

AMA CHAPTER #108

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November Chapter Meeting

By John Carlson

Maybe it was the early darkness resulting from the recent change to standard time that kept a number of the usuals away. producing only 14 attendees. The sparse attendance, however, did not prevent a lively meeting which did not break up until after 10 PM. There were no visitors and Scott Seronello was the only Jr. O/T representative. We did however have one delightful surprise in that Brian Ramsey brought Member Janina Robinson who was down visiting from British Columbia. Janina intends to remain a member and hopes, someday, to come back down to the Bay Area more or less permanently. She reported, sadly, of the demise of her Peanut Citabria which got accidentally crunched during her move. Great to see you Janina and hope you return soon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Re SAMSPAN - Another 25 ft. has been sold and we still have over 100 ft. left. John Carlson has about exhausted his supply of cardboard tubes, so if you want yours rolled, bring a tube. Also, it would be appreciated if anyone with a surplus of tubes bring a few to the next meeting.

EAA Calendars - The 1996 EAA calendars had been received and were delivered to those who had placed orders. Because the minimum order was 12 we had 2 left over. These will be used as raffle prizes.

Prez Rod Persons reported that the December issue of Model Aviation included an article on the recent National Indoor Meet at the Kibbee Dome in Idaho and, Lo & Behold, there are two pictures of our Earl Hoffman and a couple of paragraphs giving tribute to his indoor expertise and to the several event places won by him and his models. Nice going Earl!

JR O/T REPORT

Scott Seronello advised that the Jr. activity slowdown continues but he has hopes that things will pick up next year after the holidays and when Rocco Ferrario's busy schedule allows him to move things along. Scott did report briefly as to what some of the Jr's were doing. Brian Cassavre has become heavily involved with sports. Sean Crowley's project in his drafting class is the plan of a 1/2 A Texaco Scale AVRO, using input from Ed Hamler and Jerry Rocha. Sean is adjusting size to hopefully improve performance over that of the highly successful AVRO's built by Ed and Jerry. James Terry is busy with music at this time but hopes to get back into modeling next year. Scott has construction underway on a couple of Anderson Pylon models, one is 1/2 A and the other will be Ohlsson 23 powered.

<u>Prez Rod</u> asked for suggestions regarding the use of the money collected in the Silent Auction and that expected from the Citabria Pro raffle and which is earmarked for the Jr. O/T Program. Suggestions included:

- 1. Provide materials required for the next model following an individual's completion of the model in the prior step.
- 2. Recruit Jr's (as well as adults) at Mall Shows. Prez Rod advised that several of the Santa Rosa R/C Clubs periodically exhibit at the Coddingtown Mall and would probably welcome the inclusion of a SAM 27 table. Rod will check with Dave Higgins at Hangar One.
- 3. Contact Boy Scout Troops to offer SAM 27 members to serve as mentors and to supply materials to Scouts working toward an Aviation Merit badge. The 4H Clubs and school Science Teachers might also be contacted in this regard.

This subject will be further discussed in future meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

O&R T-Shirts and Decals Ed Hamler sold

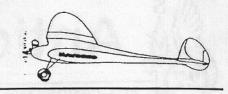
4 more T-shirts at the recent meet at Waegell Field. As reported last meeting. we are completely out of the O&R decals which we had been selling for \$2 ea.. John Carlson reported that he had contacted the previous supplier and was advised they still have the original art work and could resupply at \$.78 each. minimum of 500 for a total of \$390. Our previous order of 500 @ \$.58 ea. was made in 1987. There was some reluctance expressed at tying up this much money for such a long time. It was suggested we offer other SAM Chapters blocks of 100 decals for \$100 for their resale. A boxed advertisement making this offer appears elsewhere herein. A number of other SAM chapters receive this newsletter in a reciprocity arrangement.

Technical Presentations Rod advised that at the December or January meetings Jerry Rocha will make a presentation on the modification of Tomy toys to make DT and fuel cut-off timers. Also future meetings will include presentations on propeller carving and jigs by Roger Gregory and on the construction of indoor models by Earl Hoffman.

