Culpeper Model Barnstormers - AMA Charter #4894 -

July 2025 Edition

President's Corner: Gordon Collyer

- C-Stars Camp.

If you checked the website recently, you'll see a couple of pictures from the June 27th C-Stars camp for kids organized by the Culpeper Pediatric Physical Therapy Clinic. Many thanks again to those listed on the website for coming out and soldiering through a foggy and soggy day to support these kids and families in having some adventures out and about in Culpeper. If you think we don't have a lasting impact with these events, consider that last year Ernie did duty holding a couple of infants while families participated in events on the field. This year Ernie couldn't make it. However, he was specifically missed and asked about by one of the returning families.

- Summer Mowing.

With the end of our "drought", the rains are keeping the grass growing.

This year we have a good group of folks signed up to rotate through mowing assignments and everyone should check the mowing schedule to see who is doing duty and thank them for supporting the club.

With the rains has come a lot of scheduling issues and I want to especially thank the mowing crew for their dedication and flexibility in mowing when the rains interrupt and force schedule changes.

- Field Work.

With the afore mentioned rains and recent fertilization, the field is recovering from the "brown-out" caused by the earlier herbicide application. Also bare spots are being attacked by Bermuda grass "runners".

Next will be the spreading of leveling soil and rolling by Parks and Recreation when the field is dry enough, long enough to allow the necessary equipment. Updates on this, and info on the field conditions following rain events will be posted on the website and in the "@the-field" function.

No additional pavement work in Lenn park is planned along the trails and creek road.

The recent flood event left some large ruts in sections of the creek road, so drive on the creek side and drive slowly.

- Club Outreach Activities.

CMB has supported some recent outreach events, the Fauquier County School's summer STEAM event on three evenings in June and the LOWCRC Club's kickoff open house at The Lake of the Woods.

There are two upcoming events where CMB volunteer participants can represent the club. Please consider the following and let me know if you can help:

First the National Night Out on August 5th. I can use some help in setting up and staffing the CMB table which will feature a theme of "Battery Safety" in concert with the first responder and public safety focus of this event. Our "presentation" will draw from information Al Hampton is assembling for a LOWCRC Club battery class. Al will be hosting a similar event for LOWCRC.

The second upcoming event is the Culpeper Parks and Recreation Departments Moonlight Halloween Candy Hunt on October 24th. This event will be a traditional club focused publicity and information event with possible park flying demos and TBD kids handouts/activities. We would need a leader and 2-4 CMB members to staff this event.

If you would like to lead or help with the evenings activities please let me know ASAP so I can let Parks and Recreation know we will be participating.

Gordon

President's Pilot Box: Gordon Collyer

- No additional Club specific items this month.

Gordon

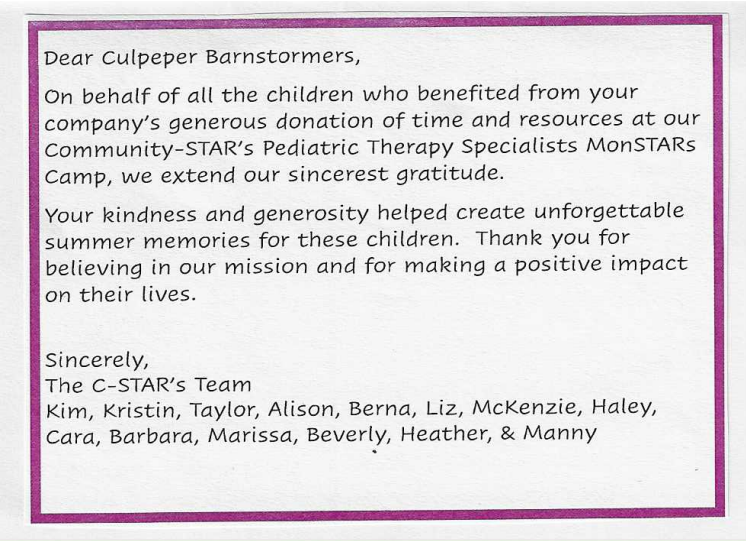
Vice President's Pilot Box: Jim Restel

- No Club specific items this month.

Jim

Secretary's Pilot Box: Nic Burhans

- From the C-STAR's Team:



Dear Culpeper Barnstormers,

On behalf of all the children who benefited from your company's generous donation of time and resources at our Community-STAR's Pediatric Therapy Specialists MonSTARs Camp, we extend our sincerest gratitude.

Your kindness and generosity helped create unforgettable summer memories for these children. Thank you for believing in our mission and for making a positive impact on their lives.

Sincerely,
The C-STAR's Team
Kim, Kristin, Taylor, Alison, Berna, Liz, McKenzie, Haley, Cara, Barbara, Marissa, Beverly, Heather, & Manny

- Remember: It is very important that you have your FAA card and TRUST card with you in hard copy or digital form on your cell phone.
- CMB Club Calendar:

The updated 2025 Club calendar has been sent out to all Club members and posted on the Club website.

