

## Time to Celebrate 30 Years!



Don't miss our special celebration on **July 30th**—SAM's **30th Anniversary**. Not many clubs can boast such a long and successful tenure. Where will we celebrate?—at our wonderful flying facility, that's where!

SAM will provide a free meal of trip-tip and chicken. The meat will be BBQ'd by a vendor, so no one in the club will have to work to provide the meal.

Not only is this a must attend event for all current SAM members, but we are also inviting all past members of the club to join in the festivities. If you know a past member of the club that still lives in the area, please see that they get an invitation.

This will be a time to celebrate what we do—fly RC aircraft. So, please come to fly. It will also be an wonderful opportunity to renew old

*friendships and to "talk airplane story" with your fellow modelers.*

When I took over the newsletter job I was given a set of CD's with photos of club activities from 1999. I am sharing many of these photos this month and those of you who have been around since then can help identify the "guilty." I trust these pictures will bring back good memories for those of you who were apart of the activities depicted in the photos (see pages 5 & 7).

While I'm on the subject of photos I would like to request that any of you who have some choice photos from the past that you are willing to share to please send them to me. If they are digital, email me. If they are photo prints mail them and I will scan them into my computer. I hope to archive the club's photos.

*By your Editor*

### President Says ....



**HEY FOLKS, IT'S ME AGAIN!**

There is a lot of stuff going on in July for the club. I talked about most of it last month in my article. There have been some more scheduling changes, for the better. We've got a lot of **EXCITEMENT** happening in the club, so **READ ON!**

July will see our IMAC event moved to the 7-9th. Dave Stoik will need help pulling this one off, but it's the biggest money maker we have now so **LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN!** July 15th is our Annual Memorial Fun Fly were we honor the passed members of our Happy Family. We have added some names in the last few years, and I need help with getting some pictures for them. The missing members are: Ken Wade, Charlie Rosen, Marrion "Sarge" Gleason, Ray Lang, Ben Young, Charles "Chuck" Perry, Jim Gillott, and Herschel Kopp.

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## PRESIDENT SAYS .... (CONT. FROM PAGE 1)

We will be having a Raffle for the Memorial Event with prizes donated by Jim Foster, in honor of his passed friends Joe Altmeyer and Scroggie Wiley. We'll have a Corsair .60 size kit, a Japanese Zero with a .40 size engine with full servos, and engines. It's gonna be a BLAST! But these two events aren't gonna happen by themselves. We're gonna need help from the membership to make them happen. Please help if you can.

July will end with our club's 30th Birthday Party on July 30th. We will also have more raffle prizes donated by Jim Foster, but I ain't gonna tell you what we're gonna have yet. You gots ta BE THERE to find out! Possibly, \_\_\_\_\_ NOPE! I ain't gonna tell.

I will be cooking the RudderGate for June, July's RudderGate will be replaced by the Birthday Bash, the August RudderGate will be hosted by Bob "BIG MAC" McGregor. We still need a cook for September, and hope that the Bossos do the October event for us.

We have moved the June Float Fly that was cancelled to Sept 15-17th. If you aren't going to the float flys, WHY NOT?!! We have a blast at these things and I intend not only to be at this event, I'll sponsor a Bar-B-Que dinner for Saturday evening for all that are there. It won't be burgers and dogs, possibly Chicken, Ribs, Turkey, \_\_\_\_\_? You gonna have to be there to see what we're gonna eat.

I went over to Jim Foster's house on 6/12 to pick up 16-18 planes, mostly .30-.60 size with a couple of gliders, and maybe 7-10 kits. I have a bunch of engines from an OS 15 to .40s. Jim has a lot of accessories and some hardware still to donate to the club in honor of his two deceased friends; Gordon "Scroggie" Wiley and Joe Altmeyer. Both were members of the club until their passing. Jim feels they would want the club to benefit from their "toys." Some of the stuff will be used to hold raffles at the above mentioned events. Some will be sold off to the club members. There will be a list of the merchandise that I have already received from Jim, with more to come. We need to be sure Jim is aware of how much we appreciate and HONOR HIM AND HIS FRIENDS for what has happened.

This part is gonna be brief (my fingers hurt). We've formed a committee of myself, Rick Maida, Joe Francis, and John Midgorden to revise the April event for 2007. It will still be to honor Bob Francis, but we're gonna move it back to a Giant Scale event and invite several vendors. We will be reinstating the Saturday evening Bar-B-Que and incorporating a Friday Evening Bar-B-Que too. Hopefully with Bob McGregor's help we will also have a full-size aerobatic display at noon on Saturday. I will get

started advertising this by the end of June 2006. We're gonna make the 2007 SAM April event SPECTACULAR!!!

