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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This weekend on April 9th, we will be hosting our first race of the year called Big Kahuna Memorial Warbird Race. I am looking for volunteers so if you like to help, please contact me (916) 705-7778.

Remember, these races help bring in revenue and exposers to our flying field. Like I have mentioned before, the events help us keep our budget and helps keep the dues from rising. So please, if you have that day free, please let me know that you like to help. If you help, there will be great raffles for you and a free lunch.

I would like to give a special hand to everyone that help last weekend on the cleanup at the field. They did a lot of work and made a huge improvement on how everything looks. My apologies for not showing up but I had some personal issues that came up that morning but I am sorry for not being there.

Don't forget to come to the general club meeting on April 23rd at the flying field. We will be starting it at 3:00 pm. I will be giving away an airplane for the raffle that was donated to us for the attending the General Club Meeting. If you show up, you will get tickets at no cost to you. What better than winning an airplane that cost nothing to you but just showing up?



Everything else is going well at the Sacramento Area Modelers.

Friends don't let friends fly without AMA!!!! Please check your AMA status to make sure you are current. Remember, AMA changed their due date to anniversary dates instead of annual dates.

Till next time, fly safe and have a great time at the Sacramento Area Modelers Flying Field!!!

JR Schiager

"Good Sportsmanship Equals Fun For All"



SAM Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 14, 2017

Location: Perko's restaurant at 50 and Bradshaw

Time: 6:49 PM

Board Members

Present: President: JR Schiager, Membership: Bob Obregon, Secretary: Jim Smith, Treasurer: Steve Brown, Field Marshall: Don Atwood, Events: Jeff Montrose, Safety: Sergio Varo,
Absent: Vice President: Jerry Cunningham, Publicity: John Gray

Officer reports

President: JR opened the meeting with discussion regarding this year's AMA grant money for the open house. AMA has given \$100 to help fund the open house. Jim Lichtenberg and Eric Jaggi will be the CD's for the open house. More information will follow.

The runway, helicopter pad, and pit area has been resealed and new stripes have been painted on the main runway. The repairs were covered as part of our deferred maintenance account which puts aside funds each year to cover this major expense. The repairs were done over Monday and Tuesday March 13th and 14th. What a great "new look" to the field.

The next membership meeting is April 23rd and there is going to be a plane given away to one lucky member. Must be present to win. (Meeting to be held at the SAM site – see website for more details)

Vice President: Jerry Cunningham was unable to attend. (Jerry was home recovering from having surgery on his knee – everyone wished him a quick and easy recovery)

Membership: Bob Obregon reported that we are at 124 members so far year to date. Based upon accounting numbers our renewals are coming in faster than last year. As reminder Bob's goal for membership in 2017 is 200 members strong.

Safety Officer: Sergio Varo spent the weekend restocking the first aid kit in the Auger Inn... he asks that no one use the supplies if at all possible. (In other words do not get hurt)

He also mentioned that he believed that the no taxi markings seem to be having an impact on people following that rule and that the membership seems to be doing well on posting AMA cards on the Frequency Board.

Publicity Officer: John Gray was not present.

Treasurer: Steve Brown reported that he and JR met with an appointed club member for the 2016 budget audit. The audit went well and future improvements are being made to have an even better accounting for the budget statement.

Currently we are on track for the 2017 budget. Big expenditures for this year so far have been the field lease and the sealing of the runway and pits.

Field Marshall: Don Atwood had a couple topics for this meeting. Pot holes need to be addressed soon. Don would also like to have a work day planned for

Saturday April 1st. There will be a membership email, and port a potty postings to announce the work day.

Events: Jeff Montrose let everyone know of the upcoming events. Please see the club website for all activities coming up.

Secretary: Jim Smith had nothing to report.

New Business:

Need to find someone to work on the display P51 that usually sits above the snack bar. Also need to see about repairing the front tire of the lawn tractor (Don will be working on the tractor).

Old Business:

N/A

Motions:

N/A

Meeting adjourned at: 7:28 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Smith

Secretary

****Reminder****

It's not too early to start telling people about the open house on 6-24-17 at the field.

Friends, family and acquaintance should be told about our great opportunity. It's a WIN WIN for both our club and those interested in learning about the R/C flying sport.

Flyer to follow next month.

* This Month's safety Tip *

Just a quick reminder, please everyone put their AMA card up on the pin rack when flying. Also when you are taking off, landing or doing touch and goes, please call out your intentions loud enough so everyone can hear you.

Remember if anyone has any used batteries please give them to me or any board member don't just throw them away.

Safety officer,
Sergio varo

The SAM Spring Clean Up

Last Saturday, April 1, we had a Spring cleanup day at the SAM field. We needed to clean up and straighten up the area, particularly around the storage buildings as well as split the large wood rounds into usable firewood. The larger east parking area needed mowing and we also needed to start getting control of the edges of the entry road before the grass and weeds took over. Walkways to the cut cages and pylons were mowed to make it easier to get to those areas through the tall grass. The areas around the cut cages were also trimmed and sprayed as well to keep the grass under control.

We started about 8:30 and were done around 11 AM. I would like to thank all those that helped with the effort. We had no shortage of people, I think there were between 15 to 18 people in total that pitched in. We had plenty of sprayers, string trimmers and volunteers to help with the wood pile. I have no idea of how many yards of trimmer string was used or how many gallons of Roundup Pro were sprayed, but it was a bunch!!! John R even let me drive the mower for a while, not too long tho, I think he just wanted a coffee break... A big thank you to Gene and Tim for towing their log-splitters to the field. The splitters got a good workout as did all the guys helping move the logs and stack the split wood. I think we ended up with over a cord of wood when done. So, next time you enjoy the fire in the Auger Inn, remember to thank those that split it, they worked hard!!! See pic below of the guys hard at work on that wood pile...

