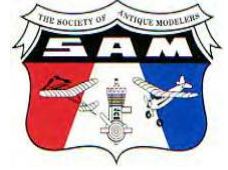




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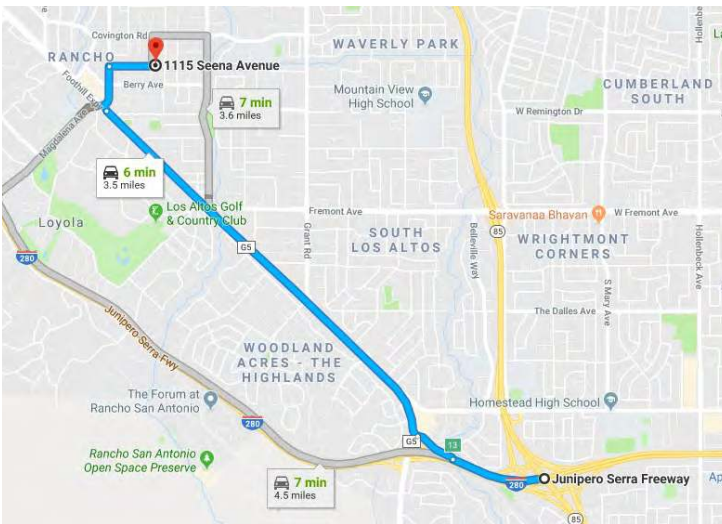
Chapter 21



AMA Charter Club 1470

**SAM 21's December Meeting will be held at Alan Peterson's House.**

Alan again opens his house to host the **December meeting** and the **White Elephant Gift Exchange Party!** We will meet at **Alan's house on December 19th at 7 p.m.** Alan will serve dinner (Big Scarf - Spaghetti, garlic bread and.....!) about 5:30 p.m. Please contact Alan know if you are having dinner or not. You can bring some liquid refreshment....The address is **1115 Seena Avenue, Los Altos 94024.** Don't forget, the meeting program is the **Famous White Elephant Gift Exchange.** Thank you, Gina and Alan!



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**Next Meeting:**

Thursday, **December 19<sup>th</sup>**, **7:00 pm**

**Alan Peterson's House**

The December Meeting Social Assignments  
are: **Goodies (Lescher Dowling)**

**Coffee: (Alan Peterson?)**

**See Page 2 For Annual Goodie Schedule**



# 2019 WEST COAST EVENT SCHEDULE

# 2020 Meeting Dates

Revised 2-19-19

	SAT	Sun
JAN	5	6
JAN	12	13
JAN	18	19
JAN	26	27
FEB	2	3
FEB	9	10
FEB	16	17
FEB	23	24
MAR	2	3
MAR	9	10
MAR	16	17
MAR	23	24
MAR	30	31
APR	6	7
APR	13	14
APR	20	21
APR	27	28
MAY	4	5
MAY	11	12
MAY	19	20
MAY	26	27
JUNE	1	2
JUNE	8	9
JUNE	15	16
JUNE	22	23
JUNE	29	30
JULY	6	7
JULY	13	14
JULY	20	21
JULY	27	28
AUG	3	4
AUG	10	11
AUG	17	18
AUG	24	25
Aug	31	
SEPT		1
SEPT	7	8
SEPT	14	15
SEPT	21	22
SEPT	28	29
OCT	5	6
OCT	12	13
OCT	19	20
Oct	26	27
NOV	2	3
NOV	9	10
NOV	16	17
NOV	23	24
NOV	30	
DEC		1
DEC	7	8
DEC	14	15
DEC	21	22
DEC	28	29

Bold are Confirmed dates  
 Shaded Italics are Unconfirmed events  
 Shaded **are Completed Dates**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

