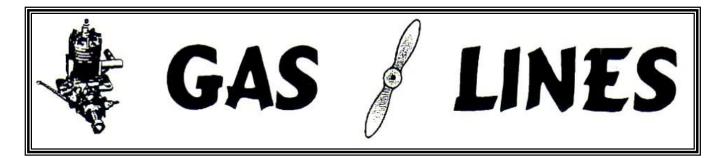


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### **SCAMPS Club Officials**

#### **President's Corner**

We've been plagued with too much water through the first quarter of the year, and now are seeing the consequences of all that rain in knee-high (and higher!) weeds. This made for very wet shoes and pants early in the morning, and made it virtually impossible to operate bungee-launched gliders at any time of day, not to mention losing planes too easily. Lance Powers decide to do something about it. Working with Roger Willis, we got quotes ranging from \$2000+ (!) to \$800. Roger was able to locate a local weed abatement team that quoted us under \$500 to clear the 6-acre area we use as a flying field. by Bernie Crowe



All the clubs in the Perris Free Flight Alliance agreed to chip in, so the per-club cost was \$100! I contacted the farmer who leases the area and got his permission to bring the mowing equipment onto the field. Lance then met with the operator and stayed with him while he double mowed the area. While not quite a lawn, I think you'll agree the conditions are much better now. Lance has also tried to take down the weeds between the rows of mulch, but the mowing equipment is too wide to get there, and Lance's personal weed-whip is not making much of a dent, so we'll have to wait 'til that dies down naturally. 'Course, when that happens, we'll also have to contend with the grass seeds, spring tails and the like. Here's a picture from 2002 to remind you how that can be. Wear gaiters!



SCAMPS 2019 Club Meeting Schedule				
Month	Day	Host		
January	TBD	Open		
February	2	Hal Cover		
March	TBD	Open		
April	6	Ken Kaiser		
May	TBD	Open		
June	TBD	Scott Cover		
July	6	Clint Brooks		
August	TBD	Joe Jones		
Septembe	TBD	Fernando Ramos		
October	12	John Powers		
November	TBD	Open		
December	TBD	Christmas Party		

SCAMPS Monthly Donut Schedule		
2019 Donut Coordinator: Jane Cover (909) 851-2075		
Volunteers are responsibile to coordinate with other club		
members if they cannot fulfill their assigned commitment		

Мо	Day	Donut Bearer
May	1	Ron Thomas
May	8	Gary Vogt
May	15	George Walter
May	22	Linda Wrisley
May	29	Roger Willis

As noted in the schedule-May is still open for a club meeting. As of this writing none has been scheduled. If something is arranged in the interim an email notification will be distributed for the date, time and location. Many thanks to Ken and Kay Kaiser for hosting the April meeting, probably for the last time. We appreciate all the good times we've had at your home Ken, and will miss this in the future.

#### SCAMPS NEWS

Let's start out by acknowleding Ken Kaiser and all the years he has put into Free Flight and aeromodeling in general. At the April club meeting Ken hosted, he ended the affair by opening his garage to club members to pick and choose from an assortment of finished models, kits, plans and other odds and ends he wants to give away. He didn't specifically say that he was getting out of the hobby but I think that is the direction he's headed. Ray Peel and some others spoke up at the meeting thanking Ken for his support over the years. I think the club is going to be a lot quieter with Ken and possibly Don Kaiser moving out of the picture. Ken, please fly with us whenever you want-we will miss you and hope to see you on the field again some day. And Don, we still look for you and your smiling face to fly with us again.

#### by Clint Brooks



Speaking of the field; the tall in-field grass was mowed to a nice close cut and the area is much more user friendly for us now. The area beyond the edge boundary continues to grow taller, although not like it was two years ago with the giant mustard plants that made it such a nightmare to find your model. It's not a whole lot better, and the soft mulch underfoot combined with the grip of the thick

grass makes it a tough hike to retrieve your model. Couple that with the news that it's likely to be a banner year for rattlesnakes it makes you proceed with a lot of trepidation into the outer zones. Snake gaitors were discussed at one of the recent donut breaks and a sample that Hal Cover bought were passed around. These have a hard material that composes the gaitor from the ankle up to just below the knees to offer some armor against a snake strike. Someone else brought up the need to have antihistimine and aspirin on hand and so you can power this down to reduce the effect of the snake venom should you get bitten. With the weeds so thick it's going to be hard to see a snake that may be laying there in your line of sight hiking path, so exersize caution and make a lot of shuffling noise to alert the critters to your presence and hopefully avoid contact.



Please note the 31<sup>st</sup> Lotto Contest flyer at the end of the newsletter. It's a late publish, but an email notice with it was sent around earlier in April. Hopefully we get good attendance-Hal moved it to May to avoid the heat of the traditional Father's Day weather. I couldn't resist adding the vintage 1990 flyer for one of these contests conducted at Mile Square Park. It seems like just yesterday this mecca was a busy place for hobbyists from all over. Now, just another regional park that duplicates what is going on at all the other regional parks for the most part, and modeling and flying are completely invisible to the general population.

