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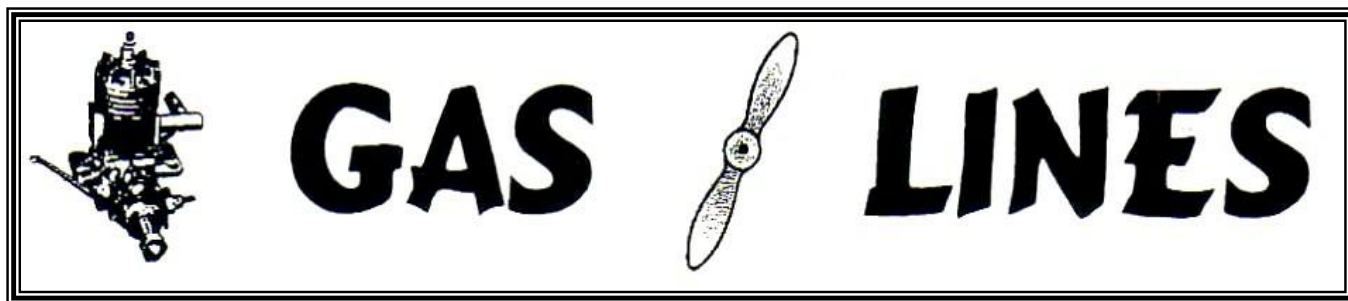


Official Newsletter of the Southern California Antique Model Plane Society

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SCAMPS 2020 Club Meeting Schedule		
Month	Day	Host
January		None planned
February	1	Hal Cover
March	21	Bernie Crowe-CANCELLED
April	TBD	Open
May	TBD	Open
June	TBD	Open
July	11	Clint Brooks
August	TBD	Dave Meriwether
September	TBD	Open
October	TBD	Fernando Ramos
November	TBD	Open
December	TBD	Open

SCAMPS Monthly Donut Schedule
2020 Donut Coordinator: Jane Cover (909) 851-2075
Volunteers are responsible to coordinate with other club members if they cannot fulfill their assigned commitment

Mo	Day	Responsibility
Apr	1	Randy Wisley
Apr	8	Lance Powers
Apr	15	Fernando Ramos
Apr	22	Phil Ronney
Apr	29	Ron Thomas



The March 21st SCAMPS Club meeting is cancelled due to the statewide coronavirus mandate to stay at home and avoid unnecessary travel. Until things start improve and the rules are relaxed there will be no further club meetings planned in 2020.

President's Corner-February 2020

by Bernie Crowe

We have had our model-flying activities precluded by uncharacteristic weather, by the filming of commercials on “our” field, and now by the worst of all – the so-called corona virus and its threat to the global health. As a Club, we curtailed all free flight competition activities in mid-March in response to the State directive to stay safe at home and avoid, as much as possible, contact with one another. And, as a Club, we will continue to respect those instructions until it is deemed safe to do otherwise.



The exact rules are changing daily in response to new information on the spread of the Covid-19 virus in this country and across the world. At the time of writing this (March 21) the directive calls for each of us to shelter at home and avoid travel, except for essential activities such as buying food and attending to health needs; to avoid gathering in groups of 10 or more; and to observe “social distancing” by maintaining a separation of at least six feet between each other. The purpose of all this is an attempt to prevent the spread of the virus from one person to another, and in so doing to slow the spread of the virus and avoid a situation where so many people are infected at one time that the numbers overwhelm our health services and lead inevitably to many deaths.

At this time, we do not know whether the Covid-19 virus acts as an airborne pathogen, or instead can only be spread from one person to another by contact, or by transfer from surfaces that an infected person has touched. What does seem clear from the experiences of communities where infections have occurred, the majority of those infected experience respiratory distress and recover in about two weeks. The people who have fared less well tend to be those in older age groups, or with those having underlying health problems and/or compromised immune systems. The “elderly” describes a group to which virtually every member of our Club belongs, so we are the most at risk.

This was the reason I cancelled all Perris field Club competitions and our SCAMPS/SCIF Texaco contest scheduled for April 18/19 at Lost Hills. Almost every other free flight contest in Southern California has likewise been cancelled or postponed until well into the fall. That leaves the question of regular non-contest flying at Perris, which usually takes place on Wednesdays. Several of you have pointed out to me that the State directive, while encouraging all to remain at home, also suggests taking walks locally or in neighboring parks for both health and recreational reasons. It has been argued that this is essentially what driving to the field (alone) and flying in the fresh air accomplishes. Countering that is the realization that taking an extended journey by car risks the possibility of an accident or some other reason to come into contact with people we don't know. And, of course, the fact that on a typical Wednesday there are perhaps twenty or so people present.

As a Club, we cannot order you not to do this. The decision whether or not to go to the field must be an individual decision. But I would stress that what is at stake here is, potentially, life and death, and not just of ourselves, but also others. That must be weighed against the therapeutic value of indulging in our sport and hobby. And I ask each one of you, if you do elect to go flying on Wednesday or any other day, to strictly observe the social distancing protocol, remain at least six feet from each other at all times, and avoid physical contact or touching objects already handled by the other person.

