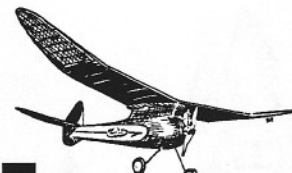




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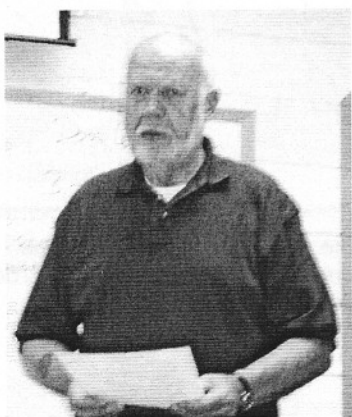
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Chapter Meetings

The March and April meetings have been reported by scribe Loren Kramer and the following is a summary of events. New members Gary Stanton, Jack Perkins, E.J. Silverman and Ed Nelson are welcomed into SAM 27. Rod Persons asked that field safety rules include the requirement for cars to be 100 feet away from launching.

John Hlebcar laid out the club project HLG rules (reported in A-F issue 221) and has come up with a minor addition:



We will use a two-minute max; if 3 maxs, continue to fly and the other 6 flight times will be used to determine each month's winner. All 9 flight times should be submitted.

Park Abbott, VP, shown at left, conducted the April meeting.

Show and Tell at meetings included some excellent models. Bill Vanderbeek showed

his "The Spirit" by Jerry Stoloff kitted by Consolidated; Bill first built this when he was 13. His dad was going to build the radio - didn't happen and the model never flew. Now, Bill gave the model to his dad for Christmas and they're going to fly it together. Astro 15 powered. (see A-F 221). Loren Kramer displayed his Lanzo Classic SOS, a Bob Holman kit converted to RC, 280 powered, 13 oz. Bill Vanderbeek showed a TD .049 Ramrod/Spacer (see photo p.3), designed by Vic Cunningham in 1959 and holds 9 records. Bill also brought a SAMspan covered Moffett with an eastern bloc prop (see p.3); twelve strands of 1/8" rubber. Don Bekins brought some home movies of past SAM contests from the 1970s.

COMING EVENTS

June 10 Western States Champs, FF and RC, Waegell Field.

July 7 SAM 26 Coastal Cooler, RC near Lompoc, Dick Fischer for info (805) 489-4078.

July 14, 15 SCIF OT Summer Madness, FF, Lucerne Valley, CA

July 21 SAM 27 Annual Small Rubber FF, Lakeville Road Site, Jerry Rocha (707) 255-0651.

July 29 Scamps Twin Pusher FF, Paris, CA



PRELIMINARY HLG RESULTS

The May results, at the time of this A-F, for the HLG contest are as follows:

Jerry Rocha	Hervat	56+40+78	=174
Fred Terzian	Hervat	74+45+42	=161
Dick Irwin	Zoomer	35+48+37	=120
Ray McGowan	Vartanian	48+33+31	=112
John Hlebcar	Modelcraft Class B27+29+37	= 93	
Loren Kramer	Birkett Class B20+20+19	= 59	

More results are expected for May - stay tuned for winner!

NEW ZEALAND 1/2A TEXACO POSTAL

Ed Hamler reports the April 12 2001 SAM 55 1/2A Texaco RC International Challenge results for SAM 27: We have had our coldest April since 1967. On Thursday the air was quite hazy. The weatherman blamed it on a massive dust storm in China that has blown across the Pacific. There was little wind and things gradually warmed up. We started flying about ten o'clock and actually completed our official 1/2A flights before the conditions were at their best. By noon, thermals were so plentiful that several flights lasted over thirty minutes. We had an excellent turnout of members but only three pilots posted official flights with 5.1cc tanks.