2019 SOUTHWEST REGIONALS,  
 Saturday only 1/26 SAM

Sat 2/23 SGMA Spring Bash –

Sat/Sun, SAM 26 Spring Annual,  
 near Bakersfield CD: Dick Fisher -

Sat 3/30 Sierra Championships –

Sat 4/27 only, SAM 21 Speed 400/1/2A co

Sat 5/4 only, SAM 30/21 Fun Fly Schmidt Ranch

**5/12 Mother's Day**

May 23rd Swap Meet @ S21 General Meeting

**Monday 5/28 Memorial Day**

Sat 6/8 only SGMA Western States Championships, Waegel Field

**6/16 Father's Day**

Sat 6/22, SAM 30/SAM 21 Fun Fly @ the Ranch

**July 4th Independence Day**

6/20-21 SAM21 Loren Schmidt Memorial contest

Sat 27 - only One Design/Build Fly 'ALL UP' - Schmidt Ranch

**NOTHING HAPPENS THIS MONTH?**

Sat 9/7 only SGMA Combo - Waegel Field

~~9/22 only OneDesign/Build Fly... Clipper - Schmidt Ranch Canceled~~

Sat/Sun SAM 26 John Pond Commemorative Werkely Field

**Oct 12 only SAM 21 Fall Speed 400/ 1/2 A Contest DWARFS Field**

**Oct 18-20 SAM27 Crash & Bash & Fun Fly Schmidt Ranch**

**Oct 27 - Nov 1 SAM Champs, Boulder City NV**

Sat 11/2 only SGMA Fall Contest – Waegel Field

Saturday Nov 16th only SAM 21 MECA Collecto

Nov 21 SAM21 Meeting (moved forward due to Thanksgiving Day)

11/30 only Livermore Flying Electrons Old Timer event (TBC)

Dec 19 SAM21 Meeting (Moved forward due to Christmas Day)

It will be at Alan's house again this year!

**Please note these are the 2020 Meeting dates. And the Goodies list is the same as 2019's. If you have conflicts with your goodies duty, please let me know and we will change it according to your availability.**

**Brian**

7:00 p.m.

@ SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT

Corner of Saratoga Ave & Sunnyvale-Saratoga Hwy

January 23

February 27

March 26

April 23

May 28

June 25

July 23

August 27

September 24

October 22

November 19

(For Thanksgiving)

December 17

(For Christmas)

**2019 December 19**

(For Christmas)

## 2020 "GOODIE" Schedule

Here are the assignments for 2020, 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	OPEN
APRIL	Peterson
MAY	Leopold
JUNE	Lewis
JULY	Eberhardt
AUGUST	Gurney
SEPTEMBER	Poco
OCTOBER	Chan
NOVEMBER	Sargent

**2019**

**DECEMBER Dowling**



## MINUTES OF November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

**Call to Order:** President Tom Faith 6:38 pm

**Members present:** 18

**Guest:** Cooper & Ethan V.

**Minutes of September 26<sup>th</sup> :** passed.

**Treasurer Report:** Cliff Shekell We are solvent!

**Members:** 7 (Life) + 26(Regular)+ 11 (Associate) = 44

- A) Laminating Annual membership cards.
- B) Confirm Membership by April of each year (passed).
- C) Prorate membership dues for new members only (passed)

**Competition Report:** Dave Lewis.

- A) Nothing to report.

**Editor Input:** Brian Chan:

- A) November Clipper realized and published.
- B) SAM Website POC changed to Brian Chan.
- C) Ask Steve Roselle re: Clipper posting to SAM website.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A) **SAM 21 Website:** In progress, Tom Faith and Ates Gurcan
- B) **Proposed Electric Classes:** Brian Dethier: No report.
- C) **Constitution & Bylaws:** Bill Copeland and Tom Faith (ready to proof and publish)

**New Business:**

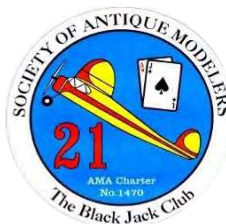
- A) **2020 Collecto update for submitting the Ad to MECA:** Walt Gurney – Give information to Brian Chan to print it. A MECA member must submit it at least 3 months ahead of time.
- B) **2019 Collecto:** Brian Sargent – We made a little money and sold all tables! .
- C) **2020 Election of Officers:**  
**President:** Brian Sargent,  
**Vice President:** Tom Faith,  
**Competition Chairman:** Dave Lewis,  
**Treasurer:** Cliff Shekell,  
**Editor:** Brian Chan.

