

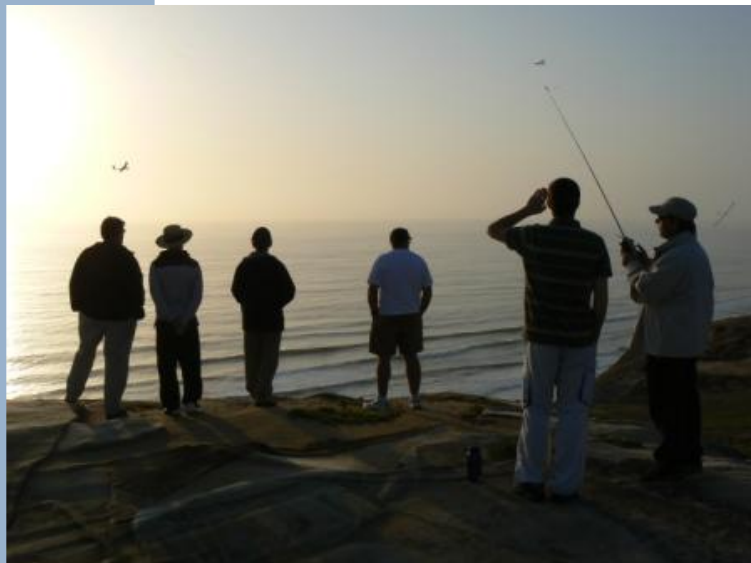
# GullWings

## Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society May 2007

### Word from the Top

Cliff Hunter, President

The Club Officers met on April 5, 2007 with a great turn out. The next club officers' meeting is open to all members as always and will be at Rancho Santa Fe Fire District Station #1 off I5 and Loma Santa Fe to El Fuego and is scheduled for May 2, 2007, NEW DAY OF THE WEEK, WEDNESDAY, so not to conflict with the fun fly.



Above: The year's first fun fly was a success with a good turnout and light, but steady breezes. Many craft were in the air.



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The Club Board will be setting up rules for the flying sites for the safety of all who fly at Poway. Poway rules are included in this newsletter. Mike Lance and committee will be reviewing the Torrey Pines Glider Port rules and updating them soon.

Also, new guidelines are being developed for when an incident occurs at any club field so that proper reporting procedures will be followed. This new guideline will cover the basic information needed to report incident at the field. The next Club meeting program will be HiTec it

### Next General Meeting...

Tuesday May 8, 7:00 PM  
San Diego Aerospace Museum  
Balboa Park

should be a fun and interesting program. Also great raffle items from Hitec and more. Drew Arnett indicated the first fun fly at the Torrey Pines Glider Port was well attended. Remember we started the Summer Fun Fly on Thursday evening's event the next one is May 3, 2007, see schedule below for the rest of May.

Here is this month's schedule:

May 2, 2007 Board Meeting  
May 3, 2007 Fun Fly Glider port T/P  
May 8, 2007 TPG Club meeting  
May 10, 2007 Fun Fly Glider port T/P  
May 13, 2007 Mothers Day  
May 17, 2007 Fun Fly Thermal Field Poway  
May 20, 2007 Club Thermal Contest Poway, Steve Condon CD  
May 20, 2007 SC2 Contest – HSS  
May 24, 2007 Fun fly Glider port T/P

Remember the IHLC is June 2& 3, 2006 there is still time to send your entry form– The first 90 people are in the contest.

This year will be no different! On Friday afternoon, we will launch what will be the first INTERNATIONAL HAND LAUNCH ALTITUDE CHALLENGE (IHLAC). As the name implies, the event will test the launching skills of the pilots who enter the event. Simply put, it is a challenge to see who can launch the highest! Everyone is welcome to enter and there will be classes and prizes for each class. Whether you enter or not, this is your opportunity to study the pros and their launching techniques and who wouldn't want to improve their launch heights. For complete details, I refer to the IHLAC section <http://www.torrey-pines-gulls.org/IHLGF.htm> website. Hope to see you at the field flying. Hope to see you at the field soon!  
Cliff

### News from the Cliff

Mike Lance, Flight Director, Slope

Everything has been running smooth at Torrey Pines. The full scale returned the weekend of

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the 14th and 15th of April. We had one of those special days on Saturday the 14th. The lift was epic. Two full scale gliders winched up at 11:30 am and were still flying at 6 pm that evening. The 1-26 made a beach run about 30' off the deck and ran down the beach toward Del Mar. It was fantastic to see all the full scale having so much fun soaring at Torrey Pines. We flew the RC gliders all day as well and had a great time.