Don Bekins	Dallaire Sportster 28	900+642 = 1542
Ed Hamler	Quaker 288	604+515 = 1119
Ray McGowan	Canadian Wasp 288	553+337 = 890
Jerry Rocha	Rambler 288 - leaky fuel tank seal - DNF	
John Hlebcar	Playboy Sr. 288 - still needs repair - DNF	
John Carlson	Atomizer 288 - timed but DNF	
Ron Keil	Lanzo Bomber 288 - unable to attend	
Dick O'Brien	Coronet 288 - unable to attend	
Peder Samuelson	Foote Westerner 360 - unable to attend	

We had fun and lots of sun! TEAM TOTAL=3551



See p. 5 for more "Mercury" reports

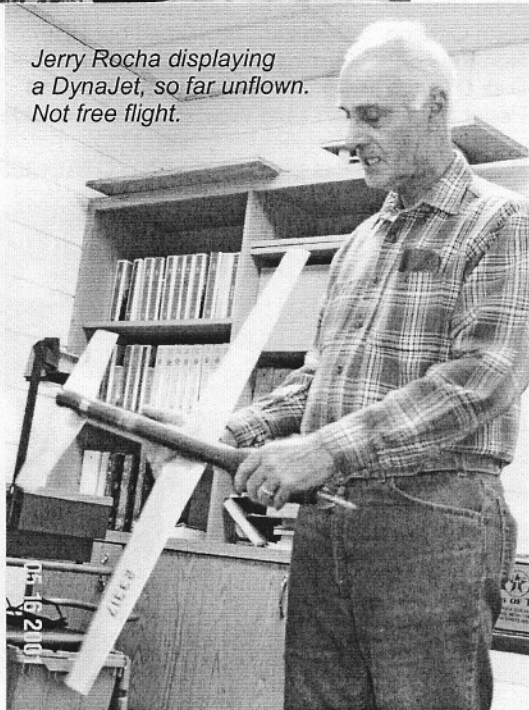
MAY MEETING SHOW & TELL



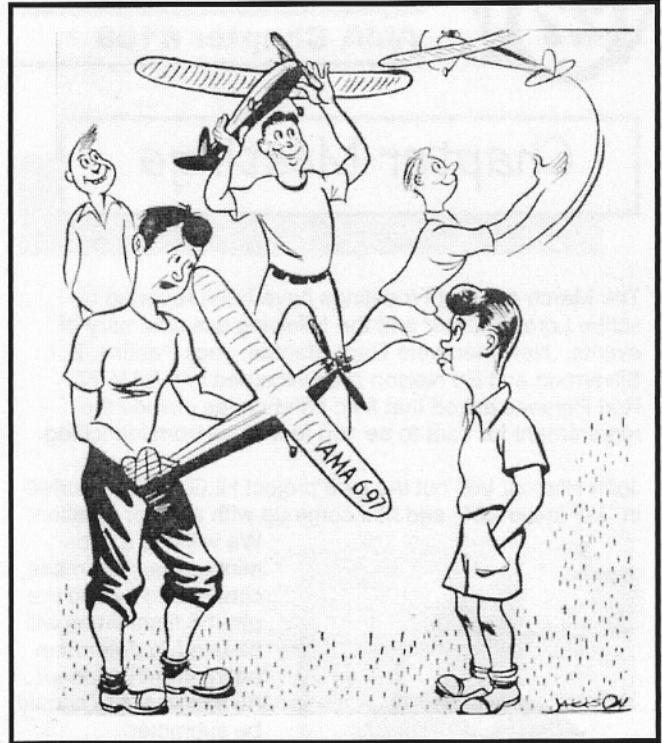
Bud Romak shows his RC-1. Bud has appeared in several recent model magazines.



Fred Terzian with one of his HLGs



Jerry Rocha displaying a DynaJet, so far unflown. Not free flight.

