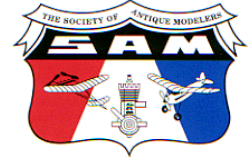




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# SAM 21 CLIPPER

Society of Antique Modelers

Chapter 21

AMA Charter Club No.1470



**Left:**

2014 SAM 27 Crash and Bash CD (and SAM President) Ed Hamler congratulates Hook's trophy winner, Tom Empy.

Tom, who came all the way from Oregon to compete, prevailed, but not without persistence.

More than one of his model's flights 'visited' the 'high as an elephants eye' muddy cornfield downwind of the Schmidt Ranch only to be found and returned for further competition.

Congratulations to Tom.

If anyone deserved to be champion at this contest, it was Tom...

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**Next Meeting:**

**Thursday, September 25, 7:00 pm**

**@ SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Corner Saratoga Ave & Sunnyvale-Saratoga Hwy  
(you remember where that is)

The Regular Scheduled Goodie (Henry Smith)  
And Coffee Assignments (Sargent)

For The **September Meeting**

See Page 2 For Details



# 2014 WEST COAST EVENT SCHEDULE

Revised 9/15/14 *Italics are PRELIMINARY Dates - SUBJECT TO CHANGE*

**Bold are confirmed dates Shaded are completed events**

JAN	4	5	
JAN	11	12	
JAN	19	20	1/18-20 2014 SOUTHWEST REGIONAL, Eloy Az
JAN	26	27	1/25 SAM 21 BANQUET— HOLDER's Country Inn, San Jose
FEB	1	2	
FEB	8	9	
FEB	15	16	
FEB	22	23	
MAR	1	2	
MAR	8	9	
MAR	15	16	
MAR	22	23	3-22-23 SAM 26 Spring Annual, Wekerly Field - near Bakersfield
MAR	29	30	CD: Dick Fisher - 805-489-4078
APR	5		4-4-5 only NCCFFC Sierra Champs - FF/only- Waegell Field
APR	12	13	
APR	19	20	
APR	26	27	Sunday Only 4/27 - SAM 21 Speed 400/1/2A TEXACO contest - Dwarf's Field, So. San Jose
MAY	10	11	<b>Sunday 5/11 Mother's Day</b>
MAY	17	18	SATURDAY 5 - 17 WINGS Of History OPEN HOUSE - Morgan Hill ?
MAY	24	25	
MAY	31		5/31 - 6/1 SAM 21 38th Annual and First "Loren Schmidt Memorial" - Schmidt Ranch
JUNE	1		Saturday 6-1 only - West States Champs-FF/OT RC Waegell Field
JUNE	7	8	
JUNE	14	15	
JUNE	1	22	
JUNE	28	29	
JULY	4		
JULY	5	6	
JULY	12	13	
JULY	19	20	
JULY	26	27	7/26 only - SAM 30 Fun Fly - 'Simplex Day', Schmidt Ranch
AUG	2	3	
AUG	9	10	
AUG	16	17	
AUG	23	24	
AUG	30	31	
SEPT	6	7	<b>Monday 9/1 Labor Day</b> 5-7 SAM 27 Annual 'Crash and Bash' - Schmidt Ranch 9/7 Sunday Only- SGMA Combo - OT RC Assist, Waegell Field 14-18 SAM Champs - Muncie Indiana
SEPT	13	14	
SEPT	20	21	
SEPT	27	28	
OCT	4	5	
OCT	11	12	
OCT	18	19	Saturday 18 - SAM 21 S- 400 & 1/2A TEXACO contest—DWARFS
OCT	25	26	10-25-26 SAM 26 John Pond Commemorative - Wekerly Field - near Bakersfield - CD: Bob Angel 805-937-5145 Sunday 10-26 Only- SGMA Fall Contest- OT RC Assist, Waegell Field
NOV	1	2	Saturday 11-1 ONLY - SCCMAS Swap Meet
NOV	8	9	
NOV	15	16	Saturday November 15th - SAM 21 MECA COLLECTO
NOV	22	23	
NOV		30	<b>Thursday 11-27 Thanksgiving Day</b>
DEC	7	8	
DEC	13	14	
DEC	20	21	<b>Thursday 12- 25 Christmas Day</b>
DEC	27	28	
JAN	1		<b>Thursday 1- 15 NEW YEARS DAY 2015</b>

