

AMA Chapter #108

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Chapter Meetings

July - August Chapter Meetings

by John Hlebcar

Welcome new member Bob Film and "guest" Loren Schmidt to the August meeting. At the August meeting I announced that I would be cutting back on the content of these meeting notes in an effort not to delay the production of our newsletter, as has been the case in recent months. I see no sense in keeping your editor waiting for my input as I try to pry it out of the background noise of my cassette recorder while my computer is periodically locking up and domestic scheduling keeps getting in the way. We all know where to get SAMSPAN, Tee Shirts, Decals, and other club newsletters. We all know that Steve needs input to keep the newsletter filled with your current or past projects. He can work with e-mail, printed, or typewritten material no handwritten copy please. And don't forget the photographs - both current and from the past. It's your newsletter - support it!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☐ Here's a look into your immediate contest future...

4 Nov SAM 21 MECA Collecto - Campbell Community Center, Campbell, CA
4-5 Nov, SGMA Old Timer FF & RC Contest - Waegell

Field, Sacramento, CA

11-12 Nov, Fall Free Flight Festival - Lost Hills, CA
18-19 Nov, SAM 49 Fall Annual -Condor Field, Taft,

The date for the SAM 27 Christmas Party at Pappa's
Taverna has been set for **Saturday**, **2 December**. We tried for the 3rd but Pappa's has their own agenda every Sunday. More later.

JUNIOR OLDTIMER REPORT

Trevor Shiraishi is our second graduate from the Junior Oldtimer program and was awarded a \$100 check at the July meeting. Congratulations Trevor! Ray McGowan brought in a "Go Easy" kit donated by Jack White to be passed on to the junior membership - Thanks Jack!

TOFFF GUY REPORT

Loren Schmidt was "knighted" into the TOFFFers at the session following the August meeting. The new parking arrangement has worked out for the betterment of all. The 1/2 A postal went well but was nothing spectacular. Ed sent the scores in but did not have them for reporting at

this meeting so you will have to read them elsewhere. Some of us have been going to Pappa's Tavern after TOFFF for lunch and took the opportunity to make an inquiry for this year's Christmas Party.

OLD BUSINESS

SOS Contest - John Carlson. By the time you read this it will all be over. John has sent a report to Steve under separate cover so look elsewhere in the newsletter.

☐ Crash and Bash - Ed Hamler. Also water under the bridge. If you attended you have Ed's report by now. If you didn't, you missed a good one.

☐ Rod Persons reported that the decals are here. They are 60 cents each or three bucks for five.

NEW BUSINESS

Our Honorary Member Rado Cizek from SAM 95 in the Czech Republic sponsored an open postal rubber contest, which was to be flown any day in September. I have not heard if any local SAM 27 members took part. Perhaps we can be notified a little earlier next time.

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

Inadvertently chopped off the end of issue 215 were a few more hints and tips by George Benson. George also passed out copies of the Marin Aero Club Introductory Guideline to Building and Flying Model Airplanes. I passed a copy to Steve for Scrap Box items in the A/F.

We had no presenter for July but Rod Persons showed how he and John Dammuler made rubber motor stuffing tools from aluminum tubing and arrow shafts. He also opened up a discussion on braiding rubber motors. The method shown in chapter ten of book 1, "Rubber Powered Model Airplanes" by Don Ross is as good as any and basically covers what Rod presented.







Ed Hamler answered a request of mine from several years past to see if he could work his spreadsheet magic and construct a Table of Rules for all of the SAM R/C events on one sheet of paper. He finally worked one up and distributed a handout at the August meeting. I think he did a great job and have passed a copy to Steve for inclusion in the Antique Flyer. Have your rulebook in hand when you look it over and I think you will like what you see. Address any questions or comments to Ed for future revisions.

September's Technical Presentation will be by Bob May.

SHOW AND TELL

☐ Also left off the end of Issue 215 were Bill Vanderbeek's Madewell 49 powered Comet Clipper, Fred Terzian's display of several trophies and plaques, some by member Bob Holman, and Ed Hamler's nine-event RC-1 with separate fuselages for glow and ignition. Sorry guys.

☐ For you guys with computers, go to the web and check out www.ifilm.com and play the movie "405" for 2 minutes

of aviation fun - it's a grin.

