



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

S.A.M.-Antics

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

We have made it to 2013. No Mayan catastrophe, no fiscal cliff and unlike the elevators of the world we have stopped at 13. For me personally 2012 was not a good year and I welcome improvement in the coming year.

The last that I heard was that Dick Weston was making a slow but sure recovery from sickness. We all wish him the best and hope to see him soon out flying. The scheduling meeting was held in December and many people have stepped up to CD a Warbird race this year. There are presently 6 races scheduled rather than our usual 4. I hope the participation supports this enthusiasm. In last month's newsletter there was some confusion over the fees that are being collected from the Warbird Races. SAM has always collected 25% of the entry fees from each pilot. Each pilot also pays an additional \$10 to the year-end prize pool. This \$10 is not part of the entry fee thus is not part of the 25% that the club receives. The snack bar used to be run by the club and the profits went to the club. However 4-5 years ago it became too hard for the club to find volunteers to run the snack bar. The snack bar is now run by the Race Coordinators and the profits go toward the race purse. This was not changed. The change that occurred was that SAM now receives \$6.25 per entrant instead of 25% of \$25 (the same number). This allowed the race directors the flexibility of changing Class entry fees while preserving the amount that SAM receives. The long and short of it is that SAM receives \$6.25 per entrant plus an overall \$20 for increased power usage per race. For example if we have 40 entrants SAM receives $40 \times \$6.25 = \$250 + \$20 = \270 . Over and above this the Racers borrowed the money from the club to by the timing system. This is being repaid at a rate of \$2 per entrant. If this is still confusing please e-mail me with any questions.

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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 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.

NEW/RENEWAL MEMBERS

To Be Announced

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

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS P.O.BOX 292441 SACRAMENTO, CA 95829 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2013

Please Pay Dues between January 1 st and January 31 st , 2013	\$90.00
After January 31st	\$100.00
SPOUSE AND JUNIORS	\$10.00

IF YOU PAY BEFORE JANUARY 1st, YOUR CHECK WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE 1ST. YOU MAY MAIL CHECKS TO SAM, OR PUT ENVELOPE IN THE RED DAY USE BOX AT THE FIELD. DICK WESTON WILL GIVE YOU YOUR STICKERS IF HE IS PRESENT. PLEASE GIVE CHANGE OF ADDRESS, E MAIL, OR PHONE NUMBER. THE NEWSLETTER IS SENT BY EMAIL SO MAKE SURE THAT DICK CAN READ IT CORRECTLY.

President's Notes continued

There are many small changes at SAM for 2013. Remember that your dues are due within the month of January. During this month please display you **2013 AMA card** to fly. We will get you your 2013 SAM stickers soon. Please submit one of the renewal slips with your dues. We are trying to update our records with current phone numbers and e-mail addresses. (No twitter accounts). Remember to talk to your friends and remind them that January and February are membership drive months. New members to SAM during these two months receive a \$50 discount on their initiation fees. Also note that the Day Use Fee has been raised to \$10. Club meetings will only be held quarterly in 2013 due to lack of interest in 2012. Our first general meeting will be Sunday March 17 at 3:30 pm at the field. This is after the March Outlaw Race. If the weather is such that the Outlaws do not fly, the club meeting will still be held. If you have any concerns about SAM between the meetings please contact any of the Board members. The SAM Board will still be meeting monthly to carry on the business of the club and we will send you an e-mail if anything major occurs between meetings.

Sacramento Area Modelers is always looking to improve. We have many new members and with them come new ideas both for our field and how the club is run. If you have any ideas please contact any Club Officer or bring them up at a general meeting. Sometimes we get set in the "old" ways and forget the bigger picture. We have several projects that we would like to do in 2013. The runway and pit area needs to be sealed and striped. Does anyone have a contact at a company that does this? If so maybe we could supply some of the labor in exchange for a discounted price. We also need our entry road patched and chip sealed. This could be the same company that does the runway seal.

The **Big News** this month is that I actually flew a plane in 2012!!! I hope to fly many more times in 2013 as the rust breaks off my fingers and sticks. Let's be positive and welcome '13 as a good year.

