

# THE FLYER



Prince George's Radio Control Club, Inc.

AMA Club #334

November 2020

## NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The next membership meeting will be held at **the Club House** Tuesday November 17.

Members must wear a face mask and observe social distancing. If you are uncomfortable participating in the indoor meeting, you should not attend.

**BOARD ELECTIONS.** Election of PGRC Board members will be held at the November meeting. Please attend and vote for the folks who will be representing you on the Board.

**BE COVID SAFE.** Our members are urged to refrain from gathering in groups of more than 10 in any one area of the field (e.g., under the pavilion), and to mind the 6-foot social-distancing guideline. Members are encouraged to wear a face mask; and, please, if you don't feel well, do not come to the field.

## OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

**Treasury.** Steve reported \$8,893 as of the latest bank statement. Including (partial) proceeds from Rick's sale of the Dave Latsha collection, the sum was \$12,853. The latest BG&E bill, for two months, was \$118. Our current membership stands at 158 folks.

**Board Nominations.** Nominations for PGRC Board members were held at the meeting, and will be accepted up to the November membership meeting. Board members whose terms will be expiring this year are:

- Rick Moreland
- Bob Gensler
- Alwin Alleyne
- Tom Gurlacz

Members who were nominated at the October meeting to fill the expiring positions are:

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## PGRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tim Williams (President)	(301) 249-6495
Charlie Gettier (VP, Newsletter)	(410) 991-3178
Steve Baker (Treasurer)	(301) 352-4580
Alan Goodman (Secretary)	(301) 509-8589
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Roland Jackson (Safety Officer)	(443) 623-3304
Rick Moreland	(301) 261-7366
Rodger Binger	(301) 261-7976
Bob Gensler	(410) 353-1570
Mark Kikta	(410) 867-9630
Alwin Alleyne	(301) 324-7177

## 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, via Pay Pal, or can be mailed to:

Steve Baker  
12215 Malin Lane  
Bowie, MD 20715

Be sure to include your address, phone number, **and AMA Number** if paid by 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/>

- Rick Moreland
- Bob Gensler
- Alwin Alleyne
- Tom Gurlacz
- Stephan “Will” Williams

**Yard Sale.** Rick reminded everyone of the yard sale at his house on 24 October, for Dave Latsha’s collection. Rick and Lorrie had collected four trailer-loads of models and parts from Dave’s residence in Pennsylvania.

**Road Repair.** Tim indicated he would contact Paul “Pops” Christian to schedule a date for repair of the access road, and arrange for rental of an excavator. *See photos below.*

**Proud Grandfather.** Alan Goodman announced that his five-year-old grandson, Georgie, had so far made three unassisted landings during his RC flight training program.

**Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon.** Tim LaNore indicated that our PGRC/SLOW members completed 649 flights during the National Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon the weekend of 17, 18 October. A “flight” consists of five laps with any variant of the ubiquitous Ringmaster CL model. Three pilots participated on Saturday; and five participated on Sunday.

**Raffle and 50-50.** Andre Jones won a mini RC hovercraft in the raffle; Dylan McLaughlin missed out on \$63 in the 50-50 drawing.

**FOR SALE.** Goldberg extra 300 w/ K&B .61 engine (no muffler). Servos and extensions in wing. Needs radio. Red, white, and blue Ultracote covering. See photo below. \$225. Charles Ritchie. 410 535-1469.

**FOR SALE** ¼-scale Cub with Zenoah G-20. \$500. Ralph Schreiner. [hul6ro@verizon.net](mailto:hul6ro@verizon.net)



**TOOLS, SUPPLIES, PARTS.** Former member Jorge Arcay is leaving the hobby because of diminished eyesight and has a collection of RC tools, supplies, and parts available/ Contact Jorge at [rk.aircraft@gmail.com](mailto:rk.aircraft@gmail.com)

**TERP TEAM.** A team of engineering faculty and students from University of Maryland is visiting the field periodically as part of their involvement in an aviation research project. Bob Gensler and other PGRC members will be assisting.

