

# The Comets Tale



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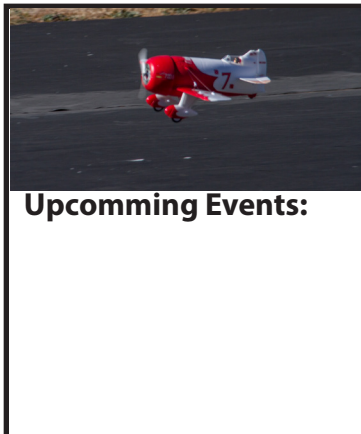
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*Editorial contributions are always welcome.*

**Next Meeting:**  
**Thursday, January 20, 2022**  
**At the Oak View Community Center**



**Upcomming Events:**

**Presidents Message:**

Well it's been a great start in the rain department here in Ventura County. Hope it continues so we can one day have another float fly. It was a great Christmas Party at the field so many thanks to all the hard work to get that going. It's a great New Year so let's get the dust off those planes and get to the field. It has been so crisp and clear at lake Casitas like it's calling for us all.

If you have any requests or questions regarding the Comet Club in general let me know. I will put my contact info at the end of this letter so you all can call me or email me. Looking forward to being the Pres for the next 2 years. Unfortunately I had a previous arrangement 6 months prior to go on an RV trip January 13th. So George has generously stepped forward to handle my

first meeting as President. Thank you George.

**Mike Taylor**

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## **November 2021 Comets' Meeting Minutes:**

President George called the meeting to order at 7:31, after we had a dinner of pizza and sandwiches. We had 1 new member and 1 guest present.

The meeting minutes were approved and the Treasurer reported that funds are in good shape

Safety officer mentioned to check and recheck equipment and airframes. Recently there have been a few mishaps that may have been avoided if a preflight check was done.

### **Old Business:**

The December fun fly and BBQ. This is instead of the usual holiday party at the meeting. It will be held December 11. There is a \$10 fee per person, payable at the field. All family and friends are welcome. A fun fly is planned before lunch, balloon drop and limbo. Then a break in the action for a catered BBQ lunch. Additionally there will be a collection for food share; bring a couple donations if you are inclined.

A mention of the induction of Bob Root into the AMA hall of fame. The nomination package is on the VC comets web site.

### **New Business:**

Plans for a flying event calendar is in the works. We plan to discuss this more at the January meeting.

Membership dues are due. Please submit your dues to Treasurer-TJ.

TJ will update the "how-to" and "what to watch for", when retrieving a downed plane. These will be posted at the flying site.

### **Officer changes as of January 1, 2022:**

Mike Taylor will take over the presidential duties

Greg Nowland is taking over as Safety Officer

Outgoing President gave a "Thank you" to the membership.

Alastair brought a F4 Phantom prop jet, a Great Planes kit for Model of the Month. About a 60" wing span, weighs about 11 pounds and is powered by a Magnum .91.

Alastair brought up that the Simi Valley indoor club will host a couple of the Aerovironment projects on December 11th. If you are interested in seeing a 1:1 model of the Mars helicopter "Ingenuity", or the hummingbird from a few years ago and talk to the people that designed and built them, they will be at the Simi Valley recreation center from 2-4pm (Dec. 11).

Lynn Breedlove, who moved away recently donated some planes and equipment to the club. The club did a "give what you think it's worth" thing and all the bits went and the club made some money. Thank you Lynn!

**Alastair**

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**Model of the Month:**



**2021 Christmas Party  
Photos:**











