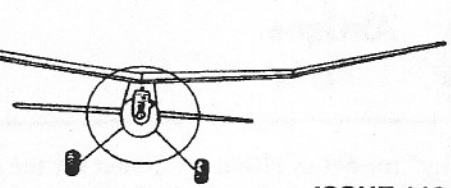




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## PACKED MEETING — NEW MEMBERS

Another packed meeting with 21 signed in on the attendance sheet. This time everyone must have read the newsletter, for they arrived as requested on the 4th Wednesday of the month rather than the 3rd. The next meeting will be the regular 3rd Wednesday, or 20th of May, at the Novato Fire House Training Room.

Two new members attended and joined: **Gunnar Anderson** of Sonoma, long time modeler, pilot, and famous artist. He is also a competition glider pilot. **David Dann** of San Anselmo, member of Marin R/C, and avid modeler. Welcome, gentlemen. We hope you will soon take part in our current 1/2 A Texaco Scale club project and join us to some of the many competitions and fun flies during 1992. **Dale Bowers** of SAM 00 and **Al Mortensen** of SAM 58 (NY) both rejoined the fold of fun loving SAM 27 ranks. We now have 44 active members, the most we have had in our nearly 20 year history!

**Don Bekins** updated us on the May 2-3 Fun Fly at Browns Valley near Marysville. The field will be full of wildflowers and the weather gorgeous, and the grass high enough so our new 1/2 A Scale models will have soft landings. Thanks to **Speed Hughes** and SAM 30 for hosting us.

**NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY MAY 20TH AT THE FIRE HOUSE, NOVATO. DON'T MISS IT!**

## DOPE AND THINNER STILL AVAILABLE

**Remo Galeazzi** still has some dope and thinner left at extremely attractive prices — lie \$11/gal for nitrate and \$13/gal for butyrate dope. **Gargan** reports that this dope is very high quality, fills well and brushes well. Contact Remo if you want to participate in this good deal.

**Bill Gargan** reported that the Wine Country R/C Club now has a flying site at a covered over county dump site near Healdsburg. It was 5 years in the making and getting approvals. Congratulations!

**Prez Brian Ramsey** advised that he has connection at the new Aviation Museum, Oakland Airport. He will try to arrange a SAM 27 visit with private guided tour for a future meeting or field trip. Brian said that although the museum collection is still in progress, a visit now is well worthwhile.

**Don Bekins** made a plea for stories and photos for our newsletter, *Antique Flyer*, and possibly *SAM Speaks*. Here is your chance for everlasting fame and scribed memories for posterity.

**Ray McGowan** advised that **Jerry Rocha's** plans for the May 9th O/T Rubber Contest at our Lakeville flying site are well along. Our portion of that field should be mowed and the road cut in by that date. **Ed Hamler** reports that the ground is now pretty much dried out so things are go SAM 27's first rubber meet. That's OK guys, you can bring other smelly, noisy old gas models too if you want to.

All this talk of rubber models got **Bill Gargan** to suggest that our next club project be a Pacific Ace 30" rubber event. **Tom Brennan** has plans and kits are available. More details at next meeting.

Rubber modelers, **Earl Hoffman** and **Tom Brennan**, extended an invitation to visit one of the monthly indoor meets held at the St. Vincent School near Marinwood just off Hiway 101. In addition to indoor stick, they fly Peanuts, Pistachios and even indoor electric. Earl is presently leading a World Indoor Postal meet with 5 min 39 sec flight on a 7" indoor rubber model. Phone Tom at (707) 938-2893 for details. Check indoor flying some Sunday — you might get hooked!

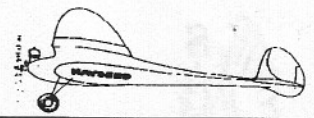


Sanford photo

*Earl Hoffman launches his new "Gollywock" on its first flight. Jerry Rocha stands by for the big chase.*

