

*July 2023 Edition*

## *Wine Country Flier*



**Next meeting: 24 August 6:30, at the Mountain Mikes Pizza**

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# ***Presidents Report***

By: John Cole

Hello members,

The summer months are upon us, and while much of the country is dealing with unusually hot weather and wildfire smoke, we've been blessed with moderate temperatures for the time being. Lots of folks tend to vacation during the summer months, and we've certainly had our share of visiting friends and family this season. Most of my modeling projects have been put on the back burner until my schedule opens up a bit in the fall.

I do hope that you have had a fun and relaxing summer and that you've been able to get out to the field once in a while.

Until next month, stay safe and have fun!

John

## *Events Calendar*

- Sat 12 August Fun Fly Contest
- Sun 27 August Pylon Racing
- Sat 23 September EAA Women in Aviation and Young Eagles Event at Sonoma County airport
- Sun 24 September Pylon Racing
- Sat 30 September Larry Frank Scale Event
- Sun 29 October Pylon Racing
- Thurs 7 December, Tentative date for WCF Christmas Party

(Josh Bernstein has volunteered to video Pylon Racing with his drone, would be posted on club website)



# Learn to Fly Day

By: Guy Nicholas  
Pictures: Andy Werback

The learn to fly day had a good turnout. There were a total of three trainers with Jake Chichilitti bringing out his Golderber Tiger 2, Merle McGregor bringing his EFlite Apprentice, and Patrick O'Halloran bringing LT40 Refurb. Chris Bailey brought out a Real Flight setup which proved fun for the kids. We went through a number of kids, and some of the parents as well. I would call the day a great success.





## Spad Build

By: Jake Chichillitti

Here is the latest picture of the SPAD and a short video of a break in run. The engine is a 120cc Valach turning a 32 X 12 inch prop. Gas/oil is 25 to 1 for break in. I have been running it in 5 min. bursts and then letting it cool down before running it again. I have 1 1/2 hours on it and requires about 3 hours before it is broken in. The video is only a couple of minutes long.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CE-A0Ajlugs>



It took over a month, but the Valach twin cylinder 4-stroke engine is broken in. I have just over three hours of run time on it. On the model side I have mounted all the struts and have been working on the control rods for the rudder and elevators. I have a pair of 1/3 scale Vickers machine guns and laid them in the gun troughs just for looks. Next step to fiberglass the forward fuselage and start the covering process.

