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Society of Antique Modelers

Chapter 21

AMA Charter Club No.1470

The Speed 400 and 1/2 A Champions of the SAM 21 2014 Fall Contest!



Above: The Speed 400 winner and repeat Champion, Henry **Smith** with his 'helium infused' Hedy. Henry piled up an impressive time of 29:22 in two flights



Above: The 1/2 A winner Brian **Sargent** posted a best two of three total, not to be sneered at, time of 18:55 with his Anderson Pylon (foreground)

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Next Meeting:

Thursday, November 20, 7:00 pm

SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Corner Saratoga Ave & Sunnyvale-Saratoga Hwy

The Regular Scheduled Goodie (Sargent)

And Coffee Assignments (Sargent)

Will Continue - Poor Brian

Thanks to Dave Saso for the October Goodies



2014 WEST COAST EVENT SCHEDULE

Revise	ed 10/10/1	4 Italio	es are PRELIMINARY Dates - SUBJECT TO CHANGE)
JAN	4	5	Bold are confirmed dates Shaded are completed events
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 MAR	1 8	2 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
4.00	_		4.4.5 1.105550.00
APR APR	5 12	13	4-4-5 only NCFFC Sierra Champs - FF/only- Waegell Field
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	Sunday 5/11 Mother's Day
MAY	17 24	18 25	SATURDAY 5 - 17 WINGS Of History OPEN HOUSE - Morgan Hill?
MAY	31	20	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 JUNE	14 1	15 22	
JUNE	28	29	
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JULY	4		
JULY	5	6	
JULY JULY	12 19	13 20	
JULY	26	2 0 27	7/26 only - SAM 30 Fun Fly - 'Simplex Day', Schmidt Ranch
			The state of the s
AUG	2	3	
AUG	9	10 17	
AUG AUG	16 23	24	
AUG	30	31	
			Special Event Note: SAM 51 has advised that their Chapter will be
0===		_	holding monthly Fun Fly events on the First Thursday of each month,
SEPT SEPT	6 13	7 14	WX permitting, until further notice at Woodland/Davis. For more info
SEPT	20	21	contact Ken Holden at: kdholden@gmail.com
SEPT	27	28	
OCT	4 11	5 12	
OCT 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	and any it i other occurre offap more
NOV	15	16	Saturday November 15th - SAM 21 MECA COLLECTO
NOV	22	23	Thursday 11 27 Thanks siving Day
NOV		30	Thursday 11-27 Thanksgiving Day
DEC	7	8	
DEC	13	14	
DEC	20	21	Thursday 12- 25 Christmas Day
DEC	27	28	
JAN	1		Thursday 1- 15 NEW YEARS DAY 2015
1	-	1	

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 SEPTEMBER Henry Smith OCTOBER Saso **NOVEMBER** Sargent DECEMBER Dowling

Standby: **Eberhardt**

OCTOBER 23, 2014 MINUTES

Call to order: President Gary Leopold

at 7:05 pm

Members present: 13 Guests present: None

Introduction of guests: None

Approval of minutes of the meeting of September 25, 2014: Approved

Treasurer's report: Lescher Dowling; No report this month

Membership report: Lescher Dowling No report

this month

Competition report: Dave Lewis: Speed 400 1/2 A Contest - Dwarfs 10-18 Report. Lewis distributed the results of the contest to all members

B) SAM 26 John Pond Memorial - Notice of event scheduled for October 25th. No SAM 21 members plan to attend.

Unfinished Business/Reports:

- A) Current Build/Fly Project: Bill Copeland Up dated Benny Boxcar build/fly project. All the kits have been ordered and received and most have been delivered.
- B) Continue Discussion: format and procedures for future Annual Schmidt Memorial contests: Brian Sargent proposed a \$10.00 Entry fee and \$5.00 per plane.

Proposal Is to have 2 or 3 day event. April or May date to be determined.