Of course it is very important to have a spotter with you and I stress this for all of us to use a spotter at all times when flying at Torrey Pines. Make sure you do not fly over the areas where people are standing and do not fly over the pit area at any time.

The Visalia Aero Tow event was last weekend and those that attended had a great time. Saturday we had such strong thermals that you had to be careful not to get too high and bring your glider down slowly. We had two gliders that got going too fast from very high altitude and blew up coming down. If you have never gone towing come out and give it a try, you will have a ball.

Well all is good at Torrey Pines, so keep them sunny side up and rubber side down. See you all at the cliff and fly safely. Mike Lance

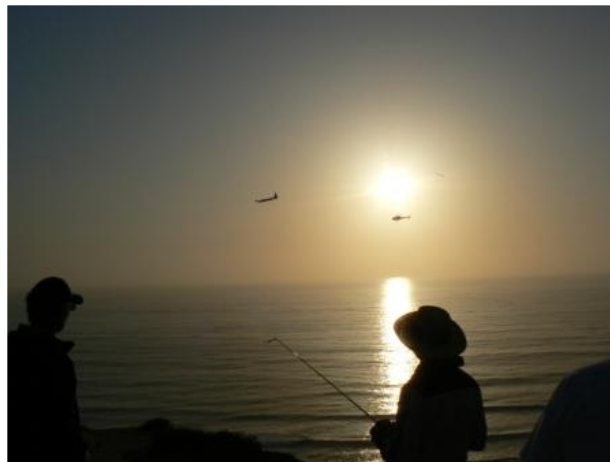
## Don't Forget the 14th Annual IHLGF Festival

Don Richmond, Contest Director

On behalf of the Torrey Pines Gulls, I would personally like to welcome everyone interested in Hand Launched Gliders to the 2007 International Hand Launch Glider Festival.

This will be our fourteenth year of hosting this highly successful contest with the help of our most generous sponsors.

While this event brings the top hand launched glider pilots in the world to compete, you do not need to be an expert to join the fun and enjoy this tremendous event. There have been many pilots over the years that have called and said they were not good enough to enter but would like to attend. We always ask them the following question: Can you launch, fly and land your HLG safely? If the answer is Yes, then we do everything we can to persuade that pilot to attend...not because we need more pilots, but because of what we know the experience of that weekend will do for his confidence. He will never again wonder if he is good enough to enter any HLG/DLG contest and he will have had one of the most positive contest experiences ever. We even guarantee it. So I can say with some authority that the IHLGF is not about winning or losing, but about the fun, camaraderie, and pure enjoyment of flying. Whether you are planning on being a participant, a volunteer or a spectator, attending this great event is a must do. See you in Poway, California the first weekend in June.



Left: Eric cajoles a couple friends into the pleasures of R/C flying at the fun fly..

Month	HLG	RES/TD	RES/TD Contest Director	(SC)2 TD	Other	Meeting
May	12	20	Steve Condon	20 HSS	26 Sacramento TD	8
Jun	2-3	10	Don Richmond	24 EDSF @ ISS	2-3 IHLGF	12
Jul	14	8	Terry Troop			(no meeting)
Aug	18	12	K. Finkenbiner	26 SWSA		(no meeting)
Sep	15	9	Cliff Hunter	23 ISS		11
Oct	20	14	K. Finkenbiner	28 TPG (Poway)	6-7 Visalia TD	9
Nov	17	11	Parviz Kamiab	18 (Make-up Date)		13
Dec	1	9	Aaron Valdez			11

Calendar dates subject to change. Please review the calendar each month and watch the TPGulls@yahoo.com list for updates.