Ron Keil reports that the SAM 74 club is getting into indoor RC at the Lakeport armory. Check with him if you want to bear witness to this activity as the technology advances almost every day.

☐ Former Junior Oldtimer member Jake Engelskirger came to the July meeting with Rocco and showed some of his Hand launched gliders, one a Bill Vanderbeek design which Bill won the event with in 1963 with 7 minutes, 42 seconds when he was 13.

☐ John Carlson donated his modified Harbor Freight and Tools Skyhawk electric model to the raffle because he was tired of chasing it. The modifications consisted of a thrust adjustment and a button timer. Bob May took it home.

☐ I showed a genuine Jimmie Allen Thunderbolt kit from about 1934 (old as I am) that I picked up at a recent MECA Collecto. The only thing missing as far as I know are the decals - even has the original dried out rubber motor.

☐ Bill Dempsey brought his beautiful Dumas Fieseler 156 Storch to the August meeting. We watched it fly at a subsequent TOFFF session and it did quite well - very scale like flights.

☐ Ed Hamler displayed the restored Texaco trophy which he will ship to Florida for the SAM Champs û very beautiful and lots of famous names on it. It was originally won by Chet Lanzo in the 1940s and donated for the Texaco event later on.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 2nd, 12-4PM. Once again we will meet at Papa's Taverna, 5688 Lakeville Highway, Petaluma to usher in the season in their downstairs ballroom - Please park in the lower parking lot. Your choices for entrees this year are:

BIFTEKI (Ground chuck steak oven baked with special spices and topped with a mushroom sauce or Oven baked lemon herb chicken legs & thighs

The cost remains at \$13.00 per person, which includes food, tax, and gratuity. Meals include Salads (Greek Feta Dressing), Rice Pilaf, Assorted Dinner Rolls and Butter. The club will pay for coffee - all other beverages are "no host". We will have the usual White Elephant Raffle (Participation Optional) and the Regular Raffle of Mostly Non Modeling Items. Please contact John Hlebcar at (707) 252-8482 not later than Monday, November 20th to make your reservation and menu choices.

PLEASE PREDAY- MAKE YOUR DESERVATIONS NOW!

September Meeting

by John Hlebcar

Well... pilot error on my fancy new recorder resulted in "radio silence" when I tried to play back September's tape so we are flying on memory using the agenda as a map...

JUNIOR OLDTIMER REPORT

New member Tim Newman and his dad brought a new ARF glider (Aspire?) to a recent TOFFF session and got a little theory of RC soaring from Andrew Tickle. They were doing quite well until Tim pulled too tight of a turn. Well, one wing stayed with the glider...

TOFFF GUY REPORT

Fred and Barbara Mulholland came west from Tampa, Florida to fly in our 25th Anniversary Crash and Bash. Before they went back home they came out on the following Thursday, joined SAM 27 and flew to earn their TOFFF status. Welcome aboard gang!

NEW BUSINESS

Rod Persons received an offer to purchase one or two free flight models from member Fred Emmert for the end of year raffle. One is a huge Anderson Pylon with Ohlsson 60 included and the other is a Drobshoff Challenger including an Otto Bernhardt OS 15. The Challenger was a second place winner at the SAM Champs at Taft. Photos were passed around at the meeting and the price(s) were right, so those present elected to buy both models. More next month...

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

Bob May displayed almost every engine he ever bought from when he started modeling and certainly every box they came in whether he still had the engines or not. Very impressive collection and a story to go with each one!













Above: Don Bekins performs the induction ritual for the exhaulted order of TOFFF on flyer Barbara Krueger. In the picture below, Don again lays the silver wand of RF on Fred Mulholland. Congratulations!







Does it seem as Don's Bomber is the theme of this page? Bottom left Don assists a launch for Fred - isn't that an idyllic scene for a SAMer? Don makes his usual landing in the scene above at Lakeville. Below: David Baker receives the TOFFF Knighthood and Bottom: Stu Bennett, inductee.

