

THE SLOW ROLL



June 2026

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Image of the month - Look inside for lots more photos of the future of aviation!



Congratulations to Jack Lee on his first takeoff!

In this issue: President's letter, Irv's P40, University aviation Projects and more!

This month's meeting is Saturday June 6th, at 8:00 a.m.

President's Letter



Elections are over and for those of you that were not in attendance at the meeting in May, the results are in, listed below, and we have two new board members.

All four incumbent Officers were reelected. The four open Board of Director positions were won by Charlie Beverson, John Gerhardt, Irv Singer, and Ben Gowell. Congratulations to all the electees! The Board wishes to thank the other candidates that ran, and we hope they and other members will consider being candidates in the 2027 election.

The complete list of 2026 Officers and Board members

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I thank all of you that took the time to vote! The Simply Voting platform made it super easy to vote for your candidates.

Let's make this a productive year for our club. We want to increase membership, so please invite your friends to visit. Keeping the gate unlocked on weekends also makes it easier for prospective members to stop by.

I always welcome comments, so please feel free to call me anytime you want to chat about club-related issues. You can always reach me at 602-809-4195. If I do not answer, please leave a message and I will get back with you. I can receive text messages on that number as well.

Our next meeting is **Saturday, June 6 at 8:00 a.m.** at our field. Join us for the club meeting, raffle prizes, and a 50/50 drawing. We'll also have a cooked breakfast, donuts, coffee, and water. We hope to see you there.

Have fun out there!

Frank Moskowitz,
President

The kids really know how to enjoy flying,
and we all loved watching them!



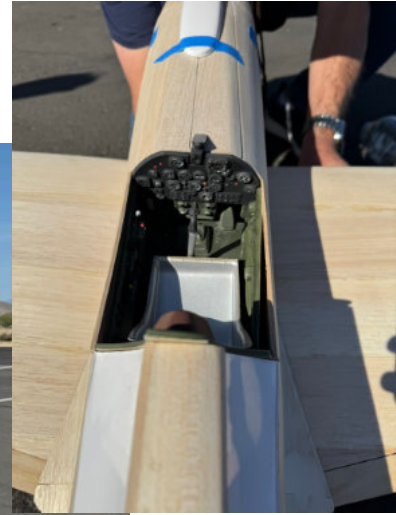
From the May club meeting - where you there?



Fred gave some great advice about covering with fiberglass!



Irv gave a nice Show-n-Tell on his P-40
Check out the vintage retracts!



Please consider bringing out your projects sometime.





**Reminder:
Please send in
YOUR photos!**



Left: Chris Chen, one of our newest members, joining us from Taiwan!

Chris's comment: "I had my p47 first flight successfully today. Personally like to thank you that you introduced Arthur help me. This is also my first experience to fly the RC in another country, it is a milestone for me.

Please see attached picture. People are relay helpful today!"

Welcome, Chris, and all our new members!

Below, Pablo Villa's YF-23 self designed and built! Nice looking project, Pablo!





**Your payload is what, exactly?
Oh, and hockey pucks too!**





Sun Valley Fliers Club Meeting Minutes May 2, 2026

Officers Present: Vice-President John Geyer, Treasurer Oliver Heinen, Secretary Michael Peck

Board Members Present: Charlie Beverson, Tony Quist, Wayne Layne, Fred Wright, and Kenny Rhoads

Meeting Open: Vice-President John opened the meeting at 8:03 AM.

Guests: Pablo Villa

New Members: None

New Solo Pilots: None

Secretary's Report: Michael Peck

1. Last month's Club and Board minutes have been posted to the website. There was a request from a member for a correction to the April Board of Directors meeting minutes and the Secretary agreed to make the change. The corrected minutes will be posted to the website.
2. The secretary's report was motioned, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Oliver Heinen

1. We have sufficient funds in our bank account to operate the club for the next year.
2. Oliver reported that the Arizona Scale Aviation Airshow had a profit of \$13,375.77 for the SVF and the Board of Directors had determined that \$5000 of that profit be donated to the Morgan Adams Children's Cancer Foundation. Net proceeds to the Club were \$8,375.77.
3. The Treasurer's report was approved by acclamation as presented.