**RAY MCGOWAN FEATURED SPEAKER**  
**Kits Do Differ Today From Original Design**

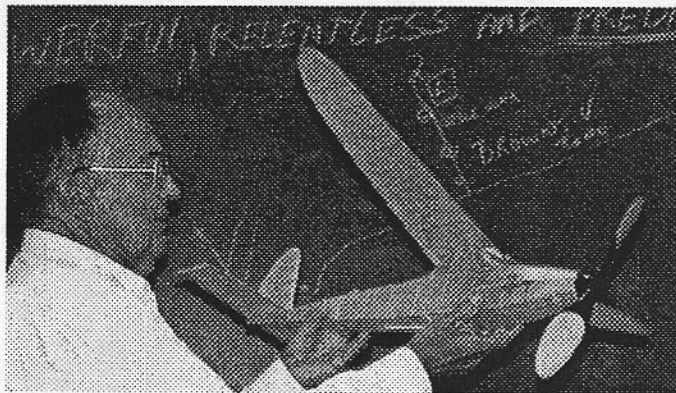
How does the kit you bought differ from the original design? Ray used two versions of the well known



"Sparky" model as kitted by Comet for the past many, many years. In fact, Sparky is the most popular model it of all time. It has been in continuous production since 1941. Ray displayed two Sparkies he built especial for the meeting as a demonstration. One was from a 1992 Comet kit and the other was from the original 1940 Ed Lidgard design (from the 5/81 Model Builder plans). Many factors are considered when kitting a model design. The factors include cost of kit production, ease of construction, buyer appeal, etc.

The following table discloses the differences between the 1992 kit and the original design:

Component	Orig. Des.	Kit
Wing	Undercamber	Flat bottom
	Built-up ribs	Sheet ribs
Stab	Internal 1/2 ribs	No int. ribs
	Lifting	Lifting
	Built-up ribs	Sheet ribs
Rudder	Droop tips	No droop
	Camber one side	Symmetrical
Landing gear	Retractable pogo stick for ROG with droop stab tips for 3 pt. suppt.	Wire fixed gear & wheels
	Carved folder	Plastic P-30 type
Prop	Internal rigging	None
Dethermaizer	No down or side but wing thicker in 4 bays on RH side with asymmetrical rudder for RT - power	Down & side thrust as req. with rudder adj.
Trim	Lft - glide	

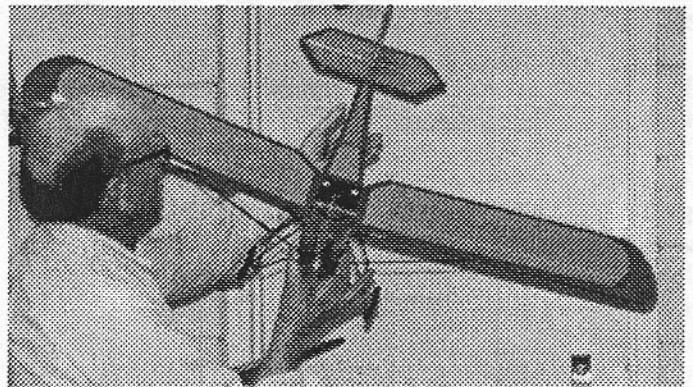


Ray McGowan with original design "Sparky", subject of our great program.

Although more difficult to build, the original design would be more competitive but the kitted model would have a wider popular appeal. Both models will have their first flights at the Brown's Valley Fun Fly. Thanks Ray for a very interesting presentation.

SHOW & TELL

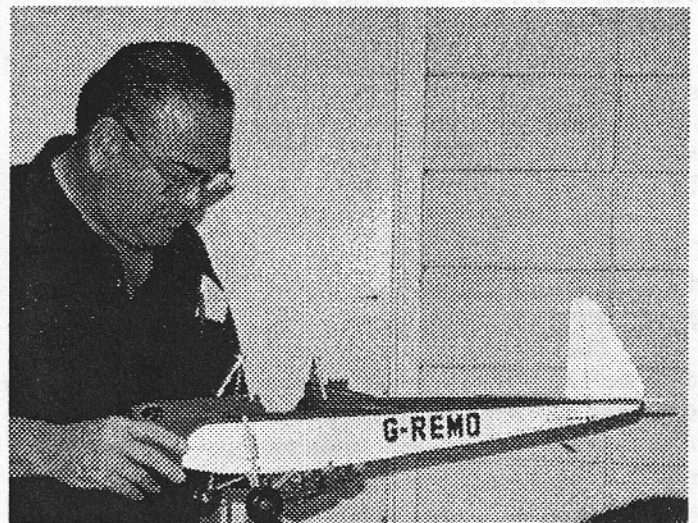
John Carlson showed a completed "Topper" which he had brought just framed to a 1991 meeting. The model has yet to fly. Also, he brought his completed 1/2 A Scale Texaco "Anzani Longster" with its two dummy cylinders exactly matching the real Cox .049 engine. Very realistic! First flights to be at Brown's Valley.



