



# THE PLANE TRUTH

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF

## THE CIRCLE CITY FLYERS

P.O. BOX 78732, CORONA, CA 92877

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — JANUARY 2021

**IF YOU HAVEN'T RENEWED YET TO GET THE 2021 GATE CODE, PLEASE DO SO NOW.**

Reminder that the membership voted to increase the 2021 dues to \$75 at the November meeting. This was a decision that couldn't be put off any longer with club's expenses going up every year. Even at \$75 CCF is still the least expensive club to join if you want to fly. Don't delay - Renew Now!!!

It is with great sadness that I inform our club of the passing of another one of our long time members. Bob Gillam passed away on December 24, 2020. He was 83. He will be laid to rest with full military honors in Denver, Colorado so he can be with his family. RIP Bob. His daughter Valerie will be clearing out his model airplane collection that consists of various planes, motors, wood, kits and tools to raise money for Bob's final expenses. On February 2, 3 & 4<sup>th</sup>, she has offered to open Bob's home to CCF members to give us an opportunity to take possession of whatever he has in his collection. It won't be a garage sale, but more of "donations are appreciated" meeting as she just wants the members that Bob always spoke so passionately about to give his collection a good home. She requests members that want to go there on the 2, 3, or 4<sup>th</sup> to please make an appointment by first texting her at this number (719) 431-2570 to arrange a mutually convenient time for her to be there to open Bob's garage.

FAA released their Final Rule for Remote ID at the end of December. As atrocious as the original proposal was, the final rule was actually not that bad, all things considered. Let's face it, the FAA was going to impose on our hobby one way or another and I believe they took into account all the responses they received during public comment. As it stands, CCF will apply, with the assistance of the AMA, to become an FAA Recognized Identification Area (FRIA) which will allow our members to fly at Deleo Field without having to have a remote ID broadcasting module in the aircraft. Even this FRIA registration compliance requirement is 30-months out so we have time to prepare before mid-year 2023 to register as a FRIA site.

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### 2021 CLUB OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES

- President: Rick Tucker
- Vice-President: Eric Ische
- Secretary: Ethan Marsh, 714-637-4418
- Treasurer: Don Ralston
- Member-At-Large: Travis Bonner
- Editor: Ed Bialon
- Web Admin: Brent Peterson

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## Tidbits

### \$50 MEMBER DONATION SLURRY SEAL OF RUNWAY.

Effective in January 2018 all members were asked to donate \$100 to slurry seal the runway. The donation was broken in two annual payments of \$50 in 2018 and \$50 in 2019. Please donate your share so that we can do our needed runway repairs! Don't forget to pay your portion today. REPAIRS ARE NEEDED.

### IMPORTANT FOR 2021

FAA REGISTRATION NEEDED FOR 2021 CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL.

Our next club meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2021.

Further Information will be sent to members.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT'D.

We are still asking our members to donate to the slurry fund and we will keep asking until we get this project complete. Be advised that our long time and esteemed member Pat S. has a proposal to get members to donate. He desperately wants to see the runway repaired and saw that donations were stalling so he has committed to a \$1,000 donation towards the slurry fund AND he will match all other member donations up to an additional \$1,000. He has committed to \$2,000, with \$1,000 of that dependent on other members stepping up and opening their wallets. THANK YOU, PAT!!! You can give cash or check to any board member OR you can send your donation directly to CCF by using your credit card to send your donation directly to the club's PayPal account at this email - [circlecityfliers@yahoo.com](mailto:circlecityfliers@yahoo.com) -

With the money currently in the fund, Pat's and your additional match donations AND if we qualify for the AMA Grant, we could actually slurry the runway in 2021. That would be AWESOME! Please donate and give back to a great field that has given each of us so much enjoyment over the years. Let's get this done! Thank you for donating!!!

There was NO January 2021 board meeting due to bad weather. THE NEXT CCF BOARD MEETING IS AT DELEO FIELD on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of February (Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>). Say well and see you at the field!

On final approach - Rick

## MEETING MINUTES

There was no meeting in December therefore there are no meeting minutes to publish.- Editor.

### \*\*\* MEMBER ESTATE SALE \*\*\*

Bob Gillam, a long-time club member, passed away last December and his daughter, Valerie, needs to sell all of his airplane collection. If you are interested please call or text Valerie to arrange a time slot to view the items. She is trying to arrange a time on February 2nd, 3rd, or 4th. There are kits, motors, wood, and tools available!

Valerie's phone number is 719-431-2570. Please note that it won't be a garage sale as such, but more of a 'donations are appreciated' to help pay for all the funeral and travel expenses for the family.

Everything must go.

Thanks — Editor.

## CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASE

At the November meeting motions were made, seconded, voted on and approved to

- 1) Increase the club's yearly membership fee to \$75 from \$50 effective January 1st, 2021, and
- 2) Drop the Club Initiation fee of \$60 for new members for 2021. [Editor Note: This continues the same action to drop the initiation fee for 2020.]



