



# CLOVIS RC

January 13, 2021 – Newsletter

## Clovis RC is a Moving Organization

Your club is moving but not in the sense of any physical or virtual location. Rather, CAM continues to build on a solid foundation with a field that will last the next 20+ years for modelers of all special interest groups (SIGS).

How is this happening? Peg Field has a 20 year lease with auto-renewals and in three short years, we've grown from 15+ to 191 members. Clovis Area Modelers with your help just finished a permanent shade cover, graveled the road in and the parking area. As well as, installed solar and generator lighting and electrical outlets for recharging your flight packs all day and into the night.

And are we stopping now? Heck no! CAM flying at PEG Field and Sierra Meadows Park (the SMP) are active

places where everyone is flying 3-5 days a week. Tue-Sun at the SMP and Wed-Sun at PEG Field. What kind of flying you ask? Everything from RC electric sport, training, giant scale, turbines, EDF's, to unlimited speed pylon racing. Peg Field is an unlimited venue field (1,500') so "let er rip" if that's your desire. We also have two Control Line circles available for nitro Fast Combat down to 1/2 high Performance and Stunt if that tickles your dizzy desire. And if that's not enough, we have access to a competition glider tow winch for those who prefer silent flight against the backdrop of Campbell mountain. And that is still not all.

You'll find a group of skilled park flyers at the SMP who navigate 3D flying like putting butter

on toast. And there you'll also find Don Morrow, Ray Bloch, and a few others introducing a host of veterans into the hobby and sport of model aviation.

And we're still not done. We're applying to the AMA for a \$3,000 field improvement grant and also working on adding gravel to the road in off Alta so that we can finally achieve year round access. And if that isn't enough, we've got plans to further extend the pit ramp on the west side up toward the restrooms and focus on ADA accessibility.

This is your club at work and anything you can do to help further build your club is always appreciated. Note the collage of photos on the left of where we started to where we've come.

## 2020 A very Challenging Year

There's no argument, that 2020 was a very rough year, from Covid-19 (lockdowns and distancing) and equally weird election. But still, we hosted events and flew almost every weekend. So, lets leave all the 2020 stuff behind and focus on 2021 as the year we fly unrestricted.

Now, how do we kick off

the new year? Easy, just come out and fly either at PEG or the SMP.

And, please finish up those winter build projects and get ready for a spring solstice (Sat - Mar 20th) Fun-Fly. We'll again be doing the TRG, Limbo, Dice Roll, Balloon Bust, and maybe a LGF (longest glide flight); but, we'll kick the morning off

with coffee, donuts, and a swap meet. SO STAY TUNED.

Also, there are four AMA sanctioned events on the calendar and CAM will host the Reedley Giant Scale Fly-in over memorial day weekend with the Central California Model Flyers who hosted the Castle event for over 20 years.



**AMA Sanctioned Events Coming to CAM or where CAM is the Host Club**

- **Control Line Combat—Mar 5-7 [Peg Field]**
- **Heli-Fest—Apr 8-10 [Peg Field]**
- **KC Jets—Apr 29-May 1 [Peg Field]**
- **Reedley (Castle) Giant Scale Fly-In—May 20-24 [Reedley Airport]**
- **IMAC Giant Scale Aerobatic Competition—Sep 24-26**

**REMINDER—Your 2021 membership dues (\$100 Full or \$40 Park) can be paid online via PayPal (clovisrcmodelers@gmail.com) or checks made out to Clovis Area Modelers and mailed to:**

CAM Membership  
c/o Conrad Nerdahl  
2400 Hermosa Ave  
Clovis, CA 93619

So, join us, stay joined, and enjoy all the facilities that you have contributed to and helped build.

**Here's the Hope for 2021**

- 1) HS Day at PEG
- 2) Youth Flying at SMP
- 3) Veteran Day at PEG
- 4) Quarterly Fun Flying
- 5) EF1 Pylon Racing
- 6) Youth Camp at SMP