**Special Event Note:** SAM 51 has advised that their Chapter will be holding monthly Fun Fly events on the First Thursday of **each month**, WX permitting, until further notice at Woodland/Davis. For more info contact Ken Holden at: kdholden@gmail.com

VISIT SAM 21 Website:  
[WWW.SAM-21.ORG](http://WWW.SAM-21.ORG)

## 2014 Meeting Dates

**7:00 p.m.**

@ SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Corner Saratoga Ave & Sunnyvale-Saratoga Hwy

January 23

February 27

March 27

April 24

May 22

June 26

July 24

August 28

**September 25**

October 23

**November 20**

(due to Thanksgiving Conflict)

**December 18**

(due to Christmas Conflict)

## 2014 "GOODIE" Schedule

Here are the assignments for 2014, excusing those who normally do not attend meetings on a regular basis.

If you cannot accommodate this schedule, then **it will be your responsibility to "volunteer"/coerce another member to take your place.** Don't say you weren't warned.

And, if you feel 'The Call' (and aren't on this list), please call one of the unfortunate souls on the list or the 'Standby' and offer to take their place.

JANUARY	Eberhardt
FEBRUARY	Martinez
MARCH	Vanderbeek
APRIL	Peterson
MAY	Leopold
JUNE	Lewis
JULY	NONE
AUGUST	Gurney
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>Henry Smith</b>
OCTOBER	Saso
NOVEMBER	Sargent
DECEMBER	Dowling

Standby: Eberhardt



## AUGUST 28, 2014 MINUTES

Call to order: President Gary **Leopold**  
at 7:03 pm  
Members present: 17  
Guests present: None  
Introduction of guests:

**Approval of minutes:** of the meeting of July 24, 2014 Approved

**Treasurer's report:** *Lescher Dowling - Club is solvent.*

**Membership report:** *Lescher Dowling - Regular 28, Associate 13, Life 5, Total 46*

**Competition report:** *Dave Lewis: Very successful Fun Fly!! 17 SIMPLEX models!! Our own Ken Martinez of SAM 21 was the flyoff winner!!!!*

**Date For Fall Speed 400/1/2 A event at Dwarfs:**  
*The event will be held on Saturday October 18, 2014.*

### Unfinished Business/Reports:

**Simplex Build/Fly Project:** *Bill Copeland. There will be a Simplex Event during the 'Crash and Bash' at the Schmidt Ranch on September 6th, 2014.*

Gary **Leopold** reported that he recently had a Simplex crash due to programming error.

### New business:

Brian **Sargent** discussed the format and procedures for the annual Loren **Schmidt** Contest.

- 1) Skip future Saturday night banquets at the Ranch.
  - 2) Schedule a three day contest instead of two.
- He will have additional comments at the September meeting.

**The 2014 Collecto** will be held November 15th 2014 at the Westhope Presbyterian Church on Saratoga Avenue. The same venue as last year.

**Update SAM 21 Web Site.** Continue discussion at the September meeting.

BREAK!!! 8:10pm RESUME!!! 8:25pm

### Show and Tell:

Ken **Martinez** showed new Playboy Jr. for Speed 400. 'Tluth Mite' plans were displayed as possible design for the Build /Fly event for 2015. Additional prospects will be considered at a later time. Bring suggestions for any other type to the September meeting

Brian **Chan** showed clever Speed 400 timing device he had manufactured.

Tom **Faith** brought a Skyhawk model.

Lescher **Dowling** discussed the proposed FAA ruling.

Refreshments: Walt **Gurney**  
Coffee by: Brian **Sargent**

**Adjournment:** 8:57pm.



## SEPTEMBER 25, 2014

Call to order: President Gary **Leopold**  
Members present:  
Guests present:  
Introduction of guests:

**Approval of minutes** of the meeting of August 28, 2014

**Treasurer's report:** *Lescher Dowling*

**Membership report:** *Lescher Dowling*

**Competition report:** *Dave Lewis:*

- A) **SAM 27 Crash and Bash - Report**
- B) **Award of First and Second place winners of SimpleX Smackdown Ver. 2**
- C) **Fall Speed 400/1/2 A event at Dwarfs - Report (October 18th)**

### Unfinished Business/Reports:

A) **Future Build/Fly Project:** *Bill Copeland -*

B) **Continue Discussion: format and procedures for future Annual Schmidt Memorial contests:**  
*Brian Sargent*

