

## Overall Final Results

Place	Chapter	Club/location	Country	Score
1	L'AQUILONE SAM 2001	Anzio, near Rome	Italy	4279
2	SAM 51	Northern California	USA	3923
3	SAM 40	Michigan	USA	3889
4	SAM- Italia 62	Cambio di Villadose, Rovigo	Italy	3744
5	SAM 43	Nashville/Knoxville TN	USA	3560
6	SAM 26	Santa Maria, California	USA	3457
7	SAM 27	North California	USA	3136
8	SAM 60	Johnstown, Pa	USA	2725
9	SAM 1953	Baradero	Argentina	2569
*Host	SAM 114	W.O.R.K.S. West Ohio	USA	5400



## The Frank Ehling International 1/2A Texaco Postal Challenge 2014 Manager's Report

Greetings to all,

It has been an exciting year for the Postal Challenge we received ten entries which included an entry from Baradero, Argentina, welcome. Some teams had surprisingly good weather while for others the weather was a challenge. We congratulate the Italian team L'AQUILONE SAM 2001 for their winning score. They will be the Host team for the 2015 Postal Challenge.

\*Last Year while hosting the 2013 Texaco Postal Challenge, our team won for the third time in a row with a score of 5400 points. This prompted the team to consider providing a new guideline. This guideline provides that if a team has won the trophy for a third time consecutively then the next year the team will be placed as the host team. Then regardless of their score in the next year's competition, the other teams entering the Challenge would be the only ones in the competition eligible to win. Therefore, in the results above, you see the SAM 114 team listed as host and the other teams listed in the order they placed in the Postal Challenge.

SAM 114 Old Timers enjoyed being the host team and appreciated the fine participation we have had in the challenge. It is fun to see photos of all the beautiful models, and read of the problems/challenges the teams have overcome concerning the weather, lost models, and engines that won't run. But I believe the most fun is getting together to enjoy each other's company. I expect we will have a spirited competition in 2015.

Best Wishes and good thermals in 2015,

George Lamb SAM114

The following are the results in order of placement:

First Place ? SAM 2001 LAQUILONE (Italy)

Contestant	Model	Area (Sq cm)	Weight (gr)	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Moschini Giuseppe	Mini Hoogan	119.3	470	547	900	733	1633	<b>1633</b>
Cassinis Andrea	Airborne	141.9	550	900	655	0	1555	<b>1555</b>
Cavallaro Eros	Tomboy	114.8	440	421	515	576	1091	<b>1091</b>
Luigi Gazzea	Contest	119.32	460	471	504	404	975	
Sagnotti Maurizio	M. G. 2	116.14	445	227	270	316	586	
<b>SAM 2001 Italy</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>4279</b>
<b>Date</b>	12-Oct-14							
<b>Location</b>	G.A.A.T. Aldo Tenerini near Anzio (30Km South of Rome)							
<b>Conditions</b>	Sunny, no clouds, slightly windy from North, Temp 26 deg C, good thermals but rare							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Curzio Santoni C.D.							



The thermals were good but rare. There were seven contestants but, unfortunately, two models did not fly because of engine or radio troubles. The launches ended at 12:30 p.m.

Second Place ? SAM 51 (USA)

Contestant	Model	Area (Sq in)	Weight (Oz)	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Bob Grice	Dallaire	300	17	725	682	481	1407	<b>1407</b>
Doug Barton	Dallaire	300	17	375	512	847	1359	<b>1359</b>
John Eaton	Commando	380	22	430	670	487	1157	<b>1157</b>
Monty Pate	Dallaire	300	17	560	266	275	835	
Sheldon Berkowitz	Dallaire	300	17	230	409	412	821	
<b>SAM 51</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>3923</b>
<b>Date</b>	Oct 2, 2014							
<b>Locations</b>	Woodland/Davis Aeromodeler's Field at Davis, CA							
<b>Conditions</b>	Weather: 80 degrees, wind light northerly, clear skies, lift sporadic and irregular.							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Bob Grice SAM 51							



Thank you all for sponsoring this years event. It is a challenge and we must keep it going in years to come.?



Third Place ? SAM 40 (USA)

Contestant	Model	Area	Weight	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team
		(Sq in)	(Oz)					Score
Charlie Hannula	Lanzo Bomber	287	16	637	616	752	1389	<b>1389</b>
George Mathis	MG Cabin	288	16	280	800	460	1260	<b>1260</b>
Mel Holman	Stardust Spec	268	20.3	628	612	494	1240	<b>1240</b>
Ron Kuyoth	Dallaire	300	18.5	411	316	716	1127	
Eugene Navoy	MG Cabin	300	17.2	634	435		1069	
John Harder	Baby Playboy	297	18.5	328	416		744	
Jerry Sorosiak	Airborn	288	16	274	300	290	590	
Bob Erpelding	Rambler	290	17	278	289	250	567	
Chuck Schooley	Lanzo Stick	300	17	131	142	219	361	
Ray Peebles	Dallaire	300	16.5	297	28		325	
<b>SAM 40</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>3889</b>
<b>Date</b>	27-Sep-14							
<b>Locations</b>	Toledo Weak Signals Field    Temperance, Michigan							
<b>Conditions</b>	Winds light 4-8mph, mostly blue skys, high clouds, Temperture 75 degrees							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Charlie Hannula SAM 40							



We had ten Sam Members and two others and a couple of Sam members that help but didn't fly. Overall we had a great day of friendship and flying.?