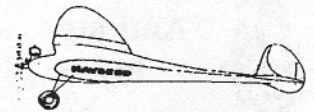
John Carlson has his "Topper" ready for the Brown's Valley Fun Fly

Ron Keil showed a 5 cylinder radial glow engine imported by Cannon R/C. He intends to use it in a Waco biplane. Ron also had a rare 1947 2.4 cc long stroke Mills diesel from England. A fuel shut off in the intake may be operated by a timer or servo.

Remo Galeazzi brought in his completed fuselage of the 1/2 A Texaco Scale "Lutens Minor". He described the unfortunate results of spraying a final coat of Aero



Remo has had some trouble finishing his "Luten Minor" due use of Aero Gloss dope. He had to recover the wing.



Gloss on the wing. Several others reported on similar disappointed results with this product. Remo has not decided how he will finish the wing, but he will have it at Brown's Valley. He also passed around some 1939 photos he had of him and his buddy with a "Zipper" and "Mercury" models. Remo's friend had them in an album and he was not even aware of their existence until recently.

John Hlebcar displayed his completed 1/2 A Texaco Scale "Monocoupe" silk covered, yellow with black trim — large with a 350 sq.in. wing. Beautiful work. He also had a 32" Korda "Victory" rubber model which had a couple of first tentative flights at our Lakeville flying site that same day.



*John Hlebcar is not only a great model builder, but a superb photographer as well. Many of the photos in this newsletter were taken by John.*

Brian Ramsey showed the progress on his framed Stearman biplane and shared his frustrations with alignment of the upper and lower wings along with the cabane construction. One or two members shed at least one tear of understanding for Brian.

Don Bekins had a sample of the a 1991 SAM Champs Silver Anniversary Pin which will be offered FREE to all those who participated in the Champs at Jean. Details on how to get your pin will appear in the next issue of SAM Speaks which will be going to press within a week.

Rocco Ferrario told of a well received presentation he had made at the recent meeting of educators in which he discussed the modeling program he has sponsored at the Napa Redwood Middle School (see issue #104 of SAM Speaks). As a part of that program he and his wife have produced and sold over 350 kits for the "Sioux-Z-Q", a beginner's rubber, all balsa, 18" span stick model. Rocco donated 3 kits for the evening's raffle prizes. Thanks, Rocco.

Tom Brennan showed a brand new Denny Allen (England) 0.2 cc (yes, 0.2 cc!) diesel which swings a 6-2 prop at 13k RPM. (Costly — about \$120). Tom passed the engine around the engine with a request that no one touch the compression adjustment screw in which he had invested about 3 hours of adjustment time.

**RAFFLE**

<u>Prizes</u>	<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Winner</u>
Sioux-Z-Q kits	Rocco Ferrario	John Carlson Nick Sanford Remo Galeazzi
Balsa	Don Bekins	Gunnar Anderson
Balsa	Ed Hamler	Ron Keil
Coverite Thermometer	Tom Brennan	Brian Ramsey

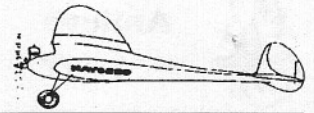


Our fun fly weekend at Brown's Valley on EAA pilot, Ed Popejoy's grass airstrip, is now history. Everyone had a fabulous time! The weather was hot with little or no wind. The green grass and wildflowers were two or three feet high on either side of the runway, acting as a cushion for those scale 1/2 A's that decided to spiral in. All of our scale project models flew and almost all came home with no damage whatsoever, despite landings in a creek, trees and brambles. Speed Hughes' barbeque and Ed Popejoy's pancake breakfast were highlights of a perfect weekend, now dubbed the "1st Annual Brown's Valley Bash". The pictures tell the story.

Tom Brennan has us all interested in a little competition with 30" Pacific Ace rubber models. Bill Gargan graciously accepted the assignment to spearhead this new SAM 27 project. Thanks Bill. We look forward to getting the info on plans or kits.

