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SAM 27 MEETINGS

by **Loren Kramer**

A new member attended the July session, **Frank Plexico**. **Rocco Ferrario** mentioned that he could get us the Harvest Middle School Gym for a MECA Collecto if we are interested. **Jerry Rocha** just got back in town for the July meeting from the NATS and he won two first places, two fourth places for speed and won first overall in speed. Congratulations Jerry! At the August meeting, it was announced that paid memberships for 2004 total 111. **Andrew Tickle** discussed the Tiger Moth World Tour. There is a group in Florida that built a GWS Tiger Moth; pretty much stock and they came up with a scheme that it would fly around the world. They set up a route were they UPS it to different cities and states and fly it and then send it to the next one on the list. It has just arrived in southern California and is scheduled to arrive here in a couple of weeks. The idea is after it goes to all 48 states that it will also go to foreign countries. When it is finished they would like it go in the AMA museum. **Larry Jobbins** received the Tiger Moth so he, Jay and Andrew took it to Crissey Field to fly it. The idea was to get the Golden Gate Bridge in the background. They took two other Tiger Moths to test the air. The first spot they tried turned out to be too gusty so they moved to another location about a half mile away and the conditions were a lot calmer and they were able to fly the other Tiger Moths successfully. Larry was then able to fly the World Tour Tiger Moth successfully. Jay took some good photos and they are on the World Tour web site and possibly in the Antique Flyer.

NEW BUSINESS Electric Fence Caution and Gate for Rancher — **Dick Irwin** talked to the rancher of the field north of our field when he was looking for his Top Banana model. The rancher is a great guy, knows about the airplanes and allows us to go on the property to retrieve our models. He commented on the electric wire around the bottom of the fence that it is for keeping animals out of the field not to keep his animals in, it is important to him that the gate is closed after you retrieve your model. There have been times when it was not closed. There is a panel right next to the big gate that can be lifted out and put back. Make sure you respect the farmer and use the removable panel and not climb over the fence.

Christmas Party — **John Hlebcar** announced that the party will be either Dec 4 or 11. This is because there will only be one or two Antique Fliers before then.

Crash and Bash 2005 — **Ed Hamler** asked for approval to schedule the 2005 Crash and Bash. The reason is the schedule is out for the SAM Champs for 2005. It will be in Las Vegas October 9th for five days. Ed wants the Crash and Bash on September 30, October 1 and 2 so the contestants that are going to the SAM Champs can come early and have another contest to fly in, We are already getting word of entries from Europe and Australia. This was approved.

Crash and Bash 2004 — **Ed Hamler** brought one of the raffle prizes for Crash and Bash. It is a donation from **Bob Wakerly**. It is a brand new airplane, never been flown. Ed took the engine out of the box and has run it in, a Thunder Tiger 46 ABP. All the servos are there (Hitech), it does not have a receiver or battery pack or transmitter. We are not sure what it is, possibly an Aero Star. It is a tricycle gear four channel trainer. Don is going to rig it up so we can test fly it and possibly demo it at the Crash and Bash.

TOFFF Event — **Don Bekins** is sponsoring a Climb & Glide Event. Don is going to be the leader; he is going to fly his plane up to about 1,000-ft. and wait there for everybody to catch up then everyone will shut their motor off and the last one down is the winner. This will take place in a couple of weeks. *What kind of models, Don - motor gliders count?*

O&R Special Event — **Don Bekins** has proposed a change to the rules to allow any unscaled plane that shows an O&R 23 on the original plans instead of having to have a minimum wing area of 450 sq. in. Also changing the motor run to 45 seconds for side port and 35 seconds for front rotor, and have a seven-minute max. With best two of four flights. This was approved by the membership.

O&R Repairs — **Ed Hamler.** There is one person in the world probably that repairs blown cylinder gaskets on Ohlssons. This is tricky; you have to grind off some spot welds then mill off the top of the crank case, put in a new gasket, compress it back together and weld it. He is **George Tallent** and George is over eighty years old and lives in Arizona. What Ed wants to do is talk to George about is sending him an apprentice (someone to learn the art). Ed is looking to send somebody for a couple of weeks to learn from George. If George is incapacitated for any reason, it is all over. This is a serious deal that would save the Ohlsson side port event, the Ohlsson 23 event and 500,000 engines that are out there. They will all eventually develop this problem. (*Your editor can testify to this! - hurray for George.*)

NATS Report — **Jerry Rocha** won big at the NATS as mentioned earlier. **Anthony Ferrario** won the Junior National Championship and **Kevin Foster** won the Senior National Championship. **Bud Romak** won quite a bit and so did Bill **Vanderbeek**. What a great group of contestants.

Old Timer Kit and Engines Status — **Richard Beck** has some 1/2A kits on order from Bob Hartwig, 3-Lanzo Racers, 3- Red Rippers and a Lanzo Bomber. When he gets these he will kick off the **build day** at Sonoma R/C Hobbies.

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History of SAM — **Don Bekins** passed around a new publication from SAM. It is the *History of the Society of Antique Modelers*. This is a number of essays written by **John Pond**, **Don Bekins** and others. It is available from SAM. Don thought it would be of interest and offered to order some for those in the club who wanted one.