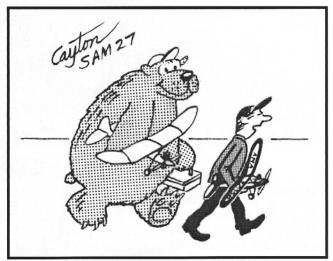




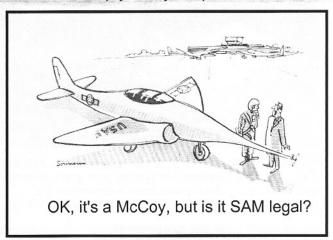




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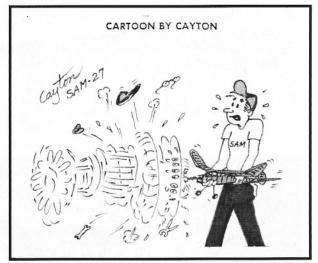


I forgot to tell you John, when you're here at Lakeville, keep your eyes open for bears.

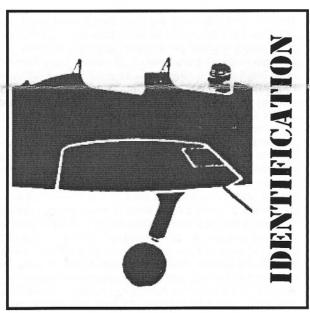


PEANUTS CLASSICS By Charles M. Schulz





Let's try it again with a few less strands of rubber, Rod.



The identification test in the last issue was a Vickers-Armstrong Wellesley II, a rather strange looking beast; here's an easier one - dig out your ID manuals!







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Spirit of SAM Electric Contest 4 Events

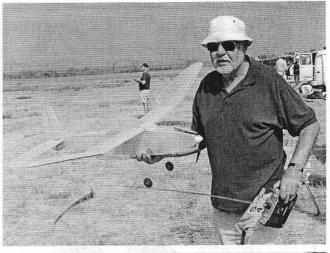
Reported by John Carlson, CD

The four Club Contests, the SOS Event, have now been run with Dick Irwin taking the sweepstakes with a perfect score of 15 points (highest point total of any three entered contests) with his Lanzo Record Breaker. Larry Kramer's Puss Moth came through for a 12 point second followed by Park Abbott with his Record Breaker. John Carlson (JA Skokie) and Andy Tickle (Korda DT) brought up the rear. John's Skokie had a brush problem which tamed his record even though he later did a 11 minute during the 4th contest before the problem returned. Andy handicapped himself by flying in only one contest. Dick's winner has a 342 sq. in. WA, powered by a 7.2 v Speed 400 with a 4:1 gear ratio driving a 11 1/2 x 7 prop; battery is a 6-cell 600AE. Dick had severe fuselage damage in contest 1 but was back in action by contest 2. Larry's Puss Moth is powered by a Speed 400 with a 6:1 gear and 6-500mah cells. Park's effort was the most persistent; not satisfied with his Lanzo Cabin (300 sq. in.) in contest 1, he decided to build a Record Holder after Dick's winner. Same motor with 6-500AR cells, Park managed to fold the wing with resultant total wipeout of the forward fuselage on his third flight. Andy's Korda DT has 450 sq. in. with a Speed 280, 3:1 gear and 6-600mah cells; marginal power but eventually caught low level thermals and hit two 15 min. maxes in contest 3, his only outing. John's Skokie is a 150% (200 sq. in.) powered by a Potensky 3, 4:1 gear and 5-500mah cells. Second flight of contest 1 resulted in a hard landing necessitating repairs. Just before contest 2, he discovered that the speed controller was kaput. Contest 3 was not better for John in that the motor conked out after a few seconds. The trophy hardware was handed out at the October meeting. Congratulations to all the contestants.



"In the long run all solutions are temporary, so go ahead and use duct tape."

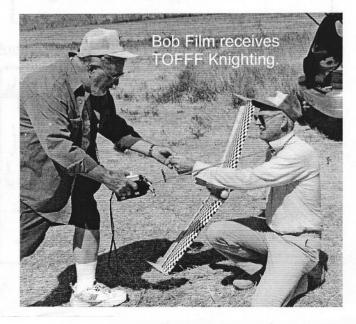
-Garrison Keillor







Top: Park Abbott with his SOS with launch below. Above: Dick Irwin, SOS Sweepstakes Winner, putting in one of his winning flights. John Carlson doing bookwork on the tailgate, and Park Abbott wondering if that airplane will fly.