### New business:

B) **Collecto Ad placement:** *Bill Copeland (Nov 15, 2014)*

C) **Update SAM 21 Web Site:** *Jeff Mate*

**BREAK!!!**

**Show and Tell:** *All - Open Q&A & Hints session?*

**Program:** *TBA*

**Refreshments:** *Henry Smith*

**Coffee by:** *SAM 21 courtesy of Brian Sargent*

**Adjournment:**

**Next meeting:** 10/23/2014 at: 7:00 p.m.

Location: **SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**Corner Saratoga Ave & Sunnysale-Saratoga Hwy**



## ... From The August Meeting



Above: 'Clever S-400 timing device manufactured by Brian Chan



Above: Ken Martinez, 'Ex' SimpleX Champ with his Playboy Jr. powered by an Elfin Diesel with which he plans to take on Henry Smith



Above: Tom Faith brought his foamy 'Sky Hawk'

## ... Notes From The Right Seat



(not a recent photo)

The last major contest, the 39th annual SAM 27 Crash and Bash, held once again at the Schmidt Ranch, is behind us. From all accounts the event was a success enjoying mostly benign weather conditions, an up tick in registrations, drawing participants from Italy, Oregon and Southern California.

As you will read elsewhere in this issue, congratulations to Tom **Empy** who was awarded the championship **Hooks Trophy** which was well deserved as Tom overcame considerable adversity to find himself at the top of all competitors at the end of the three day competition. Tom traveled from Oregon and said that "he was not used to such an honor."



Now we are on to the balance of 2014 with the 1/2A/Speed 400 club contest on Saturday, October 18th at the Dwarfs field in South San Jose, and our annual Collecto scheduled for November 15th at the same venue as last year. Then we close out the year with the December "Pirates" event.

The Year 2014 has been a year that has seen some new activities which seemed to spark a renewed interest in meeting attendance and building and flying. It is hoped that the interest and participation continue through 2015.



The September meeting will feature a discussion/decision on the subject of the proposed 2015 Build/Fly Project. Several models have been mentioned including the Tlush Mite and Benny Boxcar. There are avid supporters in both these camps and perhaps some other designs to be 'nominated'.

The criteria to be considered in the choice include:

- 1) Simple design;
- 2) Up to a 72" wing span;
- 3) SAM approved design;
- 4) Having enhanced gliding quality
- 5) Using the same motor and electronics purchased for the Simplex.

Look for a spirited discussion...



Does anyone out there see the 'Elephant in SAM's Living room'? If you do, what do you think might be done about it?

In a not too prominent note in the most recent SAM Speaks it was reported that SAM membership has declined from 1,924 in 2008 to 1,134 in 2013 and finally 972 in 2014. The article seems to blame the 'economy' and the way to 'fix it' is to raise more money.

That is why I call it, the declining membership, the elephant in the room, because in my opinion, it's not about the money, it's about enthusiasm! And apparently no one is interested in doing anything about the problem. I will make suggestions next month.

Let me know what you think. Let's start on a solution...