**RAFFLE RESULTS!** It is now May 4th and the SAM 27 radio raffle is history. The lucky winner was John Hlebcar!! It was a good luck/bad luck day for John on Sunday. He was attempting a flight of his neat silk covered yellow & black 1/2 A "Monocoupe" when he received a badly sliced hand from the spinning plastic prop. We held the raffle before he left for the hospital (five stitches, but OK). Winning brightened his day considerably. In addition, his new model flew flawlessly!

See you at the next meeting, May 20th at the Novato Fire Station.  
Brian Ramsey



Don Bekins photo

**Bill Gargan helps veteran Earl Hoffman with his almost antique Wakefield at Taft during the SAM 26 Annual**



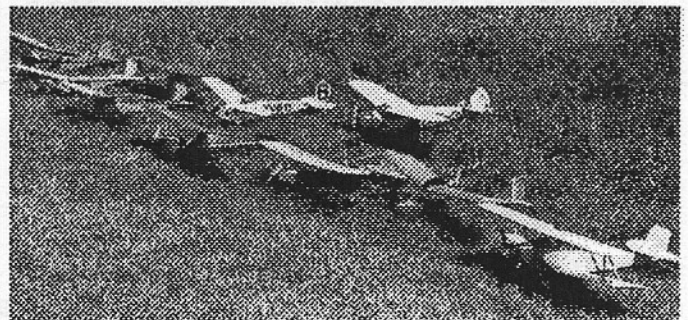
Don Bekins photo

"I found it over there", says Jerry Rocha, happy to have located his "Avro" after hours of searching the night before and in the morning. Jerry took his eyes off the model briefly during his 1/2 A Scale Texaco flight and lost sight of it in the haze.

**SAM 49 Spring Annual at Taft**

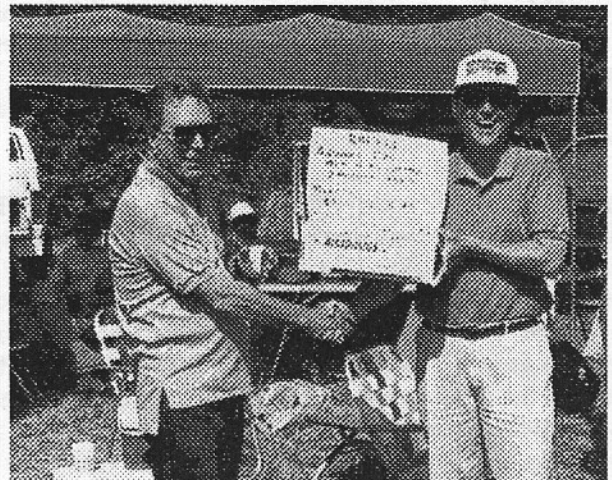
by Ed Hamler

Taft was hot, dry, and hazy both days. Only clouds were high cirrus. Easy to lose sight of small models at altitude. Ned Nevels and yours truly were the sole reps from SAM 27. Turnout was light by 49er standards, about 25 contestants, but it was good to see Dick Bringgold, Toby Blizzard, and Ken Meyers, all making the trek from Arizona. The competition was excellent and the rapid cycles of thermals and downers in the hazy air made for uncertainty on every flight. On Saturday, Ned's Bomber/Ohlsson 60 was 4th in Texaco and my Quaker was almost lost on its second 1/2A flight. On Sunday, Ned, competing in his first flyoff, did a great job of working low level lift with his Bomber to post a 9:05 and finish just 8 seconds out of first place after watching both McLaughlin's Playboy/Edco and Fisher's Sailplane/Orwick combos climb to much higher altitudes during their engine runs. Final results for all events look like this:

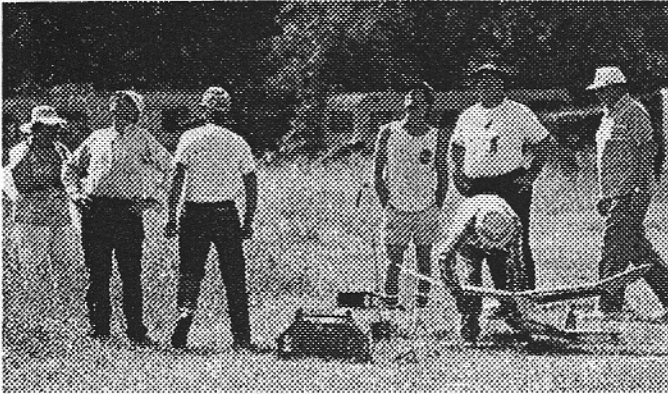
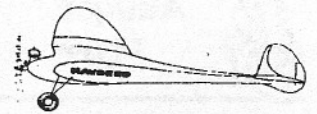


Ten 1/2 Scale Texaco models showed up at Browns Valley fun fly.