Fourth Place ? SAM 62 (Italy)

Contestant	Model	Area (sq dm)	Weight gr	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Roberto Grassi	Yankee	21.12	515	571	532	766	1337	<b>1337</b>
Alfred Wicker	Play Boy	19	480	281	850	363	1213	<b>1213</b>
Mario Carletti	Valkyrie	18.5	480	429	185	765	1194	<b>1194</b>
Gianni Artioli	Civy Boy	15	1410	329	559	612	1171	
Gianni Borsetti	Kerswap	18	480	474	497	671	1168	
Walther Gianati	Diavolo	21.5	515	489	576	414	1065	
G.Carlo Ghirardelli	Bomber	19	480	363	407	445	852	
G.Marco Canelli	Airborn	20.5	510	170	54	410	580	
Mario Rocca	Baby Mercuri	18.16	454	250			250	
<b>SAM 62 Italy</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>3744</b>
<b>Date</b>	Oct 11, 2014							
<b>Location</b>	la Azzurra Ferrar's flying field, Ferrara's Urban Park, Italy							
<b>Conditions</b>	Temp 18-24degrees C, high humidity 80%, wind L&V rising to 3m/sec							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Mario Gialanella (SAM 62 President)							



Nine participants from SAM Chapter 62 have met on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> morning at 9:00 with their noses pointing up, much worried about low clouds and some fog, typical for this area. After a short briefing, it has been decided to start flying; first to start was Mario Rocca, too early to start, really, as he lost his model in the low clouds.

Having seen this sad event, all other contestants tried not to climb higher than cloud's limit, obtaining this way poor flight times. Later, at around 11:00, cloud ceiling started to open, leaving big patches of sky available making higher and better flights possible, with everybody launching for remaining flights almost in a mass launch.?

Fifth Place ? SAM 43 (USA)

Contestant	Model	Area (Sq in)	Weight (Oz)	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Jerry Nanny	Airborn	320	18	285	900	394	1294	<b>1294</b>
James Harkreader	Airborn	360	20	123	272	900	1172	<b>1172</b>
Mike Denton	Airborn	340	20	702	205	392	1094	<b>1094</b>
Charles Waterston	Airborn	320	19	517	205	267	784	
L.A. Johnston	Blitzkrieg	340	20	120	180	DNF	300	
Randall Krystosec	Dallaire	300	18	338	DNF	DNF	338	
Don Hudgins	Bomber	288	18	LOS				
<b>SAM 43</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>3560</b>
<b>Date</b>	Sep 29, 2014							
<b>Location</b>	Spring Hill Flying Field, Nashville, TN, USA							
<b>Conditions</b>	Clear, light winds and fair Thermals							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Bob Metzger SAM 43							



SAM 43 has had its problem this year between the SAM Champs and now we have lost 3 or 4 of our ½ planes (mine included) and/or crashed a few more. Anyway, attached are our figures for this year. We'll shoot for better numbers next year!

Sixth Place ? SAM 26 (USA)

Contestant	Model	Area (Sq in)	Weight (Oz)	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Tom Boice	Bomber	288	17.9	679	718	DNF	1397	<b>1397</b>
Bob Angel	Play Boy Jr.	350	19.7	455	475	580	1055	<b>1055</b>
Walt Reuszer	Bomber	315	19.3	342	603	402	1005	<b>1005</b>
Steve Remington	Play Boy Jr.	350	19.4	268	230	287	555	
Dick Fischer	Taylorcraft	350	20	193	175	222	415	
Jim Bierbauer	Ehling	350	22	150	156	182	338	
<b>SAM 26</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>3457</b>
<b>Date</b>	4-Oct-14							
<b>Locations</b>	California(4), USA; Ohio(2), USA							
<b>Conditions</b>	The weather was less than ideal at both locations							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Bob Angel SAM 26							



Tom & Walt flew in Ohio; the rest of us in Calif. Weather was less than ideal at either end. But we did have a nice 75 deg. average high temperature ? that's 48 in the East and 102 out West. And in Ohio, add in some rain, sleet and finally 21 mph winds. The Calif. Heat wave didn't seem to bother us much except for the thinner air which was hot even at altitude. Mild winds and no thermals despite the heat. Hot or cold, Cox engines are their consistently persnickety selves.

