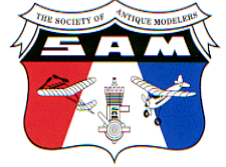




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Chapter 21

AMA Charter Club 1470



Dick Irwin, the builder of the Top Banana (108" , 3X of the original FF design), had granted Brian Chan the guardian-ship of the plane. Picture was taken by Mike Clancy at the SAM27 Petaluma Lakeville field.

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Next Meeting:

September 14th, 2023

Dr. Alan Peterson's House

1115 Seena Avenue

Los Altos, Ca 93024

7:00 p.m.

Food will be served.



SAM21 Current Affairs

Latest dope.....

- *Editor's note; due to my back surgery, I was not allow to sit for a long period to edit the Clipper, so this Clipper could be a little less full! Still recovering....*
- *I am back at it again, slowly. Got a lot of stuff to put in the July/August Clipper.*
- *I missed the July meeting, Prez Alan took pictures and notes for me, thank you Alan.*
- **September meeting is on September 14th, the OCD meeting is delayed for a week due to the holiday.**
- *SAM21 Collecto is scheduled for November 11, 2023. Same place and same old story. See flyer on this Clipper for details.*

COLLECTO REGION 2

MECA COLLECTO Sponsored By SAM21
Saturday, November 11th, 2023
Westhope Presbyterian Church
12850 Saratoga Avenue, Saratoga, California 95070
Buy, Sell, Swap, Trade Any Model Related Items.
Airplanes, Cars, Boats, Engines, Kits, Parts, Etc.
General Admission: \$ 5.00 Tables(2.5' X 8'): \$ 10.00
Includes Free Coffee and Doughnuts
Opens to Sellers @ 8:00am, Opens to Buyers @ 8:30am. Event Ends @ 12:00 Noon
For More Information, Contact Brian Sargent (408) 656-3662 or bhsargent@gmail.com

This Collecto Ad Approved by _____, Regional Director. Date: _____

- *Next contest coming up, SAM27 Crash and Bash will be in September. Get ready for it.*
- *A SAM prolific model builder and SAM contest flyer, Dale Tower, passed in June at 96.*
- *First SAM World Championship will be held in Jakabszallas, Hungary, June 23-29, 2024. There might be an U.S. contingency for the event.*
- *Alan announced last month he is retiring from his dental practice. So he will have more time to play with his engines and fly models! Congratulations, Happy Retirement!*

2023 Meeting Dates

**1st Thursday after
the 1st Monday**

7:00 p.m.

**Dr Peterson's House,
1115 Seena Avenue, Los
Altos.**

January 5

February-2

March-9

April-6

May-4

June-8

July-6

August-10

September 14

October 5

November 9

December 7

**Don't forget to
renew your**

SAM 21

**membership,
the dues is**

\$10.00

for 2023



June meeting Minutes

SAM 21 Meeting 8/10/2023

August Meeting called to order 7:10

No minutes.

Attendance: Lescher, Sam, Alan

Sam had some interesting information of setting up a Cox engine for SAM:

He used a new double slit cylinder and new piston. He has made a metal pickup for the inside of the tank. The cylinder is recommended by Burrows. He also recommends a TD piston.

Tom Boyce and Sarge recommend a break in period. Start rich and adjust to lean. Use a standard 8" Cox grey prop to break in. He then tested with an APC Electric 8 x 6 prop. 5% to 10% nitro used. No difference between them. He did 6 runs on bench. All lasted 6 minutes, two were over 7 minutes.

He also tried chilling the fuel. No difference. (it may be that in chilling the fuel the actual volume of the tank shrinks so less fuel is available)

Lescher brought more beautiful engines from his collection:

OS 60 ignition

Ken 60 ignition

Brown Jr 60 ignition

Brownie 23 ignition

O&R 60 ignition

Super Cyclone 60 ignition NIB (left handed adjustment not rotation)

Larry Janus 60 ignition (hand made)

Alan had three electric Texaco models made by Dr. Henry Smith. Boxcar?, 1940 Atomizer, 1941 So Long.

By the way, I urgently need 3 clamshell type motor mounts for the Graupner style Texaco motor. Does anyone have some available? I want to Henry's airplanes flying.