After much discussion – approved: SAM 21 pay Miriam \$600.00 for field maintenance use for 2015

- C) Collecto: Gurney: scheduled for Nov 15, 2014 1) Site prep - May need additional tables. Set up: Nov.14 evening
 - 2) Post cards have been sent
- **D)** 2015 Officer Nominations/Election: *Leopold*. Officers for 2015 are: Pres. Ken Martinez; Vice Pres: Ted Kafer; Secretary: Alan Peterson; Lescher Dowling; Treasurer,

New business: SAM Matching discussion: Continued Walt Gurney authorized to make rental payment for

2015 for Saratoga Firehouse @ \$240.00 BREAK!!! 8:30 pm RESUME!!! 8:42 pm

Show and Tell: Henry Smith showed early R/C control units for airplanes and boats.

Refreshments: Coffee by: SAM 21, courtesy of

Brian Sargent

Adjournment: 9:05 pm.

Next meeting: 11/20/2014 at: 7:00 p.m.

Location: SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT



NOVEMBER 20, 2014

Call to order: President Gary Leopold

Members present: Guests present:

Introduction of quests:

Approval of minutes of the meeting of October 23, 2014

Treasurer's report: Lescher Dowling

Membership report: Lescher Dowling

Competition report: Dave Lewis:

A) SAM 21 Speed 400/ 1/2 A Fall Contest

Unfinished Business/Reports:

- A) Current Build/Fly Project: Copeland Up date on Benny Boxcar build/fly project
- B) Continue Discussion: format and procedures for future Annual Schmidt Memorial contests: Brian Sargent
- C) Collecto: Gurney/Dowling: Report
- D) Annual Banquet: Set date/venue: Gurney

New business:

A) SAM Matching fund: Re-Consider contribution -Lescher Dowling

B) December meeting - Pirates? Pizza?

BREAK!!!

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

Program: TBA

Refreshments: Brian Sargent

Coffee by: SAM 21 courtesy of Brian Sargent

Adjournment:

Next meeting: 12/18/2014 at: 7:00 p.m.

Location: SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT Corner Saratoga Ave & Sunnyvale-Saratoga Hwy





... From The October-Meeting

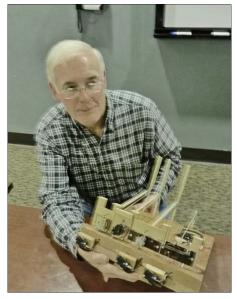


Above: Henry **Smith**, left, contemplates his presentation while Brian **Sargent** fiddles with Henry's 'Gadget'

Right: Rick Cutler appears baffled by Henry's gadget and seems eager to pass it on to the next victim

ED Note:

Henry's mockup consisted of three different early R.C. control systems and provided a stark reminder of just how lucky we are to have the equipment we use today. It is hard to believe that the early 'Rube Golberg' systems worked at all ...





Above: Walt **Gurney** brought a plan for the Thermic 72 and is being assisted by our Resident 'Show and Tell' model, Rick **Cutler** (note that nothing in this picture is level or vertical or flat)

..Notes From The Right Seat



In last month's issue I opened a discussion on the problem of SAM's drastically declining membership as a result of a request by SAM to donate money to a 'matching fund'

designed to "keep SAM financially afloat" suggesting that such a measure, while possibly a short term solution, ignored the 'elephant in the room' of sagging interest due to perhaps to boredom and a lack of effective communication. The following con-

tinues that discussion with some questions....

Questions:

- 1) Is the concept of building and flying prewar free flight designs using modern technology, whether for sport or competition, worth 'saving' as a genre? and;
- 2) Is SAM the appropriate organization that, with perhaps some fundamental changes, the appropriate vehicle to carry the concept forward?

If your answer to <u>either</u> question is yes, then the next question is: What should, or can, we do about it?

You probably have guessed that my answer is yes to both questions so; let me submit my argument's:

...Is the concept of building and flying prewar free flight designs using modern technology, whether for sport or competition, worth 'saving' as a genre?...

I think you will agree that <u>building</u> and <u>flying</u> model designs from the pre 'World War II era', taking advantage of modern technology, is one of the most soul satisfying aviation hobby pursuits that people from 'our' generation can enjoy as it brings back wonderful memories of our younger days and younger friends. It often brings together friends of fifty years or more who shared our free flight heritage.

