

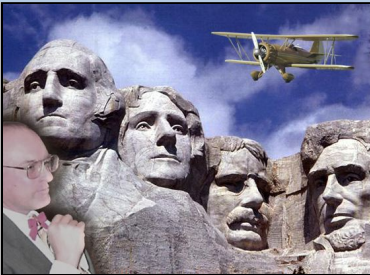


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President Says . . .

It's time again for some inspiring words of wisdom from your fearless leader. This will jump around so please follow. I have a lot of topics to cover.

First off, I want to congratulate Doug for doing such a FANTASTIC job as newsletter editor! When I printed off January's letter and saw the color he put into it I was amazed by how GREAT it looks. So if we all want to continue getting the BEST looking newsletter in the sport,

Doug needs help getting articles, pictures, reports of events you've attended, ANYTHING of interest. I did the newsletter one year and it's very hard to do without club participation.

At the January meeting we discussed the use of the memorial Funds that Mrs. Miller wants to give S.A.M. The board members seem to feel its use could best be used by maintaining our club trainers and radios for them. This will help the club draw in "new blood," which we need very much. Input from all club members on this matter is very welcome.

A flyer for Rudder Gate Chefs has been posted at the field so please take a moment and add your name to an open month. This has been a FABULOUS function of our club to bring us together for one of the most important things we do - eat! Everyone attending seems to enjoy and leave with a smile on their face.

Bob Dooley will be heading up our program scheduling for the 2005 club meetings. We need to draw from the experience of our membership and share their knowledge at the monthly meetings. Some topics that would be great to cover are: 1) Radio Systems and Batteries 2) Fiberglassing 3) Covering materials 4) Float designs 5) Control line flying 6) Properly balancing planes, and any other topics that you feel we need to cover. Hopefully we have enough in-club talent to cover all areas of interest, but if not we will find outside expertise to do so.

Show and tell is greatly encouraged by ALL members. Bring in your newest project, or bring an older plane that you want to share its history with us. One meeting several years ago, Jack Jella brought in a collection of T-Shirts from events that he has attended. I really enjoyed that because he shared his experiences with us. I will be bringing an older control line plane and some books from WWII to the next meeting. The books are ones that my father got that show a lot of planes from WWII and have diagrams of the planes and statistics. Anyone wanting to build scale will appreciate them.

At the January meeting we had the DVD of our IMAA meet from September 2004 that Jack Tossman did, and gave to the club. I have the disk, so if anyone wants to view it, get in touch with me. I also have several videos from events in past years - Scale Events, Float Flies, Club Auctions. continues next page

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President Says continued . . .

I'm still searching for pictures of deceased members of our club. I'm very thankful for those of you who are helping me find them. My goal is to obtain pictures of all those in our memories and have them on display every year at our Memorial events. I will include the list of pictures still needed next month.

Most of the events we have on our club calendar have folks to run them, except the Electric Fun Fly in October. I'm sure we'll get this one covered too.

Lastly, a topic I feel is critical. In the "old days," when someone went out to fly they had someone help hold the plane and spot for them while they flew. Now, with the holding racks at the pad, I've noticed that quite often someone will be flying alone. I know some folks don't want to have someone with them, but I think most of us do. If you see someone going out to fly alone, go see if you can help.

Come to the next meeting on February 2nd and enjoy the friendship, program, coffee and cookies with us.

HAPPY LANDINGS!
Jim "CRASH" St. John

Topics For The Club Meetings:

In an attempt to attract more club meeting attendance, we will be soliciting, scheduling and conducting instruction/demonstrations on topics that are of interest to our members. The first two topics will be:

February: Aerodynamics 101: Alan Brown
March: Real Flight G# RC Simulator: Bob Dooley

If you have a topic that you would like to see scheduled or you can share your experience on a topic, please e-mail bob Dooley and we will get you scheduled. The schedule will be published monthly on the home page and in the newsletter.



President Jim St. John called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with 12 members present.