Seventh Place ? SAM 27 (USA)

Contestant	Model	Area (Sq in)	Weight (Oz)	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Dick Irwin	Record Hound	289	16.5	826	496	900	1726	1726
Tom Moore	Play Boy			369	418	DNF	787	787
Mike Clancy	Kerswap	288	16	240	200	383	623	623
Loren Kramer	Airborn	292	16	94	110	124	234	
<b>SAM 27</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>3136</b>
<b>Date</b>	2-Oct-14							
<b>Locations</b>	North California, USA							
<b>Conditions</b>	Weather Perfect;Engines not so!							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Mike Clancy SAM 27							

The SAM 27, 2013 Team



We only had four flyers on our team this year and a couple of our planes are in Bob Holman's trailer. They were at the SAM Champs in Muncie and haven't been retrieved yet. Our weather was perfect but we all had engine problems. We should be better organized next year. Thanks for running the contest again this year.



Eighth Place ? SAM 60 (USA)

Contestant	Model	Area (Sq in)	Weight (Oz)	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Jim Patterson	Dallaire	300		313	900	348	1248	<b>1248</b>
Ken Reeseey	Bomber	318		429	358	455	884	<b>884</b>
Paul Yuhas	Dallaire	300		181	286	307	593	<b>593</b>
Scott Hholsopple	MG Cabin	291		302	200	253	555	
Mark Turzak	Dallaire	300		129	237	258	495	
<b>SAM 60</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>2725</b>
<b>Date</b>	28-Sep-14							
<b>Locations</b>	Johnstown, Pa, USA							
<b>Conditions</b>	The weather was light wind, Temp 73 degrees, slightly overcast skies							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Scott Holsopple SAM 60							

1/2A Texaco Bomber (Typical)



Ninth Place ? SAM 1953 (Argentina)

Contestant	Model	Area (sq in)	Weight oz	Flight 1	Flight 2	Flight 3	Best 2 of 3	Team Score
Juan Carlos Iskanian	Rambler	279	16.2	521	655	615	1270	<b>1270</b>
Ruben Rivarola	Wahoo	235.6	14.1	461	421	279	882	<b>882</b>
Humberto Rivarola	Miss America	277.8	15.5	281	199	144	417	<b>417</b>
Armen Vartian	Super Stofer	202.9	15.7	122	251	156	407	
Ascanio Contigiani	Dallaire	279	15.6	159	247	137	406	
Rodolfo Munoz	Miss America	250.8	13.9	204	114	115	319	
<b>SAM 1953 Argentina</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>2569</b>
<b>Date</b>	Sep 21, 2014							
<b>Location</b>	Baradero City Aero Club ( 83 miles NW from Buenos Aires)							
<b>Conditions</b>	Temp 70 deg F, typical Spring fresh wind 10 mph with 15 mph gusts, no thermal activity							
<b>Team Manager</b>	Rodolfo Munzo, SAM 1953 Coordinator							



We are pleased to send you the results for the first time. Contest flights started at late morning, with a typical spring fresh E wind around 10 mph with 15 mph gusts and later turning to NE, temperature rounded 70 deg. F. No thermal activity. Baradero's flying field is almost touching the huge Rio de la Plata River (almost a sea) and wind blowing from this side all day with dead air. The experience flying according SAM rules was quite interesting to try some changes to our provisory rules for 1/2A Texaco. Best Regards.

Host ? SAM 114 (USA)

		(Sq in)	(Oz)					Score
Michael Bluestein	Ranger	310	17.9	900	900		1800	1800
Tom Boice	Bomber	288	16	638	900	900	1800	1800
Gary Streithau	Bomber	315	17.6	461	900	900	1800	1800
Dennis Sedlock	Bomber	288	17.1	552	674	732	1406	
George Lamb	Racer	288	16.1	397	900		1297	
Richard Pratt	Airborne	254	14.1	623	424		1047	
Tom Pratt	Cloudster	300	21.5	crash	900		900	
John Leuke	Rambler	288	16.6	490			490	
Walt Reuszer	Bomber	330	19				DNF	
<b>SAM 114</b>							<b>Team Score</b>	<b>5400</b>
<b>Date</b>	Sep 25,2014							
<b>Location</b>	Hummel/ Works field, Germantown, SW Ohio							
<b>Conditions</b>	Clear blue sky,high cirrus,Temp 77 deg, wind L&V mph from SE, some strong thermals							
<b>Team Manager</b>	George Lamb SAM 114							



The SAM 114 team had an interesting year of flying while entering several contests. Two members had lost models during the season which resulted in older models being brought back into service. The day we flew turned out to be exceptional with a clear sky, very light winds, and moderate temperatures. The wind was basically from the South East with lots of thermals.