SHOW & TELL Dick Irwin showed a Top Banana, it's a 1950 model. Designed by Jay Jackson up in Utah. Its just a simple square airplane to build. What's really good about it, is that it has a large tail that is about 44% of the area of the wing. You can build this really light and is powered by a TeeDee .020. The airplane weighs in at 3 ½ ounces. Dick had built this to fly at the SAM27 contest but wasn't able to make it.

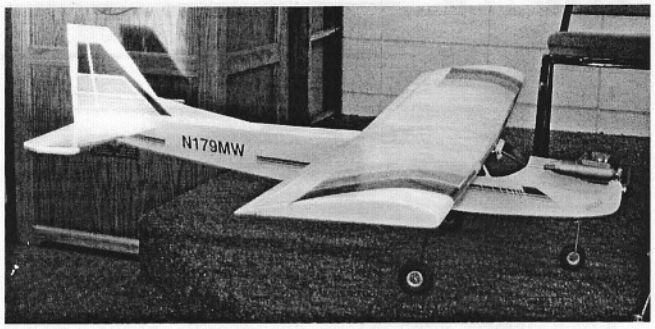
Ed Hamler showed his Medals and Trophy from the European SAM Champs. The US SAM Champs is about 120



contestants for R/C and double that for F/F and The European SAM Champs is about like our Crash and Bash (about 40 contestants). It's not very big with seven events (this years Crash and Bash will have 18). It's a lot of fun because of all the nationalities and languages. They eat and drink at the field. They take big breaks and get together and *enjoy*. The Italians were there in force; they drove up. The turn out was not as big as last year. The French didn't show up, the Britts didn't show up, the Belgians didn't show up and the Spaniards or the Portuguese didn't show up. It is a lot of fun and Ed would like to get more folks going.

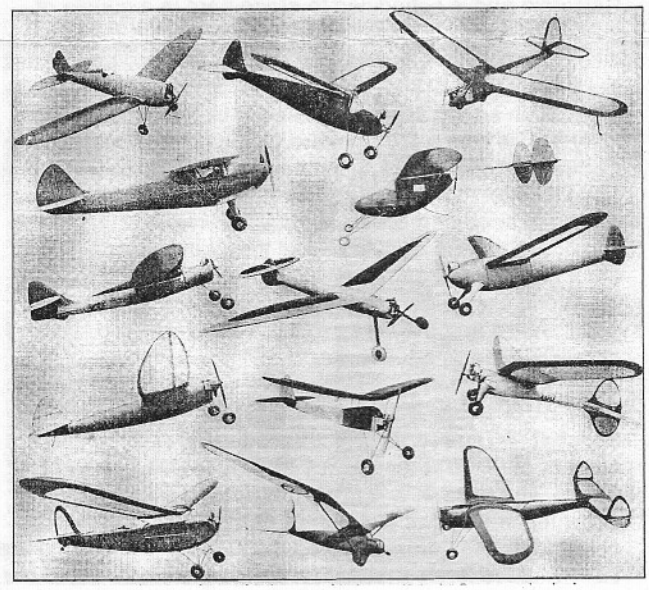
OLD BUSINESS - Club Tee Shirts — **Mike Clancy** has contacted Silky Screen-Printing. They still have the original art and can still print them for us. The price is $7.50 each and $2 extra for size XXL and larger. There is also a charge for making the screens of $60 and these screens can be saved for future use. It was decided to order L, XL and XXL T-shirts in Ash colored shirts.

Jimmie Allen Results — **Jerry Rocha** We had the Jimmie Allen Postal Saturday prior to the August meeting. The weather started off bad, it was cold and not good. It wasn't until about 10:30 or 11:00 that weather started changing and we did all right. We had 14 models and thirteen flew (one was not quit finished). Out of a possible 1,080 points we had 1,010; that is the third best time we have had. We will see how those times stand up. Jimmie Allens were models that were made in the 1930s. Kids were supposed to build them way back then. Gas stations sold them - there were thousands of them. There was a radio show about Jimmie Allen and it was a pretty involved thing. SAM 27 got involved in this eight to ten years ago. You fly and take the three best from your club and add them to get your score. Our club has come in first or second every year they have had it.



This model, a STAR 40 Tricycle Gear Primary Trainer, complete with a new Thunder Tiger 46 ABP engine and all servos (needs receiver and batteries), is one of the terrific raffle prizes to be given away at the October 1,2 and 3 SAM 27 Crash & Bash. There will also be a free Ladies Raffle on Sunday. Full details of the contest are on pages 7 and 8 of this A-F. Be sure and attend this largest of Northern California R/C Assist contests.





Any of these models look familiar? These are what SAM Antique Class models actually look like! See any of these flying today? Seldom. These models were pictured in the July 1938 issue of *Model Airplane News* and represent ships which were actually flown in the **1937 Nationals**. If the SAM group was actually serious about preserving the history of vintage model aircraft through LER competition, then promotion of the lesser-built and lesser-known designs would be a top priority - perhaps through handicapping or bonus points depending upon the frequency of which the particular design shows up at contests or in top results. Does anyone in SAM actually care? Your editor doubts it as everyone wants to protect their Bomber or Airborn "class".