**BREAK : 7:45 pm- 15 minutes**

**Program:** Special Tribute to F1C Power Pilot & World Class Free Flight designer, manufacturer, competitor, Eugene Verbitsky: slides and poster, Fred Terzian

**Show and Tell:**

Cliff Shekell: "Bee" kit for O&R 23.



**Bill Vanderbeek:** "Denny Plane" (built by Carol Steele.) Donated to the SAM21, to be used as a raffle gift at the annual banquet.

Noel Eberhardt – "Gentle Lady" Spectrum buddybox demo with Cooper & Ethan.

Jim Harris: dirt cheap rubber motor torque meter from lasercutplanes.com. Also winder and handle from Volare.

Fred Terzian: 2 engines he scored at the Collecto, Cox .15 Conquest and a Taipan 2.5 cc glow. Free Flight Down Under, a quarterly publication. Free subscription for modelers outside of Australia and New Zealand.

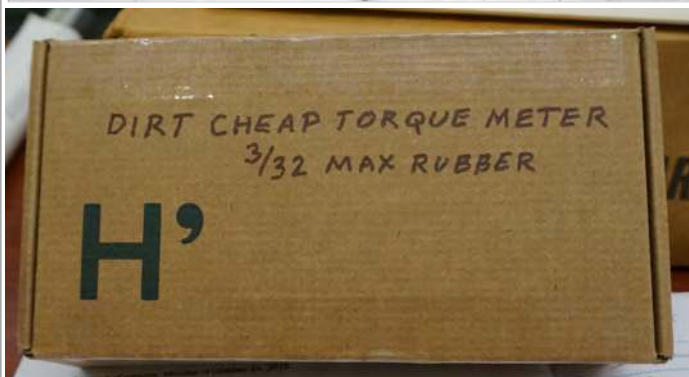
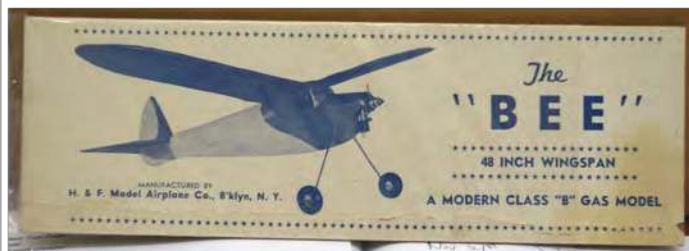
Contact: **Free Flight Down Under**  
Malcolm Campbell  
actrain@ozmail.com.au

Lescher Dowling: photos of engine collection and "Herrat's Outdoor Glider"

Brian Chan: Peanut kits, rubber motor and tissue

**Mystery Gift Drawing:** Noel Eberhardt won!

**Snacks:** Alan Peterson, Coffee SAM 21 & Brian Sargent.



**Dirt Cheap Torque Meter!**





## From the Office of the Prez.: SAM 21 Reflections

December – my end of the year salute to the SAM 21 Chapter.

It's been an interesting and challenging year for our chapter and me personally.

After many years of being our Treasurer, **Lescher Dowling** retired and passed the baton onto a new member and Treasurer, **Cliff Shekell**.

**Bill Copeland** and **Lescher** provided us with the framework to revise our Constitution and Bylaws. We are very thankful for their contributions. However, we miss Bill's wit and stories, and his suggestions on how to make our club fun and interesting.

Contest Coordinator: Cheers to **Dave Lewis** for arranging, recording and posting results of our 2019 Contests; cheers to CD's **Brian Sargent** and **Steve Roselle**. Mariam Schmidt, we enjoyed your tradition of breakfast pancakes, etc. before the contests too.