CollectAIR Carpool arrangements were made for the field trip to Steve Remington's CollectAIR Art Gallery and Museum on 11/18 at Reid-Hillview airport. About 10 made the trip and were very impressed with Steve's collection of WW 2 recognition models, kits, books, magazines, models, engines, plans, aviation art prints. etc. & etc., all artfully displayed, labeled and captioned. A genuine labor of love on Steve's part. The group thanks you for hosting us. Steve advised that planning for a Hiller Helicopter Museum is in progress for the San Carlos Airport. A substantial collection of material already exists and is being added to. There are hopes of obtaining items formerly exhibited at the National Air & Space Museum. Steve will keep us posted as to progress.

Antique Flyer The subject of getting more material to Wes Funk for publication

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in the newsletter was further discussed. It was pointed out that there is frequently good interesting material in other club's newsletters but no one was sure how many of these were available to Wes. Rod agreed to contact Don Bekins in this regard to see whether any action should be taken. Again, anyone who can prepare, or has, suitable material should send copies to Wes for possible publication.

Zipper Model - 1996 C&B Raffle Prize The Don Parmenter Torp 29 powered Zipper model that John Hlebcar offered to sell for a C&B raffle prize had been flown previously by Don Bekins at the recent John Pond Commemorative Meet. Don flew it again at the 11/5 NCFFC meet at Waegell Field and made 3 maxes, a tie with Eut Tileston. There was no flyoff, but Don and the Zipper won the coin toss and the event. It was agreed that, with such demonstrated prize winning performance. the model would make a very attractive prize and accordingly it was voted to buy the model and radio for \$275. (John had \$350 invested). Don had made some improvements to the ignition system and will be reimbursed for his costs.

Club Name John Hlebcar showed an inprogress drawing of the Gray Eagle name
and logo he had suggested for
consideration at the last meeting. There
was some question as to how this would
relate to the O&R inspired SAM 27 logo
now being used. It was agreed that further
discussion would be postponed until more
members were present, especially those
more familiar with earlier traditions.

<u>C&B Ladies</u> Rod had been looking for some suitable gift to show the Club's appreciation of the efforts of several of the ladies who helped make the event such a success. He will present potted flower plants at the Xmas Party or some other opportune time.

<u>Christmas Party</u> Final arrangements were discussed. A report of this December 3 event will be made in the next A-F.

NEXT MEETING

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NEW BUSINESS

RaffleMeister Prez Rod asked for a volunteer to take over the entire duties associated with the monthly raffle. Joe Meere offered his services which were gratefully accepted. Joe will be the custodian of the prizes and, in addition to selling tickets, will keep track of donors and winners, and will select and purchase prizes as necessary. A number of suggestions were made for Joe's consideration. Rod advised that the December Raffle prizes will include the last ACE R/x, an R/C glider kit donated by Bill Vanderbeek and a minitach or multimeter. PLAN TO ATTEND!

<u>Year-End Raffle</u> The year-end raffle will be conducted at the December meeting. The prize will be a complete package to get the winner into electric R/C models. The package consists of:

Book - Entering Electrics by Harry Higley

Kit - Airtronics Eclipse R/C Electric powered Glider

Radio - Futaba FP-4NBL NIB complete with MCR-4A Rx (Integral electric speed control), Tx and two micro servos.

Motor - Master Airscrew 05 geared with 2 folding props

Charger - Hobbico AC/DC Variable Rate

The above were donated to the club by Gene Mathieu's heirs. Ticket stubs from all of the 1995 monthly raffles were saved and these, in addition to those to be sold for the regular raffle at the December meeting, will be eligible for this great year-end prize. MAKE A POINT OF ATTENDING.

<u>Dope and Thinner - Bulk Purchase</u> This subject was raised. We were informed that the source used by Remo Galeazzi a couple of years ago apparently is no longer available. Rod offered to look into other potential sources. Members who may be interested should contact Rod to help determine how much and what should be ordered.

1996 Club Project Prez Rod brought up several subjects to be considered for 1996. First was a model to use in Club meets.

Rod suggested something simple and suitable for both indoor and outdoor use possibly some small rubber design. Also a "Dumbo" award for the dumbest action reported for the year, and a "Thumbs-up" award for some special activity or action. Possible items to award might be a Mickey Mouse or Goofy lunch box for the designated Dumbo and a crystal thumb-up for that category. These would be of the perpetual type passed on to the winner the following year. Bring comments/suggestions next meeting.