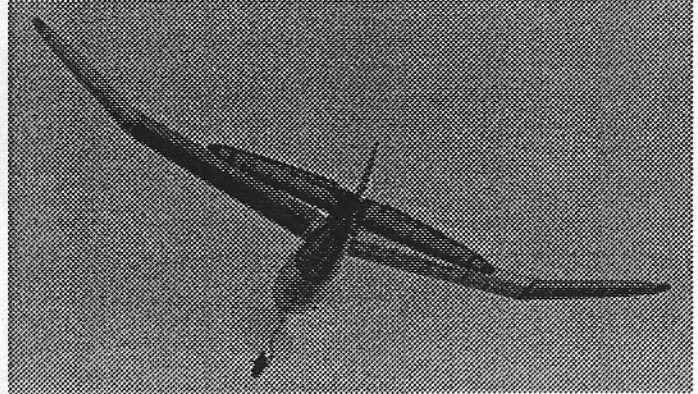
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Antique 1. Ed Hamler 2. Bob Angel 3. Tom Empey	Pure Antique 1. Dale Tower 2. Bob Holman 3. Don Bishop	Electric Texaco 1. Roland Bouchet 2. Bob Boies 3. Jack Albrecht	Ohlsson 23 No Entries!
A Ignition 1. Eut Tileston 2. Tom Empey	B Ignition 1. Tom Empey 2. Mike Monahans 3. Mike McLaughlin	C Ignition (flyoff) 1. Mike McLaughlin 2. Ned Nevels 3. Dick Fisher	A/B Glow 1. Eut Tileston 2. Ed Hamler 3. Tom Empey
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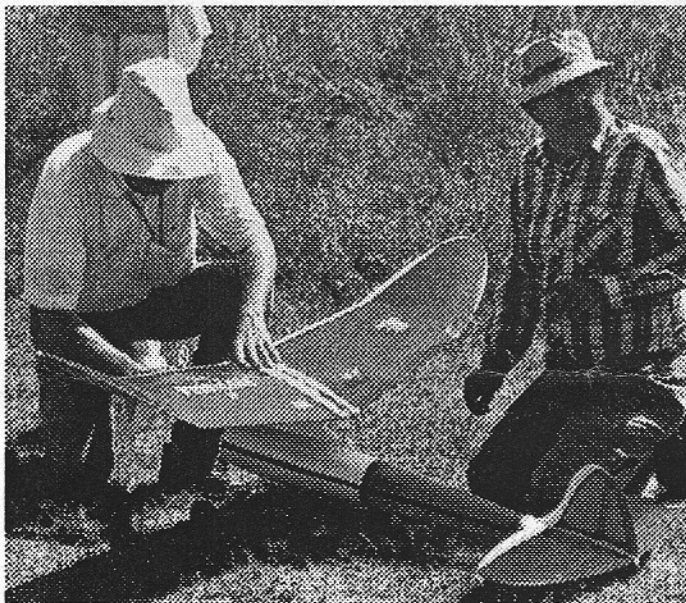
Grand Raffle Prize, Airtronics Micro 4 ch. FM set, presented to a happy John Hlebcar, by Prez, Brian Ramsey.



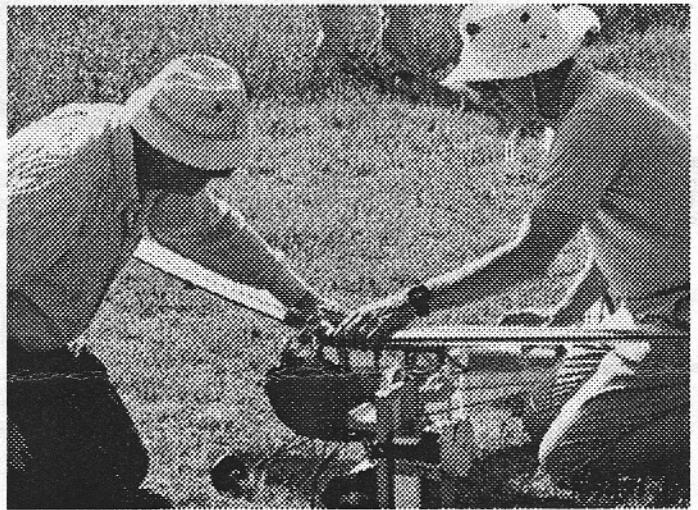
Browns Valley scene as Ray McGowan preps his resurrected Cyke pwered "Hurricane" for its first flight in 50 years.