We have welcomed five new members in 2019 through the efforts of **Walt Gurney** and **Noel Eberhardt**. Several other members have shared ideas on how to attract new members as we zoom into 2020. Yes, we have already begun to include your ideas to that end.

Through **Fred Terzian's** recommendation, we enjoyed a very special and unique look into Neil Armstrong's successful Apollo 11 Lunar Landing because of Hank Cole's entertaining and enlightening presentation of his wind tunnel results at NASA Ames in Mt. View, CA.

**Brian Chan** assumed the helm as The Clipper Editor after undergoing a rigorous and thorough apprenticeship, and review by **Mr. Copeland**. We all have benefited from the splendid job done by **Brian**.

I appreciate our entire membership for all of your contributions and suggestions on how to go about "taking care of business" these last 12 months.

Our slate of SAM 21 officers for 2020:

President, **Brian Sargent**, V.P., **Tom Faith**, Secretary, **Alan Peterson**, Treasurer, **Cliff Shekell**, Newsletter Editor, **Brian Chan**. Contest Coordinator, **Dave Lewis**

**Walt Gurney**, we are looking forward to the January SAM 21 Awards Banquet at Holder's!

**Tom Faith**

Exiting - SAM 21 President

## More Show and Tell pictures from the meeting.



**Lescher's Herrat's glider.**



**Simple rubber motor winder.**



**Taipan 2.5 c.c. engine.**



**More Pictures From the November Meeting.**



**November membership meeting.**



**Gary, Walt and Noel.**



**Close up of Lescher's Herrat glider.**



**Cox .15 cu.in. engine and Taipan 2.5 c.c. engine.**



**Cooper and Ethan. The plane in front of them is the Danny Plane that Bill V. donated to the SAM21.**



**Cliff shows the "Bee" he scored at the Collecto!**



**The Danny Plane.**



# Agenda - December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Call to order: *President Tom Faith*

Members present: \_\_\_\_\_

Introduction of Guests present: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval of minutes: Minutes of November 21, 2019 Approved:

YES

NO

## Reports:

**Treasurer's Report:** *Cliff Shekell*

**Membership Report:** *Cliff Shekell*

A)

B)

**Competition Report:** *Dave Lewis:*

A)

B)

C)

**Editor's Input:** *Brian Chan*

A) *December Clipper Realized and Published*

B)

C)

## Unfinished Business:

A) *Handout - Constitution and Bylaws: Bill Copeland & Tom Faith*

B)

C)

## New Business:

A) *December Meeting - Hosted by: Alan Peterson*

B)

C)

**Break:** 15 Minutes

**Show and Tell:** *Open and Acts of Piracy, ALL HAND HOAY! Aarr.*

**Program:** *SAM21 Pirates White Elephant Gift Exchange - Brian Sargent*

**Monthly Mystery Drawing:**

**Adjournment:** \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

**Refreshments:** *Lescher Dowling*

Coffee by: *SAM21 - White Elephant* 340x340

*Happy Birthday,  
Lescher!*

*Merry Christmas*



*Happy New Year!*



## Remember Evgeny( Eugene) Verbitsky

By Fred Terzian



This is truly a sad day for the free flight aeromodelling community. Evgeny (Eugene) was a class act and one of the best international representatives for our sport. He was gracious when I first met him (around 1980-1981) at the U.S. Free Flight Champs at Taft and throughout the years following up until the last time I saw him at Lost Hills around 2015 or 2016. A true gentleman, and I am glad to have known him as one of my best F1C friends.

A little history when I first met him:

I had read about him since the early Seventies but by chance finally met him at Taft, a year or two after we hosted the '79 World Championships there. The Soviet Union had boycotted this event

in response to the U.S. boycotting the Olympics held in the Soviet Union several years before.

At that time, Eugene became the aeromodelling representative to Cuba for their FAI program, helping them learn to design and fly competitive models in all categories flown internationally.