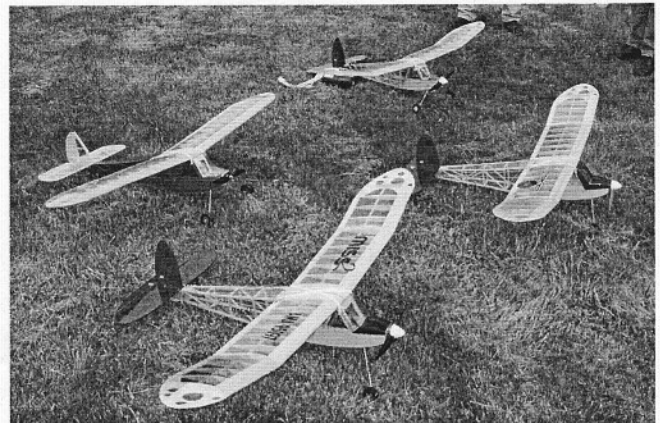


CAPTION CONTEST! Come up with a modern punchline for this 1930s cartoon and win **BIG!** What will you win? The winning caption will be printed with full credit given to the winner - think of the notoriety, the fame.

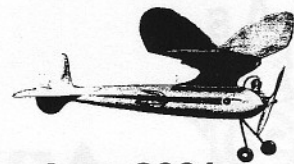
CLASSIFIEDS

Jack Albrech had a Campbell-Hausfeld tank-type portable air compressor for sale, never used. All accessories and a Badger detail gun and Binks 69 spray gun for total of \$135. 1-800-262-1178 or jrcmodeler@earthlink.net

Ed Solenberger is a dealer for many of the supplies and equipment that we use for models and flight gear. Give Ed a call at 707-542-1756 for info.