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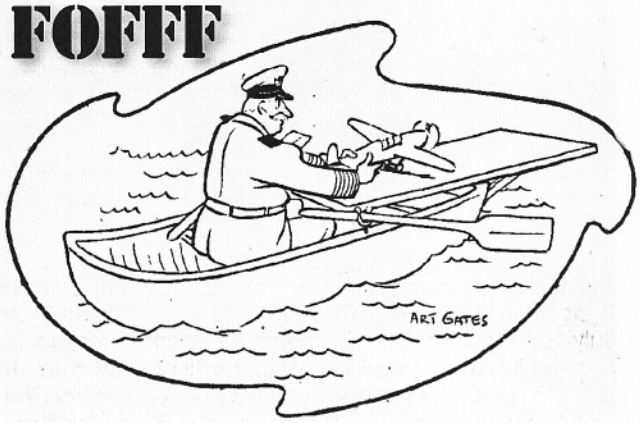
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A pilot? Why, yes - I fly my antique Moth every Thursday morning - even do a little dangerous air racing!



MOTH AIR RACING. Hap Miller has accepted a new SAM 27 position as **Race Marshal**. The present race event is a half-mile Tiger Moth race consisting of ten laps around the pylons. The only complaint has been the lack of noise but Andrew is working on it. Perhaps a CD of the Reno Air Races with large amplifiers.

FOFF



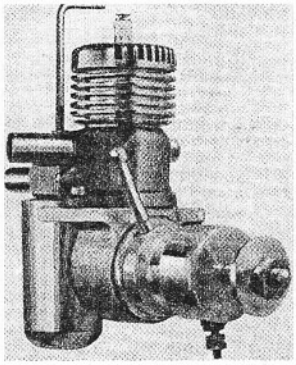
There has been FOFFF activity on the last Friday of each month at Lake Hennessey. Reports have been slim but I understand that **Andrew Tickle** has a new airplane and that mishaps have been infrequent. Reports that **Don Bekins**, **Dick Irwin**, **Steve Cohen**, **Hap Miller** and Andrew have been active. Both gas and electric have been flown.



UPCOMING CONTESTS

The **FRANK EHLING COMMEMORATIVE 1/2A TEXACO POSTAL MEET** is being run this year by SAM600 Australia of Melbourne. The postal meet may be flown on any day from October 7th to the 20th but all flying has to be done on the same day. Info from **Chris Lawson**, email cnrida@iprimus.com.au.

The **SAM 26 JOHN POND COMMEMORATIVE** R/C Assist meet will be held at Taft on October 30 and 31. Bob Angel can give you the scoop; just call him at 805-937-5145. Bob always provides beautiful flying weather for this contest which is held on the wide open spaces of Taft. Begin the month of October with the Crash & Bash (see pages 7 and 8 for info) and end the month with the final R/C Assist meet of the year at Taft, hosted by SAM 26.



MYSTERY ENGINE

Ed Solenberger came up with last issue's engine - the H&H 45, a very rare engine.

Here's another one for you to ponder. This is from 1940. A very nice looking point setup.

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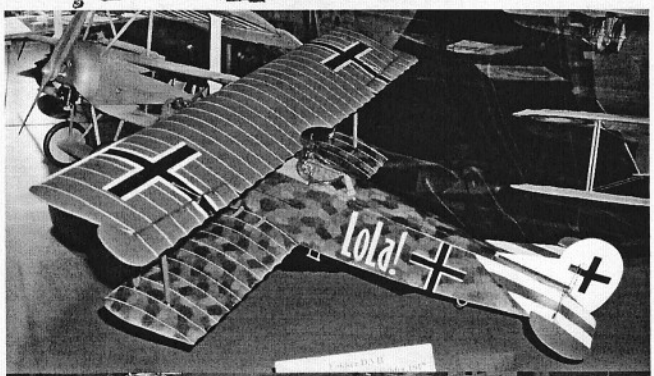
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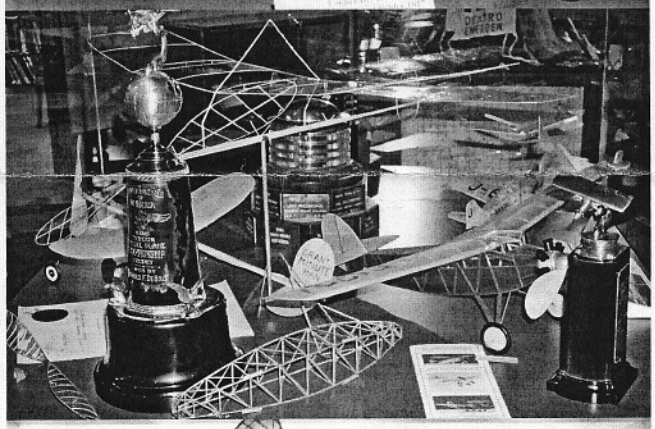
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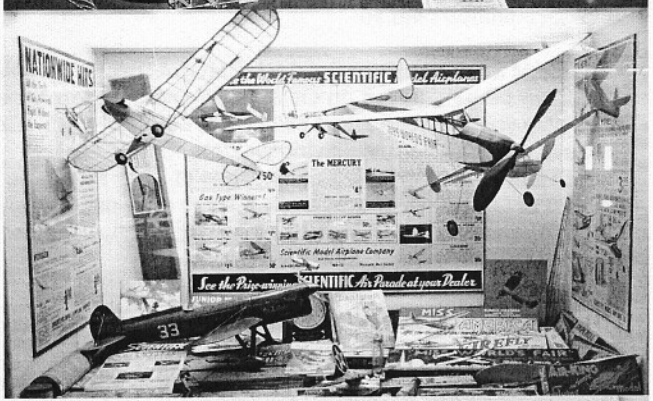
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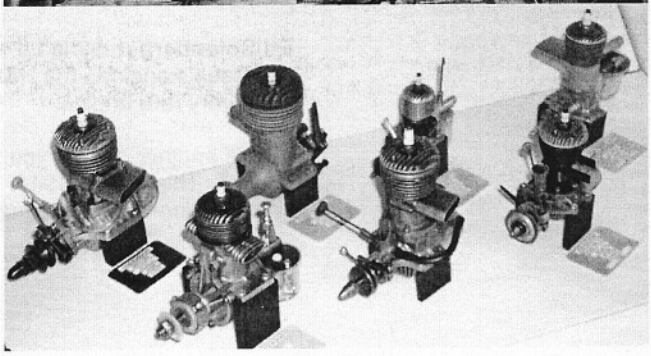
Some recent views from the National Model Aviation Museum