He was not allowed to travel from Cuba to the United States because of our trade embargo, so he could not secure a visa. Crafty Canadian F1A flyer Peter Allnut came up with a plan that allowed Eugene to visit Canada and could be flown there by way of a Canadian airline, I believe Peter was still employed in the airline industry at that time and was able to accomplish this.

Peter then brought Eugene to the U.S. by way of automobile transportation down the West Coast to Taft. I do not recall if Eugene spoke English at that time but I do know that he picked up Spanish in Cuba!

At Taft, I noted that he was wearing a leather belt which on the back was inscribed the words "Cuba Libre". I went over to him and introduced myself speaking Spanish (I was born in El Salvador and became bilingual at an early age). I took some photographs of him starting his BE-35 aluminum skinned F1C power ship with his centrifugal hand cranked starter. That photograph was published in black and white in the NFFS "Free Flight" digest of that period, and the color rendition was blown up to Kodak poster size and was displayed in the NFFS Hospitality Suite at several World Champs venues here in the U.S. At that time I was the NFFS Plans and Publications Chairman.

Over the years, I gave Eugene color photographs that I had taken of him in competition here in California and at the '91 World Champs held in Zrenjanin, Yugoslavia.

I have attached a copy of that poster photograph in this message for all to share.

Please extend my deepest sympathy to his extended family and Ukrainian sportsmen. I will miss him deeply,

Fred Terzian  
Oakland Cloud Dusters President  
Member of SCAT



**Eugene Verbitski & Bill Lynch.**  
Circa early 90's

**Be Prepared: It's Happening Again At The December 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting....  
The SAM 21 PIRATES WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE**

**It's always a hoot!**

*Here are the details:*

Everyone Brings A Hobby Related, Wrapped Gift

With A Value Of At Least **\$20.98!**

Used Items Are Welcome, As Well As New Ones But

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.

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.

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.

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?**

**Naaaa..... It's a bunch of fun!**

**December 19th, 2019**

**It will be held at Alan's House!**





# SAM 21 Awards Banquet Program - January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## *Holder's Country Inn*

998 S. De Anza Blvd, San Jose, Ca 408-244-2798



MC: **SAM 21 President**

Hours: 6 PM to 7 PM: Social Hour

7 PM: Dinner

After Dinner Program:

Presentation of Awards, Door Prizes, and Raffles

<u>Entrée Selections</u>	<u>Cost (Includes Tax and Tip)*</u>
Prime Rib, au jus with baked potato	\$37
Chicken Cordon Bleu	\$32
Salmon with lemon butter sauce	\$36
Vegetarian: Vegetable Lasagna	\$32

All entrees come with house salad, fresh vegetables (except Vegetarian), ice cream, rolls, and coffee or tea.

\* Entree costs do not include desserts (other than ice cream) and well drinks; they can be ordered separately from the server.

**Please mail the lower portion** of this page indicating your guest's names (If more than one"), choice(s)), and number of entrée(s) with check made out to **SAM 21 to be received by January 21, 2020 to:**

**Walt Gurney  
12767 Homes Drive  
Saratoga, CA 95070 - 4016**



Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Entrée Choice</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Guest</u>	<u>Special Guest(s)</u>
Prime Rib	_____	_____	_____
Chicken	_____	_____	_____
Fish	_____	_____	_____
Vegetarian	_____	_____	_____



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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society of Antique Modelers and uphold the spirit of its Preamble.*

Members may pay using Paypal at [SAM26Walt@gmail.com](mailto:SAM26Walt@gmail.com)  
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 P.O. 73215, Phoenix, AZ 85050



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**Cliff Shekell**  
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## SAM 21—2020 Membership Application Form

Check one:  NEW MEMBER                       RETURNING MEMBER  
 FULL MEMBER \$40.00                       ASSOCIATE MEMBER \$20.00 (Newsletter only)

SAM No. \_\_\_\_\_ AMA No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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