- It also presents us with new friends from later generations, who share our interest, by adopting the concept. There is something special about working with designs as much as 60 years old which reminds us of what the modelers of that era had to overcome just to get their models to barely fly and how lucky we are to be able to improve on their success and thus perhaps pay tribute to their efforts.
- Building preserves, to the extent possible, the very important hand, eye coordination, manual dexterity and balance that all of us will slowly lose, but more slowly with continuing use.

I submit that nothing in the modeling world is quite as beautiful as an 'Old Timer' with transparent covering circling lazily in a friendly patch of lift.

Fun, which I think should be the ultimate goal of any leisure activity, (especially retired individuals) is inevitably enhanced when shared with like minded individuals.

I say shame on us if we let Old Timer modeling die by default from an apparent case of 'constipation' without at least trying some castor oil...

...Is SAM the appropriate vehicle to carry the concept forward without, perhaps, some fundamental changes?

Some suggested answers next month...

AMA 27944 ... Over and Out



The SAM 21 PIRATES WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE is scheduled to happen again at the DECEMBER 18th meeting

It's always a hoot!

Here are the details:

Everyone Brings a hobby related, wrapped gift with a value of at least \$20



This is not a 'clean out your junk drawer' event

Playing order is drawn from a hat and #1 selects a gift and unwraps it.

#2 has the option of grabbing a new gift or Pirating #1's selection.

Ditto for # 3 who either selects a new gift or robs a gift from #1 or #2.

This goes on until all gifts are opened.

Once a player has possession of a particular gift 3 times, it belongs to them and is out of play (and so are they).

Bring a pen to mark your gift selection with your initials in case it is pirated from you.

The trick is to then select another gift which has a good chance of being pirated.

That way you can get your original gift back

As you might imagine, the action gets WILD for certain items.

Remember, you can not take a pirated gift directly back

It must first pass through a second party's hands.

Sound complex?

Naaa!.... it's a bunch of fun!

December 18, 2014





The 2014 SAM 21 Speed 400/1/2A Fall Contest

SAM 21 FALL SPEED 400/1/2A CONTEST - DWARFS FIELD - OCTOBER 18, 2014

1/2A TEXACO

	FLIER	MODEL	AREA	FLITE#1	FLITE# 2	FLITE#3	TOTAL
1)	Brian Sargent	And. Pylon	288	12:01	6:54	6:31	18:55
2)	Gary Leopold	Rambler	288	9:08	7:38	8:20	17:28
3)	Ted Kafer	Lanzo Racer	300	3:15	6:53	9:07	16:00
4)	David Saso	Buz. Bombsh.	200	8:30	6:43		15:13
5)	Ken Martinez	Buz. Bombsh.	288	5:38	5:41	2:42	11:19

SPEED 400 ELECTRIC

1)	Henry Smith	Hedy	340	14:22	MAX	-	29:22
2)	Joe Poco	Bomber	460	9:17	10:10	8:06	19:27
3)	Brian Sargent	St. Dust Sp.	309	8:15	8:04	6:34	16:19
4)	Rick Cutler	Mite		5:21	8:47		14:08
5)	Dave Saso	Rambler	288	5:27	5:30	7:17	12:47
6)	Bill Copeland	Viking		5:30	5:07		10:37
7)	Ken Martinez	Buz. Bombsh.	288	4:50	4:15	:35	9:05
8)	Henry Smith	Nor-Cal III	292	7:02			7:02
9)	Ted Kafer	Red Ripper		5:36			5:36

The weatherman said there would be showers but it turned out to be a beautiful morning; clear blue skies with hardly a cloud and no wind!! Good turnout in Speed 400; the event keeps getting more popular all the

Brian Sargent fired up the Weber so we had Bar-B-Q burgers for lunch. Thanks Brian.

