

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

Canyon Crosswinds May 2026 Meeting

16 present- Great turn out!

Financial Report: Jack Allaway

- Club total \$40,577.07
- Memberships are coming in and we're seeing good numbers. Thanks!
- Looking at the past year in terms of finance:
 - Our lease is our biggest expense
 - The new gate and relocation was an additional expense this year
 - Repairing the camera was an extra expense
 - Minor extras like keys and fun fly as well as the IRS fee for new status
- Expense of repaving runway: Prediction of El Niño year causes concern about maintaining the runway. All the rain is hard on a runway. Assuming oil prices come down in September, we can take money out of the CD to repave the runway.
 - We will revisit this in July to discuss cost and scheduling

Nominations for Club Officers

- Bill Ardizzone is stepping down as VP. We are very appreciative of all he has done for the club over his tenure. Last month we motioned to keep the current board plus add Scott Marnoch as VP.
- No other Nominations.
- Motion for Slate Passed.
- Ballot for June

Warbird Memorial Day Weekend Fun Fly Recap

- We had a good turn out and it was a fun event. It was great to see all the planes and member faces!
- Thank you to Jack and Bill for an excellent BBQ!
- We posted photos from the event on our Instagram site. Thanks to Steve's grandson for taking photos.
- We had people attend the event from the Home and Garden Show.



Possible August Fun Fly

- Community Event - invite the community up to see and learn about the hobby
- Food Truck or grill - discussed pros and cons of each
- We would have a program for the event - type of planes announced and a schedule, etc.
- Tentatively scheduled for August 8, 2026

Membership Cards

- Discussed continuing digital membership cards this year. The overwhelming majority was in favor of digital cards as people do not wear or present the cards at the field. But we acknowledged some members like having physical cards so Karen Campbell (Bob's wife) said she was willing to print and laminate cards for those people who wanted a physical card.
- Our card printing machine needs an update and has passed the update period.
- Valerie will prepare and issue digital cards once the membership window has closed. Expect them sometime in June.

AMA - How to grow your club presentation -

- Steve shared a webinar video prepared by AMA about how membership is declining in the hobby and how to grow membership and connect with the community.
- Next meeting is on Wednesday, June 25, 2026 at Black Bear Diner:
Come at 6pm if you want to meet up for dinner beforehand; the meeting starts at 7pm.

Show and Tell:

- Jim Catlett shared an F/A-18 Hornet: It came out of the box as a Blue Angel and he made it into a really slick design. He used his computer to print up the design with historic references.



- John Snider shared his colorfully painted Gear Sport that he modified by “beefing up” everything and added a lot of sticks for strength. It’s going to blast off with 30cc motor, 4 cell, 420KV!