Dinner was served:

Cheese Burgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Salad, Sodas

We adjourned at 8:30

Yours Truly

Alan Peterson



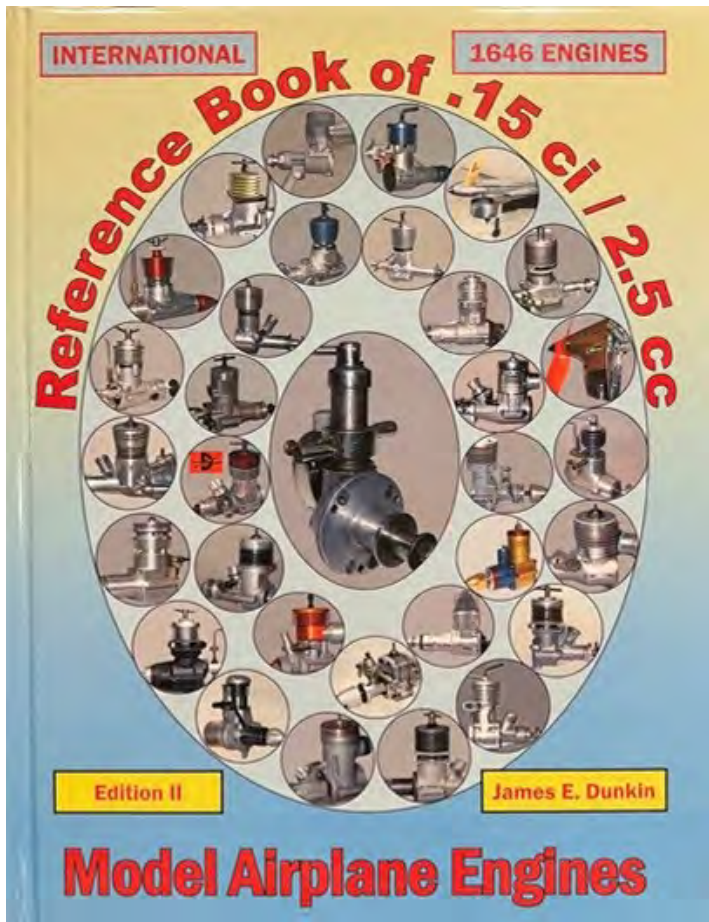
Sorry, Alan did not provide the photos of the cheese burgers or the hot dogs. You just have to show up at the next meeting to see them in person!

Thank you Alan, who had graciously taken note and picture during my absence. Brian, Clipper editor.



Model Engines Reference Book of .15 ci/2.5 cc

Some Photos From Ft Wayne SAM Champs



Pelican 2.6m, belongs to C.D. Jay Burkart.



Same Pelican, a different angle. The Pelican is kitted by Paco Scale Models in Hungary.



Look at that flying site!

At the June SAM21 meeting, Fred Terzian brought a copy of the Engine Reference Book by James E. Dunkin for show and tell. Fred also said he has about 20 copies of the book available, @\$65.00 USD. Over 400 pages of almost every 2.5cc engine produced. No Babenko's etc. as this was published before it was available.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy of this book, contact Fred Terzian via email, fred.terzian@gmail.com

Some of the engines in the book are available for sale. Fred has a list of what is still available. Contact him for more information.



More Photos from Ft Wayne....Stolen off FB...



Remembrance of things past—a modeler's wake

By Mike Myers

Dale Tower, a prolific model builder and SAM contest flyer died in June at the age of 96. After service and training in the Navy toward the end of WW II Dale went on to get an Electrical Engineering degree. He started with Bendix—then went on as a manufacturers rep selling computers to the military. He became a successful entrepreneur, starting and investing in computer companies. In his computer days, Dale was one of the first to suggest parallel computers as a way to get to super computing—and wound up with a significant chunk of stock.