Photos by the Editor

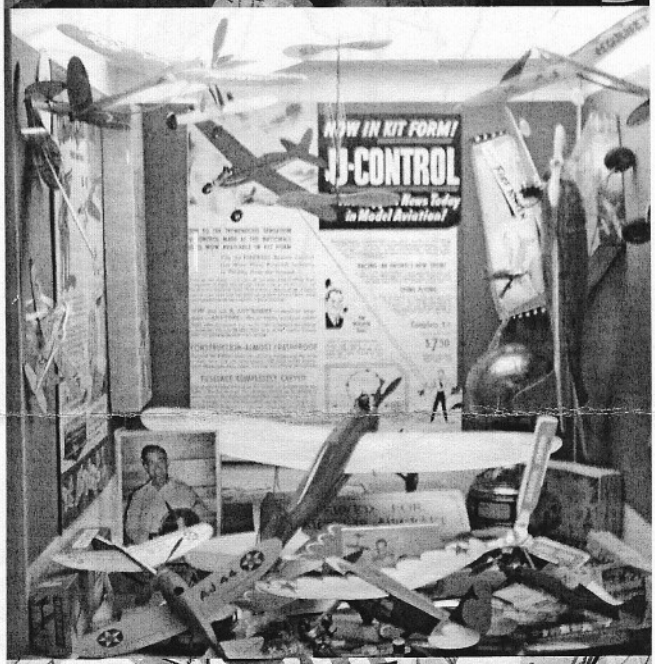


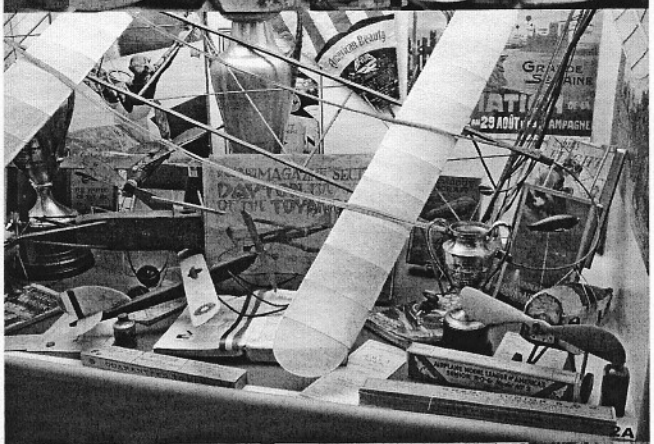














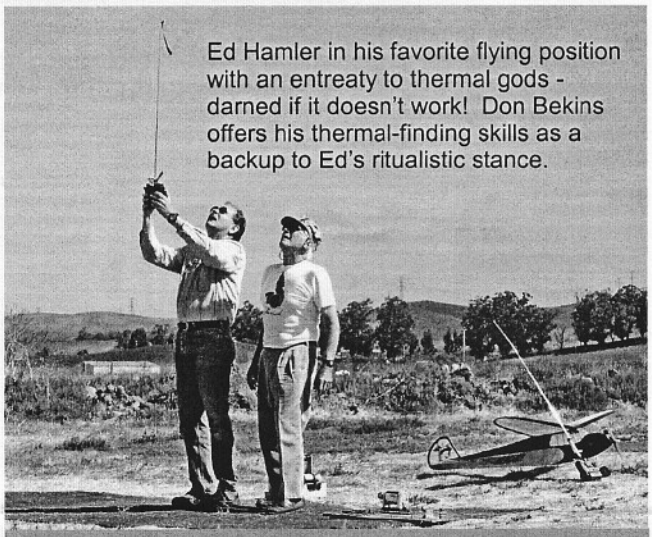
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LAKEVILLE TOFF

Some honest-to-goodness SAM old timer designs flying at Lakeville these days, although many are powered by those sneaky-silent electrons that leave no pleasant fumes or an ear-pleasing, piston-pounding, exhaust screaming roar.