**FROM THE BOARD MEETING.** The following is a recap of the Board meeting on 3 November.

**Fall Clean-Up.** The Fall Clean-Up Day will be held as originally scheduled on 14 November. Members who can participate should bring rakes, leaf blowers, work gloves, etc. Our co-essor who harvests hay on the upper section of the property will be helping us spread asphalt

<b>2020 PGRC Events Schedule</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>		<b>POC</b>
March 21	Spring Clean-Up Day	<b>CANCELLED</b>	N/A
April 18	Spring Swap Shop	<b>CANCELLED</b>	Alan Goodman (301) 509-8589
May 9	Open House Fly-In	<b>CANCELLED</b>	Charlie Gettier (410) 991-3178
Sept. 26, 27	Big Bird / War Bird Fly-In	<b>CANCELLED</b>	Rick Moreland (301) 261-7366
October 3	Electric Fly-In	<b>CANCELLED</b>	Harold Thompson <a href="mailto:promod17525@yahoo.com">promod17525@yahoo.com</a>
November 7	Fall Swap Shop		Alan Goodman (301) 509-8589
November 14	Fall Clean-Up Day		N/A

millings on segments of the road with his Bobcat. Because of the Coronavirus, we will not be providing lunch for our volunteers as in the past.

**Roof Leak.** We will be getting an estimate from a roofer to repair leaks in the club house roof in the living room (meeting room) and several other locations.

**ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS.** If you are receiving the newsletter via the US mail and have an e-mail account, please send me your e-mail address to receive the newsletter via e-mail. You'll get it sooner and in color, and you'll be saving the Club money. Also, if you don't see your AMA number next to your name in the Current Members list posted in most issues of the newsletter, we do not have it in our database. Please e-mail it to me at [cagettier@gmail.com](mailto:cagettier@gmail.com). Thanks.

**2020 GATE KEYS.** Gate keys for the 2020 season are available for sale (\$5) to paid-up soloed members. Board members will carry a supply of keys with them, for sale to our members throughout the year.

**MOWING SCHEDULE.** Our last cutting was on 4 November. Mowing is now done for the season. The mowers will be power-washed and stored away until next April when we will start the cycle again. A big thanks go to our yard maintenance team (Rick Moreland, Rodger Binger, Roland Jackson, Tom Gurlacz, Bob Gensler, Russ Sevigny, Stoney Jasper, Chic White and recently, Marvin Savoy) for their help this year.

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**FLYING LESSONS.** (*above*) Alan Goodman instructs his five-year-old grandson Georgie on the lovely Saturday afternoon of 17 October. Georgie has successfully performed takeoffs and landings at the field under the tutelage of his grandfather; and practices with the simulator at home. (*below*) At the next flying station, Ross Baker (dark jacket) instructs one of his daughters while Carl Becker, Will Williams, and Ross' younger daughter look on. In the background at the adjacent flying station, University of Maryland team leader Lina Castano (dark jacket) works with one of her grad students.



**RIDING MOWER.** The Craftsman 30" riding mower advertised in the past few newsletter issues is still available for a donation to the club. The mower is in good condition and has been well maintained. Contact Charlie Gettier if you have an interest. [cagettier@gmail.com](mailto:cagettier@gmail.com), (410) 991-3178.



**ROAD REPAIR.** On Saturday 31 October, a team lead by Pops Christian, and including Marvin Savoy, Alwin Alleyne, Tim Williams, Alan Goodman, Bob Gensler, and Tom Gurlacz, repaired a section of the access road that had been ravaged by pot holes and mud over the past few years. With consultative support and excavation expertise provided by Pops, the team installed a French drain under the affected section of road. Despite considerable rain the next day, the road was, and continues to be, dry and solid. Total cost to the club for materials and excavator rental was approximately \$700. Thanks go to Pops and the folks named above for making this happen.



(above) Pops Christian digs a trench on the up-hill side of the road that will feed the cross-road trench. (below) Alan Goodman brings a load of asphalt millings to the scene in the Gator, for spreading on the road. (top right) Pops inspects the gravel-filled trench prior to back-filling. Photos by Alwin Alleyne.



**THANKS ED.** In light of our recent discussions concerning the needed for funds for anticipated major repairs to our facility in the not-to-distant future, Senior Member Ed Stone has presented the club with a substantial monetary gift. Thanks a bunch, Ed.

**THANKS DAVE.** Long-time modelling enthusiast and friend of PGRC, Dave Latsha, has donated much of his significant RC collection to the club. Rick and Lorrie Moreland's sale of the collection to club members and others has netted over \$7,000 for PGRC. Thanks go to Dave for his remarkable generosity. Thanks also go to Rick and Lorrie for time and effort extended for multiple trips to southern Pennsylvania to retrieve and catalog the collection, and for holding the 24 October garage sale on their property.

**US ARMY INQUIRY.** Alan Goodman recently received a call from the US Army inquiring whether PGRC could host a demonstration of a system involving a tethered drone carrying a radio frequency (RF) repeater. We will be requesting additional information regarding the request.

