

# PCC NEWSLETTER

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## What's Happening ...



*A nice Sunday at the field with two members enjoying the late afternoon flying. Or are they just standing there and looking at the hill?*



*Next Meeting.....*

## *Charging Table Switch*



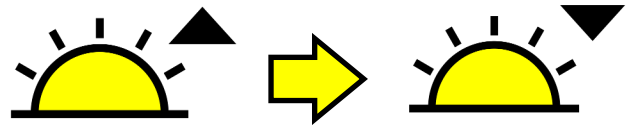
*Many occasions the switch key was found left in the switch from the flying session before. Please remove the key from the switch when you are done, and hang it on the hook where the string is attached. DO NOT leave key in the switch or left it on.*

## *No Dogs Allowed @ PCC*

Dogs are not allowed at PCC flying site. Dogs were spotted in several occasions on camera. Please inform the pet owners (if they are not PCC members) that dogs are not allowed at the flying site for the safety of the dogs and club members.



*PCC Field operation hours is from Sun up to Sun Down. If you can't see the Sun (other than Foggy/Smoky days), no flight operation is allowed.*



*PCC Flying Site is a NON SMOKING Facility. Please do not smoke at the flying field.*

## *No Trash Service at PCC.*

*Please take your trash home with you.*

*Thank You.*

**Remember, PCC has the "NO BADGE, NO FLY" rule. You are not allowed to fly if you don't not display your current PCC badge.**

**If you see someone without a badge, ask to see it. Don't be shy. It is the responsibility of every member to keep the flying field safe.**

**Yes, you do need the stinking badge to fly at PCC! This rule is to protect our flying field. Thank you for your understanding.**

# PCC Newsletter

I hope you have noticed that I have not been around the flying field last couple months, I had major back surgery at the end of April and slowly recovering. I am doing pretty well now but still no 100% yet. Sitting down in front of the computer can only lasted for an hour and I have to rest for a bit. It takes about 8-10 hours to put one newsletter together. So this slowed down the production process of the PCC Newsletter a bit. I have been out to the field a couple times. I have not flown any of my planes yet. I am still restricted to lift less than 10 pounds. I did help maiden Capt Rich's new glider (I found out that I can still fly!) Hopefully I will be up to full speed in October. I have to be careful about not to over worked my fragile body(!), doctor's order!

*Brian, PCC Newsletter editor*



# SHARPS Disposal

No matter where you are:

- Sharps should never be thrown loosely into the trash or toilet.
- Sharps should never be recycled.
- Sharps that retract after use, or are very small, should be disposed of like all other sharps.



When you build model aircrafts, you produce SHARPS waste. Knife blades, pins, screws...I put all the used sharp objects in an old medicine bottle with a sealable cap. I put screws in there too because I don't want to put them into the trash cans, risking them falling out of the trash truck and ending up on the street when I drive! I take that with other hazardous waste to the **San Mateo Household Hazardous Waste Center at 32 Tower Road, San Mateo, CA 94402.** Maybe there is a collection center near where you live.

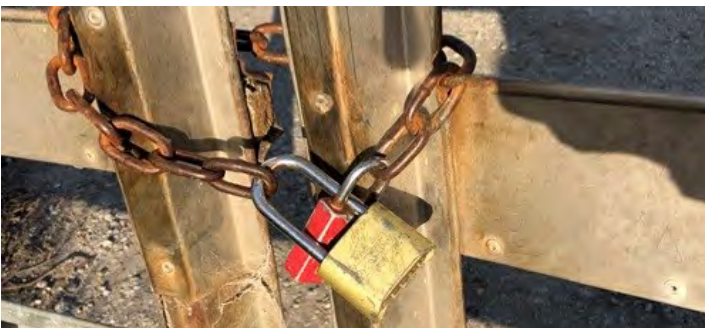
Their web site has all the information you will need to use their free services!

<https://www.smchealth.org/hhw>

Be safe and be considerate of the health of others.

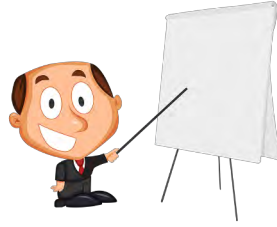
# PCC Flying Field

*There will a work party to clean up PCC flying field in the Summer. Last winter storms did a fair damages to the field and the tables. We will need a good weather Saturday to clean up the field. So this will be an all hand party. All members are required to be there. We will send out an email to all once we set a date.*



*Make sure the gate is locked when you are the last one leaving the field.*

# What PCC Urgently Needs



*PCC is in need of volunteers to operate the mower to keep the grass/weed down. We used to have a few members volunteered to do the mowing duty. Those members had moved on and we need some new volunteers to help out. Dave Santana is the guy who has been doing the mowing. He needs help.*