Dale lived alone. As his health worsened, his long-time flying partner Phil Bernhardt and friends Dave Meriwether and Larry Jolly helped him—arranging for medical care and then hospice care and sorting his models and equipment. Phil will act as executor of Dale's estate. Dale's other friends (and there were many) would visit for short periods. Dale enjoyed the conversation even when, toward the end, he couldn't participate and might not even have heard it. Dave Harding and I drove down from Los Angeles to Orange County to visit Dale a few days before the end. Dale was in pain, but we believe he sensed our presence. Going back to Los Angeles I commented that, with the five of us there at Dale's bedside, it was like an Irish wake---“without the booze”.

Following Dale's death, Dave Meriwether organized a memorial lunch. Dale was a well-known competitor at Eloy, the Boulder City SAM Champs and the SAM 26 and SAM 21 contests in California at Taft, Bakersfield and the Schmidt Ranch. As SAM President Bob Galler said, “Dale was still beating SAM competitors right and left at the age of 88.”

Well, the memorial lunch came. Dave Meriwether, Dave Harding, Larry Jolly, Phil Bernhardt and Mike Myers attended. Dale's Australian friend Allan Laycock had asked Mike to “hoist a glass for Dale”. Well, Diet Coke had

to do (it's a long drive back home). Bob Galler called the lunch to check in and say a few words in appreciation of both Dale, and what Dale's friends had done for him at the end. Dave Harding brought his laptop with many photos of Dale and his models. Stories were told of some of Dale's exploits (diving a 12-foot wingspan Lanzo model from 2,000 feet straight down to 50 feet above the Rose Bowl lawn when told, “it's time to go to lunch” etc). And there was much general modeling conversation in our two and a half hour lunch. Both Phil Bernhardt and Larry Jolly had been contributors to Model Builder magazine; Harding had been a very senior project manager for Boeing Helicopter; almost all of us had played significant roles in various SAM offices and at many SAM Champs. There were several lifetimes of modeling experience around the table and older modelers will talk—and enjoy sharing their memories. Dale wasn't there—but I know he would have felt privileged if he could listen in and be a part of it all. It was a great way to send an old and cherished friend off. If an Englishman were writing of Dale's passing, he'd write “Ave Atque Vale” meaning “I salute you and farewell” a Latin phrase intended for a hero.

But we are in Southern California and so I'll also write, **Vaya con Dios Amigo**---no translation needed.



Phil, Dave, Mike, Larry and Dave.



Remembrance: Dale Tower *(photos provided by Dave Harding)*



Dale with a Hank Cole design "Smoothie" for the electric Wakefield event.



Dale with a 10 ft Lanzo Bomber.



Dale with a scaled down 1938 Chuck Hollinger "Floater" at the El Dorado Dry Lake.



Another Chuck Hollinger design "Floater", but this one is full size (96 inches).



Dale with Dave Harding at the Rose Bowl. The plane was designed for a World Altitude Record for electric-powered model aircraft. According to Dave, Dale did beat the current record (at that time) but he never followed through with the paper works.



First SAM World Championship for RC Models

I received the following email from Laszlo Torok, SAM5 (Budapest, Hungary) President.

Dear friends,

I am sending the official invitation of the SAM World Championship with love.

I am asking for your help so that our invitation reaches SAM chapters in all parts of the world.

At the SAM European Championship in Slovakia (Nyitra 25-29 June 2023) I officially announced the SAM World Championship, which is organized by SAM 5 Hungary. I saw that the announcement was a great success among European competitors.

I have just sent the rules to the leaders of the European countries.

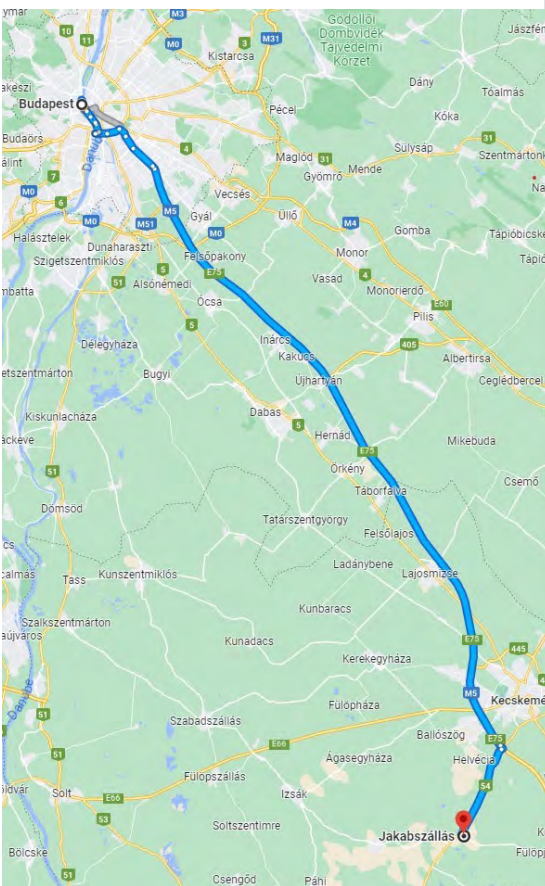
As soon as we open the website of the World Championship, we will send a notification immediately. In the meantime, if anyone has questions, please give them my email address: toroklaszlo704@gmail.com.