**Over and Out ... AMA 27944 SAM 5534**



# The 2014 SAM 27, 39th Annual Crash and Bash

Contest Results										
39th Annual SAM 27 Crash & Bash										
Schmidt Ranch, Elk Grove, California, Sept 5-6-7, 2014										
Speed 400 LMR										
Contestant	SAM	Model	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize	
1	Loren Kramer	27	Playboy Sr.	288	10:08	15:00	15:00	30:00	\$20	
2	Brian Sargent	21	Stardust Spl.	309	15:00	13:56	12:28	28:56	\$10	
3	Mike Clancy	27	Kerswap	288	10:06	7:40	11:44	21:50	\$5	
4	Tom Moore	27	Playboy Cabin	288	7:04	7:55	8:55	16:50		
5	Brian Sargent	21	GoGetter	320	7:28	5:37	8:41	16:09		
6	Ted Kafer	21	Red Ripper	300	5:49	7:26	8:16	15:42		
7	Rick Holman	26	Benny Boxcar	340	3:55	4:46		8:41		
8	Steve Roselle	30	Kloud King	288	dnf - radio problem			0:00		
1/2 A Texaco										
15 minMax. Score = Best 2 of 3 flights.										
Contestant	SAM	Model	Area	1	2	3	Score	Prize		
1	Mike Clancy	27	Playboy Sr.	288	11:10	10:49	11:21	22:31	\$20	
2	Walther Gianati	27	Diavolo	310	15:00			15:00	\$10	
3	Ted Kafer	21	Lanzo Racer	dnr	5:10	7:51		13:01	\$5	
4	Tom Moore	27	Miss America	310	6:55	5:56		12:51		
5	Tom Empey	49	MG II	280	1:29	10:43		12:12		
6	Stan Lane	30	Airborn	292	0:57	5:06	6:07	11:13		
7	Warren Pickering	30	Lanzo Racer	dnr	2:40			2:40		
Class A Glow & Ignition LER Combined										
Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize	
1	Tom Empey	49	Airborn/K&B 3.25	490	7:00	6:20		13:20	\$20	
2	Gary Leopold	21	Lanzo Bomber/Elfin	450	4:26	5:10	6:08	7:00	\$10	
3	Brian Sargent	21	Zipper/Elfin	488	3:30	1:32	1:38	2:04	\$5	
4	Rick Holman	26	Lanzo Bomber/OT 19	440	4:40			4:40		
5	Ken Martinez	21	Playboy Jr./Elfin	358	1:18	2:45	1:54	4:39		
6	Ed Hamler	27	Lanzo Bomber/Elfin	360	4:05			4:04		
7	Dave Lewis	21	Playboy Jr./ ST 15	358	0:00	0:10		0:10		
Class B Glow & Ignition LER Combined										
Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize	
1	Tom Empey	49	Airborn/K&B 3.25	490	1:43	2:21	8:00	6:14	14:14	\$15
2	Bob English	27	Buzzard Bombshell/Torp29	850	6:24	4:28	4:15		10:52	\$10
3	Dave Lewis	21	Rambler/ST29	717	5:18	5:20			10:38	\$5
4	Mike Clancy	27	Kerswap/Torp 29	480	7:30	Overrun	Overrun	Overrun	7:30	
5	Rick Holman	26	Lanzo Bomber/Nelson 29	790	4:55				4:55	
6	Tom Empey	49	Airborn/K&B 4.9	675					scratched	
Class C Glow & Ignition LER Combined										
Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize	
1	Rick Holman	26	Airborn/ST60	1350	1:45	1:14	9:00	6:10	15:10	\$10
2	Dave Lewis	21	Bomber/OS40H	900	8:28	4:27	5:28		13:56	\$5
3	Mike Clancy	27	Ethy/Ohlsson 60		0:00	4:43	4:17	4:23	9:06	\$5
4	Warren Pickering	30	Playboy/Fox 35	800	8:08				8:08	
5	Rick Holman	26	Bomber/McCoy 60	1220	2:24				2:24	

Dave Lewis Reports...

The biggest Old Timer Contest in northern California has come and gone and what a weekend it was! What with all the crashes and planes blown into the downwind corn fields, the contest kind of lived up to its name, Crash & Bash. Ed Hamler was again the CD and ran the contest very smoothly.

The facilities at the Schmidt Ranch are changing all the time as more and more patios and decking are put in. In any case, we thank Mirium for the use of the field (where could we go if we didn't have the Schmidt Ranch?). There were plenty of people in attendance but I thought the number of entrants might be down a bit.

Of course it was warm and sunny, but we had a pesky breeze mainly on Sunday. The flags over the lunchroom plus the wind sock are very helpful when you line your plane up for take-off.

The overall champion was Tom Empey who came down (with his Pattie) from the wilds of western Oregon. Tom flew up a storm and his hustle paid off as he was the overall champion. On Friday, Tom lost a plane in the big corn field just across the railroad tracks. Well, he scoped out the corn field, diagramed it, walked a search pattern and found his plane!!!!. Very remarkable-- so persistence does pay off!!!.

Contest fliers, like me, are lucky to have SAM 27's CRASH & BASH around every year, so I am already looking forward to next year's event.



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## Contest Results

### 39th Annual SAM 27 Crash & Bash

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Schmidt Ranch, Elk Grove, California, Sept 5-6-7, 2014

#### Ohlsson Sideport

Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize
1 Gabriele Montebelli	27	Benny Boxcar/O&R60	710	7:00	7:00			14:00	\$10
2 Stan Lane	30	RC-1/O&R60	1010	6:45	7:00			13:45	\$5
3 Rick Holman	26	Benny Boxcar/O&R60	710	3:33	5:22	7:00	6:41	13:41	\$5
4 Gary Leopold	21	RC-1/O&R60	1010	6:30	7:00	4:00	5:27	13:30	