"Hurricane" off into the wild blue yonder, flown by Ray's son.

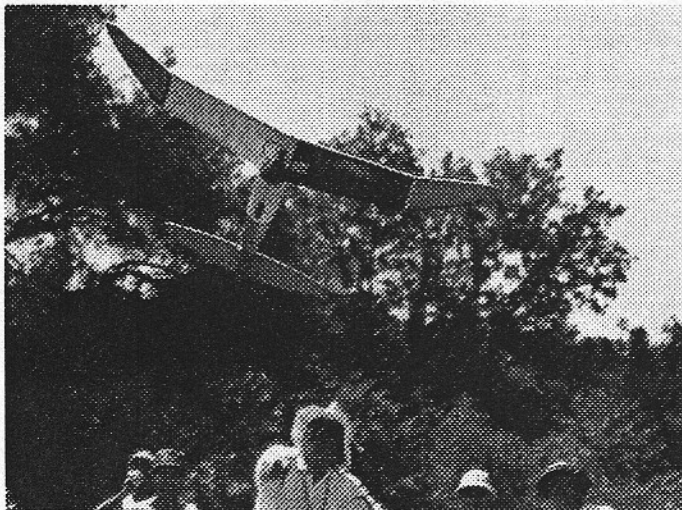


A nervous Ray helps as Ed Hamler starts the Cyke for 1st flight



Jonh Calrson prepares his new OS 4 cyc. powered "Scorpion" for its first flight at Browns Valley. A terrific sport flyer, gentle and pretty.

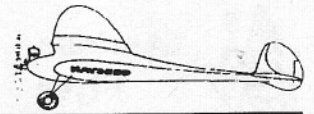
Don B



Spectacular Launch of the Gurrricane by Ed Hamler



John Hlebcar exhibiting great satisfaction after a nearly perfect first flight of his beautiful silk covered "Moncoupe". John, a new R/C pilot, got some stick time on Ed Hamler's "B" Bomber, flying and successfully landing twice. Then Don Bekins did the first test flights on the "Moncoupe" and John flew it for a while as the model was being trimmed for hands-off flight.



*Would you be associated with this motley group? Equal numbers of SAM 27 and SAM 30 members join for a bull session in the shade while giving those hardy souls who were flying a hard time. Jim Kyncy, member of both clubs, never stopped talking (telling jokes) the whole time. He even flew models (McCoy powered Anderson pylon and a "way-stand-off-scale" Fairchild 22). If you feel you want to join this august crowd, the application is below.*

### SAM 27 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Wife's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Occupation:

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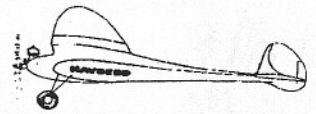
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What kind of building/flying would you like to do in the future? SAM 27 dues are \$12 per year and are due on each January 1st. Meeting are generally scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of each month and are located at the training room of the Novato Fire Department on Atherton Road, 3/4 of a mile north of the Renaissance Fair Grounds.

Signature:

Date:



# HEY IT'S TIME

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\*\*\*\*SATURDAY and SUNDAY, JUNE 13th and 14th, 1992\*\*\*\*  
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ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 PER EVENT, \$20.00 MAX.  
PRIZES: MERCHANDISE

### \*\*\*\*\*SCHEDULE OF EVENTS\*\*\*\*\*

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 13th

- ★ TEXACO — 30 Min. Max.
- ★ L.E.R. CLASS A (Combined Glow/Ignition)
- ★ L.E.R. CLASS B (Combined Glow/Ignition)
- ★ OHLSSON SIDE PORT

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 14th

- ★ ½ A TEXACO (Scale OK)
- ★ ANTIQUE
- ★ L.E.R. CLASS C (Combined Glow/Ignition)
- ★ L.E.R. ELECTRIC

