581142412076887/>

LSF Report – Ray Pili



March-April 2017 LSF Report

We're having a tough start this year:

Our Kickoff LSF event at Poway 2/11 was rained out.

The April 1 Desert event will now be a Poway LSF Attempt Event.

The remaining LSF dates are:

- 6/10 Poway/Dave's Slope Combat
- 8/12 Poway/Dave's MoM
- 10/14 Poway Thermal Field
- 12/9 Poway Thermal Field

Blue Skies,

Ray

Club Membership Update – Bill Eckles



Bill Eckles

The membership level is healthy this year, but still below previous numbers. We have 94 members so far and they represent a pretty active group, with regular competitions for thermal duration, discus/hand launch activities and a core group of slopers, both at the Gliderport and other locations around southern California with occasionally more aggressive winds.

Still, 13 pilots who were members last year have yet to re-up for 2017 and are sorely missed. I believe you know who you are and also that we would love to have you join us for this year. Save \$5 for every contest you enter as a member; free lunch at a fun fly event if you're a member; holiday party at a huge discount if you're a member; even lots more friends if you join up! So, we sure hope to hear from you soon.

Fly well and fly safely,

Bill Eckles
Membership Chairman



NAN Shadow at Torrey (Greg Houck)

Club Membership Update (continued)

Every year we need a good strong membership to continue to provide the services we offer:

- ✓ Access to three Flying Fields in La Jolla, Encinitas and Poway.
- ✓ Quarterly (or thereabouts) fun-fly clinic events to be held at our thermal soaring fields and at Torrey Pines Gliderport, where members will have ample opportunities to take advantage of our trio of excellent flying sites. Be on the lookout for upcoming details and scheduling.
- ✓ 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 website for current and past information www.torreypinesgulls.org
- ✓ An interesting monthly newsletter with current information to help keep members informed
- ✓ We are an AMA Chartered Club #129, with benefits such as field Insurance, etc.

Dues are as follows:

For the membership (calendar) year, for submissions during:

- ✓ January through June \$60
- ✓ July through September \$30
- ✓ October through December \$60 (gives you a jump on next year)
- ✓ Full-time college students \$30 per year
- ✓ Juniors under 18 years \$15 per year
- ✓ Receive a *credit* of up to \$20, ten for each of up to two half-day work sessions helping the club.

If you haven't re-upped yet, or would like to join the club for the first time, go to www.torreypinesgulls.org and click on the tab "Membership." We'll make it as simple as possible to continue your membership.



Note: TPG membership information will not be shared or sold and will only be used to contact members for purposes of TPG business.

Torrey Pines Gulls Apparel Store

The Torrey Pines Gulls Apparel Store is in business. We anticipate adding a DLG version of the logo soon, and we're open for any other additions down the road. Follow this link, <http://tpgstore.qbstores.com> or click on the images below to access the TPG Apparel Store. Choose from short and long sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies!



TPG T-Shirts Now Available Online

tpgstore.qbstores.com



Product ID: A332-027-2942
Digitally Printed Gildan Ringpun Crew Sweatshirt

Your Price
\$28.28



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Your Price
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Product ID: A332-027-2014
Gildan Printed Classic Long Sleeve Tee

Your Price
\$20.62



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Product ID: A332-027-1031
Printed Gildan Ultra Cotton Tee



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Printed Gildan Ultra Cotton Dark Tee



Product ID: A332-027-1031
Gildan Ultra Cotton Classic Fit Ladies Tee

Club Sponsors – Thank you!

The Torrey Pines Gulls members would like to thank all the sponsors for their donations and for supporting the Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society. Without the support of these fine companies, the success of many of the Club events would not have been possible.

To our members, 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 website for more information.

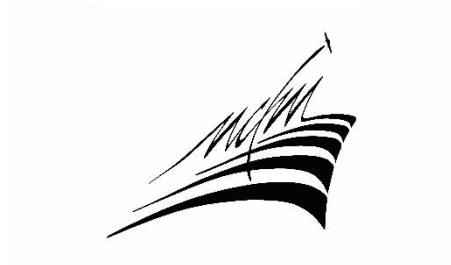
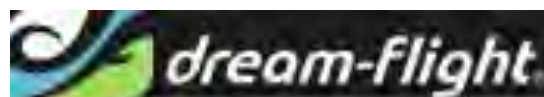


Photo of the Month Contest

Each month club members may submit photos of an activity related to soaring and the newsletter editor will post a **winner** to be chosen by the Board of Directors.