Jim opened the meeting with a discussion of how to get more members attending the monthly meetings. Alan Brown indicated that an interesting program advertised ahead of time might help. During the discussion Bob Dooley volunteered to be the Program Chairman. Among the possible program ideas suggested were:

1. Dave Stoik to discuss how to perform basic manuevers (March)
2. Jack Jella to make a presentation on the free flight side of the hobby.
3. Bring flight simulators for members to practice on.
4. The control line side of the hobby (Dave Downer a possibility).
5. Help with electric flight.
6. Alan Brown volunteered to put together a series on aerodynamics (suggested once a quarter).
7. Have an occasional meeting at the field.

Jack Jella raised the question regarding the timing on our lease with the county.

Action Item: JLM to check files to find lease dates.

Old Business

1. The dates for the first float fly printed in the newsletter are wrong. They should read April 8-10.
2. Jack Jella thanked everyone who participated in the Toys-for-Tots fun fly in December.
3. Jack also asked how everyone liked the location of the December dinner. The sentiment was that we should go there again this year.

Action Item: Jack Jella to reserve the Landing Zone for the 2005 banquet for December 3, 2005.

4. Malcolm Bruce indicated the gate combination will be changed in about a week.
5. **Action Item:** Bob McGregor to contact Porta San to give them the new gate combination.

New Business:

1. Dick Moeller announced that the Silent Flyers of San Diego (he thinks this is the name) are having their big event with many vendors February 17-20. (editor's note: the Silent Electric Flyers of San Diego are having their MidWinter Electrics 2005 event on February 18th-21st. Go to <http://sefsd.org> for more info on this event.
2. Doug Raarup expressed his concern about the various addresses for club business. It was agreed that all club correspondence should be sent to P.O. Box 6351, Salinas CA 93912 and John Midgorden will check it frequently. All newsletter input should be addressed to Doug Raarup. **Action Item:** Doug to make this clear in subsequent issues of the newsletter.
3. Jim St. John announced that he had attended the December 18th meeting of the Northern California Radio Control Association (NCRCA) for the purpose of coordinating event schedules. Jim had copies of the 2005 calendar for those interested. **Action Item:** Doug Raarup is to print the immediate months ahead for these events in each issue of the newsletter.
4. Jack Jella suggested that since the memorial list is getting so long and that many in the club now don't have any idea who the old timers are, that maybe the memorial fun fly should only concentrate on the more recent members who have died.
5. Jim asked Malcolm Bruce if there were any field issues that need to be discussed. Malcolm reported that there is considerable water on the runway due to the recent rains and that he may need to dig a trench again to allow the water to run away from the runway.

Program

With the help of John Midgorden's computer, Dick Moeller's screen, and Bob Dooley's projector the members were treated to a DVD movie of the September IMAA event. The DVD was produced by Jack Tossman of Monterey. Jack had asked permission to attend the event and film the activities. He has given the club this DVD and suggested parts of it could be used for promotional purposes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
John Midgorden, Secretary

SAM 2005 Event Calendar - adjusted

January	5	Board/club Meeting	Salinas	July	2	Glider Contest	SAM Field
					6	Board/club Meeting	Salinas
February	2	Board/club Meeting	Salinas		9	Memorial Fun-Fly	SAM Field
					31	Rudder gate	SAM Field
March	2	Board/club Meeting	Salinas	August	3	Board/club Meeting	Salinas
	5	Slope Soaring	Seaside		6	Glider Contest	SAM Field
					28	Rudder gate	SAM Field
April	6	Board/club Meeting	Salinas	September	7	Board/club Meeting	Salinas
	*8-10	Float Fly	Lake San Antonio		25	Rudder gate	SAM Field
	22-24	Francis Memorial Fun Fly	SAM field	October	5	Board/club Meeting	Salinas
					7-9	Float Fly	Lake San Antonio
May	4	Board/club Meeting	Salinas		22	Electric Fly In	SAM Field
	13-15	Float Fly	Lake San Antonio		*30	Rudder gate	SAM Field
	22	Rudder gate	SAM Field	November	*2	Board/club Meeting	Salinas
	27-30	West Coast Festival	Atwater, CA	December	3-4	Toys for Tots Fun Fly	
					3	Annual Dinner Mtg.	Airport
June	1	Board/club Meeting	Salinas				
	*4-5	IMAC Contest	SAM Field				
	11	Glider Contest	SAM Field				
	26	Rudder gate	SAM Field				