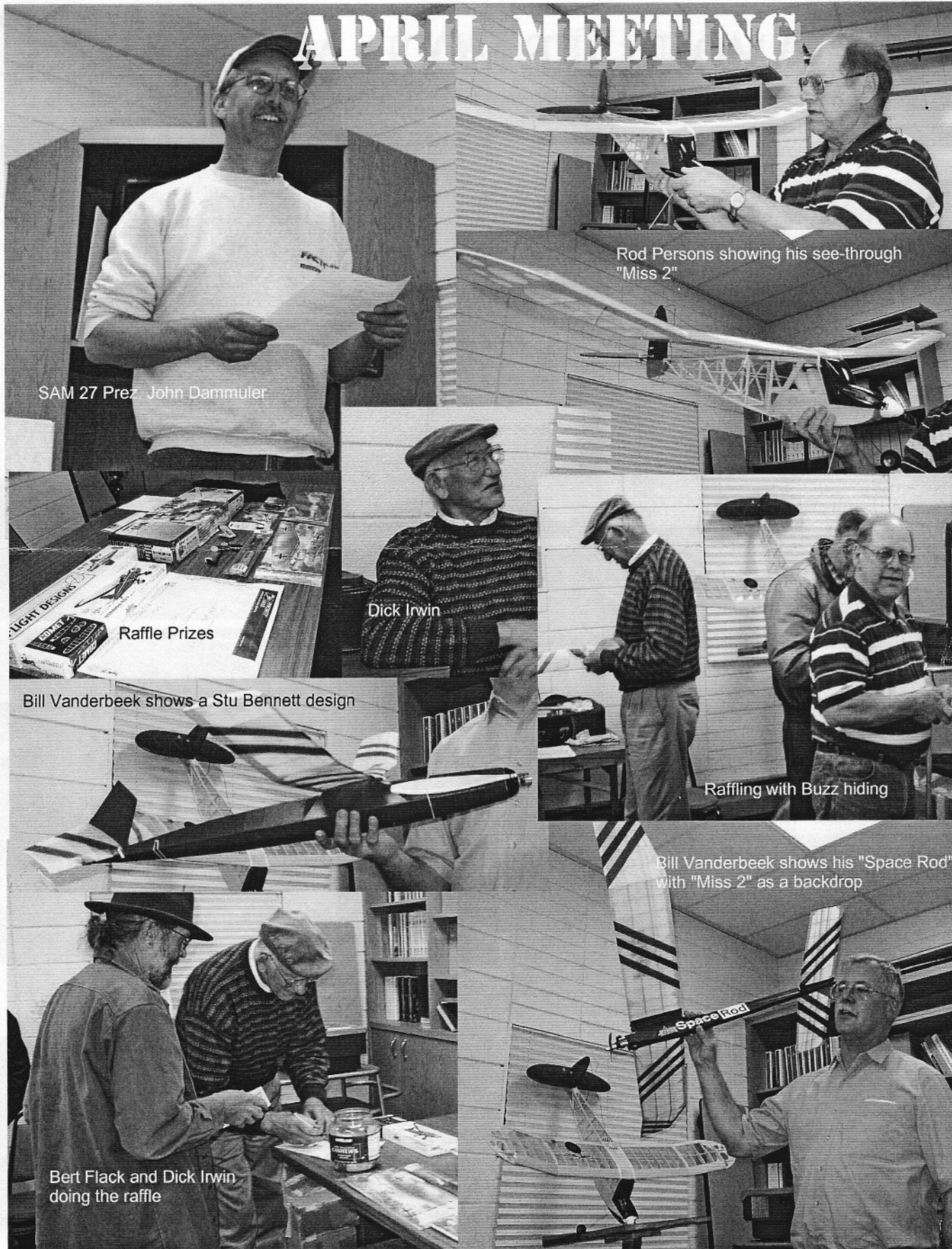


What a fine flock of "Miss 2's". Don't have the list of owners but it's obvious that the "Miss 2" is popular at SAM 27



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SAM 27 Prez John Dammuler

Rod Persons showing his see-through "Miss 2"

Raffle Prizes

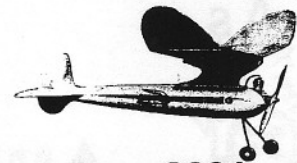
Dick Irwin

Bill Vanderbeek shows a Stu Bennett design

Raffling with Buzz hiding

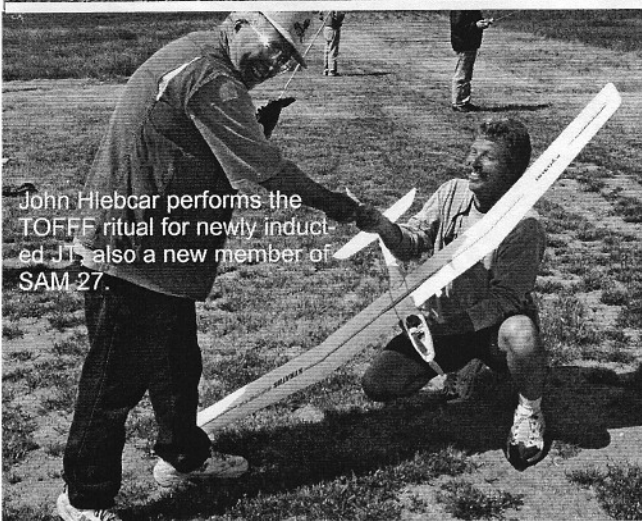
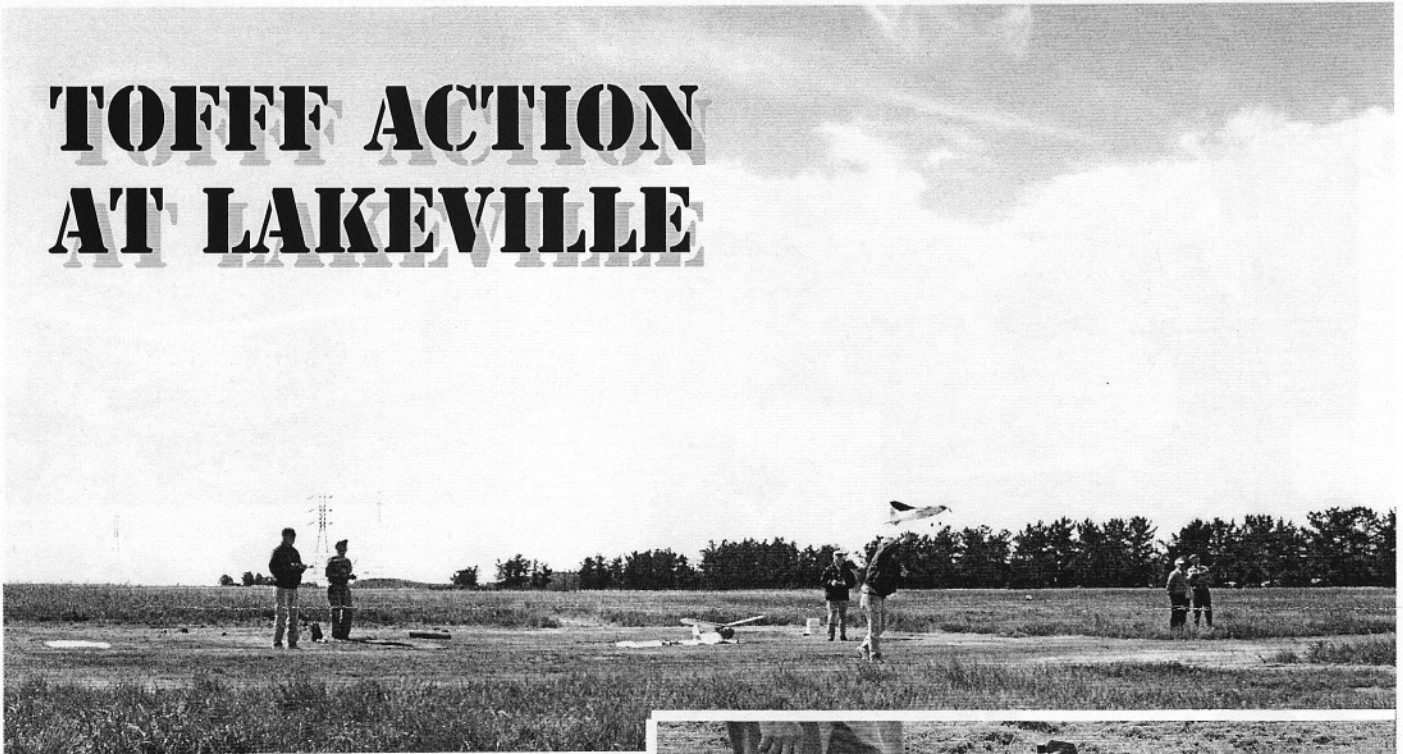
Bill Vanderbeek shows his "Space Rod" with "Miss 2" as a backdrop