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SAM R/C North America Rules Summary 1998-1999-2000

Standard Ignition Events	Model	Wing Loading	Power	LER/fuel	Flights	Call attempt	Max	Score
1 Class A Ignition LER	OT	10oz/ft2	OI, CI .000200	35, 28	6 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
2 Class B Ignition LER	OT	10oz/ft2	OI, CI .201300	35, 28	6 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
3 Class C Ignition LER	OT	10oz/ft2	OI, CI .301650	35, 28	6 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
4 Pure Antique ≤ 56s	unscANT	10oz/ft2	Ol	8sec/lb	6 for 3	during run	10 min	total 3
5 Texaco ≤ 28cc	ANT	10oz/ft2	OI or CI	4cc/lb	3 for 2	first 4 mins	unlim	better
Standard Glow Events	Model	Wing Loading	Power	LER/fuel	Flights	Call attempt	Max	Score
6 Class A Glow LER	OT	10oz/ft2	CrS, CD, Schn	23, 23, 18	6 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
7 Class B Glow LER	OT	10oz/ft2	CrS, CD, Schn	23, 23, 18	6 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
8 Class C Glow LER	OT	10oz/ft2	CrS, CD, Schn	23, 23, 18	6 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
9 Antique	ANT	10oz/ft2	any	5,6,7,8sec/#	6 for 3	during run	10 min	total 3
10 Texaco	ANT	10oz/ft2	any	4cc/lb ≤ 28cc	3 for 2	first 4 mins	unlim	better
11 1/2 A Texaco	OT	8oz/ft2	Cox .049 reed	5.1 cc tank	3 for 2	first 4 mins	15 min	total 2
Special Events	Model	Wing Loading	Power	LER/fuel	Flights	Call attempt	Max	Score
12 OT Electric LMR	OT	8oz/ft2	05 DC Motor	90	3 for 2	during run	10 min	total 2
13 OT Electric Texaco	OT	8oz/ft2	05 DC Motor	7-800 mAh	2 for 2	first 2 mins	unlim	better
14 1/2 A Scale Duration	SC	8oz/6oz bipe	Cox .049 reed	5.1 cc tank	3 for 2	first 4 mins	15 min	total 2
15 Ohlsson Sideport	unscANT	10oz/ft2	O&R SP	45	4 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
16 Ohlsson 23	unscOT	10oz/ft2	O&R 23	35, 25(frv)	4 for 3	during run	5 min	total 3
17 Brown Jr. LER	unsc38	none	Brown Jr.	90	3 for 2	during run	unlim	better
18 Brown Jr. Texaco	unsc37	none	Brown Jr.	4cc/lb ≤ 28cc	3 for 2	first 4 mins	unlim	better
19 Small Nostalgia	1943-56	100 oz/in3	.30 glo/d, .35 ign	18,25	5 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
20 Large Nostalgia	1943-56	100 oz/in3	.65 glo/d,1.2 ign	18,25	5 for 3	during run	7 min	total 3
21 OT Glider	y≤1946	none	hi-start or winch	release=start	3	n/a	20 min	precision
22 "Pure/Classic" Texaco	unscANT	10oz/ft2	year ≤ 1942	4cc/lb ≤ 28cc	3 for 2	first 4 mins	unlim	better
23 Class A Texaco	OT	10oz/ft2	.0520 in3	14 cc	3 for 2	first 4 mins	15 min	total 2
24 Spirit of SAM Electric	OT rubber	none	125 gram nicad	unlimited	3 for 2	first 4 mins	15 min	total 2

OT=Old Timer Dec1942, Ant=Antique Dec1938, unsc=unscaled, Ol=original spark ignition engine, CrS=cross scavenged glow.

CI=glow engine converted to spark ignition, CD=CrS glow converted to diesel, Schn=schnuerle or PDP engine.

Glow+Cl powered models ≥ 2250sq.in./cu.in. engine displacement.



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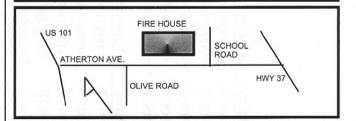
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