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SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS
AMA Charter Club #1822

S.A.M.-Antics

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

We are in the doldrums of summer. More sun than there are reasons not to fly so let's take advantage and fly. The news from the site is sparse. I guess that no news is good news. The shade structure extension will happen sometime in the fall. We are waiting for donations and cooler weather.

I would like to take the rest of this month's column to recognize a few of our members that go above and beyond for SAM. Dick Weston is always out doing something for the club. He is the first to show up and get the field set up for our racing events. He then works at the events and does not leave until everything is broken down and put away. During those times between events he is rebuilding the scoring cages or fixing the sprinkler valves. He also built our P51 monument over the snack bar. When he is not doing those "extra" tasks Dick is our membership officer. Next time you see Dick give him a big "Thank You" and then offer to help him do what he is doing.

Our next "Ataboy" goes to Bubbles aka Fluffy aka JR Schiager. He is at every race setting up registration, helping with the matrix and setting up the timing system. During his "normal" times he is the club Vice President and also our Web Master. JR wears many hats and does a great job with them all.

I think we should recognize these members that have taken on more than one job to make our life better at SAM. At the same time maybe you can look at your schedule and consider running for an office at SAM this fall.

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.

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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.

Welcome New and Rejoining Members

Steve Bagley
Claes Harde

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SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT SAM

ADRIAN WONG

In case you don't know Adrian, he is a pattern flier from the Bay Area and he generously supports SAM's pattern events both by participating and by donating items for contest raffles. In recognition of his long time support, SAM has made him an honorary member.

Adrian has now made a generous contribution to SAM's treasury. **From SAM to Adrian, a big thanks!**

Board Meeting May 9, 2012 Perko's Restaurant 6:30 PM

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

John Bigwood started by discussing how he has been trying to contact the owner of the parcel adjacent to the field. This is about the tenant expressing an interest in the cost and ability of the club supplying water to his sheep. Messages have been left but no contact has been made.

DJ Enzminger said he was not able to provide an updated financial report due to paperwork problems with Wells Fargo resulting from the transition of a new treasurer for the club.

Tom Richardi has been responsible for coordinating a club presence at the Ranch Murieta Air Show on May 19th. He stated that after reviewing the announced lineup of performers at the show that he did not anticipate a lot of time being made available for SAM to put on a flying demonstration.

Sergio Varo and others discussed the shade structure being considered as a semi-permanent memorial for Jerry Votaw. At present, a structure that is approximately 20' by 41' is under study. Main items discussed were availability of materials and costs . It was stated that Ollie Merrill has a contact that may donate some used lumber suitable for forms, etc. John Bigwood suggested that any club member having their garage door replaced could donate that to use on the side of the structure.

The lawn mower has transmission problems and is not useable. Rodger will investigate the problem once he can get the mower to his shop.

Vacation schedules were discussed and it became apparent that both the President and the Vice-President will not be in town for the July club meeting. It may be canceled. Club meeting places were also discussed and, for the short term, we will continue to meet at the field.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Tanforan

Club Meeting

Called to order at 7:45 PM, May 22, 2012, at the Round Table Pizza

Board Members Present:

John Bigwood (President), JR Schiager (Vice President), Dick Weston (Membership), Sergio Varo (Field Marshal), Casey Smith (Events Director), Tom Richardi (Publicity), Rodger Cady (Safety Officer), Don Enzminger (Treasurer)

Items discussed:

- Rancho Murieta Air Show was a success. Thank you to the members present.
- Pattern contest went off as planned. SAM needs to revise the pylons so they are easily removable.
- Shade structure extension on hold waiting for donations and weather.
- JR reported that the charity race went well though some of the corporate sponsorship fell through.
- DJ reported on club account balances. Any member wanting details can request them.
- Frank Tanforan has agreed to fill in as Secretary.
- Sergio reported that stones have been removed from the irrigation system.
- Tom Richardi reported on Rancho Murieta Air Show.
- Dick Weston reported that we have 144 members. This is down 10% from last year but still healthy.
- Casey Smith announced that the Pylon Palooza was coming up on June 3. He still needs raffle prizes and workers. He also reported that the Flying Ash Fast Race was coming up in Anderson on June 23rd.
- John Bigwood gave a short presentation on moving up and running gas engines in our aircraft.
- Show and Tell- Jim Smith brought a new set of electric retracts that work for planes up to 11 lbs. He also shared a servo driver used to set up servos during installation.
- Raffle- All prizes from RC Country
 - Lipo charging bag- won by John B. and donated to next race.
 - Plane stand- won by John B. and donated.
 - Fuelling station- won by Steve Brown and donated to race.
 - Hi-Tech charger- won by Jim Smith
 - Hyperion Pack Sentry- won by Tim Sorenson and donated.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:01 pm

Submitted by Tim Sorenson
For Frank Tanforan

May 19th Spring Pattern Contest

The weather gods were certainly smiling on us for the 1 day pattern contest May 19. Gentle breezes, mild temps made for a great day. On Friday, a few guys showed up for practice, however, it was WINDY and not a lot of pattern practice was done. So, overnight, everything turned nice.

This contest was a bit of an experiment to see how simply and quickly we could run a contest. The focus was getting started on time, minimizing a group interaction like a pilot's meeting. For this contest, the pilot's briefing was printed document outlining what would have been covered in the typical briefing. We also did not allow any practice flights before the contest began. The practice flights are typical at contests and take quite a bit of time and delay the beginning of the contest. We had all the flight lines and judging panels set up Friday night so that was also not a reason for delay.