*added/corrected dates

2005 Contest and Fly-In Schedule NCRCS - Northern California R/C Society

*** - Tentative Date

January	7-8-9	AMA Expo @ Ontario, CA.
	15-16	Q500 Winterfest @ Speedworld R/C Flyers, Sunrise, AZ.
	29-30	Pattern @ Sun Valley Fliers, Phoenix, AZ.
February	6	Electric Indoor Fly-In @ Delta Valley Modelers, Stockton, CA.
	12-13	Pattern @ Antelope Valley Tailwinds, Lancaster, CA.
	19-20	IMAC @ Sun Valley Fliers, Phoenix, AZ.
	26-27	JR Cup – QM-40 @ Speedworld R/C Flyers, Sunrise, AZ.
March	5	Make-a-Wish Fun Fly @ FRM, Fresno, CA
	12	Intro Pilot Day @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.
	12	Flea Market @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
	12-13	IMAC @ Moreno Valley, CA.
	13	Fun-Fly @ Vaca-Valley R/C, Vacaville, CA.
	19	Interclub Fun-Fly @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
	19	Swap Meet @ RC Fliers Unlimited, Oakdale, CA.
	19	Open B Combat – Battle of Britain @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.
	19-20	IMAC @ Las Vegas RC, Las Vegas, NV.
	20	Combat – F-27's Only @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA.

April	2	T-34 Triangle Series @ FRM, Fresno, CA.	
	9	Warbird Races @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.	
	16	Fun Fly @ LFE, Livermore, CA.	
	16-17	IMAC @ Wavemasters, Hollister, CA.	
	16-17	Q-500/ QM-40 @ Sepulveda Basin, CA.	
	16-17	Open House and Float Fly @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA.	
	17	Warbird Races @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.	
	22-23-24	Bob Francis Memorial Fly-In @ Salinas Area Modelers, Salinas, CA.	
	23	Electric Invitational Fly-In @ SACRC, Union City, CA.	
	23-24	IMAC @ Tucson, AZ.	
	24	Combat – F-27's Only @ Vaca-Valley R/C, Vacaville, CA.	
	29-30-1	Vertical Challenge Helicopter Fly-In @ FRM, Fresno, CA.	
	30-1	Pattern @ BARCS, Richmond, CA.	
	May	7	49er Scale Masters Qualifier @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA.
		12-15	Circum-Gyration International Helicopter Contest @ Bayside R/C, Fremont, CA.
		14	IMAA Giant Scale Fly-In @ FRM, Fresno, CA.
14-15		IMAC @ Riverside, CA.	
15		Electric Fun-Fly @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.	
21		Fly-In @ LFE, Livermore, CA.	
21		Electric Fly-In @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.	
21		T-34 Triangle Series @ Madera, CA.	
21-22		Pattern @ Wavemasters, Hollister, CA.	
21-22		Pattern @ Las Vegas, NV.	
22		5 th Annual Memorial Fun Fly @ Delta Valley Modelers, Stockton, CA.	
27-30		IMAA West Coast Festival @ Castle Airport, Atwater, CA.	
June		4-5	29 th Annual Dan Sullivan Scale Contest @ Ukiah Prop Busters,
		4-5	Pattern @ Lone, CA.
	4-5	IMAC @ Salinas Area Modelers, Salinas, CA.	
	10-12	13 th Annual NorCal Regional Float Fly @ NorCal R/C Unlimited Flyers, Red Bluff, CA	
	11	T-34 Triangle Series @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.	
	12	All Scale Contest @ Vaca-Valley R/C, Vacaville, CA.	
	18	Pattern @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.	
	18-19	IMAC @ Whittier, CA.	
	25	Giant Scale Fly-In @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.	
	25-26	Q-500/ QM-40 @ Sepulveda Basin, CA.	
July	26	2nd Annual Bee Fly-In @ Delta Valley Modelers, Stockton, CA.	
	2-3	9th Annual Giant Scale Fly-In @ RC Fliers Unlimited, Oakdale, CA	
	5-8	IMAC Nationals @ Muncie, IN.	
	9-10	IMAC @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.	
	9-10	Annual Invitational Air Show @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.	
	10	Fun-Fly BBQ @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.	
	10-15	Pylon Nationals @ Muncie, IN.	
	16	Memorial Fly-In @ Salinas Area Modelers, Salinas, CA.	
	16-17	South Bay Scale Masters Qualifier @ SACRC, Union City, CA.	
	16-17	IMAC @ Camarillo, CA.	
	17	100 Lap Race @ Vaca-Valley R/C, Vacaville, CA.	
	17	Warbird Races @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.	
	17-21	Pattern Nationals @ Muncie, IN.	
23	Open Combat – Mount Diablo Face Off 1 @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.		
30-31	Wings of Victory @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA.		