Bert Flack and Dick Irwin doing the raffle



AMONG THE MODEL MAKERS

TOFFF ACTION AT LAKEVILLE



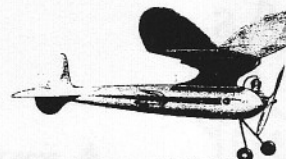
John Hlebcar performs the TOFFF ritual for newly inducted JT, also a new member of SAM 27.



Don Bekins' Hangar



Busy flightline at Lakeville on a Thursday morning.



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MERCURY

Park Abbott wrote the following on SAMTalk after his first flights on his new "Mercury" (with minor editing):

Thank you Ned for the shots of my Ben Shereshaw 1938 "Mercury". I built it for the forthcoming special event featuring Shereshaw's "Mercury" at the SAM Champs in early October. The Champs will honor Ben Shereshaw, Chet Lanzo, Carl Goldberg and Frank Zaic. It will be a pleasure to honor these fine gentlemen and their contribution to model aviation throughout the many past years.

The first flight of any model is exciting and mine was no exception, especially with a full flying stab. Don Bekins assisted with a hand launch at about 2/3 throttle from the Ohlsson .60 side port. It flew out of Don's hands and it went almost straight up and I almost bent the stick forward as far as I could get it trying to get the nose down. It was exciting and my heart rate went up! I cut the power at about 500 feet and circled making adjustments, circled over the field several times, made an easy approach and landed.

Adjusted the flying stab for a lesser angle and launched again, this time with a better climb-out attitude, but with the same power setting. Don suggested I put in about 4 degrees down thrust on the engine to keep the nose down during climb-out, a good suggestion.