This won't be over soon. The experience of countries exposed to this virus earlier than we were shows that the epidemic will last at least three months or more. We need to adjust our thinking to accept this fact and be prepared to follow the directives from the authorities until such time as it is deemed safe to return to what we

used to think of as the “normal” way of life. In the meantime, let’s maintain communication with each other through phone calls or emails, share what we are doing in the workshop or other projects via text, photos or video, or posting on the SCAMPS Face Book page. Stay in touch, but be safe.

And most of all, let’s try to take something positive from this time of stress and uncertainty. Just as happened after 9/11, there has been an increase in civility and social discourse. We all realize we are all in this together, and it has enabled us to put aside some of our differences and treat one another with more respect. Let’s not lose that when all this is over.

SCAMPS NEWS

by Clint Brooks

How the world has changed in just one week. Covid-19 has totally turned all of us upside down for our normal lives and routines. Worst of all, as Bernie points out, it makes the simple pleasure of going flying a much more daunting proposition now-is it worth the risk? That’s something only you can decide for yourself-weigh all your options and be safe in whatever course of action you take.

Our Club President has put out email announcements cancelling the remaining SCAMPS contests for the year, or until until things improve and restrictions are lifted. I wouldn’t plan on that anytime soon, I’m just as much in the dark as any of you on how long this pall will last. The SCAMPS/San Valeers Spring Annual is now tentatively planned to happen on October 24-25th as a combined contest with the Fall Annual events with SCAMPS and the SCIF. Of course, things may change before then so keep watch on unfolding news and events to judge planning for this. The Scale Staffel has also cancelled their Perris contest schedule for 2020, and so far the San Diego Orbiters and the Oasis Flyers have not provided input for their contest schedule impacts, but would expect them to follow suit.



On another note, since the shutdown of businesses and schools, there are now lots of families in the neighborhood and local parks, trying to occupy their time. There is a sense of happiness with this, and also a lot of discussion on the radio programs I listen to during my building sessions about what to do with the time these kids have. Parents are saying the kids are getting bored with their electronic devices, and casting about for ideas. It’s funny, as all the advice being offered to them are more electronic entertainment suggestions, but not one of them has really reached out and addressed giving kids and families a chance to use their hands and minds and not rely on the electronic entertainment empire for all the solutions. In my mind, I’m telling them-go to a hobby shop and get them something to build....but then reality sinks in, knowing all of that is in the past and the vast majority of people will never know the pleasure this hobby can bring to them and their children. It really drives home the point that we have largely lost the culture that molded many of us into what we are

today. I feel sorry for the ignorant who will never know, but realize ignorance brings bliss and they will probably do well regardless, in the world they now embrace.

As for me, not much has changed, except I'm building multiple things at the same time. I know this is a free flight newsletter, but I'm having a ball building a radio control Proctor Antic biplane kit that was given to me several years ago, and also scratch building a Dolphin .35 size control line stunt model, designed by Lew McFarland in the early 60's and a popular Jetco Models kit for years. In my youth (here I go again), my brother and I learned control line and he had built the Dolphin in junior high school. It had a terrible Stallion .35 engine for power, and never did run well enough to complete a tank of fuel in flight. We tried and eventually it was lost when the fuselage broke in half in flight due to poor construction technique, but the model left an impression on me I've never forgotten. So a new one is starting to appear on my work table in a most pleasing fashion-this time it won't fail to deliver.



In the discussion about the Taibi Hornet, Kevin Sherman responded to me that his dad had built a Hornet about 1999. According to Kevin, it only flew once or twice and suffered some bad damage to the bottom of the fuselage during a hard landing. He still has the model-in need of some TLC for the covering and minor repairs. It looks like a beautiful model (I don't think Gary did it any other way). It would be great to see it in the air again.



16th Annual Taibi Contest for 8 May, 2020

by Clint Brooks

The weekend of the Taibi contest was leading off with two factors. First, the weather was threatening to turn bad during the week leading up to Sunday, the day of the contest. And second, the time change for daylight saving occurred Saturday night. As it happened, Sunday turned out to be a crisp and beautiful day, but not too many turned out for the contest. Perhaps the L.A. Marathon had them busy or the corona virus scare is starting to influence things. In any case, we had six official sign-ins on the AMA Safety Acknowledgement form, and just a handful of events flown.

Winds started of from the East-Southeast for the early part of the morning-probably 2-3 mph. As the morning went on, the windspeed increased to around 5-6 mph and was pushing all the models to San Jacinto Road and the no-man's land in between. This put a serious cramp on enthusiasm as the retrieval times were significant. The contest was downgraded to CAT III at the start in anticipation of the drift pattern, but it still caused a lot of legwork on the part of contestants. Some retrieval help was on the field though, David Wade, Lance Powers and Alan Peel (Ray's son) were instrumental in keeping things flowing for some of the fliers in getting models back in a reasonable amount of time. Many thanks for spending your morning bird dogging airplanes instead of flying.