Last three items: 1) We've got some new members in the club, let's encourage them to consider running for 2007 officers. Nothing like fresh blood for ideas. 2) Remember we do have a video and DVD library that is monitored by Chris Meharg. He has over 40 videos and at least 4 DVDs available. I'm asking him to bring them to all the events he attends at the field (RudderGates, the Memorial event, the IMAC, the 30th Birthday, etc.). I know he won't be able to make everything, so if you want a listing of what he has available, call him at 442-0101. He's taking the time to monitor them for us, why not watch them?? 3) We're gonna start talking about the 2007 club schedule at the next meeting in July. I feel we need to rethink some of the dates we used for this year to possibly spread the events to include more months. Need as much input as possible. Remember it's YOUR CLUB as much as it is mine. Lets ALL be part of it.

WISHING YOU ALL HAPPY LANDINGS!

*Jim "CRASH" St. John, President*



### Newsletter Deadline

July 15, 2006

Send your contributions to:

<http://www.jomidg@earthlink.net>

### Monthly Meeting Place

The monthly SAM Board and Club meets at the Landing Zone Restaurant located at the Salinas Airport Terminal Building.

A number of us meet at 5:30 PM for dinner at the restaurant—Come join the fun!

Board meets at 6:30 PM and the club meets at 7:30 PM. All are welcome for both meetings!

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE CLUB MEETING**

*These minutes are a combination of both the Board and Club Meetings.*

The June Board/Club meetings were called to order by President Jim St. John at 6:30 and 7:30 PM, respectfully. There were eleven present for the Board meeting and twelve for the club meeting. Bob McGregor gave a financial report.

**Old Business**

**Container:** Bob McGregor shared his research on replacing the storage container. An Oakland company can supply what we need for \$2,375. *(It has been learned since the meeting that the quote given by the company in Oakland was in error. Bob has since contacted a second supplier and it looks like the container will cost over \$3,000.)*

**Ruddergate Cooks:** Jim made a plea for Ruddergate cooks and he volunteered for June 27th and Bob McGregor volunteered for the August date. There is still the need for cooks in September and October.

**30th Anniversary Celebration:** This special event is still on schedule and Jim reported that the vendor has agreed to provide the meat and the club will provide the rest of the menu of salad, beans, bread and desert. Jim told the vendor to plan for 40 people. Jim asked to make this activity “front page” on the July newsletter.

**Fighter Factory Tour:** Jack reminded everyone about the tour on the following Saturday with lunch at the Landing Zone afterwards.

**New Business**

**Possible Change in IMAC Contest:** Dave Stoik explained that the Livermore Club has had to cancel their IMAC contest due to fly over issues with neighbors. He is looking into changing our September dates to the Livermore weekend—July 8-9. This is the weekend of our glider contest, but given the income potential of the IMAC event it was agreed that the glider contest could be moved again. Stoik is to confirm this change.

**July Calendar of Activities:**

- IMAC—July 8-9 (tentative)
- Annual Memorial Fly In—July 15
- Glider Contest—July 22 (if IMAC is a “go”)
- 30th Anniversary Celebration—July 30

**Fall Float Fly Added**

Since one of the Spring Float Flys was cancelled it was decided to add a Float Fly Sept. 15-17

**Show and Tell:**

Jim St. John showed his progress on the fuselage of his quarter scale cub. Dennis Stanley brought a Chinese Seamaster knock off ARF he bought on Ebay for \$85 including shipping.