Membership Director's Report: Tony Quist

1. Tony reported that the Club has 230 adult and 28 junior members for 2026.

Safety Officer's Report: Kenny Rhoads

1. There were no safety issues to discuss for the previous month.

IT Update: Irv Singer

1. The April 2026 Club and Board meeting minutes have been posted to the web site.
2. The gallery section of the Club website is growing, there are now some member pictures as well as airplanes, and Irv has moved the "WeatherBug" to the front page because of a member suggestion. A member from the floor stated he had additional pictures that could be considered for website use, and Irv recommended he send those to Irv's new website e-mail address: techsupport@sunvalleyfliers.com
3. Members are encouraged to check out the website!

Old Business:

1. The Board of Directors will be working on the requests they have received relating to proposed new signage for the club at the next Board meeting.

New Business:

1. The official results of the 2026 SVF Officer and Board of Director elections was announced by Vice-President John. All four incumbent Officers were reelected; the four open Board of Director positions election results were won by Charlie Beverson, John Gerhardt, Irv Singer, and Ben Gowell. Congratulations to all the electees, and the Board wishes to thank the other candidates that ran in the election and hope they and other members will consider being candidates in the 2027 election. The complete list of 2026 Officers and Board members is as follows:

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2. The Board wishes to thank the two outgoing Board of Director members, Dan Bott and Brian Rhoads, for their service to the SVF. Club members are reminded of Brian Rhoads' significant work organizing and directing many field cleanups, container cleanouts, a LIPO battery disposal system, and especially his work at SVF scale events as Air Boss/Field Manager. Similarly, Dan Bott has been invaluable in his work crafting and modernizing the SVF Field Rules, the SVF Standing Rules, the Member Rules Violation Remedy Procedures, as well as his work coordinating SVF operations with the AMA and FAA. Members should thank these gentlemen for their outstanding contributions to the SVF.
3. The Board also wishes to thank Brian Bailie for creating our newly revised Slow Roll newsletter. It looks great, Brian! All members have been emailed a copy.
4. Howard Kennedy announced there will be a static display of scale model airplanes at the Greenwood Memory Lawn Cemetery, 719 N 27th Ave, Phoenix, on Memorial Day, Monday May 25th. The paid proceeds from this event go to sponsoring trophies for events all over the Southwest. If you can attend and display a scale model (warplanes preferred), please contact Howard at 602-361-8475.

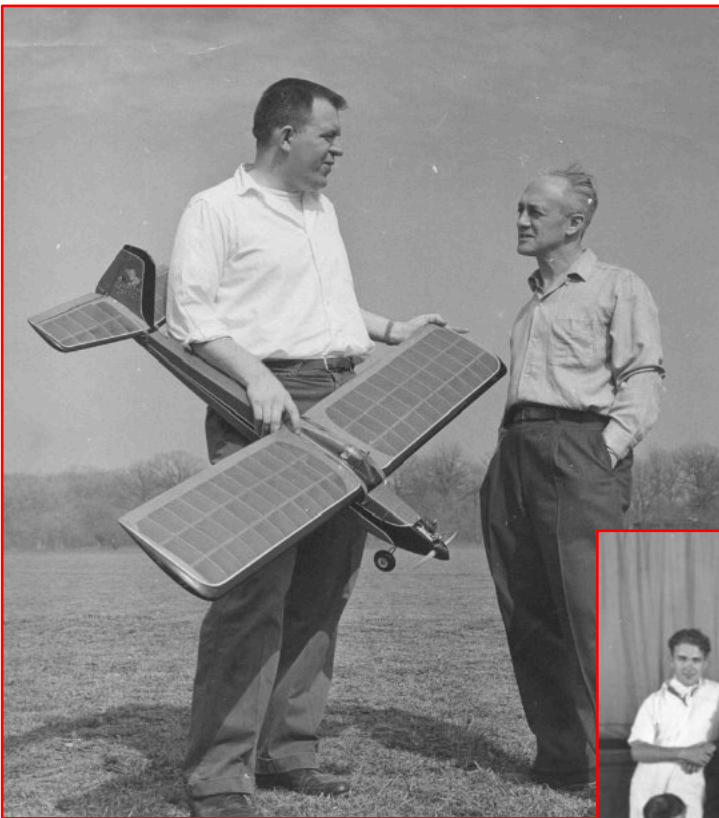
Show & Tell:

1. Our guest, Pablo Villa, showed a prototype foam EDF of a YF-23 that he designed and constructed himself. Many parts of the model were 3D printed and it looked great. Pablo planned the first test flight at our field after the meeting.
2. Irv Singer showed a Top Flite P-40 Warhawk that he built from the kit and was almost ready for covering and painting. The model featured a Stinger 20 gas motor, Robart retracts, Fiberglass Specialties cowl & gear fairing, and a full cockpit with pilot.
3. Fred Wright showed the Aircraft Spruce brand fiberglass covering Irv would use along with Zap Z-Poxy finishing resin, primer, etc.