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### The Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society

A non-profit society whose primary purpose is to support and encourage the activities of its members engaged in radio controlled sailplane flying

# Fun Fly Features

Bill Eckles, Newsletter Editor

April 26 saw the first of this year's fun flies at the Torrey Pines Glider Port slope. Turn out was good, even with little cooperation from the weather. Because of the light lift, floaters were the ships of the day (evening), though Adam generated some nice flights with his F3B. Still, Parvez and his Easy Glider paced the performers. All told it was the camaraderie that was most welcomed. We'll look forward to many more over the summer with its longer days and later sunsets. C'mon down!



Above: A good day with good guys makes for a good time.

# Science Discovery Day at Torrey Pines

## Elementary School

Lenny Brzezinski

John McNeil and Lenny Brzezinski participated in this event. We brought a few of our gliders to the school and told the students all about the gliders and how they are built. We showed them what they were made of and how they flew. We started at 9:45 in the morning with the first group of students. We had 30 minutes to explain to them how they fly, how they are built, and demonstrate how they fly. There were three groups of students that we showed the gliders to. We had a wide variety of gliders. Here are a few of the students participating in the event. We plan on doing it again next year.



Above: Lenny and John brought lots of stuff to share with the kids at Science Discovery Day.



Left: Personal attention was the story by Lenny and John at TP Elementary.

# Trading Page

## Buy, Sell or Trade

(Just keep it honest!)

For Sale: ICARE 1/5th scale 4M Duo Discus. All glass Super Scale glider in excellent condition. Flown several times at Torrey. Airbrakes, ailerons, rudder, elevator and retract. Quality wiring harness throughout with ferrites. 8 channel receiver, high capacity 4-cell battery pack. 7 servos. \$800 Call Bill Crabb 858 481 2244.

Windfreak, see:

<http://www.rcgroups.com/gallery/showphoto.php?photo=22210&size=big&sort=1&cat=507>

at=507> for a picture (not the one I'm selling, but similar).

For Sale: Skybench Aerotech/Airtronics 0ly II. Fully built and flown several times, this is the laser-cut version of the 0ly II. 2 JR NES 341 servos, high capacity 4-cell flight pack, Hitec/JR superslim 8 channel receiver. \$200 Call Bill Crabb 858 481 2244.

For Sale: Jaro Muller Ellipse IV. Yellow/Red. Some damage after stall 3 feet off the ground. 2x HS 81MG for vtail, 2x HS5125 MG for ailerons, and similar for flaps. 8 channel receiver and 5-cell high capacity flight pack. \$375 Call Bill Crabb 858 481 2244.

For Sale: 100" Windfreak plank-style built-up flying wing capable of thermal or slope. This unusual bird was first offered via plans in RCM in November of 1978. 2 channels: elevator and rudder. No spoilers. I bought it used for \$350 several years ago, flew it occasionally, will sell it for the same price without servos/Rx for local pickup only. It's in very good condition with no crashes or hangar rash...looking for a good home.

Gary Fogel (858) 455-6449

For those of you not familiar with the

# The Torrey Pines Gulls

in co-sponsorship with

## Airtronics

invite you to attend the

### International Hand Launch Glider Festival 2007

June 2 and 3

TPG Poway Flight Center - West Garden Road, Poway, California

(15 miles north-northeast of San Diego)

Ten Rounds of Competition — Three Fly-Off Rounds for Open Championship Awards through 10th place — Open Class; 3rd place — Junior, Senior & Eagle Class

Pilot Check-in: 7:00 a.m. Pilots Meeting: 8:30 a.m.; First Round - 9:00 a.m.