*And we also need experienced pilots to help out the new beginner members to get airborne! PCC has a club train (glow) and buddy-box system. Just need volunteer to help out.*

*If you can spend some time to maintain the field, or teaching someone to get airborne, please contact*

*Dave Santana, 650-533-0976 or email him at [Santanahouse@msn.com](mailto:Santanahouse@msn.com)*



## Another Safety Reminder

One of PCC member almost got into a head-on accident couple weeks ago. He was leaving the field to go North towards HMB. He looked and the North bound lane is clear. He then proceeds to enter Hwy 1 from our driveway. A car on the South bound lane suddenly pullout to pass the truck that was in front of him. Our member had to pull off the roadway to avoid a head-on collision!



When you leave the flying field going North towards Half Moon Bay. **Don't just look to the left for on-coming traffics. PLEASE ALSO LOOK TO THE RIGHT before you get onto Highway 1!** As the stretch of Highway 1 outside the PCC field is a Passing Zone, the North Bound lane could be occupied by a vehicle passing another vehicle going South, which will be in your lane!



**Look twice before you enter the highway! Make sure no one is passing another car.**

Also the safest way to enter the field from the North is the go down to Verde Road, make a left turn at Verde Road. Make a U-turn and come back North to the PCC Gate. Do not cut across traffics on Highway 1.

## *Field Sightings.....*



*Rich Kranz is one of the new members, he is a retired UA pilot. Welcome, Rich.*



*Here is Burt with Rich's new E-Flitye Cessna 150.*



*Rich's E-Flite Cessna 150 (with Tri-cycle landing gear option.)*



*The two Marks, one is flying, one is watching. This is how they rolled on Wednesdays.*



*Konrad with a Freewing de Havilland Venom, that can only be described as the McDonald color theme.*



*Dr. Mike with his Skynetic EDF Neptune, he is slowly building back up his collection after the fire.*



*E-Flite EF1 Class Shoestring 15e Pylon Racer. This one belongs to Konrad. Wing span 50.5".*



*This is Harold's E-Flite F-16, 70mm fan on 6S battery, with retractable gears.*



*Mark's E-Flite Beechcraft D-18, 60" span.*



*Rich's big Jenny. Powered by a gas engine.*



*Harold with his FMS Pitts, 55" span, powered by a 6S battery.*



*Ken's Aero-Works Extra 300. Probably 20+ years old. It is being upgraded to 24GHz technology.*



*Rich's Jenny coming in hot in a foggy day.*



*Lukas send this in, this is his Parkzone F4F Wildcat on a low pass.*



*Roto-wing sharing the same page, this is Max's helicopter. I have not idea what model this is!*



*Tis the OFFA Wednesday peanut gallery. (see the bag of peanut?) Konrad, Ray, Rich and Burt.*



*This is Max, look how serious he is when he flies his helicopter. Everyone stop flying to watch Max doing his pilot thing!*



*Not to be confused with the OFFA Wednesday Donut (Doughnut) gallery! Ray, Rich, Dave, Ray and Bob. Those OFFA guys sure know how to have FUN!*



*Ray's Carbon Z Cub on a fly by.*



*Mark's Beechcraft D-18 landing approach.*



*Mark, PCC President of Vice, holding a San Jose Old Timer, built by the late Gary Leopold.*



*This is the serious look of Harold , I think he is landing the Pitts!*

*The pictures on this page, page 6 and page 7 were taken by Burt, R. Burt, thank you for supporting this newsletter.*





# Nostalgic Corner

## Bygone Era Bay Area Hobby Shops



Here is a small collection of parts that were purchased from these hobby shops when they were still in business. The shops include PEC's Hobby Supplies, San Antonio Hobby, J & M Hobby House, Trains, Planes and Automobiles & Models and More. Some of you have probably shopped at all these shops!



Found this price tag on a piece of 1" x 3/16"x 36" balsa wood, yes, Balsa wood, from a long gone shop, TOY BOX in Linda Mar Center. The price tag dated probably Nov 1995, the price is \$1.49!!

If you have any historical price tags from the bygone era, please take a picture and send it to [PCCeditor@gmail.com](mailto:PCCeditor@gmail.com) I will post it in the newsletter.



*This bygone era that I don't mind going away!*

## Just One More....

**Good Men  
Do Exist.  
We're Just**  
Building airplanes, buying airplanes, thinking about buying airplanes, buying parts to fix airplanes, talking about airplanes, flying airplanes...

*We all know this, just need to pass on to your spouses and let them know!*