50/50 Raffle: The raffle was won by Susan Howard who donated \$47 back to the Club. Thank you, Susan!

Meeting close: Motioned, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Peck, SVF Secretary



Left: Name the Plane

This one's easy. Extra points for naming either man in the photo!
Submit your answers to:

slowroll@sunvalleyfliers.com

Vintage photo from Chicago, 1936



More vintage fun from MAN v1:2 August 1929

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BOYS Learn FLYING From The Ground Up!

If you are interested in flying, if the sight of an airplane looping and dipping over land gives you a thrill, if you love to go in for an hobby to watch the headlines and takeoffs and perhaps talk to the pilots and mechanics, who know, perhaps even that you will be a Lindbergh or a Richard Evelyn Byrd.

But one thing is certain: You will never be a great flyer if you do not prepare yourself to enter the opportunity to get into the flying profession when it presents itself. As between the lad who knows the rudiments of flying and the one who does not, there is no question as to which gets the laurel when it comes. The young man who has prepared himself gets it every time.

A Magnificent Ground

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The July issue of FLYING STORIES is on sale until July 25th upon which date the August issue goes on sale. Therefore, do not wait, but hurry to the nearest news stand and get your copy today take the August issue free to FLYING STORIES, 175 Broadway, New York regarding the free issue.

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In the adjacent column is a partial list of the contents of FLYING STORIES for August. Read it carefully, read it in its entirety if you wish, and then get your copy without delay.

Partial Contents of the August Issue

- Goose Camp for Officers
- The Air Show
- From the Ground
- Control Wings
- The Super-Ship
- No More No's needed!
- Go to a Landing
- My First Parachute Jump
- My First Dive
- My First and Night in Flight
- The Mail Must Go
- The Just Job
- and many more interesting articles and illustrations.

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Sun Valley Fliers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – May 4, 2026

Club Officers Present:

- President Frank Moskowitz, Vice-President John Geyer, Treasurer Oliver Heinen, and Secretary Michael Peck

Board Members Present:

- Charlie Beverson, Kenny Rhoads, Wayne Layne, John Gerhardt, Tony Quist, Fred Wright, Jim Sprecker, Irv Singer, and Ben Gowell

Guests Present: None

Open: President Frank Moskowitz

1. The Zoom internet meeting was opened by President Frank at 6:03 PM, and he welcomed our new Board of Director members Irv Singer and Ben Gowell. There was a quorum present.

Secretary's Report: Mike Peck

1. The minutes of the April 6, 2026, Board of Directors meeting have a correction requested by Ron Deppert that has been incorporated into those minutes. The corrected minutes were approved by the Board.
2. The April Club meeting and Board meeting minutes have been posted to the website.

Treasurer's Report: Oliver Heinen

1. Oliver submitted a report on the end-of-month balance in the treasury and noted the club's operating funds are sufficient to cover the projected expenses for next year.
2. The Arizona Scale Aviation Airshow had a profit of \$13,375.77 for the Club, however, there is still an outstanding charge of about \$200 for J-Johns and wash stations to deduct from this when the bill is received. The Board previously approved a \$5,000 donation to the Morgan Adams Children's Cancer Foundation, which has been made, however, we have not yet received & will request documentation from Morgan Adams for that donation.
3. The treasurer's report was motioned, seconded, and approved by acclamation.

Membership Director's Report: Tony Quist

1. Tony reported that 231 adult members and 28 junior members are in good standing for 2026.
2. This includes a new adult member that has paid his dues, but we are waiting for him to fill out his application form so that we have all his details for membership.

Safety Officer's Report: Kenny Rhoads

1. Kenny stated he has had nothing to report on in the way of safety issues during the past month.

Information Technology Report: Irv Singer

1. Irv reported at the Club meeting that the photo gallery is growing, the Weather Bug has been moved to the main page, and he is working on a new "contact us" section that cannot be scrubbed by hacker robots for Board Members names/email addresses.
2. There was a question as to whether our field camera feeds could be made accessible on the website, but it was noted this is likely is not a good idea as anyone could access them and it would disclose

their numbers and locations. Irv asked if maybe there is a way to put a "virtual lock" on the link to the camera feeds so only members could activate it; analogous to our lock on the main gate. President Frank will look into the idea,

Field Maintenance:

1. John Serio has applied weed pre-emergent treatment to the field. President Frank has had other private companies quote the treatment and the costs are nearly identical. John is a member and does a good job with the application twice a year for about \$2700.