## 2021 ELECTION RESULTS

Nominations and election for board officers and club appointments were held at the November meeting. The board officers for 2021 are:

President—Rick Tucker

Vice-President—Eric Ische

Secretary (Acting) - Ethan Marsh

Treasurer - Don Ralston

Member At Large-Travis Bonner

Club Position Appointees, to be presented and voted on at the January 2021 meeting, are:

Newsletter Editor-Ed Bialon

Webmaster-Brent Peterson

Our thanks to Jeff Lucas for being our Member-At-Large Board Member. His term ends on December 31st.

### - - - REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS - - -

Don't forget to pay your 2021 AMA Membership Dues and Circle City Flyers Membership Renewal Fee of \$75. Also you will need to submit a copy of your FAA Registration. <https://faadronezone.faa.gov> Please send everything to:

**CIRCLE CITY FLYERS, P.O. BOX 78732, CORONA, CA 92877**

## MEMBER BIRTHDAYS — JAN/FEB 2021

Bob  
Bordeaux  
Jan 4th



Danny  
Salas  
Jan 4th



Richard  
Tucker III  
Jan 12th



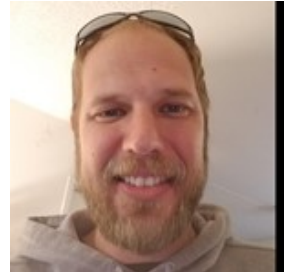
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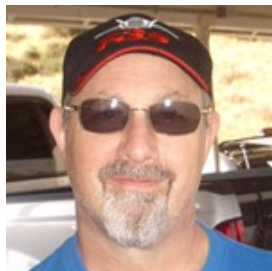
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Bailey  
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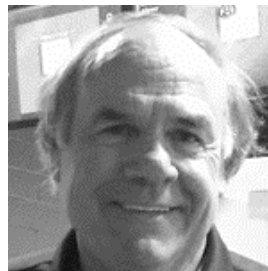
Eric  
Ische  
Feb 16th



Jeffery  
Luca  
Feb 17th



Jim  
Champion  
Feb 21st



Darrel  
Tisdall  
Feb 25th



### **- - - RENEWAL REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS - - -**

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 2021

- **FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ARE MANADORY AT THE FIELD.** Please bring a fire extinguisher when you fly.
- **WEAR YOUR CLUB BADGES AT THE FIELD.**
- **CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES, APPLICATION FORM, AND FAA REGRISTRATION NEEDED.** Your 2021 Club Membership Dues must be paid prior to February 1st if you want to maintain your membership in the club and flying privileges. You can give your payment to the Ethan Marsh, Club Secretary, pay on the website, so send a check (not cash) to CIRCLE CITY FLYERS, P.O. BOX 78732, CORONA, CA 92877. Please fill out and submitted your application form with any updated information. Don't for to include your AMA and FAA Registration Number. Once you pay your membership dues you will receive the new gate lock combination for 2020.
- **SLURRY FUND.** If you haven't paid your Slurry Fund Donation of \$100 then please do so. The Slurry Fund was initiated in 2018 and some members have not contributed to it yet or have not paid the full amount. You can pay on GoFundMe website, or give your check to a club officer, or mail it to CIRCLE CITY FLYERS, P.O. BOX 78732, CORONA, CA 92877. The monies collected will be used to slurry the runway which is estimated to cost between \$6k to \$7k. **We need to make the repairs now before we find ourselves without a runway! It was reported that only 6 out of 62 members have paid the full \$100 amount.**
- **CLUB MEETINGS.** Our club meetings are the 3rd Saturday of the month and held at the field. Meeting time is 11AM and it usually lasts for 1 hour. Most of the time we have a small raffle. There is no flying permitted during the club meetings. If you have any issues or concerns then please come to the meeting and express them.
- **NO INITIATION FEE FOR 2021.** Our club approved to drop the \$60 Club Initiation Fee for 2021. This makes joining the club a great deal for new members.

**NEXT CLUB MEETING:  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, AT DELEO FIELD, 11 AM.**





It is with sadness that I announce the passing of club member Bob Gillam. Bob passed away on Christmas Eve last year. I first met Bob at a flying event many years ago. Bob was always gracious, funny and sincere. Our club secretary Ethan Marsh told me that Bob was the club President for a few years and also served as Treasurer. Bob sometimes brought his dog 'Boggie' with him to the field. Bob's daughter Valerie sent us some information about Bob and his dog, along with some photographs that you see here. Hope you enjoy looking at the photographs and reading 'Boggie's Story' on the next page. Bob will be missed! - Editor

*August 30, 1937 - December 24, 2020 Bob D. Gillam, 83, of La Verne, CA, passed away peacefully on December 24, 2020. Bob was born on August 30, 1937 to Don and Lucille Gillam. He served in the U.S. Army and loved his country. Bob was known for his love to build and fly model airplanes and tell jokes to whomever would listen. Born in Oklahoma and raised in La Verne, CA, he was beloved by his community. Bob is survived by his son and daughter, Greg Gillam and Valerie Watne; his grandchildren, Kyler, Morgan, Haden, Jon Callan and Corinne; and his best four-legged friend, Boogie. Bob will be laid to rest with full military honors at Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver, Colorado.*

A personal note from Bob's daughter Valerie: "My dad is being laid to rest on January 22nd at Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver, near my home. On the 22nd, we will be celebrating his memory - and giving him a funeral with military honors. Go, Army!"