Thank you to everyone for your work that made it possible for us to get this far!

Sincerely

Laszlo Torok

President of SAM 5 Hungary



Jakabszállás is about 100km SSE of Budapest, Hungary.



SAM27 Corner Some of the TOFF actions. Photos by Mike Clancy



Tom



Chip



Warren



Dave



Loren



Brian

1/2A Texaco Postal Challenge

2023

Frank Ehling

International 1/2A Texaco Postal Challenge

The International 1/2A Texaco Postal Challenge for 2023, marks the 38th year for the Challenge. The Covid-19 pandemic was a factor of the reduced number of teams participating in the event. Also due to Covid the 2022 event was not flown. In 2020 we had five teams fly, they were; SAM 27 (Napa, Sonoma, Marin Counties, CA), SAM 78 & 95 (Czech Republic), SAM 119 Mocenok, Slovakia), and SAM 114 (Germantown, OH). SAM 114 served as host being the 2019 winner. In 2021 we only had three teams participating and SAM 114 was again the winner. SAM 114 has been very busy with preparing for the 2023 SAM Champs and other events so they were happy to have another club run the event. SAM 27 and Mike Clancy volunteered to do the job.

The rules for the IPC are per the SAM Official Rule Book: minimum 8 ounces per square foot of plan-form wing area, .049 Cox reed valve engine, 5.1cc integral fuel tank, and propeller limited to 8 inch maximum diameter. An individual's score is the sum best two of three 15 minute max flights. A max flight is worth 900 points. The team score is sum of the top three flyer's scores. Flying must be completed on the day chosen by the team within a window which **begins on September 1st and closes on November 30th**. This broad window is intended to provide favorable flying conditions in both the Northern and Southern hemispheres.

In an effort to increase participation we are trying a couple of rules changes which were used in the 2022 SAM Champs. The upper date for plane designs is now 1964. The new planes must still fit the description of an old timer. Also, a plane may be flown by multiple pilots as separate entries. E.g., a club that has only one Half A Texaco flyer could have two additional pilots fly his plane and as a result would have a full entry for the contest.

I will be sending out this announcement several times prior to the window.

This is a very enjoyable event as team members work together. This competition has been around for a long time. Let's keep it going.

Attached is a Chapter entry form that you are welcome to use. See this form for information on where to send scores.

Mike Clancy
SAM 27



Half A Texaco flyers of SAM 27

Team Entry form is on the next page.





SAM 27

INVITES YOU TO OUR
48TH Annual



CRASH & BASH

OLD TIMER CONTEST

Schmidt Ranch, 11948 Franklin Blvd., Elk Grove, CA

AMA Sanctioned—Mike Clancy, Contest Director

DATE: Sept. 22, 23, 24, 2023

LOCATION: Schmidt Ranch,
Elk Grove, CA

TIME: Breakfast 7:30,
Registration, 8:30-9.00,

PILOTS MEETING: 9:00 a.m.
followed by first flights

CLASSES/RULES: 2020 SAM
Rule Book. **See attached for
exceptions**

AWARDS: Cash and certificates.

ENTRY FEES: \$5.00 per event, no
limit. Fun fly anytime, for free.

