



**June 2015**

## GENERAL CLUB INFORMATION

**NEXT CLUB MEETING**  
Thursday, June 18, 2015,  
7 -9 pm

Thursday, at Niceville  
Church of Christ

**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
**GLIDER SOCIAL - 1st SUNDAY**  
**OF EVERY MONTH**

Jun 27-28, 2015      AMA Pattern Contest  
POC: Rob Campbell

Jul 12, 2015 Float Fly  
POC: Rob Campbell

### **2015 CLUB OFFICERS**

**President: Phil Conner (850) 217-5526**  
**Vice President: Victor Diaz (404) 263-7674**  
**Treasurer: Robert Pacheco**  
**Secretary: Ron Van Putte 243- 0207**  
**Member at Large: Paul Doman**

### **Message from the President** By Phil Conner

Hello everyone;

It has been an interesting few weeks. Apart from just being 1 day late for nominations to the SAD patch awards, Cody has a doosy this month. Not to take anything away from Mike Holderness and his spectacular split incident at the recent Scale Fly-in. Or Scale Fly-in was a success as we made a little profit and everyone had a good time. It felt rather strange puttin' around the sky with my Senior Falcon after some of the fast birds had burned holes in the sky. We had a jet flameout and a very nice recovery of the jet, even if the pilot had to walk a ways to retrieve it.

On a different note, Terry Green has graciously donated a 2000 Watt Gasoline powered generator to the club. It is in the conex and we can use it as we need to. It will really come in handy during power outages of our transformers caused by summer storms. In addition, we could use it periodically to charge the mower battery to keep it in good condition.

If you haven't tried flying pattern, there is no better time than to try the pre-sportsman class at the upcoming pattern event. I tried it with Pinky a couple of years ago and it was fun. I won't cost you much and you get lunch and may find you like it. Bring out what you are comfortable flying and give it a try. I

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think you'll have a good time. Anyway, if Victor is cooking, it'll be great. See you at the field.

Phil Conner

**Eglin Aero Modellers Regular  
Monthly Meeting 21 May 2015**  
By Ron Van Putte

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the president, Phil Conner, with 27 present.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved as published in the May BEAM.

The treasury contains \$4234.50. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

A lost airplane, which was found in the Test Site area, has been identified as belonging to Keith Stephens.

Discussion was conducted regarding having the owner's identification on or in models.

Robert Pacheco discussed the upcoming Boys and Girls Club TAG events on June 17th, July 1st and July 22nd. He requested club members' assistance with the events.

Rob Campbell announced plans for the AMA pattern contest on June 27th/28th.

We need a lawn mower mechanic. Volunteers are sought.

Ron Van Putte discussed monitoring lithium polymer battery cell voltages during charging, to preclude damage to battery packs.

Craig Deyerle discussed the likely reason for Phil Conner's crash (receiver "brownout" due to low battery voltage).

Model of the Month contributors were Herb Hardwick (PT-17) and Roger Gilman (Pitts Special). Roger won.

SAD patch nominees were Phil Conner (Ugly Stik), John Worley (CAP-232) and Stan Davis (Ugly Stik). Phil "won".

It was suggested to have a "burger burn" and "tailgate swap meet" on the 4th of July (Saturday).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Ron Van Putte, secretary

Meeting Attendees

Phil Conner	Keith Stephens
Craig Deyerle	Exor Reyes
Romeo Wright	Rob Campbell
Ron Van Putte	Alan Bradshaw
Rey Ruiz	Mark Pfeiffer
Gene Barnes	Stan Davis
Roger Gilman	Mike Plummer
Mike Slade	Joe Shearer
Chris Mikles	Colby Estes
Herb Hardwick	Dick Campis
Robert Pacheco	Larry Glenn
Victor Diaz	

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**Recognition**  
**Model-of-the-Year**  
By Robert Pacheco



**Roger Gilman won this Months Model of the Month with his E-Flite Pitts Special**

**May 3, 2015 Don Hollfelder Memorial Sunday Glider Social**  
by Craig Deyerle

June 7, 2015 Don Hollfelder Memorial Sunday Glider Social  
by Craig Deyerle

The weather was good, the lift was great, and all had a good time. The forecast was for winds from the east going to southeast growing from 4 mph to 8 mph. We got southeast wind from the get go, which increased from 4 to 8. Late in the last round the gusts increased as a thunderstorm built to the north. The skies went from clear to scattered cumulous which grew higher as you glanced at them. In the practice launches, before the first round, the lift was light and widely scattered. That changed before the first aircraft was launched on the first round.

