



October 2022 News Letter

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NOTE: The October 8 Members' meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. (winter hours)

New Planes



Left, Alex Luke dug this little plane out of the trash, fixed it up, and put a cheap motor off of Ebay on it. Now, it's a rocket sled. It's been clocked at 120mph, and the high-G maneuvers it performs are eye-popping.

Could you do the same? Not me. Alex is a natural. Most pilots couldn't stay ahead of this thing!

Right, the Editor poses with his new Lanier Stinger 120.

I built it from an ancient kit that had been stored in a shed. The plans were so dried out that they crumbled like tea leaves. The wood was dry, to say the least.

It's a big plane. Unfortunately, it's also a heavy plane. It gets very little vertical. Possible fixes include using smaller batteries. I have about 10 minutes of flying time at full throttle with the current pair of 5S 8000mah batteries.

The motor is a Hacker 10S that generates 1700 Watts, per the meter.





Left, Eric Charley got a new L39 in Russian livery.

Right, Nick Tocco holds his gorgeous new F-16. Nick studied photos of Israeli F-16s, and airbrushed the unique color scheme himself.



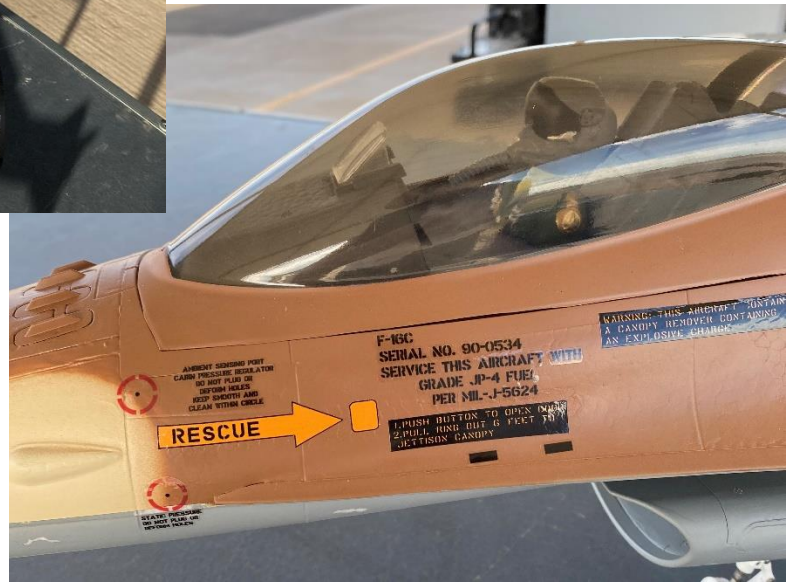
Scale Detail



Above, Eric's L39 pilots look like they're wearing mittens. Hey, it's Russia!



Nick got an incredible decal set for his F-16 from Callie Graphics. The plane is in the livery of the Scorpion Squadron, Israeli Air Force Squadron 105. The decal set is so complete that Nick still has a few decals that he can't find places for.



Donated Plane Auction



Above, Andrew Stich purchased this weird P-51 control-line conversion, which had been donated to the club.

Left, Gary Johnson bought this Ugly Stik, which was also donated to the Club. It has a .25 Rimfire motor, plus skis, because no WWI German aircraft is complete without a set of snow skis. It was refurbished by Doug Allen.

CRCM Pride

Right, Doug, Andrew and Keith pulling up weeds after a monsoon rain.



Left, in what we hope will become a CRCM tradition, Howard Brown showed up with hot-out-of-the-oven muffins, baked by his wife.

Casey Harris

Member and Board Member Casey Harris has accepted a too-good-to-be-true job offer in California. We will miss his company, and Bennu's, too. Based on recent California legislation, it appears that Casey will be compelled to trade in his Audi for a golf cart.

Gate Locking

On September 8, I came to the field early in the morning. I found the gate improperly locked. The two other locks were locked to a loose-hanging link in the change. Also, the code for the lock had not been scrambled. The county and the water company have to be able to open the gate, too!

If you are the last one out, please be sure to lock the gate properly. There is a diagram on the gate showing how to do it.

CRCM Safety Corner

Dogs at the field have become an issue. Pima County has a leash law that we are required to observe at our county-owned field.

Pima County Ordinance 6.04.030 states that dogs are always to be on a leash when outside of the owner's private property. Your dog MUST be on a leash at all times while your dog is on public and private streets.

The Board met on September 24, 2022, and agreed that CRCM must enforce the leash law at our field.

Weed Abatement

An intrepid team of volunteers sprayed for weeds. The team included Doug Allen, John LaRock, Jose Fimbres, Dan Tolleson, Paul Brobeck, and Gary Johnson.

Last year's volunteers were unable to perform the service this year due to mysterious pulmonary issues.

The Walk of Shame



Bryce was flying his big 84" Eflite Carbon-Z Cub, when a strange rattling sound erupted from the plane. He tried to get it down, but the plane was in a hurry, and nosedived in.

Bryce suspects that the propeller collet let loose, and that caused some control problems.

Bryce is still trying to decide whether to rebuild it.

At least the plane went down with a smile on its face!