Be Nice

...John

Board Meeting December 2, 2012 Bigwood Residence 6:30 PM

Board Members Present: John Bigwood, JR Schiager, Frank Tanforan, Sergio Varo, Tom Richardi, Rodger Cady (outgoing), Casey Smith, and Jim Smith (incoming).

A short business meeting was held. The returning members, the re-elected members and the new incoming member of the Board of Directors for the Sacramento Area Modelers met to assign officer positions for the Board. For 2013, the officers will be:

President	John Bigwood
Vice-President	JR Schiager
Secretary	Frank Tanforan
Treasurer	Don Enzminger
Safety	Jim Smith
Publicity	Tom Richardi
Membership	Dick Weston
Field Marshall	Sergio Varo
Events Director	Casey Smith

Everyone present thanked Rodger Cady for his many contributions to the Sacramento Area Modelers.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Tanforan
Secretary

. 2013 EVENTS

April 7	Big Kahuna Warbird Race
April 20	Open House
May 18	Sacramento Spring Pattern Contest
June 23	Pylonpalooza Warbird Race
July 14	Tres Amigos Warbird Race
August 4	Valley of Speed Warbird Race
August 18	Funfly/BBQ
September 21/22	Trashman Classic Warbird Race
October 5	Swap Meet
October 12/13	Bud Garric Pattern Classic Contest
October 27	Two Minute Tango Warbird Race
TBA	SAM Xmas Party
Outlaw Races	every third Sunday of the month. Lunch at noon, then race.

All dates are tentative, pending approval by the Board of Directors.

Sacramento Area Modelers



Come fly with us! Announcing the 2013 SAM's membership drive.

New members signing up by February 28, 2013 will be charged only \$50 for initiation fees in addition to the membership dues. This is a savings of \$50 for any new members that join before this offer expires.



Contact: Dick Weston at (916) 525-1849
or go to <http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org/home.html> .



SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS, INC.
 Charter Number 1823
Academy of Model Aeronautics

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Through the joint effort of many local radio-controlled model airplane fliers, 30 acres of open land has been leased since 1982 from the County of Sacramento for our exclusive use of Model Aircraft, with the right to fly over the remaining 130 acres. The 40 by 400 foot runway and the covered 30 by 260 foot pit area are completed with a beautiful asphalt surface. The address is 11000 Florin Road, one mile east of Excelsior Road, and two miles west of Sunrise Blvd.

There are four types of valid membership available:

OPEN MEMBER: Any member, age 18 or over not listed under one of the below categories. Only open Members have voting privileges. Membership in the AMA is required.
COST: \$100.00 New Member Fee, (payable in \$50 payments in each of first 2 years of membership) First year annual dues are \$90.00.
 First Time Members: Dues will be prorated at a rate of \$8.00 per month after February 28. Dues period is January 31st through January 31st the following year.

FAMILY MEMBER/JUNIOR MEMBER: Spouse of an OPEN MEMBER and/or children under the age of 18. COSTS: Spouse, \$10.00 annual dues, and No New Member Fee. FAMILY MEMBERS OR JUNIOR MEMBERS under 18 years of age. Initiation fee is deferred until member reaches 18 years of age. Annual dues are \$10.00 until member reaches 18 years of age, then the initiation fee is the same as OPEN MEMBER. Dues will not be prorated. No Voting Privileges.

BUSINESS MEMBER: A Member who's Business may pose a conflict of interest with SAM activities. Business members have no voting privileges and may not hold elected Office. Dues and Fees are same as Open member.

Fees are non-refundable. To qualify for Membership, you must have a current Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) card in your possession. Membership in AMA provides both you and the site with liability insurance, which is a requirement of The County of Sacramento and the by-laws of the Sacramento Area Modelers, a "Dispute Resolution Agreement Form" must be submitted with your Membership application.

S.A.M. meetings are held with place, time and posted. A newsletter is E mailed monthly to all current members. Flight instruction and training are available for fliers from beginners to expert.