I've been reading through old Gas Lines issues and it seems like the club was more vibrant and popular back in the late 80's and 90's. You can sure tell there was a lot more building and flying going on, with what appeared to be fairly substantial contests for SCAMPS, SCIF's San Valeers, Blacksheep and others. It helps to have a good place to fly and



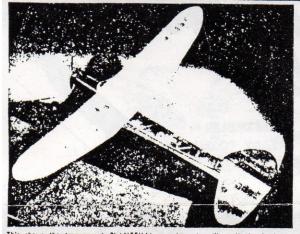
attract so many people. It wasn't that long ago, but now it's starting to feel like ancient history.

So, I always thought the introduction of Top Flite Monokote was a milestone for model builders. To me, it was a point where a material technology had a significant impact to the standards up to that time that relied on paper, silk and dope as the primary covering and finishing materials for model airplanes. Glancing through the older issues of Gas Lines, I came across an article that provided evidence of film covering for model aircraft as early as 1938. Having never heard of this, I copied it (again) for this newsletter to share with others like me who were not around during the earlier period. Has anyone in the club ever used "Planefilm" material to cover anything? I didn't get that it was heat shrinkable, instead it apparently relied on the builder to stretch and conform it to the model structure. I assume the adhesive was tacky and would adhere without heat to the structure. I wonder how well this stayed in place with sun exposure and age. Probably not very well as it appeared to gain no traction for sales and was not around when Monokote was introduced. As I recall, Monokote also had a tacky adhesive at first before being re-worked for a dry, heat activated adhesive. Anyway, what is old is new again, just better each time it comes around. I love the prophetic statement about this type of covering dominating the hobby eventually. That part I think they got right-I wonder if any of the developers were involved with the Top Flite product?

Also-who was "Gluefinger" ????

MODEL AIRPLANE NEWS

## PLANEFILM - for Covering Model Planes



This shows the transparent PLANEFILM covering—drumlike—all the intricate detail of the interior is clearly visible.



This shows the opaque PLANEFILM covering—drumlike—and Maximum high gloss finish.



Removing tough flexible PLANEFILM from its backing sheet ready to apply to any model.

# WORKS LIKE MAGIC STRETCHES ITSELF-DRUMLIKE

No Wrinkles-No Seams

After many painstaking hours of tedious work, you finally complete the frame work of your model and find yourself confronted with the serious problem of covering it. The covering alone represents your finished model. It completely covers the frame work on which you pride yourself. Why, then, isn't it of the very utmost importance to get the most practical, efficient and attractive covering obtainable? The answer to this is PLANEFILM, a product developed after exhaustive research and study of the problems that caused every model builder innumerable heartaches. PLANEFILM is so simple and speedy to apply that the most inexperienced builder will marvel at his results. It is a REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT FOR COVERING MODEL PLANES that had never been conceived until now.

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PLANEFILM is scientifically manufactured on micrometer machinery which is adjusted as close as ten thousandths of an inch. THIS ASSURES YOU THAT WHEN YOU COVER, YOU HAVE AN ABSOLUTELY EVEN DISTRIBUTION OF WEIGHT AND PERFECT BALANCE SO NECESSARY TO GOOD PERFORMANCE.

PLANEFILM is attached to a backing sheet; therefore, it is easily handled, easy to cut to shape, as the film which is attached to a backing sheet is more or less stiff, but after you have cut the PLANEFILM to fit a particular part, you then strip the film from its backing sheet, and when you have the film removed from its backing sheet, it is soft, pliable, and actually forms itself to the many curves necessary in model building.

PLANEFILM comes in many colors. The speed of application is hardly believable—a 7 ft. wing spread was covered in 20 minutes.

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### 2019 Free Flight Contest Schedules -Perris/Taibi Site Unless Otherwise Noted