Aug. 6 Flea Market @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
 13 T-34 - Triangle Series @ FRM, Fresno, CA.
 13-14 IMAC @ San Diego, CA.
 13-14 Pattern @ Whittier, CA.
 19-20-21 9th Annual Bayside/Century Heli Jamboree @ Bayside R/C, Fremont, CA.
 20 Combat – F-27's Only @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA.
 20-21 Q-500/ QM-40 @ Medford, OR.
 20-21 Fun-Fly @ SACRC, Union City, CA.
 27 Junkyard War @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
Sept. 2-3-4 IMAA Airshow @ Ask Creeks, NorCal R/C Unlimited Flyers, Anderson, CA.
 10 Fun-Fly @ LFE, Livermore, CA.
 10 T-34 - Triangle Series @ Madera, CA.
 10-11 *** IMAC @ RC Fliers Unlimited, Oakdale, CA.
 10-11 IMAC @ Prado, CA.
 10-11 Pattern – 2 nd Annual Bob Whitacre Memorial @ Wavemasters, Hollister, CA.
 15-16-17-18 Full Scale Racing @ Reno, NV.
 17 Flea Market @ Bayside R/C, Fremont, CA.
 18 Invitational Airshow @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.
 21-25 *** Scale Masters @ Castle Airport, Atwater, CA.
 24 Open Fun Fly @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
 24 Open Combat – Mount Diablo Face Off 2 @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.
 24-25 Jet Fly-In @ FRM, Fresno, CA.
 25 Fun-Fly @ Vaca-Valley R/C, Vacaville, CA.
 30-2 Open Fun-Fly @ Tehama County Condors, Corning, CA.
Oct. 1-2 Pattern @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.
 1-2 IMAA Fly-In @ BARCS, Richmond, CA.
 3-9 Tucson Aerobatic Shootout @ Tucson, AZ.
 8 T-34 - Triangle Series @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
 8 Swap Meet and Fly-In @ LFE, Livermore, CA.
 8-9 Jet Fan Fly @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA.
 8-9 Pattern @ Antelope Valley Tailwinds, Lancaster, CA.
 15 Giant Scale Fly-In @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.
 15 Pattern @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
 15-16 Warbird Fly-In @ FRM, Fresno, CA.
 15-16 Q-500/ QM-40 @ Whittier, CA.
 16 Warbird Races @ SAM, Sacramento, CA.
 16 100 Lap Race @ Vaca-Valley R/C, Vacaville, CA.
 20-23 USRA Giant Scale Race @ Parker, AZ.
 22 Electric Fun-Fly @ Salinas Area Modelers, Salinas, CA.
 22-23 *** IMAC Southwest Championships @ Las Vegas, AZ.
 29-30 Pattern District Championships @ FRM, Fresno, CA.
Nov. 5 Toys-for-Tots @ Woodland-Davis, Davis, CA..
 5 Annual Auction @ Bayside – Holy Spirit Church, Fremont, CA.
 5-6 Q-500/ QM-40 @ Speedworld R/C Flyers, Sunrise, AZ.
 6 Electric Indoor Fly-In @ Delta Valley Modelers, Stockton, CA.
Dec. 3 Toys-for-Tots @ BARCS, Richmond, CA.
 3 Flea Market @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.
 3-4 Toys-for-Tots @ Salinas Area Modelers, Salinas, CA.
 4 Toys for Children's Home @ Delta Valley Modelers, Stockton, CA.
 10 Toys-for-Tots @ EBRC, Livermore, CA.
 11 Toys-for-Tots @ SCCMAS, Morgan Hill, CA.

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