A yearly winner will be selected from among the monthly winners and will receive a prize (their photo will be used as the website and newsletter masthead **AND** will appear on the following year's club membership card). Needless to say, **horizontal format photos are preferred**. Email your photos (.JPG format preferred) to Dale Gottdank at dgottdank@gmail.com. Please provide your name, location of photo and photo description.



A blustery day in late November (Ian Cummings)

Photo of the Month Contest (continued)



NAN Shadow over Torrey (Greg Houck)



NAN Shadow over Torrey clouds (Greg Houck)

Photo of the Month Contest (continued)



Nice launch at LSF attempt day (Ian Cummings)



January Winner – Torrey rainbow (Ray Pili)

Photo of the Month Contest (continued)

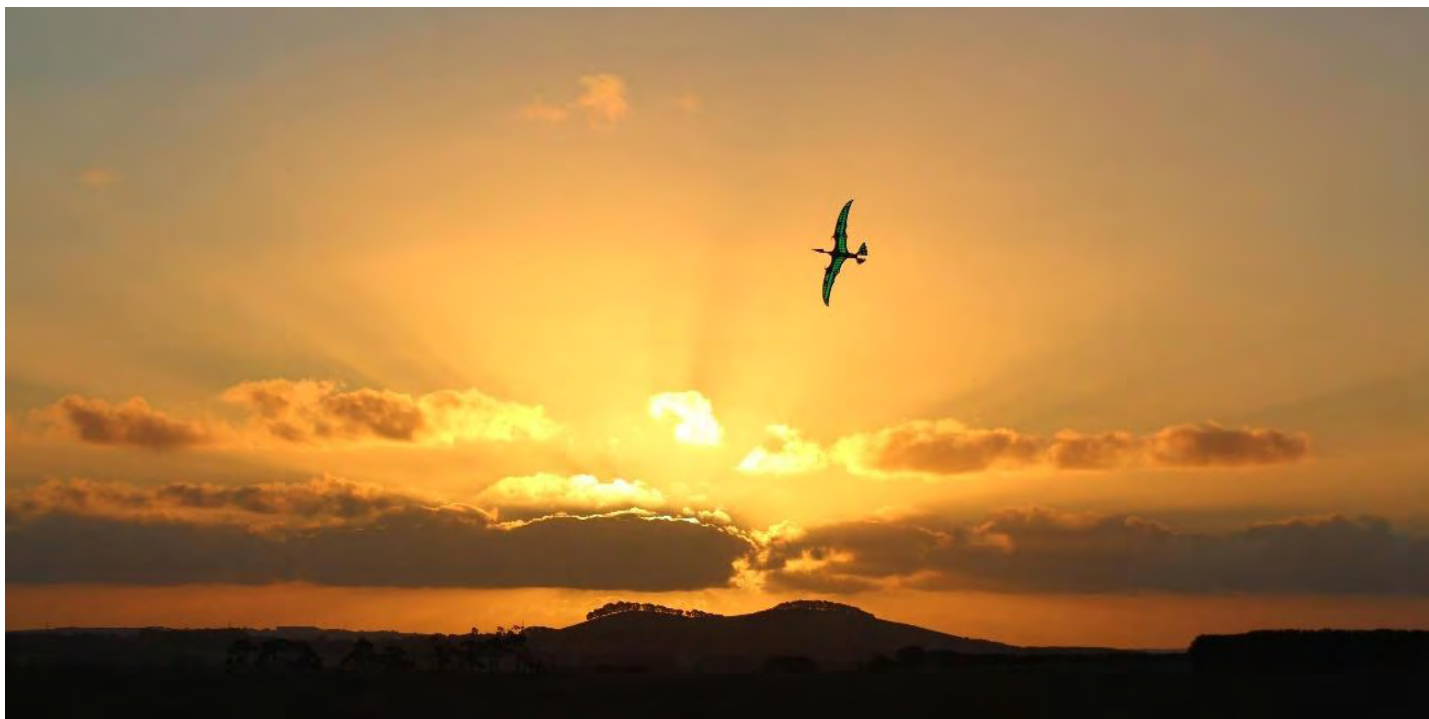


Dingb (Dave Bell) launching Brown's Minimoa at Camperdown (Matin Taraz)



Full-scale Stemme S-10 flyby at Torrey...outbound (Ian Cummings)

Photo of the Month Contest (continued)



Pterodactyl over Camperdown (Glenn – salisbug on RCGroups)



February Winner – Full-scale Stemme S-10 flyby at Torrey (Ian Cummings)

Photo of the Month Contest (continued)