 CUT OFF AND MAIL TO S.A.M., P.O. BOX 292441, SACRAMENTO, CA. 95829
 Please make checks payable to: Sacramento Area Modelers

NAME _____ DATE OF _____
 BIRTH _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 TELEPHONE _____ AMA NUMBER _____ (must have valid AMA Number before membership is granted.)
 CHECK MEMBERSHIP TYPE: OPEN _____ FAMILY/JUNIOR _____ BUSINESS _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____
 DATE OF APPLICATION _____

For AMA Membership Email (sawmmodelaircraft.org) phone (800) 415 9262
 For Rejoining members that were current prior to the bylaw change of 2005: renewal is \$90.00 dues
 For those members that joined after 2005 and have been inactive for 3 years or more - renewal is \$50.00 plus \$90.00 dues.
 (must be current AMA member)

DISPUTE RESOLUTION AGREEMENT FORM

A. Mediation: All SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS members, event participants, guests, and/or visitors to the SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS facilities or activities agree to mediate any/all disputes or claims arising between them and the SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS BYLAWS, events, or field rules or any other related activity involving the SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS. Its members, event participants, guests, and/or visitors before resorting to arbitration or court action. Mediation fees, if any, shall be divided equally among the parties involved. If, for any dispute or claim to which this paragraph applies, any party commences an action without first attempting to resolve the matter through mediation, or refuses to mediate after a request has been made, then that party shall not be entitled to recover attorney fees, even if they would otherwise be available to that party in any such action. **THIS MEDIATION PROVISION APPLIES WHETHER OR NOT THE ARBITRATION PROVISION IS SIGNED.**

B. Arbitration of Disputes: (1) All SAM Club members, event participants, guests and/or visitors to the SAM Club facilities or activities agree that any dispute or claim in Law or equity arising between them which is not settled through mediation, shall be decided by neutral, binding arbitration, including and subject to paragraph (2) below. The arbitrator shall be a retired judge or justice, or an attorney with at least 5 years experience of CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE experience, unless the parties mutually agree to a different arbitrator, who shall render an award in accordance with substantive California Law. The Parties shall have the right to discovery in accordance with California Code of Civil Procedure, Section 1283.05. In all other aspects, the arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with Title 9 of Part III of the California Code of Civil Procedure. Judgment upon the award of the arbitrator(s) may be entered into any court having jurisdiction. The Federal Arbitration Act shall govern interpretation of this agreement to arbitrate.

(2) EXCLUSIONS FROM MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION: Any matter that is within the jurisdiction of small claims court shall be excluded from mediation and arbitration. The filing of a court action to enable the recording of a notice of pending action, for order of attachment, receivership, injunction, or other provisional remedies, shall not constitute a Waiver of the mediation and arbitration provisions.

"NOTICE BY SIGNING IN THE SPACE BELOW YOU ARE AGREEING TO HAVE ANY DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE "ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES" PROVISIONS DECIDED BY NEUTRAL ARBITRATION AS PROVIDED BY CALIFORNIA LAW AND YOU ARE GIVING UP ANY RIGHTS YOU MIGHT POSSESS TO HAVE THE DISPUTE LITIGATED IN A COURT OR JURY TRIAL. BY SIGNING IN THE SPACE BELOW YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR JUDICIAL RIGHTS TO DISCOVERY AND APPEAL, UNLESS THOSE RIGHTS ARE SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN THE "ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES" PROVISION. IF YOU REFUSE TO SUBMIT TO ARBITRATION AFTER AGREEING TO THIS PROVISION, YOU MAY BE COMPELLED TO ARBITRATE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

YOUR AGREEMENT TO THIS ARBITRATION PROVISION IS VOLUNTARY."

"WE HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE FOREGOING AND AGREE TO SUBMIT DISPUTES ARISING OUT OF THE MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE "ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES" PROVISION TO NEUTRAL ARBITRATION."

Date _____ Signature _____
 Print Full Name _____

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

For 2013, SAM club meetings will be held once a quarter. These meetings will be at the SAM field on a Sunday after the Outlaw races. So, plan to come out to the field on meeting dates, enjoy the races, and stay for the meeting. Better yet, contact Jim Smith about joining the racers and participating! Meeting dates are March 17, June 16, September 15, and November 17. Meeting start time will be approximately 3:30 pm. Meeting reminders will be published in this newsletter, posted on the club's website, and notices placed at the field. See you there.

SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

	No events are scheduled. Visit the field and fly when weather permits.
21	Martin Luther King Holiday

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

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