SHOW & TELL

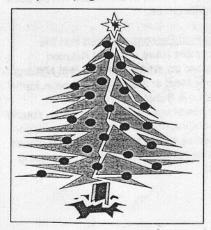
Vanderbeek and a minitach or multimeter.

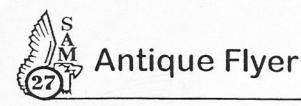
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Model he had picked up at the recent collecto for \$15. It is .020 size and only needs covering and engine, DT and timer installation.

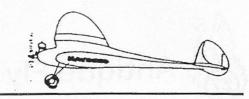
Pete Samuelsen is expanding his horizons and getting into indoor models. With some mentoring from Earl Hoffman, Pete has made a Parlor Plane from an IMS kit. Pete flew the model in the meeting room and with only 700 turns made a couple of minutes of 8' circles, bumping the ceiling for much of the time. Pete test flew the model in his living room. Looks like good rainy day fun.

Scott Seronello brought several items he is currently involved with. One was the partial fuselage framing for one of the 3 Anderson Pylons he is making. Scott reports he has received a lot of help from Ed Hamler and Jerry Rocha. He credits Ed and the Foremost Miter Master for his present ability to make "perfect" joints. Scott also displayed a couple of engines that Jerry is helping with.





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RAFFLE

PRIZE	DONOR	WINNER
Wanderer Kit	Bill Vanderbeek	Ron Keil
Engine Collector's Journal	u	Nick Sanford
A-26 Invader Kit	Joe Meeere	Steve Remington
Tubing Benders	Sam 27	Scott Seronello
Airspan Covering	•	Brian Ramsey
Airtronics Decals		Pete Samulsen
Poten Coupe Kit	Nick Sanford	Pete Samulsen
EAA Calender	SAM 27	Buzz Passerino
Total Collected		\$48.00

SAM 27 was represented by members Bud Romak and Wes Funk at the SCAMPS, BFT Annual held at Lost Hills November 11-12. Each picking up a First Place and a couple of Second Place Awards. The weather was outstanding and getting to visit with old friends made the long trip worthwhile.



Above:

James Terry with his 1/4 A Nostalgia T-Bird at the Sept. 30 contest.

John Hlebcar Photos

Below:

Ray McGowan describes his new Smart Charger, Oct 18 SAM 27 meeting.

NOTICE TO OTHER SAM CHAPTERS O & R DECALS

Several years ago SAM 27 purchased a supply of O&R decals for sale at \$2/sheet to members and to others at meets and Collectos. We are now sold out and are considering a reorder. The minimum order is 500 sheets which SAM 27 feels is more than they wish to commit to at this time. It occurred to us that other Chapters may wish to participate. If sufficient participation is assured, we can make blocks of 50 or 100 sheets available for \$1 per sheet. Each 7" sq. sheet contains six O&R logos in the original red, black and silver colors. The individual logos are in left and right hand pairs. One pair is 4 1/2 " high and the other two pair are 2" in height. Any Chapters interested please write or phone John Carlson not later than Feb. 1, 1956.

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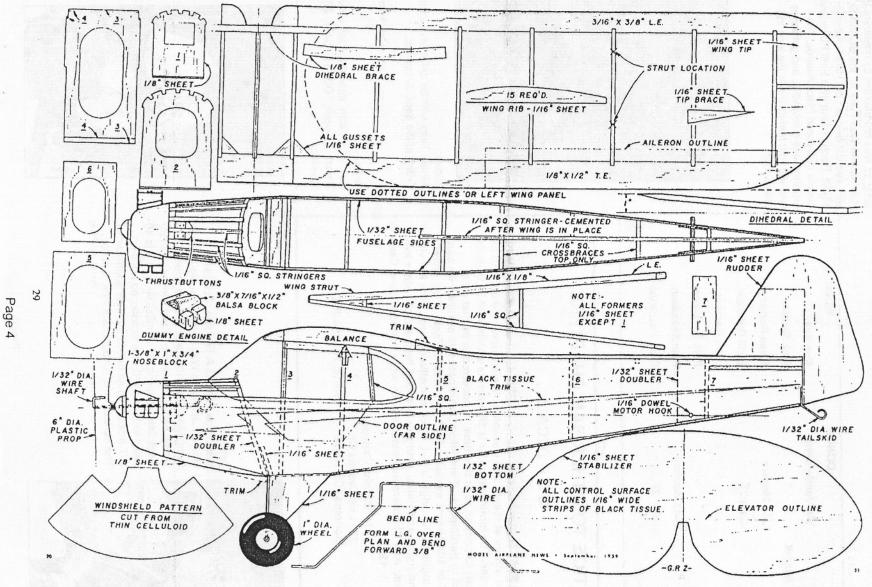
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Left.