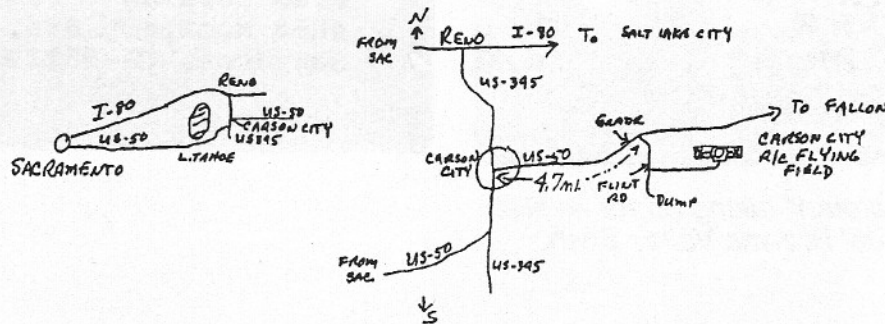
- ★ CURRENT S.A.M. AND EVENT RULES APPLY.
- ★ PILOTS MEETING EACH MORNING AT 08:30. FLYING STARTS IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER.
- ★ LAST FLIGHT MUST BEGIN BY 5 PM SAT. and 3 PM SUN.

SWAP SHOP EACH DAY AT NOON. BRING YOUR OWN TABLE SET UP.

RV PARKING AVAILABLE - NO HOOK UPS.

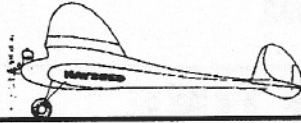
GOLD STICKER TX REQUIRED. DUAL CONVERSION RX OR EQUIVALENT RECOMMENDED. 50 CHANNEL FREQUENCY CONTROL AVAILABLE.

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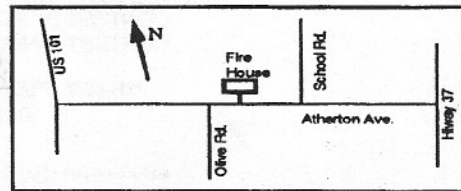
Due to increasing cost of publication and mailing, the Associate Member category has been dropped.

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**MEETINGS**

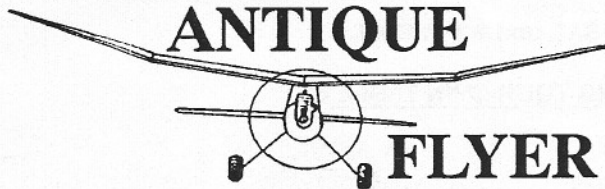
Membership meetings generally are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the Novato Fire Department, Training Room, on Atherton Ave. at 7:30 P.M.

**NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY MAY 20TH. PLEASE NOTE, THIS IS THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF MAY!**

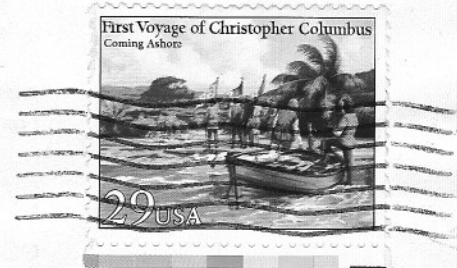


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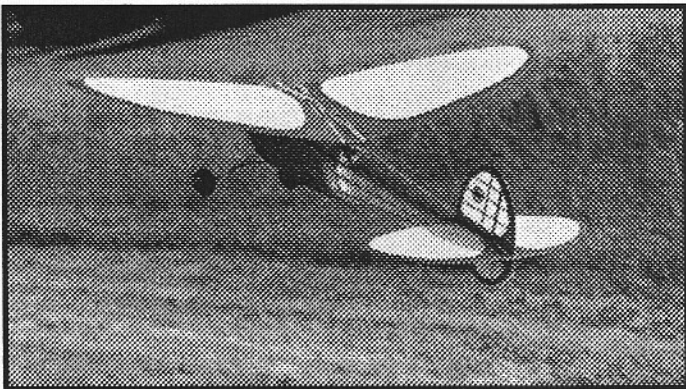


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John Carlson's "Scorpion" taking off for its first flight at the 1st Annual Browns Valley Bash.