Jake



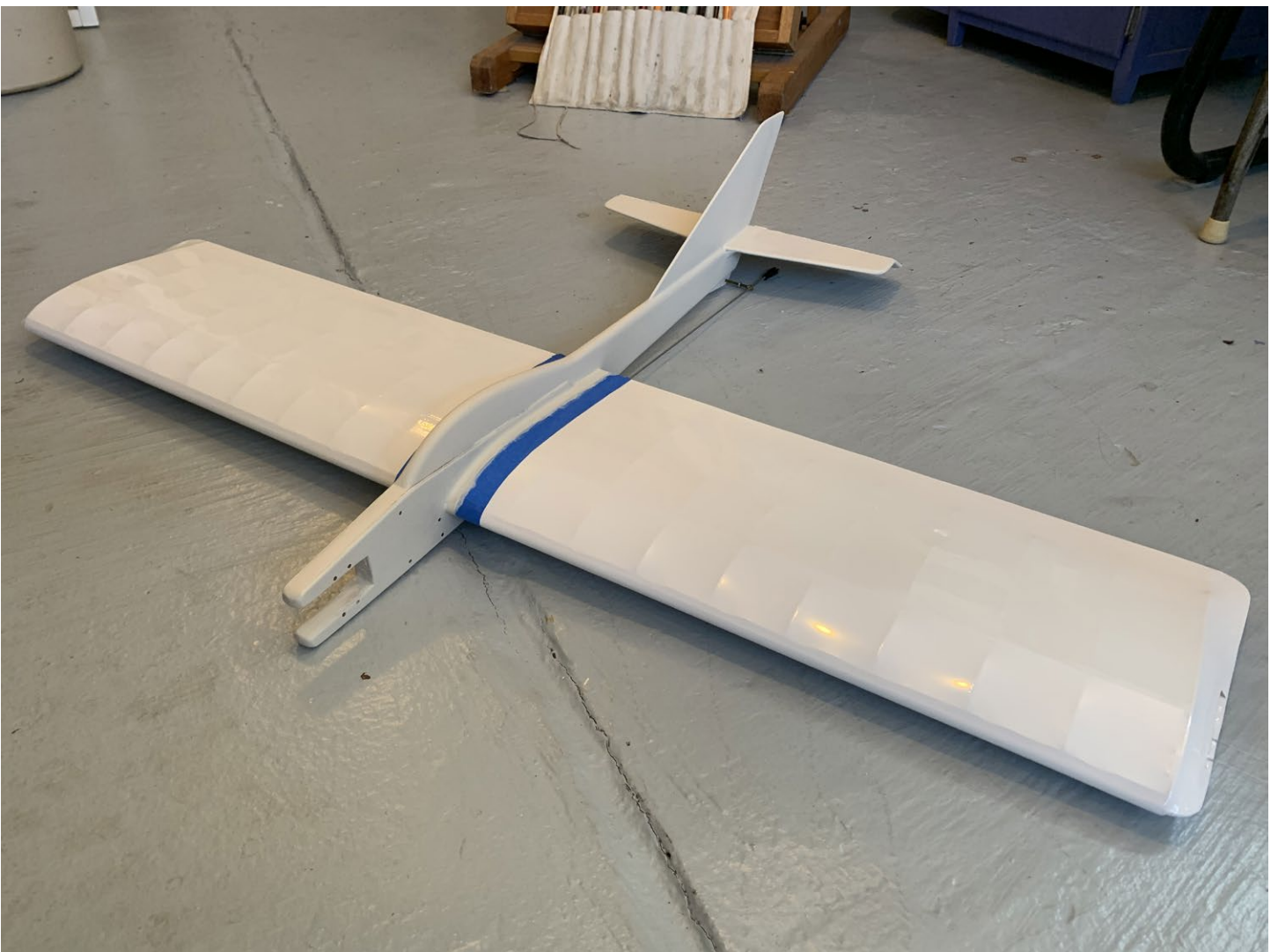


## Colin's CL Shop

By: Colin McRae

The progress on my SIG Skyray 35 CL model has been slow but now picking up steam. Currently have the wing covered with white Monocote and starting on the painting progress. Completed 3 coats of well thinned clear Butyrate dope and also 2 coats of primer- sanding sealer. Next up is to start on the final color. Planning on Brodak Cruiser Orange color for the fuselage and tail.

I hope to maiden my new model in a few weeks.

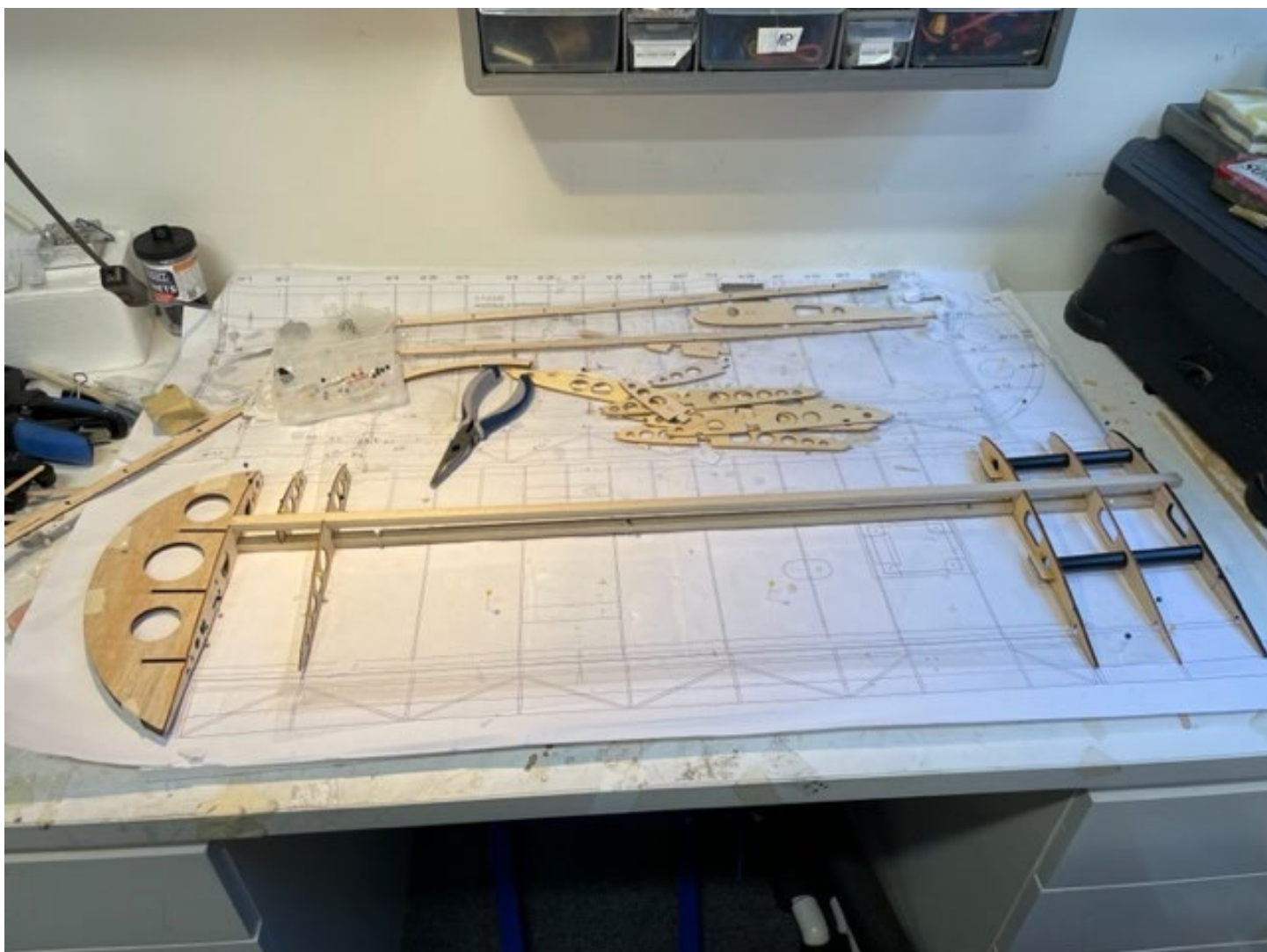




## Bilal's Build

By: Bilal Maqsood

Here is my Hobby King Piper J3 Cub. It has a 71 inch wing span. The wings are almost done and ready to cover. Fuselage is covered. Hopefully it will fly





## ***Colin's Warning***

By: Colin McRae

I recently purchased a few OS glow plugs on RC Groups that turned out to be counterfeit. [https://www.os-engines.co.jp/rule/kinkyuu2021\\_10\\_12e.html](https://www.os-engines.co.jp/rule/kinkyuu2021_10_12e.html). The seller was not aware of the issue and contacted me to offer a refund.

Use caution and only purchase OS glow plugs from reputable retailers.

Colin McRae



# ***Remote ID***

By: Chris Bailey

Flite Test has announced a remote ID module. <https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?4386293-Flite-Test-EZ-Remote-Identification-Announcement%21>