Current AMA membership and
proper FCC license for 50 & 53

**We will use the 2020 Rule Book For RC events with Glow and Spark Ignition engine events combined.
There are certain rule modifications which were used in the 2022 SAM Champs and at Crash and Bash.**

EVENTS

FRIDAY: 2-6 p.m. and **SATURDAY:** 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

A, B, C, LER COMBINED. — Antique.— Ohlsson Sideport.— Electric Texaco.— Electric Replica

SUNDAY: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.—Speed-400.— Electric LMR.—1/2 A Texaco.— Texaco.

Ohlsson .23.—Foxacoy—Old Time Glider

**Awards Ceremony begins at 3 p.m. Sunday followed by a
RAFFLE of SAM airplane kits, engines, and assorted prizes.**

Gourmet Dining

Friday Evening Buffet featuring MIRIAM's LASAGNA.

Pancake breakfasts and lunches.

Served Saturday and Sunday as usual.

Saturday Night Banquet 6:30 p.m. at the Ranch.

Please telephone (415) 897-2917 or email
mikelsfv@comcast.net for banquet reservations

Best Western John Jay Inn
15 Massie Court, Sacramento
(916) 689-4425

Hampton Inn & Suites
Longport Court, Elk Grove
(916) 683-9545

Holiday Inn Express
9170 W. Stockton Blvd, Elk Grove
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Best Western
620 Lincoln Way, Galt
(209) 745-9500

Motel 6
7407 Elsie Ave., Sacramento
(916) 689-6555

Directions to Schmidt Ranch

Traveling south on I-5, exit Hood Franklin Road, turn left (east) over overpass, turn right (south) on Franklin Blvd. (J8).

Traveling north on I-5, exit Twin Cities Road, turn right (east), turn left (north) on Franklin Blvd., (J8).

Camping OK, NO hookups.

GPS Coordinates: N 38° 19' 48" — W 121° 26' 51"





Region 2 M.E.C.A. COLLECTO SPONSORED BY SAM 21



**Saturday, November 11th, 2023
Westhope Presbyterian Church
12850 Saratoga Ave. Saratoga, CA 95070**

Directions: North or South on HWY 85 to Saratoga Ave., north, past Cox Ave., to Westhope Pres. Church on right.

***Buy, Sell, Swap, Trade
Any Model Related Items***

Airplanes, Cars, Boats, Engines, Kits, Parts, Etc

General Admission: \$5.00

Tables - 2.5' X 8' - \$10.00

Includes Free Coffee and Doughnuts!

Opens to Sellers At 8:00 a.m. Opens to buyers/lookers at 8:30 a.m. Event ends At 12:00 noon

For more info contact: **Brian Sargent** at: (408) -656-3662 or bhsargent@gmail.com

Pre-Registration Form - Tables held until 8:30

Name: _____ Number of General Admissions @ \$5.00 ea. ____ Total \$ _____

Telephone No. (____) _____ Number of Tables @ \$10.00 ea ____ Total \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Mail to: **Cliff Shekell, 2473 Briarwood Drive, San Jose, CA 95215**

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A Friendly Reminder....The Renewal Process

It is almost January, SAM21, AMA* and SAM membership are due at the end of the year. It is coming up faster than you think. So before you are swamped with all the holiday event distractions, send in your membership dues to all three organizations. (*newer AMA members might have a different renewal dates.)



Use the renewal form and send renewal fee to **Cliff Shekell, 2743 Briarwood Drive, San Jose, California 95125**. The SAM21 2023 membership is \$10.00.



Go to <http://www.mysamstore.com/> click on "**Join/Renew Membership**" on the upper left . It will redirect you to a renewal form. Fill in the form and click on the "submit form" button. The next page will be to select the online/print option. After that it will direct you to Paypal page to pay the dues.



<https://www.modelaircraft.org/membership/enroll>

click on the left box "Renew A Membership" blue box and follow the instruction. You might to registered first.

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SAM 21 - 2023 Membership Application Form

Check one: NEW Member RETURNING Member

Check one: FULL Member **\$10.00**

SAM No. _____ AMA No. _____
(Req'd if full)

Name: _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____ Cell _____

Mail Form & Dues to SAM21 Treasurer: Cliff Shekell 2473 Briarwood Drive, San Jose, Ca 95125