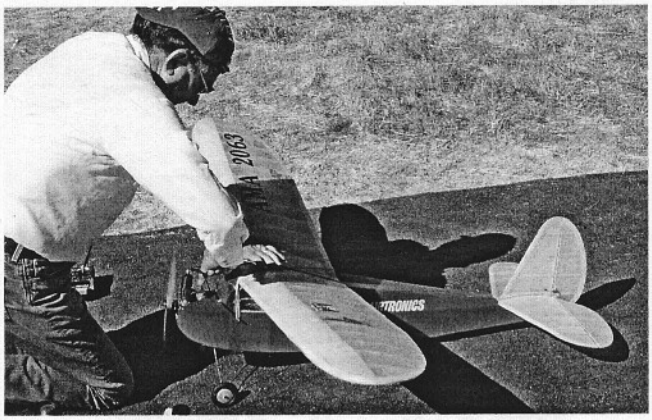
Ed Hamler in his favorite flying position with an entreaty to thermal gods - darned if it doesn't work! Don Bekins offers his thermal-finding skills as a backup to Ed's ritualistic stance.



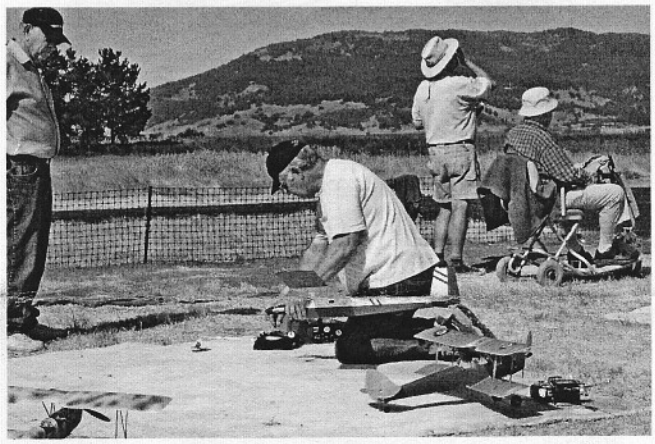
Don and Ed readying their ships.

Mike Clancey is pictured below with his nice "Kerswap".

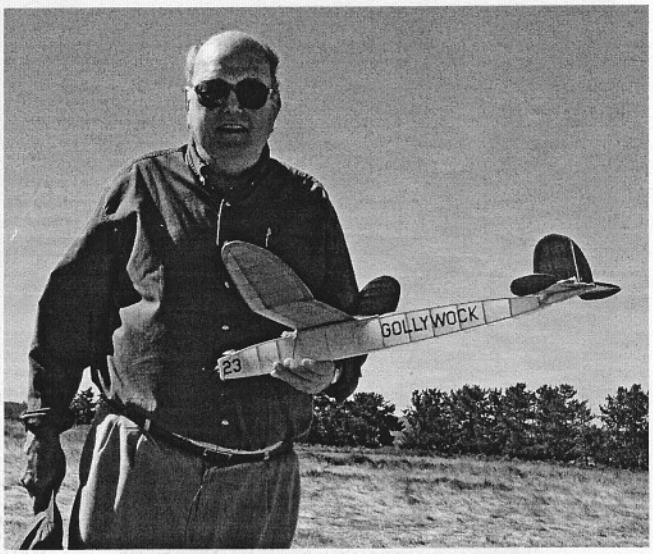




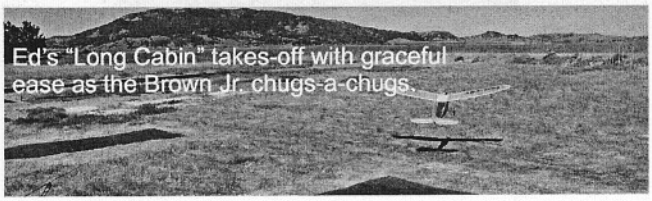
Ed Hamler tuning up his Brown Jr. powered "Long Cabin".



Lakeville TOFFF action as ships are prepared.



Rick Madden with his electric "Gollywock" - early morning.



Ed's "Long Cabin" takes-off with graceful ease as the Brown Jr. chugs-a-chugs.

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Finally - fashion help for TOFFF!



Don Bekins caught by Larry Kramer's digital spy. Don is glancing longingly at that lengthy trailer and computing how many models he could cram in it. Scene at Lakeville with a "Mercury" poised on the flight line.

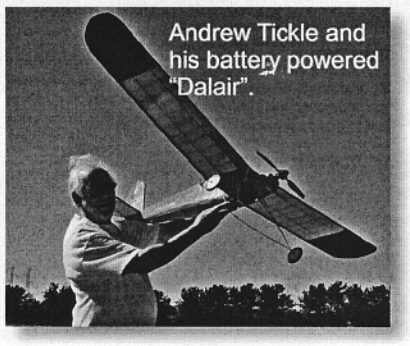


The MODEL Trader





Rick Madden at Lakeville with his yellow and black "Jersey Javelin", electronically motivated. Handsome model.