Dave Lewis CD

The 2014 SAM 21 Speed 400/1/2A Fall Contest In Pictures



Left: Ted **Kafer** shows us his Hybrid Bomber/ Playboy (not eligible in this event)

Right: Dave **Saso** readies his Buzzard Bombshell entry in 1/2 A Texaco





Above: Rick **Cutler**, Left follows the flight of his Tlush Mite while Dr. Joe **Poco** keeps time



Above: President Gary Leopold, left, checks the engine run on his 1/2 A, Rambler, entry while 2015 President elect Ken Martinez hangs on



Above: Rick **Cutler** with his very purple, Speed 400, Tlush Mite

In Memoriam ...

Norman David Peterson 1930-2014

Norman David Peterson was born at home in Byron, CA on April 26, 1930.

He was a C PL. in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. He then attended Sacramento Jr. College, after which he worked his entire career in the Aerospace Industry. Norm lived in Palos Verdes, CA for 47 years. He became a Real Estate Broker and at one time had his own agency, Aero Realty.

Norm was a National Champion in Free Flight Model Airplane Competitions. He loved designing, building and flying his designs.

He leaves a wife, Joanne, two children and six grandchildren.

He died peacefully at home Oct. 23rd. A private family Memorial is being planned.



RESULTS-JOHN POND COMMEMORATIVE OT/RC CONTEST -XXXIX SATURDAY OCTOBER 25, 2014 SHOWN FIRST

EVENT	SHIP	SIZE	ENGINE	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
A IGNITION								
1. Dave Warner	Airborn	490	Arden 19	4:30	4:26	3:28		8:56
2. Steve Remington	Cloudster	350	O&R 19	1:33	1:35	1:32	1:50	3:25
B GLOW								
1. Dave Warner	Bomber		Super T. 29	3:41	8:00	8:00		16:00
2. Bob Angel	Stardust Spl.	660	Torp 29	2:10	3:48	4:06	5:30	9:36
3. Ralph Cooke	Mercury	788	?	4:13				4:13
4. Phillip Stephens	Airborn	490	?	O Run				0
5. Craig Barton				DNF				DNF
C IGNITION								
1. Phillip Stephens	Bomber	1220	McCoy 60	8:45	7:00			15:45
2. Steve Remington	Playboy		O&R 60 SP	7:06	4:19			11:25
3. David Warner	Miss America		0&R 60 SP	3:44	2:08	3:49	3:57	7:46
4. Rick Holman	Bomber	1260	McCoy 60	1:28	0. R.			1:28
TEXACO								
1. Rick Holman	Boxcar	710	?	0:19	13:01			13:01
2. Dick Fischer	Flamingo		Super Cyke	12:35				12:35
3. Dave Warner	Airborn	810	Enya 35	2:40	7:06			7:06
4. Jim Bierbauer	Dallaire		40 FS	5:29				5:29
5. Ralph Cooke	Bomber	1206	Magnum	Att.				Att.
E TEXACO								
1. Jay Higgs	Airborn	810	Outrunner	26:20				26:20
2. Mike Clancy	Br'k Dodger		380 E Flite	23:35				23:35
3. Dave Warner	Sailplane			17:06				17:06
4. Bud Mathews	Playboy Cab.	276		DNF				DNF
O&R SIDEPORT								
1. Rick Holman	Boxcar	710	O&R 60 SP	6:33	7:00	7:00		14:00
2. Dave Warner	Miss America		O&R 60 SP	3:46	3:39	5;07	7:00	12:07
3. Steve Remington	Cloudster	400	O&R 19 SP	1:14	0:00	LOF		1:14
O.T. GLIDER								
1. Mike Clancy	?		Hi-Start	1:02	1:03	2:46		4:51
2. Jim Bierbauer	Floater		66	2:07	0:26			2:33
3. Ed Hamler	?		u	0:35	0:44	0:36		1:55
4. Phillip Stephens	R-40		56	0:37				0:37
5. Bob Angel	Bird Of Time		it.	LOF				0
6. Mike Myers	?		Timecard?					?
SPEED 400								
1. Jay Higgs	Baby Buzzard	280	S-400	7:45	5:23	13:57	15:00	28:07
2. Dave Warner	Miss America	310	S-400	10:39	9:15			19:54
3. Bud Mathews	Playboy	276	Graupner	4:42	6:25	11:43	4:08	18:09
4. Mike Clancy			S-400	7:46	5:39	6:13	4:34	13:59
5. Phillip Stephens	Bomber	288	S 400	7:59	5:17			13:16
6. Rick Holman	Boxcar	330	S-400	5:39	7:12			12:51

All you absentees missed a great weekend! It got a little warm at mid-day Saturday at about 80°, but with little humidity and a nice cool down later on. Sunday was pleasant all day.