Entry Fee: \$50; Junior Class (15 and under) - \$25 **No Entry Fee Refunds**

Lunch provided to pilots on Saturday and Sunday

Pizza Party Saturday evening at Round Table Pizza — Poway \$10 per person

Lodging: LaQuinta- 858-484-8800 / Ramada- 858-748-7311 / Country Inn-858-748-6320

RV Parking at field - no hook ups

CD: Don Richmond - (858) 539-0629 or e-mail - [hilaunch@aol.com](mailto:hilaunch@aol.com)

**Entry limited to 90 Pilots - Entries must be postmarked no earlier than APRIL 1**

Please complete the following information, together with your **check made payable to TPG**, and return to

**Entries must be postmarked APRIL 1 or later**

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760-415-0374

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: Open \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. \_\_\_\_\_ Sr. \_\_\_\_\_ Eagle \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Entry Fee (\$50/\$25) \_\_\_\_\_  
Shirts (\$15 x \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Polo Shirts (\$30 x \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Pizza Party (\$10 x \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# *International Hand Launch Glider Festival 2007*

## *Schedule of Tasks*

### *Saturday*

<i>Round</i>	<i>Window</i>	<i>Throws</i>	<i>Objective</i>
1	10	Unlimited	Total time – Three minute time limit per flight. Ten second penalty per throw after the first four throws.
2	8	Unlimited	Four longest flights - two minute max time per flight
3	8	Unlimited	Total time - two minute max time per flight. Ten second penalty for each throw after four throws
4	10	Unlimited	Three longest flights - Three minute max time per flight. Ten second penalty for each throw after three throws
5	10	Unlimited	A two, three, and four minute flight (any order). Ten second penalty for each throw after three throws
6	10	Unlimited	Three longest flights - three minute max time per flight

### *Sunday*

<i>Round</i>	<i>Window</i>	<i>Throws</i>	<i>Objective</i>
7	10	Unlimited	The most number of flights in the following sequence: :15; :30; :45; 1:00, 1:15, 1:30, 1:45: 2:00
8	10	Unlimited	Five longest flights - two minute max time per flight. Ten second penalty for each throw after five throws.
9	10	Unlimited	Three longest flights - three minute max time per flight. Ten second penalty for each throw after three throws.
10	10	Unlimited	A one, two, three and four minute flight (any order).

### *Championship Fly-Off - Top Ten Competitors*

<i>Round</i>	<i>Window</i>	<i>Throws</i>	<i>Objective</i>
11	10	Unlimited	Five longest flights, two minute max time per flight. Twenty second penalty for each throw after five throws.
12	10	Unlimited	Three longest flights, three minute max time per flight. Thirty second penalty for each throw after three throws.
13	10	4	A one, two, three and four minute flight (any order).