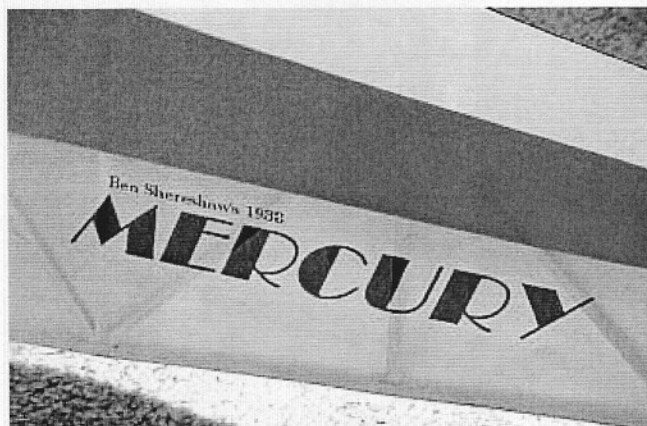
This is a good model to construct with good plans from Bill Northrup, drawn by Phil Bernhardt. Very accurate with good draftsmanship. Overall I'm pleased with the "Mercury", nice proportions, easy to control after various adjustments, it's fun to fly looking for thermals. I'm looking forward to meeting Ben Shereshaw at the Champs and participating in the "Mercury" special event. Thanks to Ned for photos, Don for his first flight assistance and to Ed Hamler for his suggestions and encouragement.



Park Abbott, Don Bekins and Ed Hamler give Park's new Mercury the once over before first launch. These photos were taken by Ned Nevels and transmitted over the internet. That Mercury is a sweet looking model - very classic and very SAM.

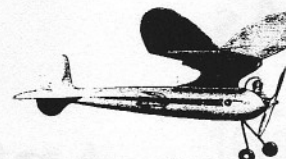


A nice side-view of the Mercury. Park constructed a very handsome cowling for the Ohlsson .60. Park printed his own decals.



Nice graphics by Park





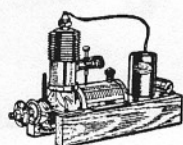
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Models

MYSTERY MODEL



Ned Nevels photos of Ed Hamler's "Mystery Model" for this month. Ed made a first flight on this model at TOFFF on May 10th. Powered by a Brown Jr., this has got to be an antique, but do you recognize the craft? These photos came over the internet. Lakeville flying site.



BUD ROMAK'S KORDA



Ned Nevels sent along these fine photos of Bud Romak adjusting and launching his Korda rubber. Note the decal on the fuselage reads "Oakland Cloud Dusters". The pictures were taken by Fred Terzian at the Oakland Cloud Dusters annual contest at Waegell field on May 5th. These are high resolution pictures sent over the internet. The results of the contest are unknown to your editor but I'm certain that Bud placed well. Thanks Fred for the pics.





SHOPS OF SAM 27

As an ongoing feature in the *Antique Flyer*, shops of SAM 27 members are "exposed" to the world. What wives have known all along and what balsa dust-clogged vacuums have attested to, will now be shared with fellow members of the modeling fraternity. The A-F is asking that you humble yourself and submit photos and a write-up of your favorite working area, warts and all. Now there will be some shops exposed which will put most of us to shame for our lack of neatness and paucity of equipment, but which will give us an incentive to clean up our act - well, maybe your act.



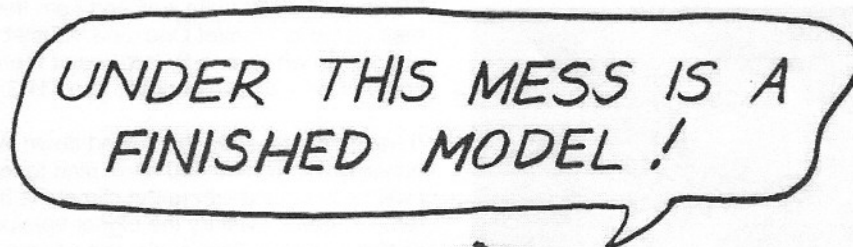
The following letter was sent to your editor by our staff cartoonist, Earl Cayton. Earl is leading the good life in beautiful Kauai, much to my envy, as Kauai is a delightful place to reside and play.

