



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

# S.A.M.-Antics

MARCH 2013

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

The weather has been warm and the field has been full of fliers. Life is good. In the coming month there will be several events at SAM. Our first general meeting will be at the field on March 17 at 3:30 pm. This will be immediately after the Outlaw race. Come out early and watch some informal racing before the meeting. Our general meeting will try and get back to the "old" format with show and tell and a short presentation of building tips. Bring your latest project and add to the show and tell. Everything is welcome even Fuzzy's Flying Bat. On April 7 is our first Warbird Race. See the flyer for specifics. Enter if you are motivated or volunteer to be one of the workers, either way we have fun. Our Open House will be April 20. We will spread the word and invite the public to come view our site. We also have a ground school and offer anyone to fly a trainer aircraft with an instructor pilot. If you have school age children we will have posters to put at the schools.

Thank you to Frank Tanforan for reviewing and editing our Bylaws for the first time since 2005. The Board has one more round of proof-reading before we publish the updated document. All of the changes that have been made to date address technical issues (grammar, headings, etc.) There are no changes to anything of substance. After the Bylaw changes are completed any member that would like to review them can request a copy and we will e-mail it to you. If you are in the age of Dan Hughes and don't have a computer we will print a few copies.

The next time you are at the field look at the Auger Inn. Thank you Rodger Cady for a great job on the new tile! Also thank you Dick Weston for freshening the paint. We should all try to keep the area a bit cleaner. There seem to be wasps returning already so be careful if you are allergic.

We are still collecting donations for the "Votaw Memorial" extension to our shade structure. I have been at the field every day in the last week and was surprised at the number of times that all of the existing benches have been used and the parking lot filled. It is great that our hobby is showing a renewed interest. I think that as it gets hotter this summer that we will need more shade. All donations are appreciated.

I have been trying to get everyone to put their AMA card on the board and pull a pin even if they are flying 2.4 ghz. I hear the grumbling but this is the only way that we can police and protect ourselves. We are required by the terms of our lease to be members of AMA. Every member should be promoting this policy and leading by example. We all forget sometimes but let's all try and remember more than we forget

*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](mailto: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 27<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to [tank4an@surewest.net](mailto:tank4an@surewest.net). Submittals may be edited for content and length.

### NEW/RENEWAL MEMBERS

Fred Light  
James Vener  
Kevin Klatt  
Nick D'Amico

## **YS PARTS AND SERVICE**

1370 Porter Drive  
Minden, Nevada 89423  
(775) 267-9252 FAX (775) 267-9690  
ysperf@charter.net  
[www.YSPartsandService.com](http://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**

**R/C Country's  
SWAP MEET**

**Saturday  
April 27th**  
**In the Parking Lot**

The swap meet is open to anyone buying or selling (non-commercial). Be sure to get here early to get a spot.

Due to the event there is no parking in the parking lot, however, there is additional parking at the school a block west of R/C Country.

**Store Opens @ 8:00 am**

**Board Meeting                      February 12, 2013                      Perko's Restaurant                      6:30 PM**

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

Dick Weston reported there are approximately 109 members at this time. There will be more to follow.

DJ presented the financial summary and explained that the "port-a-potty" bill was high because he paid the February bill promptly and is shown as a January expense. Several comments were made about this subject that will not be recorded.

John Bigwood reported that AMA has not sent necessary paperwork for renewal of the club charter. He attributed this to the fact that the club's mailing address has changed and mail forwarding is only valid for 6 months. He will personally call AMA headquarters and pursue the matter

JR mentioned that the lawn at the field had been fertilized and it needs the sprinklers to be running in order to set the fertilizer. However there is at least one break in the irrigation system that prevents this. Sergio said he and Dick Weston had been discussing this and how to address the problem.

Copies of the most recent Event Rules were passed out. They had been provided by past President Steve Brown. Board members were requested to review the rules and think about possible updates. These will be discussed at the next board meeting. John Bigwood stated how these rules and possible updates will also be discussed at the club meeting in March. The major concern appears to be whether or not to leave the pylons erect on non race days. John said he would informally canvas members on a future weekend at the field.

