



The Official "Fly" paper of the
SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS
AMA Charter Club #1822

S.A.M.-Antics

AUGUST 2012

S.A.M. Board of Directors/Officers

PRESIDENT

John Bigwood
916-965-4223
8935velcro@att.net

VICE PRESIDENT

JR Schiager
916-792-1526
jrstuff88@gmail.com

SECRETARY

Frank Tanforan
916-359-3742
tank4an@surewest.net

TREASURER

Don Enzminger
916-682-8881
djenzee@frontiernet.net

SAFETY OFFICER

Rodger Cady
209-745-4101

PUBLICITY

Tom Richardi
209-274-4063
flynvrtd@att.net

MEMBERSHIP

Dick Weston
525-1849
reweston@comcast.net

FIELD MARSHALL

Sergio Varo
916-786-6816
sd_varo@hotmail.com

EVENTS DIRECTOR

Casey Smith
916-302-6061
Morc9988@yahoo.com

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

The weather is HOT! Stay hydrated. If you have to be outside during the heat of the day, drink lots of water. If you feel bad get inside and cool off. None of us are getting any younger and we don't tolerate the heat as well as we once did.

I am back from vacation and had a great time. I understand that in my absence Ollie did a great job as starter at the Warbird race. I think I have found my replacement. Congratulations Ollie!

The SAM Fun Fly and BBQ is coming up on August 26. Kimo is the CD for the Fun Fly in the morning. This is a fun and low key event. If you have any kind of plane and can take off and land you should come out and participate. At noon +/- we will have a Pot Luck BBQ for all SAM members and their families. The SAM Board will be BBQ-ing chicken. SAM will provide the plates, plastic sporks, water and soda. Each family can bring a dish to share (potato salad, macaroni salad, fruit salad, etc.). I understand that the weather will be cooler.

During the September general meeting we will have nominations for 4 board positions. If you have interest and time to contribute consider running. Our board is run the same as a City Council. We elect representatives to the group then the board selects the positions to be held during our installation meeting. We are always looking for fresh faces and ideas. We have changed the board meetings to coincide with the general meeting. The board will now meet during the hour before the general meeting each month.

We have submitted our formal application to replace the Entry Sign with one that was designed by several of our members. Our lease with Sacramento County requires us to have any sign approved by them. The Parks Department told me that they would have to get approval from the Planning Department and get a sign permit. This is our government in action.

During the Sacramento Airshow weekend, when we cannot fly, we will have a short work day. The main task will be to fill the cracks in the runway and pits. This should help extend the life of the asphalt. Contact Sergio for specifics of other projects to be done.

Be Nice

...John

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 Tuesday 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.

Jim Lichtenberg Flight Instructor Coordinator	(916) 681-5335	rcflyer999@comcast.net
Steve Brown	(916) 765-3555	imredfox@comcast.net
Tim Sorenson	(916)541-7009	tsorenson@rcip.com
Ron Davies	(916) 682-7902	rjdavies@frontiernet.net
Mike Miller	(916) 812-1143	michael9356@comcast.net
Jeff Montrose	(916) 689-8337	
Dick Weston	(916)525-1849	reweston@comcast.net

SAM-Antics SUBMITTALS

.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 tank4an@surewest.net. Submittals may be edited for content and length.

The newsletter editor accepts full responsibility for any misspellings, omissions or bad grammar. If corrections are necessary, contact him via tank4an@surewest.net.

YS PARTS AND SERVICE

1370 Porter Drive
Minden, Nevada 89423
(775) 267-9252 FAX (775) 267-9690
ysperf@charter.net
www.YSPartsandService.com

GOLD COUNTRY ACE HARDWARE & HOBBIES

4121 Cameron Park Dr.
Cameron Park, CA
(530) 677-4417

R/C Country Hobbies

The Hobby Shop

**6011 Folsom Blvd.
Sacramento CA**

(916) 731-5868

E & H Hobby Enterprises

2372 Butte House Road
Yuba City, CA 95993
Open: Tues-Sat 11:30 AM-6:00 PM
(530) 751-0225

SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT SAM

FLAGPOLE REPAIRS

What a sight for the early flyers at the field on Monday, July 16th! The flagpole was lying on its side on the ground and part of the fence dividing the two center taxi ways was down. It seems that the outer sleeve that is buried in the ground and supports the flagpole had broken off at ground level. This was probably due to a combination of age, corrosion, and years of wind loads. **Jim Sweeney** organized the repair effort; **John Reynolds** did the spade work; and **Steve Brown** finished the repair on the fence. **Dick Weston** claimed that all he did was to watch. Everyone involved is to be congratulated for a job well done. SAM can fly our country's flag again with no worries for years to come.

Board Meeting July 11, 2012 Perko's Restaurant 6:40 PM

Board Members Present: John Bigwood, JR Schiager, Frank Tanforan, DJ Enzminger, Dick Weston, Sergio Varo, Tom Richardi, Rodger Cady, and Casey Smith.