# *International Hand Launch Glider Festival 2007*

## *Rules*

1. This is an AMA sanctioned event. AMA rules will apply. The exception is that time will be truncated. For example, a time of 27.99 seconds is scored as 27 seconds.
2. All heats will be flown man-on-man and scores will be normalized for each group.
3. Heats will be posted in advance and announced as a courtesy. Pilots are responsible for knowing which heats they are in, and for being ready on time. Any pilot who does not fly in his assigned heat, will receive a zero score for that round.
4. There is no restriction on the number of planes a pilot may fly during a round or the contest, **provided all planes are on the assigned frequency.**
5. Pilot may have only one plane on the field at any one time. Backup planes may be stored outside field boundaries. If, for any reason, a pilot decides to change planes during a heat, the **pilot** must remove that plane from inside the field boundaries before retrieving new plane. Infractions of this rule will result in a penalty of 50% penalty for the round.
6. All pilots must launch their own plane with the following exception: Junior (15 years of age or younger) and "Disabled" pilots may have assistance in launching provided they register for and qualify for assistance. Assistance will be in the form of volunteers, provided by TPG, whose names will be randomly drawn and assigned to the qualifying pilot. In such case where an assistant launches the plane, the pilot and the assistant launcher must tag one another after the plane has been retrieved and prior to the ensuing launch.
7. Each pilot is limited to **one person** as a spotter/timer on the field at any time. Infraction of this rule will cost the pilot a 50% penalty for the round.
8. All launches and landings must be made within the field boundaries in order for flight time to count. The field boundaries will be clearly defined. A plane is inside the field boundaries if any portion of the plane is within the field boundaries. Field judges will be the final word.
9. Flight time commences when the model leaves the hand and ends when the model comes in contact with any land based object, including people. Time will be truncated. No rounding.
10. Any launch made before the official launch buzzer **starts** will not count. Any landing that occurs after the official landing buzzer **stops**, will receive a 50% penalty toward the flight points for that flight. Field judges will be the final word.
11. While flying, pilots must remain inside the field boundaries at all times during the heat.
12. Mid-air collisions will receive no re-flight consideration. Pilots should observe "Blue Sky" rules.
13. All transmitters must be returned to the Impound area immediately after the heat. If a transmitter is not returned within 3 minutes after the end of the heat, the pilot assigned to that transmitter will receive a 50% penalty for that round. You are advised to keep your transmitter within the field boundaries, either in your possession or that of your helper.
14. Each pilot is responsible for the accuracy of the content his own score card. The contents of the score card as handed in are final. "Over-perfect" scores will receive a zero.
15. "Sloping the Hill" is an illegal maneuver and is subject to a zero score for the round. A slope soaring maneuver, for purposes hereof is defined as a lateral pass in front of the hill followed by a turn and a second pass across the hill. **WARNING: Flying near the hill is risky.** If you go to the hill you had better be doing 360-degree turns and thermalling. Field judges will be the final word. There will be no appeal.
16. There is a "NO FLY ZONE" in effect at the east end of the field which will be defined at the Pilots meeting. Flying in the NO FLY ZONE will result in a 0 score for that round. Field judges will be the final word. There will be no appeal.
17. Warm up and test flights may only be taken during the three-minute ready time before the upcoming heat and only by the pilots assigned to that heat.
18. Pilot safety is of utmost concern. Any pilot whose plane comes in contact with another pilot or timer/helper during launch will receive a zero for the round.



# Torrey Pines Gulls

Radio Control Soaring Society, Inc.

## Membership Application



Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society, Inc. (TPG) is a not-for-profit corporation whose purpose is to support and encourage member participation in the hobby/sport of model sailplane flying. TPG is an AMA chartered club and therefore proof of membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) is a prerequisite for TPG membership. An AMA membership card or a receipt of paid dues fulfills this requirement.

Membership in AMA provides liability and property damage insurance while operating model aircraft safely and with the permission of the site owner. Note: You are required by the City of San Diego to annually sign a liability waiver form before permission to fly at Torrey Pines Glider Park will be granted. You may also encounter a similar requirement to fly at various other sites.

**I have read the above and will comply with TPG and AMA rules and safety measures.**

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWAL [ ] NEW [ ]

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AMA # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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PRIMARY INTEREST(S): SPORT [ ] COMPETITION [ ]

TYPE: THERMAL \_\_\_\_\_% SLOPE \_\_\_\_\_% SCALE \_\_\_\_\_% HLG \_\_\_\_\_% 2METER \_\_\_\_\_% F3J \_\_\_\_\_% OTHER \_\_\_\_\_%

FM CHANNEL(S) USED: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA CONTEST DIRECTOR YES [ ] NO [ ]

Current members may renew their TPG membership at or before the January general meeting for **\$35**. Please have your respective year AMA card available. New Open members may join at or before each monthly meeting at the rate shown below. Junior membership (age 15 or under) is **ONLY \$1**. Evidence of your current AMA membership card must be presented.

**Jan-April \$40 May-Sept \$35 Oct-Dec \$35 (includes membership for next year)**

- Family Plan: One membership at the open rate, others at the Junior rate. One newsletter per household.
- Bring application to club meeting (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month) at the Aerospace Museum (rear entrance) in Balboa Park at 7pm. Or, send application, photocopy of AMA card, and check to the Membership Chairman. Application can also be submitted online at: <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/Membership.htm>

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Make check payable to TPG. Be sure to enclose a copy of your current AMA card or other proof of AMA membership.

**Fly Safely! Never turn on your transmitter(s) in the parking lot at any RC field! Do not operate your transmitter in the pit area without first checking that your frequency is not already in use.**

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