— An estate sale is planned to sell Bob's hobby stuff. Please see the information elsewhere in the newsletter. —

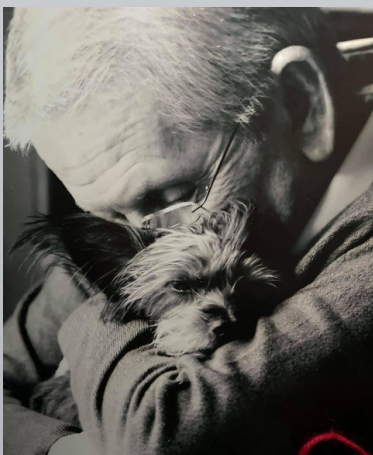
# Final Take-Off

## Bob Gillam

### 1937-2020



**The Boggie Story.** To end 2020, I want to share a story of a little dog named Boogie. Boogie was a rescue Papillion/Terrier that was found in a small cage, kept on the side of the house of a couple who struggled with hoarding. They kept Boogie in a cage for their grandchildren to pet when they visited, but Boogie became aggressive and no one wanted to be near him. Rightly so, Boogie couldn't trust humans.



My father had a house that backed up to Boogies home, separated by an alley. He noticed what was going on and often would go and check on Boogie. After a few months, my father was able to talk the couple into releasing Boogie into his care. Unsure of how the trauma would manifest itself in this pup, my father used careful techniques to gain trust and begin rehabilitation. Boogie soared!

He ran free in my father's home and yard from that day forward. He learned to take long car trips for vacations; play in parks; lakes; and became the sidekick to my father when flying airplanes (photo). Boogie was my father's best friend and became the neighborhood buddy. On Christmas Eve 2020, my father passed away. Boogie was left in his home in California, scared and confused, alone... all the while being slightly blind and deaf. It broke my heart being so far and unable to scoop him up and take him to CO with me due to his fragile state.



However, being a foster for FAS, I knew the heart and compassion animal foster families have. So, I put out an SOS - explained Boogie's story, his age and his vulnerability, the love we have for him... hoping someone would give this eighteen-year-old Papillion/Terrier a chance. I had FIVE animal shelters step up within an hour. Who would have guessed there are animal fosters for senior animals only! Boogie was whisked away with a kind family within the second hour of my plea. Then, the next day I was told Boogie had a forever home - the senior dog foster family wanted to see him through the remainder of his life. There is no greater joy than to know Boogie is hugged, loved and cared for. May the new year bring you peace, love and joy.



## HELPFUL FIELD AND CLUB HINTS WHILE AT THE FIELD

- Obey all AMA and Club Safety Rules.
- In case of fire at the field, call 911 immediately. If fire crews appear, either by truck and/or by air, immediately cease flying and ground your aircraft. All emergency responders, fire and law enforcement, are given priority to combat any and all threats that endanger life, property and the safety of individuals. Please do your best to assist and not be part of the problem.
- All members are required to have an ABC Fire Extinguisher at the field when they fly located in the pit area. Fly safe and be safe. Bring a First Aid Kit as added protection.
- Our field is in an area populated by wildlife including snakes. Please be aware of this danger and act accordingly when walking in the brush.
- Please pickup your trash before leaving the field and dispose of it in trash containers or if needed take it home with you.
- Fly with a buddy! Sometimes having an extra set of hands and eyes are helpful.



## CIRCLE CITY FLYERS CLUB #1862

### CLUB MEETINGS & NEWSLETTER

At a recent club meeting a motion was passed to have our monthly club meetings on the third (3rd) Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted in the meeting minutes. This to increase club participation. All members are encouraged to attend! There is no flying during the club meeting.

The newsletter is published monthly and sent via email for the benefit of its members. It is also available through our website.

Guests and potential new members are always welcomed to attend club meetings and to visit DELEO field.

*Ed Bialon, Editor*

Circle City Flyers is a group of people who love RC flying.

Normal folks, who find the utmost joy in creating and flying wonderful machines that inspire awe and put just a bit of color in the sky.

CCF is a non-profit, AMA affiliated flying club.

The CCF has one of the best flying facilities in Southern California. We are located just south of Corona, California, just a few minutes from the 15 Freeway.

The club is well established and member's interests range from helicopters to 3D Planes. We fly gas, turbines, electric, glow, scale, profiles and combat wings. We have RC pilots who have flown for 40+ years, and beginners who are just learning the joys of flight. Got a question? Just learning? Curious? Come on down!

You can find folks flying most days, with the weekend mornings being very popular. Mornings are calm with winds generally increasing throughout the day.

Come to our field, and check us out! Visit our website at:

<http://circlecityflyers.com/index.php>