Both days saw the prevailing breeze right down the runway and just light enough to establish fixed takeoff and landing directions. Lift was pretty neutral Saturday. Better thermals Sunday.

SUNDAY'S EVENTS -POND COMMEMORATIVE 2014

EVENT	SHIP	SIZE	ENGINE	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
A GLOW LER								
1. Rick Holman	Stardust Sp'l	465	Rossi .20	7:00	7:00			14:00
2. Dave Warner	Bomber		Super T. 19	5:44	3:54	3:02	5:43	11:27
B IGNITION								
1. Dave Warner	Airborn		Torp .29	3:35	8:00	8:00		16:00
C GLOW								
1. Rick Holman	Airborn		ST 60	9:00	8:145	9:00		18:00
2. Dave Warner	Airborn	810	Enya 35	4:11	7:23	3:41	`	11:34
3. Ralph Cooke	Dallaire Sport	1470	Mag 91	5:32	4:11			9:43
ANTIQUE								
1. Rick Holman	Airborn		ST 60	10:00	10:00			20:00
2. Ralph Cooke	Airborn	810	Enya 35	3:57	5:20	2:55		9:17
3. Dave Warner	Dallaire Sport	1470	Mag 91	7:53				7:53
½A TEXACO								
1. Bob Angel	Playboy Jr.	354	Babe Bee	13:55	8:25			22:20
2. Phillip Stephens	Bomber	288	Cox	13:23	7:21			20:44
3. Mike Clancy	Playboy	288	Cox	14:08	1:41	4:22		18:30
4. Dave Warner	Miss America	310	Cox	7:27	5:11	6:35		14:02
5. Steve Remington	Playboy	354	Cox	2:38	6:57	3:11		10:08
6. Bud Mathews	Bomber	287	Cox	6:02	LOF			6:02
½A SCALE								
1. Un-flown								
Elect. LMR								
1. Mike Clancy	Playboy Cab.		Outrunner	10:00	10:00			20:00
2. Dave Warner								DNF
BROWN JR. LER								
1. Phillip Stephens	Folly	710	Brown	2:52	4:30	11:19		11:19
2. Dave Warner	Miss America		Brown D	4:12	0:32	3:56		4:12
A LOT =								
1. Un-flown								

LAID BACK best describes the attitude of the contest. When the crowd is small, it seems like everybody relaxes, (sometimes too much) and more "stuff" happens than at a more fiercely contested event. Several time cards didn't find their way home, but fortunately all (at least most) of the scores got posted. The glider event was a series of little glitches and low level disasters.

But through it all, Dave Warner flew as if he were at the SAM Champs and easily won the John Pond Perpetual Sweepstakes Trophy. Dave had a 40 plus minute winning flight going in E Texaco, when a receiver battery went dead at high altitude. It took a long time coming down in big slow circles, but we all watched as it finally made a smooth landing over a quarter mile downwind on the flat ground. Rick Holman was sweepstakes runner up, followed by Phillip Stephens. Rick won the Texaco perpetual Trophy. Craig Barton came out of semi-retirement from SAM competition, but his equipment was still semi-retired and not yet quite ready to go. Jay Higgs did well, but couldn't fly Sunday as he had to leave to watch a H.S. ball game, in which his son was coaching. You know we're getting a little older when we go to watch the kids coach instead of play.

With the small group of just 15 for the Banquet at the Rocket Shop Café, we changed from buffet to menu orders, which most seemed to prefer and it worked out well.

We thank Jim Bierbauer for his services as registrar and for hi-start management. And thanks also to the other SAM 26 guys who pitched in wherever necessary.

And most of all we thank the Greenfield flyers for hosting us and putting on lunch once more. Bob Angel Contest Director



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