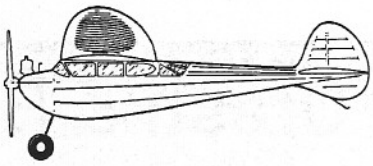
Ed Solenberger and his partner **Steve Jensen** have put together a **kit** for a reproduction **Jim Walker** ***Fireball*** with the full authorization and blessings of **Frank Macy**, the owner of American Junior Aircraft. Frank has joined with Ed and Steve and has provided much of the material for the project. Ed says, "Frank suffers from poor health and many problems but remains dedicated to the Jim Walker legacy. I bought some of his kits for him off eBay, one of which was a large Fireball-like U-Control also produced in Portland. He had worked for the manufacturer of that kit when he was still in high school! His whole mood changed and he is in much better spirits." The ***Fireball*** kit's price is $199.95 - it has a Fiberglass fuselage and laser-cut balsa parts - lots of goodies including landing gear wire, decals, wheels etc. Ed will also sell an O&R 23 FR and UReely controls to go with the kit at a bargain price of only $110 for the pair. The prototype has flown and weighs only 29 oz.; the original was upward of 48 oz with batteries, heavy wheels, coil etc. Ed says it flies rock steady and is quick. Ten kits is the break-even point but I predict that Ed and Steve are going to be surprised at the respose. Call Ed at (707) 542-1756.

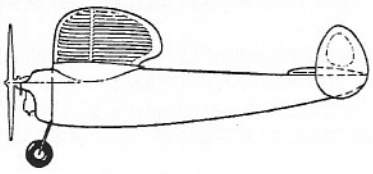
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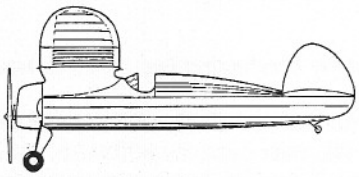
The 29th Annual Olde Time RC Model Aeroplane Contest
AMA Sanction #04-0268 with $500 Added Purse

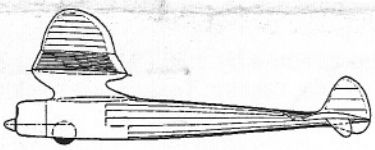
October 1, 2, 3 at the Schmidt Ranch, Elk Grove, CA

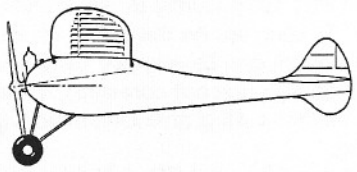
Friday Night Lasagna Dinner at the Ranch, only $5, served 6 till 8 PM
Call (916) 684-2265 a couple of days beforehand to be counted.

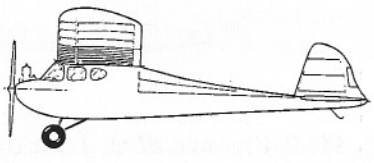


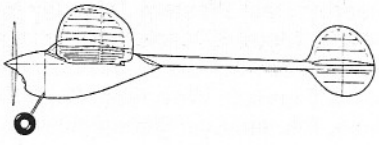












Scheduled Events

Friday (3-8PM), Saturday (8AM-5:30PM)	Sunday (8AM-3:30PM)
A Ignition LER, 45/35 secs, 7 min Max	Class A Fuel Allotment 15cc (1/2 oz)
B Ignition LER, 45/35 secs, 8 min Max	Class B Fuel Allotment 22cc (3/4 oz)
C Ignition LER, 45/35 secs, 9 min Max	Class C Fuel Allotment 30cc (1 oz)
A Glow LER, 25 secs, 7 min Max	1/2 A Texaco 5.1 cc Cox Reed
B Glow LER, 25 secs, 8 min Max	1/2 A Scale Duration 5.1 cc Cox
C Glow LER, 25 secs, 9 min Max	Tiger Moth Pylon Race

Spirit of SAM Concours (for all models noon Saturday)

Fly Anytime Special Events

Ohlsson Sideport, Ohlsson 23, Brown Junior, Electric LMR, Electric Texaco, SoS Electric

Prizes: **CASH** plus Crash & Bash ribbons through five places, plaques for all trophy events and Junior Champion. The Grand Champion Bill Hooks Trophy is for points scored in all events. Special engravings for Ohlsson 23 and Ohlsson Sideport trophies.

Entry Fees $5/event, NO MAX. **Lunch** $5, children $3. Crash & Bash Prime Rib Napa Wines **Banquet** at the ranch Saturday evening, October 2, at 6:00PM; sign up by 11AM, $15 each, your chefs: Loren, SAM Sweetheart Miriam, and Robert Schmidt.

Crash & Bash Raffle Tickets **$1 each**, 12 for $10, lots of prizes this year featuring

Bob Wakerly's NEW
STAR 40 Tricycle gear 4 channel Primary Trainer
complete with new ABC engine and radio gear.

Also a FREE Ladies Raffle Sunday.

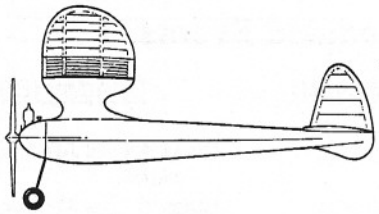
The six standard LER events are scheduled for Friday afternoon and Saturday. Concours entries for all models will be presented at noon Saturday. Scaling OK except Ohlsson Sideport and Brown Junior entries. Sunday's five primary events feature unlimited duration flights with engine runs limited by fuel allocations based on displacement.
A new event this year will be the Tiger Moth Pylon Race scheduled for 1 PM Sunday.
The six separately listed special events may be flown at anytime during the contest.