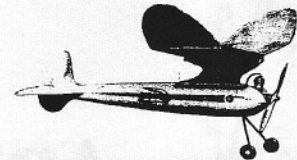
"I've enjoyed reading your *Antique Flyer*. I'm writing this from Kauai where I've spent most of my time for over a year. Old friends got me interested in modeling again after I dropped out after the 1960 contest season because I ran out of spare time. Don suggested that I join SAM 27 so that I would receive the *Antique Flyer* newsletter, *The A-F*, *SAM Speaks* and the *NFFS* magazines have kept me abreast of the hobby.

"Here on Kauai there is some RC and control line activity, but no place to fly free flight. There is a hobby department in a store in Lihue but few supplies for FF so I have to order most of my stuff. I've finished a couple of vintage FF models and now I'm puttering away on a couple more so that I'll have something to fly with the guys when I return to the mainland.

"I've enjoyed the pictures, in the A-F, of nice clean work shops. Mine is not so neat and looks more like this:

Sincerely, Earl Cayton"





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MODELMAIL

A few letters and photos have been received from several of our foreign members. They build some really nice models outside of the usual mix. **Nick Bruschi** of The Republic of San Marino sends the following;

"Dear Don, Here are some pics of the Hurricane, powered by a Hassad Bluestreak. (*Editor: This engine is listed in Anderson's Blue Book under "Bluestreak", a 1948 rendition*) Model has to be tested yet. Steve Remington has been asking for photos for our newspaper, perhaps you can pass these on. Hope you like the model, had to build it. Holman never got down to producing the Sailplane kit. Best regards, Nick"

Later received an email from Nick concerning the "Bluestreak";

"After first test flight, model found to be tail heavy and, not wanting to put lead in the model, I decided to use my 'Hornet' which is a heavy beast. Now balanced perfectly and is not over sensitive on the rudder (used reduced during the climb), glides extremely well. Every single flight a max! Use an APC 12x4 and run 'Hornet' on 3/1 alky fuel; turns 12,600 smoothly. Very satisfied with this model based on a Klarich kit."



1941 Hurricane by Nick Bruschi, powered by Bluestreak .647 cu. in.

The following letters were received from **GianFranco Lusso**, Geneva

"Dear Don, I enclose copy of pictures and article I wrote for the 4A (French SAM).

"I am trying to get one or two French modelers to attend SAM USA Championship. They are interested especially for the rubber free fly but the problem are the models; the French rules have a cut-off limit of 1950 and therefore, but for a couple of models, there is no possibility to compete in the USA.

"I hope you and your wife are keeping well and look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas. I send my warmest CIAO! (signed) Gian"

"Geneva April 5th 2001

"Dear Don, How was the winter? Here just started some "non rain day" which enable some fly but there is still a lot of mud and you need good rubber boots.

"I enclose a couple of pictures of my new gliders taken a week ago in our flying field near Geneva. Just to be precise, the flying area is the Divonne horse race cours which is in France but few miles from Geneva center.

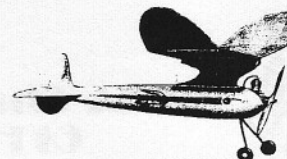
"The model holder is the nine years old "Lusso third generation" that just started piloting a bit my gliders.

" Both models fly quite well and I am thinking to change their name in 'Hamlet One' and 'Hamlet Two' because I cannot decide which one fly better and therefore to be used in competition - 'to use or not to use THIS IS THE PROBLEM!'

"I have near finished the scaled down Wog (51 inches/18 ounces) with Speed 400 and I plan to test it next week when I will be in Liguria where the climate is better, then if the result is good, I will try the bigger version with the same engine I used in Pensacola, the engine is powerful but a bit on the heavy side, anyhow so far I have not found better in Europe.