Hot day in Wagga Wagga, Australia (Matin Taraz)

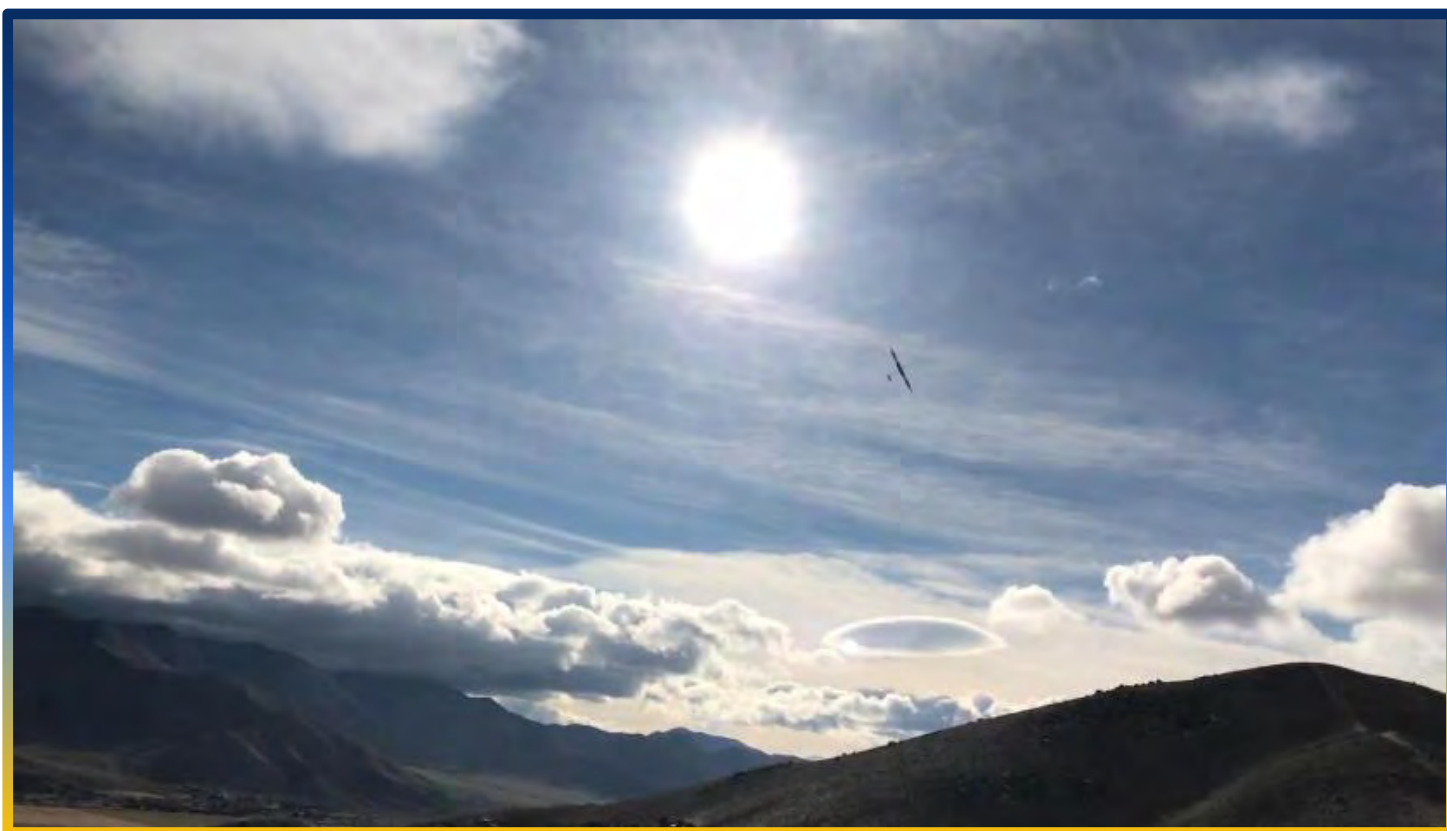


Torrey sunset following the March 4th Fun Fly (Justin Tolman)

Photo of the Month Contest (continued)



March 4th Fun Fly panorama (Justin Tolman)



March-April Winner – Spencer Lisenby DS'ing his Kinetic Transonic DP 130 (Phil Davy)

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Ian Cummings
Vice- President



Dan Cummins
Secretary



Don Lockhead
Treasurer





Quote(s) of the Month(s):

“It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade.”

~Charles Dickens, Great Expectations



Torrey Sunset – Photo by Marty Dine

“The first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year.”

~Mark Twain