**Program**

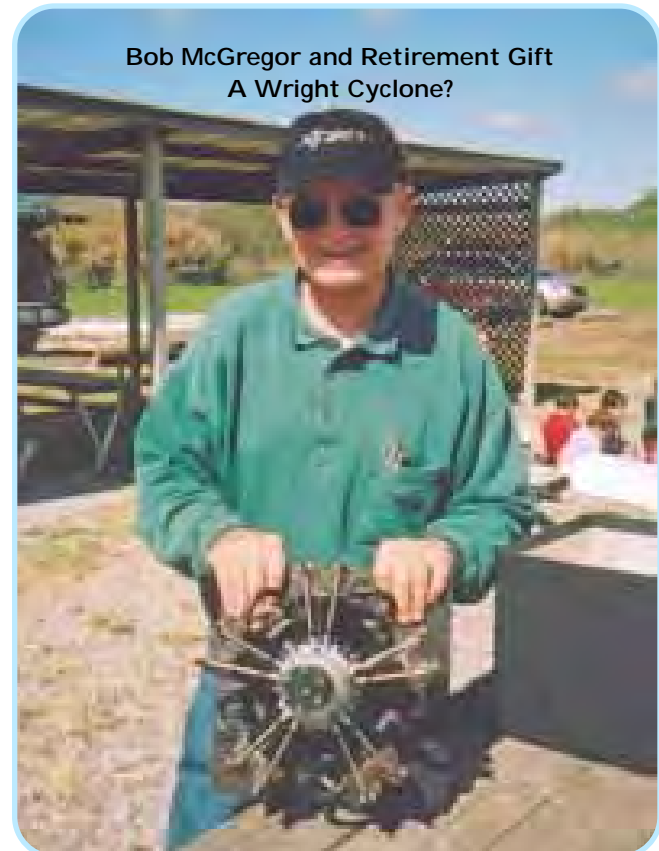
Midgorden showed a DVD the club received from Horizon Hobbies on their new Spread Spectrum radio system and then a slide show of SAM 2006 photos.

Respectfully submitted,

*Respectfully, John Midgorden, Secretary*



Kyle with F-15 (F for Foamy)



Bob McGregor and Retirement Gift  
A Wright Cyclone?



# What Jack Jellá Does When No One is Looking

Sure Hope the Rubber Band doesn't Break!



Definitely not a Bob Hoover Chase Vehicle



1st Place—This ORG is still the man to beat!



Very Large Jack with 1/4 Scale Free Flight



## 2006 SAM IMAC Contest—July 7–8

Dave Stoik, our resident IMAC guru, has arranged to move our IMAC Contest from September to July 7–8. This is our big money raising event of the year and we need all the club members to lend a hand in helping Dave make this another successful event. There will be aerobatic pilots coming from all over California and possibly Nevada and Arizona. Dave expects up to 40 pilots this year.

Dave will be needing score keepers. This is an easy job. All you have to do is write down a number that the judge gives you for each maneuver. It is a great way to learn what aerobatic flying is all about. We will also need folks to man the snack shop on both Saturday and Sunday. This means someone to cook and others to take the money and hand out the food.

Here is your chance to make an important contribution to the club's treasury and operation!

## SAM 2006 Calendar

Please note the changes in the Calendar.

The changes are in **RED**.

### July

|     |                        |                  |
|-----|------------------------|------------------|
| 5   | Board/Club Meeting     | Salinas Airport  |
| 7-8 | <b>IMAC Contest</b>    | <b>SAM Field</b> |
| 15  | Memorial Fun Fly       | SAM Field        |
| 22  | <b>Glider Contest</b>  | <b>SAM Field</b> |
| 30  | 30th SAM Birthday Bash | SAM Field        |

### August

|    |                    |                 |
|----|--------------------|-----------------|
| 2  | Board/Club Meeting | Salinas Airport |
| 5  | Glider Contest     | SAM Field       |
| 27 | RudderGate         | SAM Field       |

### September

|       |                    |                         |
|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 6     | Board/Club Meeting | Salinas Airport         |
| 15-17 | <b>Float Fly</b>   | <b>Lake San Antonio</b> |
| 23    | Field Work Day     | SAM Field               |
| 24    | RudderGate         | SAM Field               |

### October

|     |                    |                  |
|-----|--------------------|------------------|
| 4   | Board/Club Meeting | Salinas Airport  |
| 6-8 | Float Fly          | Lake San Antonio |
| 21  | Electric Fun Fly   | SAM Field        |
| 29  | RudderGate         | SAM Field        |

### November

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| 1 | Board/Club Meeting | Salinas Airport |
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### December

|     |                       |                         |
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| 2-3 | Toys for Tots Fun Fly | SAM Field               |
| 2   | Annual Dinner         | Landing Zone Restaurant |



1999 Club Meeting



December 1998  
Banquet at the Elks  
lodge



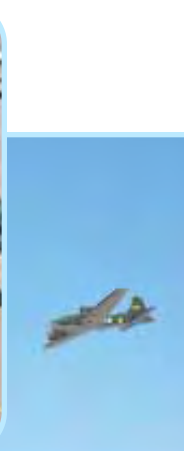
How About Those Auctions?



# Seen at the Castle IMAA Fly In



Photos by Joe Francis



# 30 Years of Flying, Fellowship & Fun