John Bigwood reported that he had informal discussions with Sacramento Regional Parks about the new club sign. It was requested that SAM provide a plot plan showing the proposed sign location. This is necessary for review by the Planning Department for conformance with the County Sign Ordinance. John said he would visit the field and take the necessary measurements for the plan.

DJ Enzminger gave copies of club financial status. Dick Weston complimented him on the usefulness of the information provided. Although some items were running high in cost, others were less. Overall expenditures are slightly below where they might be for this time of the club year, compared to the overall budget.

Various board members raised concerns about safety and courtesy in the parking lot and next to the pits. Items mentioned were excessive speed and, when done flying, moving your vehicle so others can have ready access to the pits. Another concern was overflying the runway and flight line by race planes during practice.

JR Schiager told how he and others were in the preliminary stage of working on a three club race series for 2013. This series would be in addition to SAM's normal series of races. Those flyers that wanted to participate in the series would put in an extra \$20 per race and this would go to prize money for the racers. There would be no conflict with SAM's races. The board agreed that this extra \$20 would be exempt for the 25% of entry fees that is normally withheld for the club. JR was cautioned that any race scheduling at SAM need to be discussed and decided upon at the event scheduling meeting in December and ratified by the following board meeting.

Everyone looked at their schedules and it was agreed that the club BBQ and Fun Fly would be held on Sunday, August 26th. It is hoped that Kimo Dias will serve as master of ceremony for the Fun Fly.

The board discussed the desirability of using a non-SAM member in a position of responsibility involving safety. The subject arose because the starter scheduled for this month's "Tres Kahunas" warbird race, is not a SAM member. However he has performed SAM starter duties before and received no more complaints than the usual starter, who will be on vacation. The board voted to use the stand-in for this race.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Tanforan

Secretary

Board Members Present:

JR Schiager(Vice-President), Frank Tanforan (Secretary), Dick Weston(Membership), DJ Enzminger(Treasurer), Sergio Varo (Field Marshal), Casey Smith (Events Director), Tom Richardi(Publicity),

JR Schiager-Donations received for the Jerry Votaw Memorial Shade Structure total \$102 to date. It is hoped to start work sometime after the Trashman Classic Warbird Race. Members are cautioned to keep safety in mind when driving into the field, particularly near the pit area. There is no need to speed down the driveway and waiting till the pit area before slowing. If you are not going to fly or are done flying, move your vehicle so pit parking is available to those that need it. It is proposed to request locating the new club sign closer to the road from its present position behind the barb wire fence. The sign would be behind the County's sign.

Casey Smith-The next SAM event is the Funfly/BBQ. It will be held on August 26th.If Kimo Dias is not available to run the Funfly portion, other alternatives were discussed

DJ Enzminger-Reported on accounts. He needs to get with Kimo Dias for the details of receipts/expenses for the recently concluded "Tres Kahunas" warbird race. He noted that the budget for the year is very tight and expressed concern for fiscal prudence.

Tom Richardi-Is working on getting the word out to club members about the August Funfly/BBQ.

Dick Weston-Current membership is at 145. It will probably max out at 150 for the year. He presented data on membership over the years. In 2008 it topped out at 204 members, while last year it topped out at 175 members. There was a general discussion on promoting club recognition and encouraging new members or at least keeping current ones. The general tone of the discussion was that most people present recognized that increased membership would help alleviate some of DJ's financial concerns.

Frank Tanforan-Made a motion to waive reading the minutes of the last club meeting and approve them as published in the July issue of the SAM Newsletter. Motion was seconded and passed by a vote of those attending.

Sergio Varo-The lawn mower transmission problems are still be worked on by Rodger Cady. He thanked Dick Weston for all the efforts he has made. Recent jobs have been the upgrading of the cages for pylon judges and the flagpole repair. Dick gave credit to Jim Sweeney and others who helped. It was not a one man show.

Casey Smith-He received a suggestion that maybe the club should put signs up in the race spectator areas reminding them of the hazards associated with races. During the following discussion it was pointed out that announcements are made to the same effect over the PA system during the races, particularly prior to the Gold class of races.

Steve Brown-Steve recently loaned his cigarette lighter to someone who misplaced his. Therefore, Steve presented a "lighter leash" to JR. This new necessity has a lighter with a retractable leash which can be clipped to ones clothing.

Show andTell-Casey Smith has had a string of bad race luck in that he has lost planes consistently this year. Chris Arens used to race at SAM and when he heard of Casey's bad luck, he presented him (via Sergio Varo) with a Zero race plane. On giving the plane to Casey, Chris has only one condition. And that is that Casey races it and not let it become a "closet queen".

Raffle-Building Board: Ray Witt donated to JR's race

Fuel pump: JR

\$20 R/C Country gift card: JR

\$20 R/C Country gift card: Sergio Varo

"PP size" Spitfire ARF: Steve Brown

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted-

Frank Tanforan

Secretary



Donnie Prince and Dave Shirley
Just before the maiden flight of Dave's Me-262

AUGUST 26, 2012

FUNFLY/BBQ

SAM Members and Family

Club provides meat and soft drinks.