Speaking of the Auger Inn, many thanks to Becky Smith for thoroughly cleaning it. Below is a pic of Becky at work in the Auger Inn. Try to keep it neat and clean for at least a little while, otherwise Becky might have to have a word with someone about keeping things 'tidy'. ;-) Gary and Becky also cooked burgers and all the fixings for the volunteers after the work was done. Much appreciated by all those present!!!

It is great when we have a turnout of helpers like we had so THANK YOU to all that participated. Fantastic to see the SAM club members pitch in and make short work of the cleanup. The field looks great!!!

Don Atwood

Don Atwood
SAM Field Marshall

(See Pictures next page)



Big Kahuna Memorial Warbird Race
Reno Style Airplane Racing



APRIL 9, 2017
RACING STARTS AT 9:00
AM SUNDAY



Come on out, Bring your Family and Lawn Chairs, watch the Fast and Furious RC Airplane Warbird Pylon Racing as fast as 160 mph!!!!

Spectators can watch for FREE



We have a concession stand for a great lunch

For more information, rules, or entry form:

Call JR @ (916) 705-7778

or

www.sacramentoareamodelers.com

Huge Raffle available to everyone (Raffle prizes will be distributed on Sunday afternoon during the awards ceremony)

2017 SAM Warbirds Rules Apply

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DO YOU HAVE A VALID AMA CARD?

Remember: Our By-Laws and the County of Sacramento require a current AMA Card to fly at the S.A.M. site. Also did you know that your current status as a **member requires a valid AMA card?** If you do not have a current AMA Card in your possession or proof in the form of a fax or e-mail from AMA, **do not fly**. If you fly without AMA membership, you will be in violation of our rules and may be suspended from flying at the S.A.M. site. Contact the AMA at 1-800-435-9262 for membership when paying via credit card.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Are you new to R/C flying? Or perhaps you need to brush up or even just want to talk with one of our "Pro's." SAM's corps of Flight Instructors stands ready to help you. You will usually find at least one of them at the flying site on Tuesdays or Fridays. You may call **Jim Lichtenberg** our Flight Instructor Coordinator at **916-681-5335** or e-mail at **rcflyer999@comcast.net** and he will arrange for the assistance you need. If **Jim** is not available, you can contact the Assistant Flight Instructor Coordinator, **Ron Davies** at **916-682-7902**. Or you can call our flight instructors directly.

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Deadline for submissions to the SAM Antics is the 27th of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to the Newsletter Editor, at info@sacramentoareamodelers.com. Submittals may be edited for content and length.

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Events 2017

1-15-17 **General Club Meeting accomplished**

4-9-17

Big Kahuna Memorial Warbird Race

S.A.M. Warbird Series Flying Field Closed

4-23-17

General Club Meeting

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm at flying field

5-13-17

Pattern Contest Flying Field Closed

6-10-17 thru 6-11-17

Fly YS Fast Warbird Race

S.A.M. Warbird Series Race is at Redding

Flying Field is Open

6-24-17

S.A.M. Open House

Bring your friends and family and learn about R/C Flying

Learn how to fly with an instructor and our planes. Flying field closed to open flying

7-9-17

S.A.M. BBQ & Fun Fly

9:00 am to 1:00 pm Flying field closed during event, open after event

7-16-17

General Club Meeting

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm at flying field

7-30-17

Nitro Madness Warbird Race

S.A.M. Warbird Series Flying Field Closed

***** 9-8-17 thru 9-10-17 *****

Field closed for Capital Airshow 8, 9, &10

9-9-17

S.A.M Annual Swap Meet

No Charge for selling space or parking

9-17-17

General Club Meeting

Nominations for Board Members

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm at flying field

9-21-17 thru 9-24-17

12th Annual Trashman & YS Classic Warbird Race

S.A.M. Warbird Series

S.A.M Flying Field Closed for four (4) days

Final Race for S.A.M. Warbird Series for 2017

10-7-17 thru 10-8-17

28th Annual Bud Garric Pattern Classic S.A.M. Flying Field closed for two days

10-15-17

General Club Meeting

Events Scheduling for 2018

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm at flying field

11-19-17

General Club Meeting

Board Elections

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm at flying field

12-9-17

S.A.M. Christmas Party

Location TBD

* Dates subject to change upon S.A.M. Board approval

* Details for Events will be removed as completed, however you can always refer to January's newsletter on the web site for the years full roster of events

The Back Page

This & That

YES, but another feild TRIP!!! Thanks to the person who left the flyers at the field for the “Wings of History Museum” located in San Martin Ca. Now we are looking at going on Tuesday April 5, 2017. Transportation can be provided. If interested please contact Gene @ 530 676-4233

Who are these guys???????

Rodger Cady	Dan Hughes	Jim sweeney
Pete Stott	Bob Finkbohner	Jim Tomblin
Darryl Bailey	Jack White	Hoagy Hoagland
Bob Heinson	Gary Fotaine	Jerry Haynes
David Haynes	Mike Miller	JJ Short.

Next time on a cold winter day look at the plaque on the “Auger Inn” door, without the contributions of these men you would be standing around a fire in a barrel in the parking lot warming up. I for one appreciate their efforts, thanks guys.

For Sale & Wanted

Looking for listings.

To post on the “Back Page” please contact Gene Strobel at 530 676-4233 or by email geneal123@comcast.net Dead line for submittals will be 26th of each month