Both Mark Owen's winch and the club winch were used because the spindle on the retrieval reel on the club winch has lost its bearings.

They are not repairable. We have a replacement, but the shaft is too short. I'm trying to figure out how to install it. As a result, we had several tangles in the retrieval line. Other than that, the day went well.

Lance Ropke, who complained about light lift in practice, launched first and promptly maxed. In fact, all seven pilots maxed out in the first round. There was great lift, everywhere. I was planning to fly my Velvia, but left the battery charger at home. The Buzzard did me proud on this day. I have never flown on a day that my aircraft was in a thermal and gaining altitude every time it left the line.

In round two, six of the seven pilots maxed. In round three five of the seven pilots maxed. In round four, Jim Hartley withdrew. It was hot, and he just didn't feel like flying. Instead, he carried around the blueberry muffins he brought, offering them to all. As a result, we (meaning me) voted Jim the winner of the contest. In round four all six of the remaining pilots maxed. In round five only two of the six pilots maxed (we got tired).

Bottom Line: You needed to max out and get good landing points to win. It was a great day, Everyone found lift. I had four maxes and a 5-minute flight. I felt like I flew well, but came up in fifth place!!!! Note to self, don't leave OK lift to find better lift, just stay in it while it drifts downwind. (I could claim the wind came up in the fifth round, and that the Buzzard doesn't penetrate well, yada, yada, yada. I blew it!)

There were no entries in the no-carbon class.

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### Rounds 1 & 2.

Name	Aircraft	Round 1				Round 2			
		min	sec	land	score	min	sec	land	score
Lance Ropke	Xplorer 3.8 X2	7	4	70	486	7	2	85	503
Jerry Baxter	Xplorer 4.0 X1	7	4	25	441	7	1	75	494
Craig Deyerle	Buzzard	6	57	70	487	6	52	85	497
Buddy Bradley	Xplorer 3.5 X1	7	10	55	465	6	51	60	471
Mark Owens	Bubble Dancer	6	55	0	415	6	54	0	414
Jim Hartley	Xplorer 3.5 X2 V-Xplorer	6	58	0	418	5	11	100	411
Robert Pacheco	3.8 X2	7	3	0	417	6	47	20	427

### Rounds 3 & 4.

Name	Round 3				Round 4			
	min	sec	land	score	min	sec	land	score
Lance Ropke	7	1	65	484	7	3	60	477
Jerry Baxter	7	4	90	506	6	59	75	498
Craig Deyerle	6	59	0	419	6	53	0	413
Buddy Bradley	6	59	80	499	6	53	100	513
Mark Owens	6	54	0	414	6	59	70	489
Jim Hartley	5	29	55	384	DNF			0
Robert Pacheco	3	20	0	200	6	55	0	415

### Round 5

Name	Round 5				Total	Place	Flight Time (sec)
	min	sec	land	score			
Lance Ropke	7	5	80	495	2445	1	2165
Jerry Baxter	6	4	25	389	2026	3	2063
Craig Deyerle	4	59	0	299	2115	5	1960
Buddy Bradley	6	3	90	453	2401	2	2106
Mark Owens	7	0	0	420	2152	4	2082
Jim Hartley	DNF			0	1213	7	1058
Robert Pacheco	4	33	0	273	1736	6	1712

## Membership for Year 2015

To renew membership for 2015, you will need your new 2015 AMA card. Dues are \$40.00.

Late Renewals are now 50.00. (\$10.00 late penalty) and you may not fly at the club site until dues are paid.

Mail either your new 2015 AMA Card or a copy to:

Eglin Aero Modelers C/o  
 Robert Pacheco  
 43 Lake Point Dr  
 Miramar Beach, FL 32550

OR make your renewals in person at Shalimar Hobbies (bring your 2015 AMA card).

Also, check or confirm your addresses, both postal and e-mail, and phone numbers when renewing. An EAM 2015 sticker will be attached to your AMA Card. If renewing by mail, be sure to indicate the address where the sticker will be mailed. A SASE will save the club \$\$\$. Join or renew at a Meeting

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