President: Jeff Houck
Vice President: George Andruss
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Jim Slaughter, Pete Rundel,

Roger Cherry





December 2025

## President's Note

The 2026 renewal season continues with approx. 50 members renewing to date. Couple of things to remember when going to the website to renew:

- 1. ALL renewals require an application so be sure to submit an application for renewal, link is on the website. Make sure you hit "submit" to confirm submission. A couple of renewals received have submitted payment only and not an application. Renewals will not be processed without all documentation being submitted.
- 2. Make sure you select the correct renewal amount on the pull-down option in the payment section. You do not need to create a PayPal account to pay via credit card, you can check-out as a guest.
- 3. Your AMA MUST NOT EXPIRE before 12/31/2026. If it does, you will need to renew to an expiration date beyond 12/31/2026.

For those experiencing issues with the renewal process, our VP George Andruss has put together a step-by-step outline for navigating the website:

- 1. Go to the Bay City Flyers website. WWW.Baycityflyers.org
- 2. On the homepage, scroll down to "Memberships and Renewals"
- 3. Click on the red link "here"
- 4. On the next page click on the link "BCF Member Application Form"
- 5. At the bottom of the page click on the "Start Filing" button.
- 6. Fill out all the fields highlighted in red and click the finish box in the green bar.
- 7. Click the back button on your browser to return to the previous page.
- 8. Near the bottom of the page click on the yellow "Buy Now" button.
- 9. If paying by PayPal enter your email and password.
- 10. Select method payment, then click "Continue to review order".
- 11. Click "Complete Purchase" If paying by credit card, select "Pay with credit or debit card"
- 12. Fill out the card information.
- 13. Near the bottom uncheck the "Create my PayPal account" button if you don't want to create a PayPal account.
- 14. Click "Pay now as Guest" Done!

The FighterTown event is in the books and it was very successful from a Club perspective. There were 14 registered pilots, a couple of solo and team demo flights by Team Apexx from the Triple Creek RC Club, lots of spectators and a few first flights, and two new members joined our Club. The kitchen was open and the weather was perfect. All in all, a great day!

UPDATE to the FLEX FUN FLY DAY – the date has changed to 24 January. This was to enable Quique Somenzini, the owner of FLEX, to be able to attend with his TEAM. Looking forward to a great day of OPEN FLYING and getting to hang out with the FLEX TEAM. They will be bringing product and will be available to provide support onsite at the event. At the November meeting, we voted to provide lunch.

Reminder - Next Membership Meeting will be on: Saturday, 6 December @ 0900. See You There.

Keep 'em flying! See you at the Field.

All Members if you are not receiving the club newsletter by e-mail, Please e-mail Jeff Houck at <jeff.rcpilot@gmail.com>

Bay City Flyers Member Meeting 1 Nov 2025

0900 President Houck called the meeting to order with 12 members present. He then led the membership with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Werner Keil made a motion to accept the minutes of the October meeting. Reed Heimlich seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Treasurer Sperato was not present so there was not a financial statement given.

Larry Utt donated proceeds from an airplane sale to the club.

Hog hunt netted 13 hogs. Grand total was a little over 100 for the year.

Werner Keil made a motion to close nominations for the calendar year 2026 club officers. Roger Cherry seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Roger Cherry made a motion to approve Paul Ericson as an Honorary Member.

Werner Keil seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Membership renewals were encouraged before the end of the year to avoid additional charges from late fees.

A potential dues increase is being reviewed for calendar year 2027.

AMA is increasing membership fees of approx. \$4.00 effective 1 Jan 2026.

The club is applying to the AMA for a Flying Field Improvement grant. If approved, it could be as much as \$3000.00

22 Nov - Fighter Town is our next scheduled event. Kitchen opens @ 1100. Bring anything to fly!

On 10 January, Flex Innovation will be here for a fun fly/social event. They will be demonstrating products, having items for sale and sharing information.

We are looking to have the event catered.

Roger Cherry made a motion to provide lunch during the day.

Reed Heimlich seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Nov 14th is designated as a workday to begin the electrical work for the new shelter.

0925 Pete Rundell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bruce Horvath seconded the motion

0926 Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:

George Andruss V.P. BCF

## Club Sponsors

The Sponsors listed below have very generously contributed merchandise to our raffles and annual events. Please patronize them whenever possible.







## Next Club meeting - 6 December @ 0900. Check out our web site: HTTP://WWW.BAYCITYFLYERS.ORG

Review the Bulletin Board and our Website to keep informed of what is happening at the flying fields.

The main gate at the flying field 52 must be kept locked when entering or leaving the field. The four tumblers must be turned each time the lock is closed. When entering the field if you find only one tumbler has been turned, try to find the last member who entered the field and closed the lock incorrectly. Explain to the individual that all four tumblers must be turned.