#### Altitude Limited Old Timer

Contestant	SAM	Model	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize
1 Loren Kramer	27	Ehling Contest Gas Model		4:59	5:59			10:58	\$10
2 Bob Covolo	21	Flamingo		5:17	5:14	LOF		10:31	\$5
3 Dick Irwin	27	Benny Boxcar	710	8:12				8:12	\$5
4 Bill Copeland	21	Bomber/OS 25		LOF	2:29			2:29	
5 Steve Roselle	30	Simplex						DNF	

#### Pure Antique & Antique Glow Combined

Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize
1 Dave Lewis	21	Bomber/OS60.H	1490	8:00	10:00			18:00	\$5
2 Ed Hamler	27	Bomber/McCoy 60	1206	5:27				5:27	\$5
3 Stan Lane	30	Bomber/OS61	1375					Crash	\$5

Contestant	SAM	Model/Motor	Area	1	2	3	Score	Flyoff	Prize
1 Mike Clancy	27	Playboy/AxiE	650	10:00	8:06	10:00	20:00	8:08	\$5
2 Jack Albrecht	27	Comet Sailplane/E46	864	10:00	10:00	10:00	20:00	4:55	\$5
3 Dick Irwin	27	Stardust Spl./Neu 1110	788	9:21	10:00	10:00	20:00	Crash	\$5

#### Class A Texaco

Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	Score	Prize
1 Tom Empey	49	Airborn/K&B 3.25	490	6:55	13:08		20:03	\$5
2 Gabriele Montebelli	27	Cucú/Ercolino 2cc	364	6:11	5:01		11:12	\$5
3 Frank Womack	30	Kerswap/PAW	dnr	1:27	2:19		3:46	\$5

#### TEXACO

Contestant	SAM	Model/Engine	Area	1	2	3	Score	Prize
1 Walther Gianati	27	Airborn/PAW40	1013	0:05	21:05		30:11	\$5
2 Ed Hamler	27	Bomber/SuperTigre45D	1206	3:14			3:14	\$5

#### Old Time Glider

Contestant	SAM	Model	1	2	3	4	Score	Prize
1 Brian Sargent	21	Aquila	2:11	5:00	5:00		12:11	\$5
2 Frank Womack	30	dnr	2:17	2:48			5:05	\$5
3 Ted Kafer	21	Paragon	3:31				3:31	\$5



# The 2014 SAM 27, 39th Annual Crash and Bash

## 2014 SAM 27 Crash & Bash - Summary of Contestants and Flying Events

### Bill Hooks Championship Results

#### Tom Empey 2014 Champion

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	points
#	Contestant	Class A	Class B	Class C	Ant	OR sp	ELMR	1/2A	Atex	TEX	S400	OTG	Total
1	Tom Empey	3	3							3			9
2	Mike Clancy			1			3	3			1		8
3	Brian Sargent	1									2	3	6
4	Dave Lewis		1	2	3								6
5	Walther Gianati							2		3			5
6	Gabriele Montebelli					3			2				5
7	Ed Hamler				2					2			4
8	Rick Holman			3		1							4
9	Loren Kramer										3		3
10	Stan Lane				1	2							3
11	Frank Womack								1			2	3
12	Jack Albrecht						2						2
13	Bob English		2										2
14	Ted Kafer							1				1	2
15	Gary Leopold	2											2
16	Dick Irwin						1						1

### ... The Editor's Addition

I cannot consider the report of the Crash and Bash complete without including the results of the Simplex Smack-down Ver. 2, so here they are at the right. There are a lot of apparently missed opportunities to serve as good lessons for future events. Thanks to everyone who flew their SimpleX models.

Overall the 2014 edition of the Crash and Bash deserves to be considered a success. The weather was not a large factor with mostly light wind and moderate temperatures.

Lift was spotty both days with the Texaco competitors having the advantage of generally higher, powered portions of their flights.

The greatest hazard to flying was a large acreage of higher than the proverbial 'elephants eye' corn downwind, starting at the RR tracks and going further downwind for as much as a half mile. The wind on Saturday morning was strong enough to affect the flights of smaller models. Dave Lewis was the first to lose his Class A Bomber to the corn, and has not yet been reported 'rescued' by the farmer who was preparing for harvest in the near future. According to Dave as I write, he has not received any good news.