The major part of the meeting was spent discussing updates to the club bylaws. Frank Tanforan went over a list of 14 items one by one and they were either discussed and agreed upon or modified as a result of input from the board. Many were straightforward such as incorporating the new dues date of January 1<sup>st</sup> to January 31<sup>st</sup> , as previously adopted by the board. One item was to make sure that the bylaws stipulated that whatever safety rules, forms, etc. referenced in the bylaws meant the current version of such rules, etc. and that a bylaws revision was not necessary for every change to rules, forms, etc. It was agreed by the board that these bylaws updates and cleanup language were of such a nature that the board could adopt them without going to a full membership vote. Frank was directed to incorporate these revisions into the current bylaws and circulate them via email to the other board members. Their review is solicited and also to make sure that their concurrence is still there. After that, 10 copies of the latest bylaws will be printed, with a distinguishing color cover. John Bigwood will use these copies to answer requests from those club members that do not have computer access. Club members will be advised in the newsletter when the updated bylaws are available and they can request a copy via email attachment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Tanforan  
Secretary

# **SAM FISCAL AUDIT**

**February 25, 2013**

## **Findings**

1. Club balance acceptable.
2. Savings, checking, and CD entry not accurate on monthly statements.
3. January and February 2012 transition:
  - Has missing February statement.
  - Carryover balance not accounted for due to transition of treasurers.
4. Income and expense records very accurate and well kept.

## **Recommend**

1. SAM operations statement should be coordinated with bank statement dates.
2. Administration account should be itemized into major sub categories.

**Reviewed by:** Geiyer A. Anderson and Claus M. Harde

Auditors appreciated the opportunity to review the records. They commend D.J.'s passion for bookkeeping and acknowledge his uncompensated fiduciary responsibility.

# Sacramento Area Modelers



JR Schiager & John Bigwood Presents:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual**

## Big Kahuna Memorial

### WARBIRD RACE

April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013

In Memory of Jerry Votaw



**Itinerary for Sunday**  
 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 and mains for each  
 bracket.

**Send Payment to:**  
 JR Schiager  
 1509 Rampart Dr  
 Roseville, CA 95661  
 (916) 705-7778

Please make checks  
 payable to SAM

**CASH PRIZES IN ALL  
 BRACKETS!**

**NO FREQUENCY  
 CONFLICTS!**

**HARD HATS REQUIRED!**  
 Version 1-1-13 SAM Warbird  
 Rules Apply

**3 ways to Pre-Register**

1. Send in Entry Form and Check
2. Pay Cash to JR directly
3. Call (916)705-7775 to pay with Credit Card

**Bronze Class**  
 Entry Fee: **\$25.00** in Advance  
**\$30.00** day of race  
*Entry fee must be paid by  
 Sunday 8:15 am.*  
*Entry fee includes the \$5.00 Surcharge*

**Silver Class**  
 Entry Fee: **\$35.00** in Advance  
**\$40.00** day of race  
*Entry fee must be paid by  
 Sunday 8:15 am.*  
*Entry fee includes the \$10.00 Surcharge*

**Gold Class**  
 Entry Fee: **\$50.00** in Advance  
**\$55.00** day of race  
*Entry fee must be paid by  
 Sunday 8:15 am.*  
*Entry fee includes the \$15.00 Surcharge*

Race Entries will be limited to the first 50 Entries and **Must show proof of Current AMA**

### Registration (one per class)

*Please write legible and complete full registration*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Plane & Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Engine Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency #: \_\_\_\_\_

Event Choice (circle one):  
 Bronze      Silver      Gold



Annual Open House – Open to the Public

Sacramento Area Modelers



# 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Introduction to Radio Controlled Airplanes Open House



Come Fly Our Airplanes  
Flight Demonstrations  
Flight Simulators  
Radio Control Basics  
Plenty of Shade & Restrooms

Buddy Box Instruction  
Setting Up Your Airplane  
Safety Instruction  
Hands-on Flight Instruction  
Full Service Snack Bar on site

Sat. April 20, 2013  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm  
SAM's air park  
11000 Florin Road  
Entrance at Gene Andal Park  
(Between Excelsior and  
Sunrise)

S.A.M. AirPark  
Sacramento



[www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org](http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org)

## **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.

### **CLUB MEETING**

**Sunday, March 17  
3:30 PM at the field**

## **SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **MARCH**

|    |   |
|----|---|
| 10 | Daylight Saving Time Begins. Spring Forward |
|    |   |
| 17 | Club Meeting at the field, 3:30 pm          |
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Check the website for other scheduled events for SAM and throughout California.

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