Wes Funk with 1/2 A Tornado, October '94 Ron ST. Jean and Wes spent a couple of days flying Models at what could be the greatest Model Flying Site in the World. Nevada's Black Rock Desert averages 15 miles wide and is 40 miles long. No R/C interference, no need for D/T fuses, and no one to trip over control lines. The surface is as smooth as a new highway.

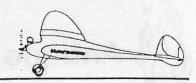




This PiperCub should go together quickly and because of article suggested cutting out the fusclage sides, gluing in formers one through five, then pull the back end of the fuselage together and clamp with a clothes pin. Then slip in formers six and seven and then laying the fuselage over the top view to make sure the sides are lined up properly.



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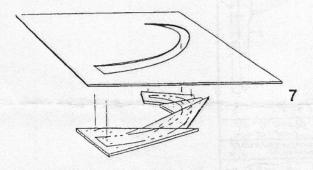


Wing Tips

A WING-DING TIP ON WING TIPS from Ed Lidgard Jim O'Reilly, Contributing Editor At Large

Several years ago I decided to build Ed Lidgard's Eugene II. I wrote him and he suggested that Eugene might be a better flying ship. He offered me the use of his plans and templates. I accepted. What popped out of the mailbox some weeks later was more templates than plans. The only wingtip information in the bunch was a piece of light cardboard with a wingtip-shaped hole in it. Hmm. For years I had been carefully and inaccurately cutting out funny crescent-shaped pieces and gluing them together to form wingtips. Sometimes they even resembled the original intent of the designer. Most times not.

With Lidgard's templates you just glue up some oversize pieces of sheet stock without worrying too much about the exact locations of the joints. Slap on the template and carefully trace around the edges of the hole with a sharp modeling knife ...and Presto...finished tips:



Above tip is from an old issue of the National Free Flight Digest.

Top Right:

Dick O'Brien and Ray McGowan with 1/2 A Texaco Winners and Trophies.

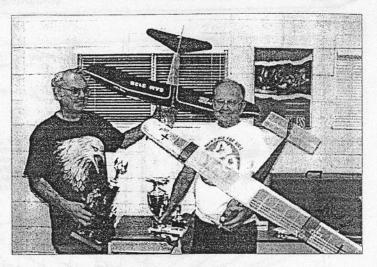
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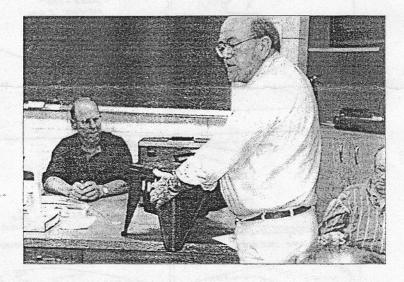
Rick Madden shows off his new field/seat combo.

Lower Right:

Don Bekins with his Westemer.

John Hlebcar Photos-taken Oct 18, SAM 27 meeting

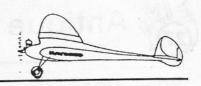


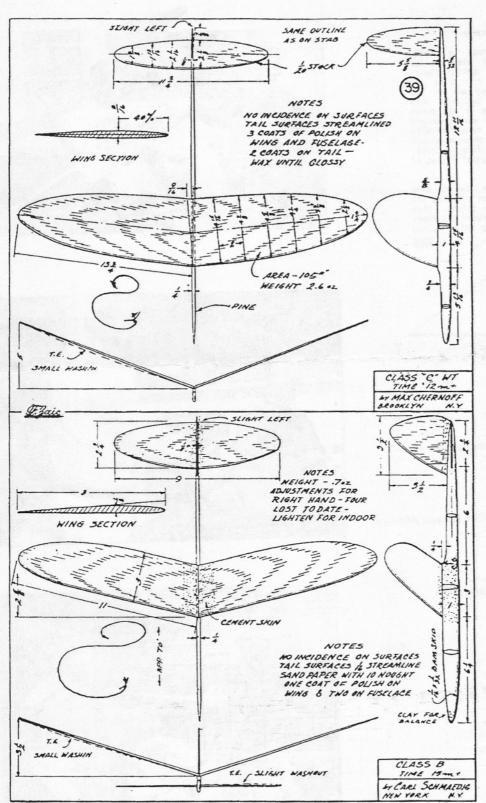






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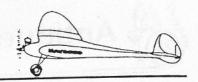