SAM 27 9/6 2014							
SIMPLEX EVENT POSTING SHEET							
Contestant	FLT 1	FLT 2	FLT 3	BEST Two	Final Four	Fly-off	PLACE
1. Gary Leopold	2:08	3:24	----	5:32	4th	5:31	First
2. Ken Martinez	3:04	3:00	5:23	8:27	3rd	3:05	Second
3. Stan Lane	3:02	5:45	3:05	8:50	2nd	2:40	Third
4. Ted Kafer	2:46	6:21	----	9:07	1st	2:08	Fourth
5. Rick Cutler	4:56	----	----	4:56	5th	----	----
6. John Eaton	3:11	----	----	3:11	6 <sup>th</sup>	----	----

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**Right:** Ned Nevels, foreground, guarding the cash box at the sign up table



**Right:** SAM 21 President Gary Leopold launches his Elfin Powered Bomber



**Above:** How many old timers bring their own Cheer Leaders? Dr. Joe Poco do! Daughters Judy, right, and Joanne...



**Left:** Host Miriam Schmidt helps Ned Nevels get dressed for Chef duty



**Above:** Their off! Seconds into the SimpleX Mass launch



**Above:** Volunteer 'spotters' trying to follow the corn bound flight of Dave Lewis's Super Tiger powered Playboy Jr. Despite a valiant effort by Brian Sargent - no luck

**Right:** left to right: Ken Martinez, second place, Gary Leopold, first place in the flyoff and Rick Cutler with their SimpleX entries. We think Rick bombed his way into the pic. Nice example though...



**Above:** Italian craftsmanship on display. Headed for Muncie

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The number of contestants was up noticeably over last year, Good news for a change.

The eventual Champion, Tom Empey, also made friends with the corn – more than once, but managed to recover his models successfully in spite of ankle deep mud from recent irrigation, on Saturday. His win is testament to his perseverance throughout the weekend.

As Dave noted in his report, the 'Crash and Bash' lived up to its name judging from the number of broken models seen scattered about. I believe Stan Lane of SAM 30 suffered the most with at least three 'victims'. Another notable loss included a large Stardust Special involved in a Saturday Fly Off when the wing folded.

The Great SimpleX Smackdown, Ver. 2 was flown on Saturday morning as a Fun event. The bottom line was that everyone did have fun and the event, which started at 9:30, was finished by 11:30 – just in time for lunch – and did little to interfere with the flying of 'regular' contest events. Of note, the SimpleX project first and second place winners took home the 'added purse' of very nice Tower Hobbies Gift Cards.

Lunch on Saturday and Sunday depended on cook, Ned Nevels, who was up to the task. Good burgers and dogs.

The banquet Saturday evening was held at a local restaurant and reports were that the food and service were both excellent. This venue will probably become the traditional banquet location for future contests and perhaps fun fly events as well, as no one had to volunteer to cook, plus there was no cleanup!!!

Miriam again played the perfect hostess and many who were into relaxing in the shade took advantage of a greatly expanded deck. Miriam continues to improve the Ranch facilities to the ever increasing comfort and pleasure of all the modelers. We consider ourselves fortunate to have continuing access to probably the finest flying site, at least west of the Mississippi!





# The 2014 SAM 27, 39th Annual Crash and Bash



**Left:** Gabrielle **Montebelli** poses with Walther **Gianati's** full size Lanzo Bomber (I think I got

**Right:** Ted **Kafer** set to launch his Speed 400 Go Getter



**Above:** Rick **Holman** prepares to make noise and smoke with his McCoy 60 powered full size Bomber



**Above:** Obvious Structural damage to Stan **Lane's** Anderson Pylon



**Left:** Dave **Lewis** tries to stare down his Super Tiger 29 powered Rambler

**Below:** Talk about damage, Warren **Pickering** with the rest of the remains of Stan Lane's Anderson pylon. The model went through the tree in the background

**Below:** **OMG!** this Ohlsson 60 has tried to completely swallow this electric motor



Photos by Jeff Mate



# 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JOHN POND COMMEMORATIVE OLDE TYME RC CONTEST

Sponsored by SAM 26, the CentralCoast Chapter  
Hosted by the Greenfield Fliers at Wekerly RC Field  
Just South of Bakersfield California, October 25 & 26, 2014  
AMA Sanctioned

SATURDAY: Class A ignition  
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A LOT

SUNDAY: Class A glow  
Class B ignition  
Class C glow  
Antique combined  
1/2A Texaco  
1/2A Scale  
Brown Jr. LER  
Electric LMR  
A LOT

AWARDS: Each flier will receive a commemorative plaque plus add-on place awards through third place for each event. Also, the John Pond perpetual Sweepstakes trophy is based on all events flown, and the Perpetual Texaco trophy will go to the high time in Texaco.