The contest kicked off right on schedule at 8AM with judges and pilots in the ready boxes. We successfully finished 4 rounds by about 2:30 PM when the sun becomes a problem for any of the patterns that have large vertical maneuvers on the south end of the box.

No crashes and radio problems so all went well for everyone. Special thanks for Ron Davies for being the Assistant CD and Gregg Weissenfluh for being a general helper. He and Ron kept the flight lines moving smoothly. Also, thanks to my wife Georgette for running scorekeeping all day. That cost me a very nice dinner at a restaurant of her choice.. ;-)

We had 17 contestants and best news was we had 4 pilots in Sportsman. It was nice to see entry level pattern pilots and the improvement they showed with each round. Below are the results at the end of the contest:

Sportsman

Lawrence Tougas	3000
Mark Alexander	2823*
Fred Light	2727
Peter Vogel	2681

Intermediate

Ron Davies	3000*
Michael Miller	1719*

Advanced

Jon Bruml	3000
Robert Hixon	2457

Masters

Jon (the Sheriff) Carter	3000
Dale Olstinske	2815
Bill Sneed	2770*
Robert Obregon	2753*
Frank 'da Fingers' Capone	2748*
Kevin Sung	2647
Roy Speights	2462*

FAI (P13)

Don Atwood	3000 *
Adrian Wong	2761*

* SAM member

As I previously mentioned, the idea was to keep this contest as simple as possible. So, we did not plan any lunch services and initially told people to bring their own. Frank Capone and Bob Obregon felt it would be a good idea to go ahead and have a BBQ tent to honor Dave Wick, a long time SAM member and fellow pattern flyer. Frank and Bob put together a great BBQ and made food available to pilots and guests. Great job guys, it really made for a nice day. Below is a picture of the Frank and Bob in the Dave Wick Memorial BBQ tent.

...Don Atwood





Fly'n Ash Fast

Warbird Race June 24th 2012



- 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.

• NO FREQUENCY CONFLICTS!

- 2012 NC RC UF Rules Apply

- Name _____
- Address _____
- City/State _____
- Phone # _____
- Email _____
- AMA# _____

Pre- Entry Fee: \$35.00 \$40.00 day of race
Entry fee must be paid by SUNDAY 8:15 am, no reduced. WWW.ashcreekrcflyer.com

Mail to NCRCUF

22468 Venzke Rd Cottonwood, Ca 96022

• Plane & Description:

• _____

• _____

• **Engine Size:** _____

• **Frequency #:** _____

• **Event Choice (circle one):**

- **Bronze Silver Gold**



PRESENTS:

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TRES KAHUNAS CLASSIC

WARBIRD RACE **JULY 22th 2012**

Registration Starts at 7:30 a.m. and

Closes at 8:30 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.

Please be ready to fly at 9:00 a.m.

Breakout Times

Bronze 2:25

Silver 1:55

Gold 1:25

CASH PRIZES IN ALL

BRACKETS.

NO FREQUENCY CONFLICTS!

HARD HATS REQUIRED!

Pre-Register at <http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org/entryforms.html>

Entry Fee: \$25.00 in Advance

Plus \$10 for year end points

Late registration \$40.00 July 24th

Championship awards

Please make checks payable to SAM

Send Payment to:

Kimo Dias

117 Talgarth Ct.

Roseville, CA 95661

(916) 870-0468

2011 SAM Rules Apply

REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Plane & Description: _____

Engine Size: _____ Frequency #: _____

AMA #: _____

Event Choice (circle one):

Bronze ___ Silver ___ Gold ___

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS' MONTHLY MEETING

The June club meeting will be on Tuesday, the 26th. This meeting will be at the Round Table Pizza at the southwest corner of Madison Ave. and Hazel 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.

SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

3	Pylonpalooza Warbird Race at the field
17	Father's Day
24	Warbird Race at Redding
26	Club Meeting, 7:30 PM at Round Table Pizza

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

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JUNE 23 & 24, 2012
WEST COAST IMAC COMPETITION—LODI
HOSTED BY TOKAY RADIO CONTROL MODELERS



- All Classes
- Pilot Raffle Prizes
- Breakfast & Lunch both days
- Beginners Welcome—Help Available
- Freestyle Show to Music Saturday at Noon!
- No Charge for Spectators or Parking
- Free Overnight Camping for Contestants
- Field Open Thursday & Friday for practice
- Many Hotels & Restaurants in the area

For more information about the
West Coast Aerobatic Challenge
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Supporting the sport of
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Tokay RC Modelers is very pleased to announce we are hosting the 1st annual IMAC West Coast Aerobatic Challenge on June 23rd & 24th!

If you are interested in trying IMAC, this is a great opportunity, and you don't need to be a TRCM member to try it. Any of the IMAC pilots will be happy to show you what scale aerobatics competition is all about. And if you don't fly, feel free to come by and visit. You will see some of the countries best pilots and the highest-performing RC aircraft in the world at this event.

Come out on Saturday at noon and watch some of the world's best fliers performing freestyle maneuvers to music! Amazing aerobatics close to the ground!



From I-5 exit West onto Walnut Grove-Thornton Road. Proceed for 5.4 miles. Turn left onto Race Track Road for 1.9 miles.

Hosted by Tokay Radio Control Modelers—Lodi, California
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