"I hope you are keeping well and looking forward to hearing from you, I send my most friendly CIAO. (signed) Gian

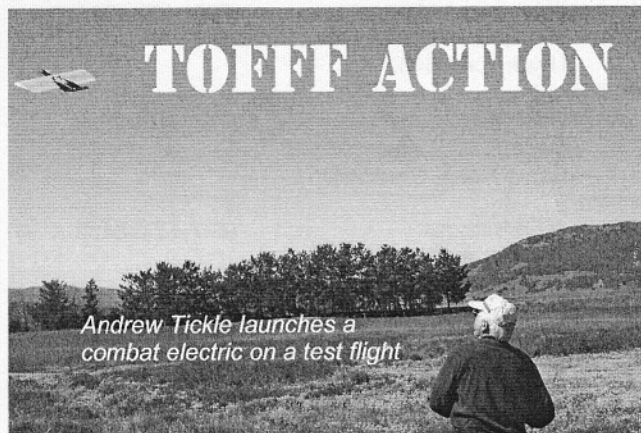




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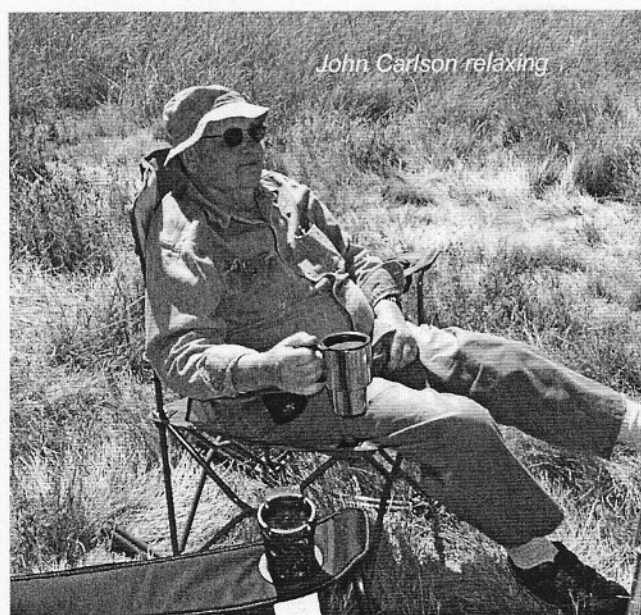


Ned Nevels gets TOFFFed.

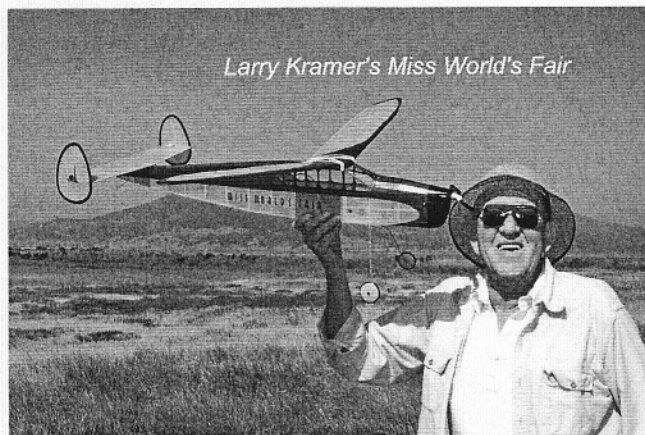


TOFF ACTION

Andrew Tickle launches a combat electric on a test flight



John Carlson relaxing



Larry Kramer's Miss World's Fair



TOFF activity. Note Park's "Mercury" taking center stage.



Mike Clancy launching Cloud King assisted by Ray McGowan.



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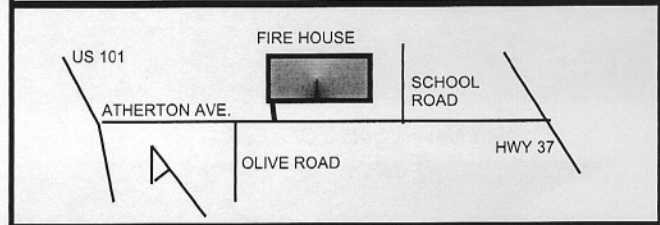
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Associate members will receive the newsletter and may attend meetings, but may not fly at the Club's Lakeville Field or in Club contests.

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