ENTRY FEES are \$8 per event, with a \$38 maximum if paid at initial entry.

RULES: SAM and AMA rules for 2009 & forward will be followed with reasonable regularity. Rules of the host club will also be enforced, including a ban on all alcohol beverages at all times.

SCHEDULE: Registration opens 8:00 A.M. both days. Pilot briefing 9 A.M. Saturday, 8:30 Sunday, with flying immediately after. Last takeoff 4 P.M. Sat., 3 P.M. Sun.

SATURDAY LUNCH - an on field complete BBQ meal will be served. This will probably be pulled pork or brisket and is included with your entry fee at no additional charge.

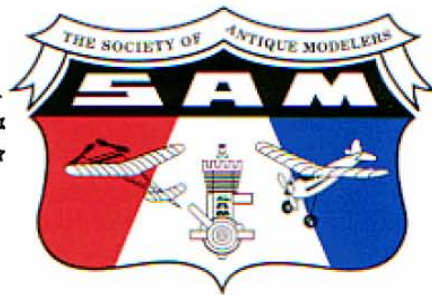
SATURDAY NITE BANQUET: Will again be at the Rocket Shop Café at Bakersfield Municipal Airport about 5 miles north of the field. 7:30 P.M.

DRY CAMPING on field is permitted, with the field gate open by Friday afternoon.

A FOLLOW ON PAGE contains more information about the site, Motels, etc.

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**2014 POND EVENT** supplemental information:

The **ALOT** special event may be flown either day. AMA signup is required, but there's no entry fee and it isn't included in the Sweepstakes tally.

The site is several miles east of Taft and about 6 miles south of the Bakersfield City Hall. It's an improved RC field with a 70' X 600' usable runway surrounded by large dirt run-off space, then flat farmland. There's a permanent canopy shade cover, work benches, picnic tables, porta pot, trash bin, frequency board, etc. Not having to bring shade tents and tables will leave you more room for models in your transportation piece.

There are start-up/engine tuning stands with wing restraints between the canopy and flight line. The runway is long enough for takeoff at one end and the usual landing behind at the other. If you can't hit the runway there's not the endless open space of Taft, but still roomy open flat dirt areas north, east and west. The dirt areas are dusty just like Taft, and we'll use takeoff mats on the runway, even though it's improved over the surrounding area.

The Greenfield Fliers are AMA club #4741 if you'd like to look them up on the AMA web site. Their Google earth/ GPS location is 35.26219225N 118.96879393W.

**FIELD DIRECTIONS:**Southbound: Taft highway, (rte.119) runs east and west, crossing both I-5 and Hwy 99 a few miles south of Bakersfield. From either I-5 or Hwy 99, exit and go east on 119. Travel about a mile east of Hwy 99 to Union Ave. and turn right (south).

*Note: East of Hwy 99, Taft Hwy (119) gets renamed Panama Road. Don't be confused by a Panama Lane which runs parallel to Panama Road but is a mile or so further north*

Go south about a mile to Di Giorgio Rd. and turn left (east). Go about 2 miles along Di Giorgio with one stop sign along the way. Watch for a lonesome house on the left with tall palm trees in the yard. Just past that house and on the same left side is an unpaved road going north to the field. There's a quite small sign at that left turn saying "Greenfield Fliers" at the base of a utility pole. After a few hundred yards, angle left through the gate to the field.

Northbound shortcut- coming from the south, where Hwy 5 branches left, away from Hwy 99, continue on 99. Then in about 11 miles, branch right onto Union Ave. And follow it about 6 miles to DiGiorgio Rd. Turn east and follow the instructions above. *It's easy to overshoot Di Giorgio Rd. since there's no stop sign there on Union and the street sign is just a common residential size street sign. But there are easy turnarounds if you overshoot.*

Historic note: Union Avenue is "old" Hwy. 99 with some of the eucalyptus trees still remaining.

Bakersfield of course has lots of Motels, but Jay Higgs looked up some for us which are situated reasonably close to restaurants, the field, and the Rocket Shop Banquet facility. They are a little north of the field and near Hwy 99, and/or I-5.

Howard Johnson  
2700 White Lane, Bakersfield  
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