



FLIGHT LINE

May 19, 2026 @ 6:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting Will be Held at
Oroville Air Corps Field (Off Wilbur Rd.)

Attention All Pilots:

- The Butte County Sheriff's Office Dive Team will be conducting training at the airfield on the 1st Sunday of each month tentatively. This should only affect floatplanes as usual, nonetheless all pilots need to be aware of their presence. Should you be missing, any aircraft or part of an aircraft they will be available to locate any items.

General News:

The May club meeting will be held at The Oroville Air Corps Airfield off Wilbur Road, Oroville, CA, on May 19, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

April Meeting Recap:

The meeting was held at Oroville, Mountain Mike's Pizza on 04/21/2026 due to inclement weather and was called to order by President, Ian Witherspoon at 6:00 P.M. and adjourned at 7:04 P.M.

Forty-five(45) current members.

Twelve (12) members were present.

Treasurers Report was given.

Old Business:

Everyone was glad to see the new shade structures up, it provides more shade and cooler temperatures. Doug and Daryl placed the setup tables where they thought they would provide the most access, both front and back. Previously a person could only walk in front of the line, now, due to the new table configuration there is space behind each table, allowing egress both front and back.

Bylaws are updated.

Bird deterrents are in the Connex.

Gene donated five (5) gallons of pavement crack filler and it is in the Connex, ready for a work party during the summer months.

Heli-Fun-Fly: May 15th, 16th, & 17th. One additional full-size helicopter has been added to the raffle.
The First Surf & Turf Fun-Fly will be on June 6th; however, we will be out there all weekend.
The Second Surf & Turf Fun-Fly will be on September 18th, 19th, & 20th.

Jeff repaired the canopy on the helicopter side, due to birds pecking holes in it last year, which was no easy task. He saved the club a lot of money by repairing it instead of having to purchase new canopy material and possibly having it custom made to fit.

New Business:

It was suggested that if you have any dark foam from your shipping boxes, it could be used to fill in some gaps of the new structure to eliminate wasp nests from forming.

On the new structure Paul experimented with putting up shade material on the back side as the sun was rising during the morning hours. It dropped the temperature drastically on the fence end of the setup tables, so we will need to discuss this at the next meeting to see how we want to move forward, providing as much shade as possible.

It was voted on and approved to put (1) one of the previous shade structures by the water for float plane pilots to reduce their exposure to the sun, and place the other two (2) at the end of the new structures to provide shade for additional pilots during events and busy times.

There will be a Work Party on Saturday, May 2nd to move structures, install the helicopter side canopy, place the bird deterrents, and general cleanup. It will begin at 9:00 A.M.

Raffle Prizes For The Heli-Fun-Fly, May 15, 16, & 17, 2026

- **Absolute CNC** - One(1) Tuned Pipe for a 700 Size Helicopter
- **AMain Hobbies** - Various Helicopter Items
- **HeliDirect** - One(1) 30% Off Certificate for two(2) Pulse Batteries
- **HeliDirect** - One(1) 30% Off Certificate for up to Four(4) Torq Servos
- **HeliDirect** - One(1) 30% Off Certificate for One(1) Align Helicopter
- **HeliDirect** - One(1) 30% Off Certificate for One(1) Goosky Helicopter
- **Heli-X** - Two(2) Licenses for Helicopter Simulator
- **Minature Aircraft** - Various Helicopter Items
- **Next** - One(1) License for Helicopter Simulator
- **OMP Hobby** - Discount on OMP M6 Helicopter
- **Progressive RC** - Four(4) \$25 Gift Cards
- **Random Heli** - Four(4) Sets of Landing Gear Clamps for Storing or Transporting Heli's
- **RC Bearings.com** - Four(4) \$25 Gift Certificates
- **SMC Racing** - Two(2) Battery Packs
- **Grand Prize by Oroville Air Corps Club - One(1) OMP M6 Helicopter!!**
- **PLUS One Additional Full-Size Helicopter!!**

Club Stuff of Interest: Events are listed through June 2026 (more will be added as the year progresses).

Woodland-Davis Aero-Modelers Club Events –

May 2nd – Open House (9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.)

June 6th & 7th – Pattern Flying Competition (9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.)

June 26th, 27th, 28th – Wing of Victory

Sacramento Area Modelers Club Events –

April 11th & 12th - Big Kahunas Memorial Warbird-Pylon Race

May 9th – Open House (9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.)

May 16th – The Good, The Bad, The Ugly RC STOL Competition (**I previously made an error and the correct date is Saturday May 16th.**)

June 13th & 14th – Turn and Burn Warbird Pylon Race

Northern California Radio Control Unlimited Flyers (Anderson) -

April 19th - NCRCUF Swapmeet @ Ash Creek RC Park (8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.)

June 5th, 6th, & 7th - Ash Creek RC Heli-Fun-Fly @ Ash Creek RC

Throwback News Article:

The first pre-printed foamy was made in 2003. Hobby Lobby (not the craft store) was one of the first companies to embrace electric powered remote control planes; however, they were underpowered and flight times were short. Around 2003 AXI outrunner motors were picked up by Hobby Lobby, at the same time LIPO batteries became an option. They realized the combination of the battery and motor was going to accelerate the hobby beyond anyone's imagination. Then came the the use of foam to build an RC airplane and with the combination of these three items the power was phenomenal. You could not purchase a foamy at this time, they did not exist, a person had to make them off of plans or design your own.

Show & Tell:

Larry brought in his Great Planes, Curtis P6E Hawk with a 72' wing span tonight, and it is a beautiful scale plane. This was a scratch and dent kit when he purchased it, so he knew there would be issues, including broken and missing pieces. To mention a few; he had to make a new aileron which was totally missing from the box, a new windscreen and trim plate around the base of it, and molded the turtle deck behind the pilot out of foam and card stock. He was able to closely match the Olive Drab Monokote, which is not produced any longer. It is powered by an OS120 4-stroke engine which is being broken in prior to the maiden flight. He has a lot of time and patience into all of his projects, as they take hundreds of hours to build and he pays great attention to every small detail for competition judging.