Bring your favorite side dish with enough to share with others.

Funfly starts at 10AM with lunch to follow at noon.

FUNFLY EVENTS

1."OH, CRAP!"

This one has been done in many different ways but here's a little variation. We call it "Oh, Crap!" With the command "Go!" and on the clock, the contestant rolls a pair of dice once to get his "number". He/she then must fire up the model, taxi fifty feet, take off, do one loop and one roll, land, taxi back, shut down and then roll the dice again until his number comes up. The crap shooting "levels the field" a bit, so that the less proficient flyers have a chance against the hot doggers.

2. LIMBO

Use a thirty foot crepe paper ribbon strung between two bamboo fishing poles...you know the rest. Double points for doing it inverted (no points for hitting the poles...).

3. TWO MINUTE TOUCH 'N' GO

Time starts at takeoff. Pilot performs as many touch and go maneuvers as possible in two minutes.

4. DEAD-STICK LANDING

Mark a spot on the runway. Pilot takes off, gains altitude and kills the engine...Land and roll to the spot. Closest to target wins.

5. DIXIE DEATH

Shortest time to take off, do 3 each rolls, loops, (in any order), then do a touch and go then do 3 each rolls, loops,(in any order), then land. Stop watch starts when plane leaves the ground and stops at touchdown.

6. FAITHFUL INDIAN GUIDE

Pilot taxis around obstacle course while blindfolded, obeying commands from caller. Low time wins.

7. LEMANS START

Pilots line up across runway on the grass from their planes. At signal, pilots race to planes, start up, take off and fly 2 laps. The pilots carry an egg in a spoon, put the egg in a cup with the spoon, on the way to their plane.

Will do as many events as time permits

**DON'T WAIT TILL THE LAST MINUTE
START PRACTISING EARLY**

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS

11000 FLORIN ROAD,
SACRAMENTO, CA

3rd ANNUAL SWAP MEET SEP. 08, 2012

7:00 AM to Noon

RESERVED SPACES AVAILABLE

Covered Work Bench.....	\$10.00	Pit Space.....	\$5.00
Single Table Runway Space.....	\$2.00	Unreserved	

No Dealers Allowed

Gates Open @ 6:00 AM for
Sellers Only.

Contact: STEVEN WEINTRAUB
9543 TIMBER RIVER WAY
ELK GROVE, CA. 95624
916-769-3465
swfly@earthlink.net

For detailed directions to field go to:
www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org/airpark.html

Sacramento Area Modelers



JR Schiager Presents:
The 7th Annual
Trashman Classic
WARBIRD RACE
September 22nd and 23rd, 2012

Itinerary for Saturday
Registration Starts at 7:00 a.m. and
Closes at 8:15 a.m. Sharp! *(No Exceptions)*
Worker's meeting – 8:30 a.m.
Pilot's Meeting – 8:45 a.m.
Racing Starts – 9:00 a.m.

There will be 3 heats for each bracket

Itinerary for Sunday
Worker's meeting – 8:00 a.m.
Pilot's Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
Racing Starts – 8:45 a.m.

There will be 2 Heats and Main for each
bracket

All prizes will be awarded Sunday only

Send Payment to:
JR Schiager
1509 Rampart Dr
Roseville, CA 95661
(916) 792-1526
Please make checks
payable to SAM

**CASH PRIZES IN ALL
BRACKETS!**
**NO FREQUENCY
CONFLICTS!**
HARD HATS REQUIRED!
2011 SAM Rules Apply

3 ways to Pre-Register
1. Send in Entry Form and Check
2. Pay Cash to me directly
3. www.Sacramento-rc-flyers.org pay by credit card

Entry Fee: **\$50.00 in Advance**
\$55.00 day of race

*Entry fee must be paid by Saturday 8:15 am, no reduced
entry fee for one day of racing.*

*Entry fee includes the \$10.00 Surcharge Year-End Points for
All brackets*

Registration (one per class)

Please write legible and complete full registration

Name: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Email: _____
AMA #: _____

Plane & Description: _____

Engine Size: _____ Frequency #: _____
Event Choice (circle one):
Bronze Silver Gold

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS' MONTHLY MEETING

The August club meeting will be on Tuesday, the 28th. This meeting will be at the Round Table Pizza at the southwest corner of Madison Ave. and Hazel Ave (8822 Madison Ave.)..

The meeting will start at 7:30 pm. In addition to reports from the various Board members, there will be "show and tell" and a raffle. Plan to attend and keep updated on club activities. Come early and enjoy the \$9.15 buffet.

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY

Put your name and telephone number on your field equipment. Then if you forget and leave it at the field, someone can call you and let you know where it is.

FIELD WORK DAY

Sunday, September 9th

9:00 AM

We will fill cracks in the runway and do general field cleanup

SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST

26	Club BBQ and Funfly
28	Club Meeting, 7:30 PM at Round Table Pizza

Check the website for other scheduled events for SAM and throughout California.

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS
P.O. BOX 292441
Sacramento CA 95829
SAM is on the WEB
www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org