- ***<u>Upcoming 2025 events:</u>***

August 9 Saturday CMB Buddy Box Training day @ Lenn Model Airpark All Day
Gordon Collyer @ gl.collyer@gmail.com

September 13 Saturday CMB Buddy Box Training day @ Lenn Model Airpark All Day
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October 4 Saturday		**CMB Club Meeting@ Lenn Model Airpark** 2026 CMB Board Nominations Open Until 1 Dec. (Rain Date 5 October)	**1:00 PM**
October 8-9 Wed-Thur		**Culpeper Airfest STEM Days / static displays** **CD: Nic Burhans npb6218@earthlink.net**	**8AM-3PM**
October 11	**Sat**	**Culpeper Airfest static display / air show** **CD: Nic Burhans npb6218@earthlink.net**	**7AM-4PM**
October 18	**Saturday**	**CMB Buddy Box Training day @ Lenn Model Airpark** **Gordon Collyer @ gl.collyer@gmail.com**	**All Day**
November 4	**Tuesday**	**State/Local Election Day**	**All Day**
November 8	**Saturday**	**CMB Buddy Box Training day @ Lenn Model Airpark** **Gordon Collyer @ gl.collyer@gmail.com**	**All Day**
November 30	**Sat**	**2026 CMB Board *Nominations* Close**	
December 1	**Sun**	**CMB 2026 Board *Election* Starts**	**Until 10 Dec.**
December 6	**Saturday**	**Joint CMB and FARM Christmas Party**	**6:30-10 PM**
December 14	**Sunday**	**Club Annual Meeting @ Lenn Park Pavilion** Club swap meet 11-12 am **2026 CMB Board Election *Concludes* at 12:01 pm** Club Annual Meeting 12:01-1:00 pm	**11am-1 pm**
December 14	**Sunday**	**CMB Club Fly @ Lenn Model Airpark** ***Club Fly Day #4 Fun Fly, Pilot Training, and Flight Checks all afternoon***	**1pm-until**

Remember to Be SAFE and cool

Nic

Treasurer's Pilot Box: Nic Burhans

- As of 12 July, the Barnstormers have 49 members. (18 Regular members, 28 Senior members, 2 Junior member, 1 Associate member, and No Life members).
- As of 12 June, the Club has a balance of $4,180.6 in the general fund.

Be Safe and stay hydrated

Nic

Safety Officer's Pilot Box: Ernie Padgette

I want to thank Ralph Graul, Gordon Collyer of CMB, and Alton Hampton for helping out with representing both clubs with the Fauquier County Summer STEAM events last month. If you haven't heard, what was the STEM Program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) is now the STEAM Program (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math. Rather than concentrating only on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, the school systems will now be concentrating on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math.

We put on demonstrations at three different STEAM events around Fauquier County over three consecutive evenings. Ralph put on the flying demos at each event, and the rest of us manned our booth to show the students and their parents how RC planes actually work. We had a very popular simulator set up and handed out literature from both clubs. Ralph, Gordon and Al did a great job representing our sport to the public. And maybe I helped a bit.
Fly Safe.
- No Club specific items this month.

Ernie

Field Marshal's Pilot Box: Bobby Hurst

- No Club specific items this month.
- See Gordon's comments above.

Bobby

Member at Large Pilot Box: Al Hampton

- No other Club specific items this month.

Al H

Member at Large Pilot Box: Bill Pratt

- Bill is recovering from surgery No Club specific items this month.

Bill P

Member at Large Pilot Box: Bill Towne

- No Club specific items this Month.

Bill T

Member at Large Pilot Box: Jay Zompanti

- No Club specific items this Month.

Jay Z

Training Officer's Pilot Box: Gordon Collyer

- No Club specific training items this month.

Gordon

Web Master's Pilot Box: Dick Sutton

- No Club specific website items this Month.

Dick

"CMB Tips and Projects Jar": All CMB Members

- No inputs this month.

Member "From the Field" Anything Input Box: All CMB Members

- Time to share the hobby/aircraft types with new faces.

Since 1970 I have been building and flying R/C aircraft. Most of these 350, plus, aircraft were built for others.

Because I have been somewhat inactive since moving to VA, it seems appropriate to start divesting myself of some of my accumulated fleet of aircraft.

So, I am offering most of my planes for sale. They include, pattern, float, vintage, indoor, park flyers, and some quad copters/drones. Some are kits, some scratch built, and some modern foamies. Almost all are fully equipped and ready to fly.

I have them hiding everywhere in the house:

Because I live in the Lake of the Woods gated community, you will have to give me a call at 412-760-4593 to schedule a time to come to take a look at/for your dream aircraft.
Terry Terrenoire

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