Old Business:

1. The cleanout of our storage containers has been completed thanks to Charlie Beverson and John Geyer. Storage space is now adequate, and there will be no additional efforts to purchase another container. This item is closed.
2. The Board previously approved the SVF feather sign for the side of Jomax Road. President Frank will send us images of what is planned to be on the feather sign for approval prior to purchase.
3. The certified/return receipt letter discussed last month was mailed to a former member by President Frank, but we have not received the return receipt acknowledgement. There was speculation as to why, and what further steps might be necessary.

New Business:

1. President Frank informed the Board that our new newsletter editor, Brian Bailie is going to try to publish the Slow Roll monthly instead of quarterly. Thank you Brian, this will be a great asset for the membership as newsletters are the lifeblood of a club.
2. The Simply Voting online voting program has worked well again. 89 of our 221 members voted in the election, which is about 40% participation, and is what we expected based on voting history.
3. Fred Wright reported on the two signs that had been requested by members Ron Deppert and Arthur Gambino.
 - a. Ron Deppert's request was for a round all-metal sign containing a weathered SVF logo featuring a flying dark-colored jet above dark-colored mountains with an orange/yellow weathered look background. The sign was proposed to be hung, centered under the Sun Valley Flyers name, on the rusty steel framework located on the left side of the roadway near the old gate at the entrance to our field. Fast Signs quoted a price of \$1372 for this sign.
 - b. Arthur Gambino's request was for a 10' wide x 3.5' high rectangular sign to be mounted as high as possible to the support uprights on the East end of the ramada, where it would also serve to provide shade to the farthest East worktable under the ramada. This sign featured an orange half sun shape above low dark blue mountains on a dark blue background with text that states "Welcome SVF Sun Valley Fliers Radio Control Flying Club" and includes the field latitude and longitude numbers. Fast Signs quoted a price of \$723 for this single faced sign.

Fast Signs had counseled the rectangular sign would be subject to fading with a year or two in the proposed colors. Members discussed the quoted sign materials, the expected longevity of the colors in the Arizona sun, the value for either of these signs to the membership, as well as minor details such as the minimal cost for mounting hardware and mounting the signs with Club member help. Fred stated he was willing to work with Arthur regarding better colors to last longer in our sun-fading environment and to propose back side wording if the Board wanted to approve that sign. A motion was made and seconded to disapprove Mr. Deppert's sign and

conceptually approve Mr. Gambino's sign subject to another Board vote on the new colors. The motion passed with 12 yes votes and 1 no.

4. A Board member expressed his concern about junior members who are sometimes left at the field after all other members have gone home. Some of the juniors fly electric models and some fly nitro powered models; either of which could cause injury to the junior members through prop strikes or in other ways. The concern is would the Club be liable for leaving these young members at the field with no method of immediate transportation in the event of a medical emergency. The Club Standing Rules and Field Rules do not address this issue. President Frank will research if the AMA has anything on this, and if not, the Board may need to develop something and educate junior member parents on our concerns.
5. A Board member asked if the SVF loses the flying site for any reason, does our agreement with any governing agency require the Club to remove all improvements? There is nothing in our current agreement that requires that.
6. A Board member stated that we had members abandoning old LIPO batteries at the field again. We have published information in more than one Board and Club meeting minutes that we are not accepting old LIPOs for recycling/disposal, and that members should take care of this themselves at the Home Depot, Lowes, or other battery outlets that provide recycling. President Frank will look into the cost of a sign for the kitchen area where most of these batteries are being left.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Peck
SVF Secretary

June SVF Birthdays

Ben Bailie
Robert Scot Caraway
LOREN COUNCE, JR
Jerry Dolbow
Philip Haasnoot
Yuri Higuchi
Richard Litt
Alex Newman
Tom Perkins
Louis Pfeifer
Keven Resinger
Keith Roberts
Jared Simmons
George Sisti
Richard Wildey



Mon-Fri 9:00 AM — 8:00 PM

SAT 10:00 AM — 8:00 PM

SUN 11:00 AM — 6:00 PM

The logo for Hobby Bench is presented in a white box with a green border. The text 'HOBBY BENCH' is in a large, bold, blue font, with 'COMPLETE HOBBY & CRAFT CENTER' in a smaller, green font below it.

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