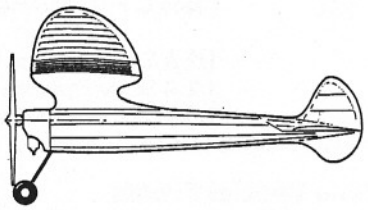
Please note carefully the following 2004 Crash & Bash Rulebook Deviations:
1. Any model design with ignition-on-the-plans will be accepted as a SAM Old Timer.
2. NO MINIMUM WEIGHT requirements or model weighing - all events.
3. Engine types for LER events are: a) Pre'43 Original Ignition with a 45 seconds run,
b) Post'42 Original Ignition with 35 seconds, and c) All Other engines with 25 seconds.
4. Max flight times for LER events will be 7, 8, & 9 minutes respectively for A, B, & C.
5. Scoring of LER events will total the best TWO of four flights; NO ATTEMPTS.
6. Scoring of all Fuel Allotment events will be the BETTER of two UNLIMITED flights.
7. Class A engines may enter class B events and class B engines may enter class C events.

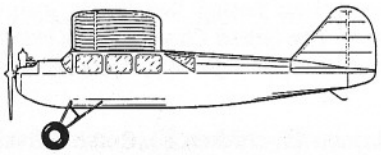
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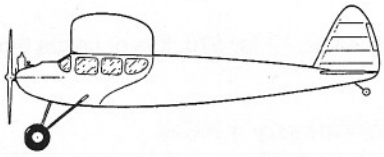
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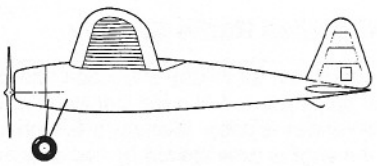


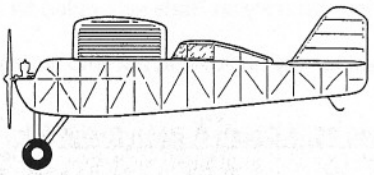


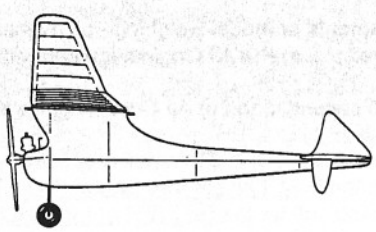












2004 SAM Crash & Bash

8. The "one contestant/one plane/one event" rule may be waved in order to accommodate out-of-state competitors, rookies, and Juniors. Binoculars will be allowed at any time.
9. Friday registration (3PM) is for the six standard LER events only. Any event with less than five entries may be combined with a similar event or cancelled. The tentative Flyoff Schedule will be Saturday as follows: 2:30 Class A Ignition, 3:00 Class A Glow, 3:30 Class B Ignition, 4:00 Class B Glow, 4:30 Class C Ignition, and 5:00 Class C Glow.



Channel conflicts will be resolved by conducting two heats or having a "Toin coss".
10. Tiger Moth entries must be unmodified GWS ARFs and motors, 7 NiCad, NiMH, or 2 Lithium Ion or Poly cells, max capacity 900 mAh. After market wheel substitutes OK. Race heats will be 5 models, ten laps around two 12 ft. pylons spaced 150 feet apart with pilots 60 feet from pylon course centerline. Models are hand launched from starting line.
11. The Sunday RAFFLE will preclude flyoffs. A "Toin Coss" will break Sunday ties.
Official flights on Sunday must be airborne by 2:30 PM, October 3.
12. Hand launch OK for ½ A, A, Scale, Electric Texaco, and Spirit of SAM Electric.
13. Ohlsson 23 sideports 45 secs, FRV 35 secs LER, 5 minMax, score best 2 of 4 flights.
14. Ohlsson SP small ports 45 secs, big ports 35 secs, 7 minMax, score best 2 of 4 flights.
15. Electric Events will adhere to Taft 1996 Rules: 90 secs LMR, score best 2 of 3 flights, 10 minute Max. Electric Texaco will be the better of 2 unlimited flights.
16. Special Spirit of SAM Electric event can be any pre 1943 rubber model, scaling OK, any motor/prop/gear combo (except coreless), folders OK, no min weight, nicads only max battery weight = 45 grams.Unlimited flights, mass launches each day, wx permitting.
17. The Brown Junior event will have 60 secs LER, 3 flights, no Max, best flight scores.



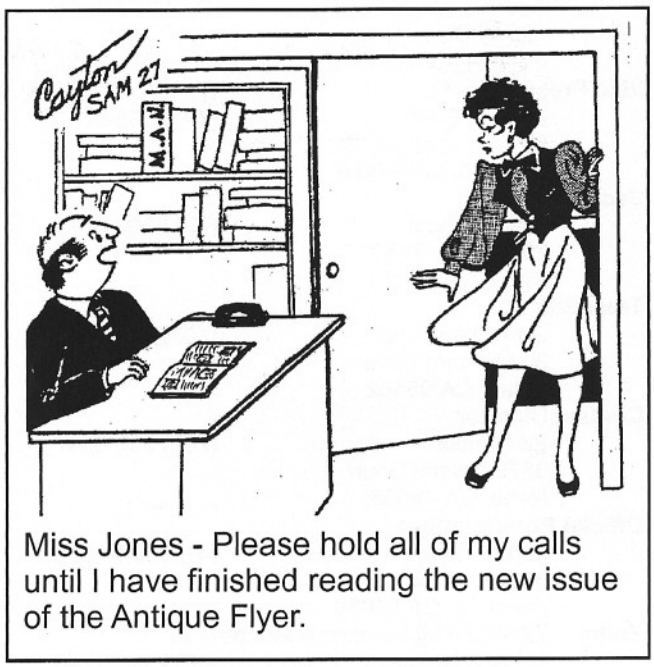
Directions to Schmidt Ranch, 11948 Franklin Blvd, Tel (916) 684-2265 From I-5 traveling south, exit Franklin Hood Road, turn left over overpass (east) & turn right (south) on Franklin Boulevard (J8). From I-5 traveling north, exit Twin Cities Road, turn right (east) & turn left (north) on Franklin Boulevard (J8). Camping OK. No hookups. Motels nearby: Best Western John Jay Inn, 15 Massie Court, Sacramento, (916) 689-4425; Motel 6, Mack Road at Highway 99, Sacramento, (916) 689-9141; Motel 6, 7407 Elsie Avenue, Sacramento, (916) 689-6555; Holiday Inn Express, 620 Lincoln Way, Galt, (209) 745-9500. CD is Ed Hamler (707) 255-3547, Napa, CA. ehamler@comcast.net