## Current PGRC Members – November 2020

Gregory Aldrich 853808	Christopher Hogan	Michael Saar 994702
Alwin Alleyne 620916	Bennett Holmes 851939	Rudolph Schneider 1175200
Giancarlo Almodovar 1017855	Cameron Holmes 731941	Ralph Schreiner 527786
Thomas Avedisian 136018	Eric Holmes 44438	Jonathan Schumacher
Jonathan Baker 601832	Joseph (Al) Holmes 55196	1162790
Lawrence Baker 599782	Daniel Holtan 1197273	Steven Scott 1192435
Steve Baker 68276	Edgar Hopson 209095	Russell Sevigny 994023
William Baldiga 67301	Dwight Hulvey 986786	Byron Smith 885782
Carl Becker 623227	Dirk Jabin 753849	Robert Smith 56375
Rodger Binger 1763	Jeff Jackson 1171222	Robert Snedegar 28964
Bill Blacker 914663	Roland Jackson 58267	Tyler Sonnett
John Blom 56219	Aubrey (Stoney) Jasper 205948	Keith Stalder 643147
Eric Blowers 982405	Eugene Johnson 1019274	Brice Stephens 997360
R. Allen Blowers 84468	Reginald Johnson 778748	Chris Stephens 1143913
Howard Bonds 1011061	Ben Jones 987550	Ed Stern 7424
Elwyn Boykin 929639	Byron Jones 898381	Ed Stone 1059327
Greg Brewer 339113	Paul Kelton 1134654	Dennis Swartzel 940470
Michael Bruno 129863	Mark Kikta 990866	Vaclav Sychlovsky 244279
Rob Buhrman 316301	James Klapp 621571	David Taylor 964312
Mark Bush 172249	Kwang Ko 73381	Garrie Taylor 24132
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Peter Castine 6132	Kathleen LaNore 937304	Robert Tiger 1123433
Stan Chrusciel 831377	Tim LaNore 63894	Terrence Till 77702
Kerry Cocherell 451622	Joe Lawrence 37969	Christopher True 180101
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John Creamer 726937	Philip Littleton 1173509	Sean Tuomey 967524
Michael Cross 459926	Michael Lorino 869355	Melville Turner 1133181
Richard Cross 4452	John Loy 578712	Patrick Vargas 826768
Peter Curtis 432416	George Marenka 81879	John Vlna 4536
Peter Dahlstrom 759534	Andrew McCleod 1016777	Charles Walker 1214793
Warren Dahlstrom 757889	Harry McCormick 21903	Doug Washington 786022
Deontae Daniels 1004575	John McDonald 1082835	Marvin Washington 491724
Charles Davis 1199155	Michael McEvilley 237043	Chester Wells 716545
Maurice DeBeary Jr. 511756	John McLain 893245	Chic White 3R
Amit Doron 976349	Dylan McLaughlin 1049573	Dorwell White 848359
Franklin Edwards 685140	Rick Moreland 3113	Samantha White 1082219
Bill Fairweather 533596	Kenny Morris 1087769	Steven Whitecoff 9327
Edward Forsythe 10018	Dan Myer 155927	Scott Wiley 740535
Johnathan Gadsden 882559	Kevyn Myer 575775	Mark Wilkins 1007577
Stephen Galvin 777745	Paul Nance 797588	Bradley Williams 1045868
Hernan Garcia 927138	Vincent Neal 706941	Les Williams 1215636
Ethan Gaskin 1188253	Butch Oliff 933213	Stephan Williams 953204
Joe Gaston 1055753	Sokha Pann	Timothy Williams 887886
Bob Gensler 252215	Joe Pekny 562443	Michael Yeargin 576729
Charlie Gettier 245615	Chad Pensy 742680	Mitchell Yockelson 1213479
Alan Goodman 313596	Clinton Ponce	Doug Yoest 1209559
Heath Graham	Hugh Price III 568601	Gary Young
Harvey Gross 692340	James Pursley 107462	
Mary Gurlacz 113018	Willie Randall 1025960	
Tom Gurlacz 113066	Neal Rehm 150379	
Jim Guthrie 346144	John Reinhardt 1152426	
Curtis Hafer 1073593	Charles Ritchey 471611	
Leon Hamilton 6467	John Robertson 749214	
David Harris 492209	John Romero 1057317	
Edward Haskin 882693	Frank Rowsome III 303455	
Bill Henschen 328079	Charles Russell 795778	

Election of Board Members November Meeting - Fall Clean-Up Day 14 November



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