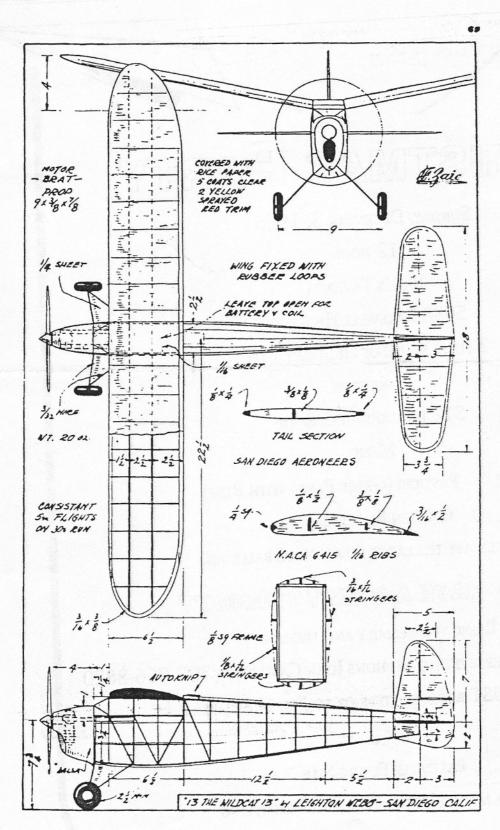
Hand Launch Gliders from the 1935-1936 Zaic Year Book.





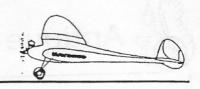
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The Wildcat 13 by Leighton Webb of San Diego, as published in the 1938 Zaic Yearbook.
Class A or small B engine,
Wingspan 45 inches, Area 263

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1995

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2 MILES SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 116

LUNCHEON

\$12 INCLUDING TAX & TIP

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Choice of: ⊚ Pasticio (Greek Pasta with Beef)

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Let's have a great turnout

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Payment MUST be received prior to Fri. November 24

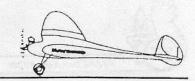
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Anthony Ferraro taking a rest before his turn at show and tell. Oct 18 SAM 27 meeting.

John Hlebcar Photo



Stu Bennett shows his P-30 with wing tilt dethermalizer system. Oct 18 SAM 27 meeting.

John Hlebcar Photo

Dues

Club dues for 1996 are now payable. There's no change, still \$15.00. Please pay at the upcoming meeting or mail to Treasurer, John Carlson

Below:

Tim Eriksen with his Design-As- You-Build R/C Model. Oct 18 SAM 27 meeting.

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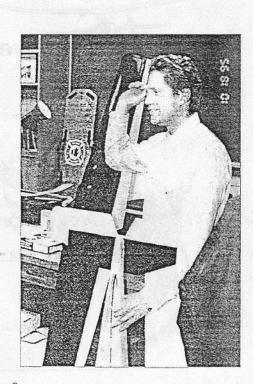
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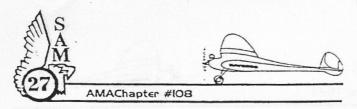
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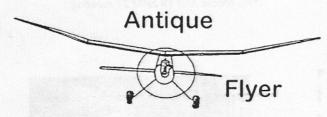
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Merry Christmas

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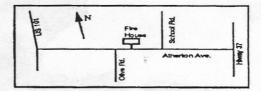
Membership is \$15 for the calendar year. After February, the dues for a new member will be prorated.

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

Send dues to John Carlson, Treasurer. Make checks payable to SAM 27.

Meetings

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



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Next meeting: Wednesday, December 20,1995 7:30 P.M. at the Novato Fire Department Training Room





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