SCAMPS Monthly Club & Sanctioned Contest Schedule 2019 V 2.3					
Мо	Day	Rubber	Power	Electric	CD
Jan	9	P30	AMA Gas & E Combined	F1S (E-36)	B. Crowe
Jan		Haggart/Bowden-Perris (cancelled)			
Feb	27	OT Small Rubber (comb)	Nostalgia all Combined	E Nostalgia	R. Peel
Mar	10	SCAMPS 15th Annual Taibi Contest-Perris			K. Sherman
Mar	13	OT Large Rubber (comb)	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	B. Crowe
Apr	24	P30 + Small Open Rubber (Andrade)	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E20	C. Brooks
Apr	27-28	SCAMPS/SCIF Texaco-Lost Hills			D. Heinrich
May	5	Lotto/Twin Pusher-Perris			H. Cover
May	15	Nos Rubber/Nos Wakefield	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	J. Jones
Jun	12	Gollywock Mass Launch + OT Small Rubber (comb)	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	L. Powers
Jul	17	Coupe (F1G) + Bungee-launch glider	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E20	C.Brooks
Aug	14	OT Large Rubber (comb)	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	G. Drake
Sep	11	P30 + Moffett	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	R. Thomas
Oct	16	OT Small Rubber (comb)	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E-20	P. Guiso
TBD	TBD	SCAMPS/SCIF+San Valeers Nos-Lost Hills	Possible re-schedule or cancel D. Heinri		D. Heinrich
Nov	13	P-30 + Small Open Rubber (Andrade)	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	C. Brooks
Dec	11	OT Large Rubber (comb)	Nostalgia all Combined	AMA Electric	B. Crowe

	San Diego Orbiteers Monthly Club & Sanctioned Contest Schedule 2019						
Мо	Day	Rubber	Power	HLG/CLG	CD		
Jan	27	P-30 (no rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
Feb	24	OT/Nostalgia rubber (no rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
Mar	17	Coupe (3/25 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
Apr	14	P-30 Memorial (4/29 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
May	18-19	SDO/FGMC FF Bonanza-Lost Hills			Don Bartick		
May	26	OT/Nostalgia rubber	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
June	23	Coupe	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
July		No Contest Planned					
Aug		No Contest Planned					
Sep	15	P-30	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
Oct	13	OT/Nostalgia rubber	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
Nov	17	Coupe	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		
Dec	15	P-30/Make up for cancelled events	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny		

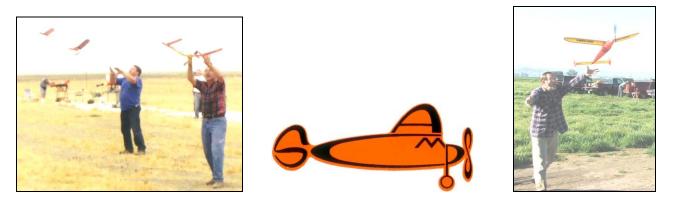
OASIS Squadron FAC-20 Outdoor Schedule 2019					
Мо	Day	Events	Location	CD	
Apr	17	BLUR race, Jim. Allen (ROG), 1/2 Wakefield H/L	Perris	Roger Willis	
Jul	24	Sky Chief M/L,OT Rubber Fus (ROG),WW2 Combat Mass Launch	Perris	Roger Willis	
Nov	6	FAC Rub. Scale, Modern Military (total of 3 flts),Greve/Thompson Race combined	Perris	Roger Willis	

San Diego Scale Staffel Outdoor Schedule 2019					
Мо	Mo Day CD				
Feb	16-17	Flying Aces Club	Perris	J. Hutchison	
May	18-19	Flying Aces Club	Perris	J. Hutchison	
Sep	21-22	Flying Aces Club	Perris	J. Hutchison	



Note to guests interested in observing or flying free flight models at Perris:

The usual time to catch us in the act is in the morning. Most Saturday mornings are when people come out to test fly or tune up their models and skills, and just have a good time. You can observe the Southern California Aero Team (SCAT) FAI rubber and glider flyers along with with others flying a range of model types-mostly endurance rubber powered and electric or gas powered. Scale free flight models are flown when the Scale Staffel has their FAC contests also noted above. These are typically conducted over two day periods to get in all the event categories normally flown. Flying usually starts 7-ish and ends late morning depending on winds. There is a larger group that flies on Wednesday as well if you would rather make a mid-week trip. Come join us-see the map above for an idea on directions-it's on the east side of the 215 freeway, off San Jacinto Ave.-there is a dirt road entrance on the right.



### 31<sup>st</sup> SCAMPS Twin Pusher & Lotto Fun Fly Sunday, May 5, 2019 - SCAMPS Field – Perris, CA EVENTS:

\*LOTTO FUN FLY – FLY ANYTHING, Gas – Glow – Electric – Rubber
\*Twin Pusher (Mass Launch 1 Flight: 0900 start)
\*Perris Special
\*Old Time Gas (20 Second engine run-all classes combined)
\*O.T. Rubber (Large/Small, Stick & Fuselage combined)
\*Nostalgia Wakefield/Rubber
\*Nostalgia Power (all classes combined)
\*Modern Power (all classes combined)
\*P-30
\*Catapult Glider

All events will be flown to Cat II rules (may change based on weather)

NOTE: Nostalgia and modern power will allow electric power to be flown with the same motor run and flight times

O.T. Rubber Large/Small combination will be split if enough entries in each make it practical

Multiple entries will be allowed but only one entry can win prizes

## Flying is 8:00am to 1:00pm! CD Hal Cover (909) 591-3717