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

John Hlebcar has provided the definite date for the SAM 27 Christmas Party. John says, "This year's Christmas party will be at **Papas' Taverna** on **Saturday, 4 December**. The menu is not available yet but I should have the details by the time you read this so mark your calendars and contact me at (707) 252-8482 if you want to go. The program and timing should be similar to previous years."



Miss Jones - Please hold all of my calls until I have finished reading the new issue of the Antique Flyer.

JIMMIE ALLEN MEET



A report from **John Helbcar** on the postal meet.

Jimmie Allen Postal – This was another one of those days at our field where the longer you waited the better the conditions got. Results are as follows:

Contestant	1st flight	2nd flight	3rd flight	TOTAL
Jerry Rocha	120	120	120	360
John Pratt	86	120	120	326
Ding Zarate	105	120	99	324

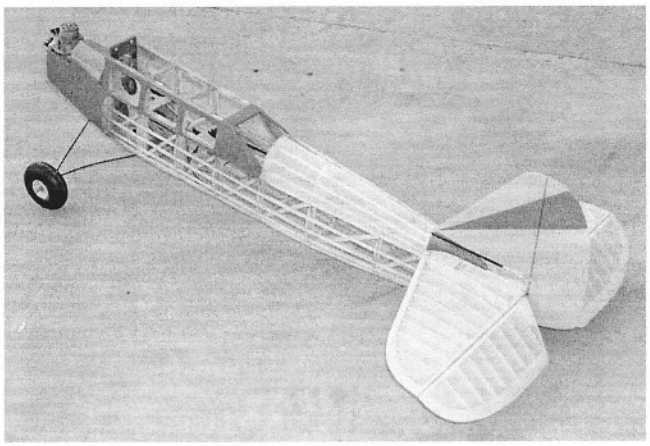
Also flown was myself with a 323 total (darn it), **George Benson**, **Tom Whitworth**, **Marius Cannard**, and **Jerry** and **Phobie Long**. Another nice job by our CD **Jerry Rocha**. Keep 'em Flying - John H

2005 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Next Year's Membership Dues – Take a look at your address label on this issue of the newsletter. The upper right hand corner will show your membership category and dues payable for 2005. I was not able to contact everyone before these labels were completed so if you do not understand or agree with the category I show for you please contact me if you think a revision is necessary. Remember you will need to build and fly a qualifying model during 2005 to maintain or gain your Old Time Flyer status. These requirements are based on the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting published in the last Antique Flyer (Issue 241). – **John Hlebcar**, (707) 252-8482.

Models

Well, no other model pics, you'll have to put up with info on your editor's latest project, a Super Buccaneer. This is being built from an original Berkely kit with the 1937 plans by W. Effinger. **Stan Hill**, the designer of the "Amazoom" series, 1942-1955, kitted by Berkely, gave me the kit (a huge cardboard box) after he started framing the fuselage. A fun-flyer ship, it's powered by a Kraft .61 R/C, thanks also to Stan. I've made a few changes but haven't altered the overall configuration. I'm waiting for: 1) SamSpan, 2) a FMA receiver to come back from overhaul, and 3) the mood to strike me to start on the wing.



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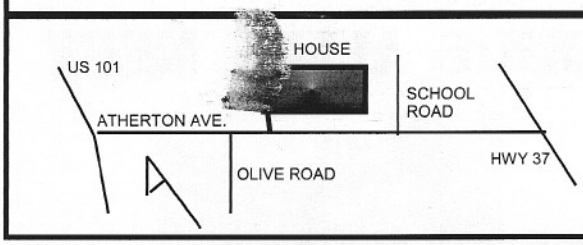
MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues are based on the type of flying activity with OldTimer flyers or mentors receiving membership for only $25. Newsletter members are $20. Dues are payable January 1st.

Full membership requires proof of current AMA membership to be presented at the time of joining or renewal by means of photocopy or presentation to the treasurer.

Newsletter members will receive the newsletter and may attend meetings, but may not fly at the Club's Lakeville Field or in Club contests.

Send dues to **John Dammuler**, Treasurer. Make checks payable to SAM 27.



Meetings: The Third Wednesday, Each Month, 7:30 p.m. at the Novato Fire Department Training Room

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