The contest got rolling with a duel between Ron Thomas and Ray Peel, pitting Perris Special against Perris Special. Both models were well trimmed and performed close to the same. Ray managed to

put in four maxes over Ron's three to eventually take the win. Both flyers had stopped Perris Special to move onto ABC Nostalgia for the remainder of the contest.

Hulan Mathies was the only entrant for the 1/2A Nostalgia and also the only entrant in the All Taibi event. What a change from three years ago when Taibi designed airplanes were the bulk of the contest. We really had a lot of people missing in action for this one.

Representing the gumbanders for the day was Bernie Crowe with his Lamb Climber and Lance Powers had also entered his Gollywock for Small OT Rubber. Bernie put in three maxes and stopped-his model getting good air but tracking almost due North in the drift, putting it well over the mulch mounds before finally entering a turn back to the south and into the wind. For some reason the model would enter a series of stalls at this point and that usually put an end to the flight, but still making the two-minute max. Lance never did enter a score-I think he became the head bush whacker retrieving Bernie's model and also assisting others with lost flying machines all morning.

No electric events were flown. The contest ended early around 12:30, about the time some strong dust devils began after a period of relative calm late in the morning. One hit on the CD area and a shade canopy was partially launched, but other than that no damage aside from the loss of a box of donut holes that was flung into the dirt. Luckily the cash on hand was secured in a cash box and was not seized by the thermal gods as we all recalled during the 2017 Lotto contest. Many thanks to those who came out and supported the contest. Joe Jones had the whole package ready to go for me. My daughter Allison was having fun recording scores and getting to know the fliers a bit more. Her dog Ruby stayed quietly under the table and made a lot of new friends, as always.

Small Old Time Rubber-Combined		SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest								
	Flyer	Model	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	Flt 6	SCORE	PLACE
1	Lance Powers	Gollywock							DNF	

Large Old Time Rubber-Combined		SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest								
	Flyer	Model	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	Flt 6	SCORE	PLACE
1	Bernie Crowe	Lamb Climber	120	120					240	1

1/2A Nostalgia											SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest	
	Flyer	Model	Engine	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	SCORE	PLACE		
	Timekeeping example			Flt Run								
1	Hulan Mathies	250 Spacer	Med. .049	120 7.5	103 8	120 8.5			343	1		

ABC Nostalgia											SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest	
	Flyer	Model	Engine	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	SCORE	PLACE		
	Timekeeping example			Flt Run								
1	Ron Thomas	Lucky Lindy	Veco .19						DNF	2		
2	Ray Peel	Fubar X	O.S. .35	120	120	120			360	1		

All Taibi											SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest	
	Flyer	Model	Engine	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	SCORE	PLACE		
	Timekeeping example			Flt Run								
1	Hulan Mathies	Star Duster 600	K&B .35	120 6	120 7	120 6.5			360	1		

Perris Special											SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest	
	Flyer	Model Version	Engine	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	SCORE	PLACE		
	Timekeeping example			Flt Run								
1	Ron Thomas		Veco .19	120 7.6	120 8	120 8.5			360	2		
2	Ray Peel		Veco .19	120 8	120	120	120		480	1		



2020 Free Flight Contest Schedules -Perris/Taibi Site Unless Otherwise Noted

As of 3/18/20 the SCAMPS & Scale Staffel Club Contest Schedule for Perris is Cancelled due to statewide public movement restrictions for disease control.

SCAMPS Monthly Club & Sanctioned Contest Schedule 2020 V 1.0					
Mo	Day	Rubber	Power	Electric	CD
Jan	29	P30	AMA Gas & E Combined	F1S (E-36)	B. Crowe
Feb	12	OT Small Rubber (comb)	Nostalgia Gas & E combined	E Nostalgia	R. Peel
Mar	8	SCAMPS 13th Annual Taibi Contest-Perris			C. Brooks
Mar	18	OT Large Rubber + Bungee-launch glider	Golden Age Lg & Sm /Ratio rule	AMA Electric	B. Crowe
Apr	15	P30 + Small Open Rubber (Andrade)	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E20	C. Brooks
Apr	18-19	SCAMPS/SCIF Texaco-Lost Hills			CANCELLED
May	10	Lotto/Twin Pusher-Perris			CANCELLED
May	13	Nos Rubber/Nos Wakefield	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	J. Jones
Jun	17	Gollywock Mass Launch + OT Small Rubber (comb)	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	L. Powers
Jul	15	Coupe (F1G) + Bungee-launch glider	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E20	C. Brooks
Aug	12	OT Large Rubber (comb)	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	G. Drake
Sep	16	P30 + Moffett	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	R. Thomas
Oct	14	OT Small Rubber + Bungee-launch glider	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E-20	P. Guiso
Oct	TBD	SCAMPS/San Valeers Annual??			??
Nov	18	P-30 + Small Open Rubber (Andrade)	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	C. Brooks
Dec	16	OT Large Rubber (comb)	Nostalgia Gas & E Combined	AMA Electric	B. Crowe

OASIS Squadron FAC-20 Outdoor Schedule 2020				
Mo	Day	Events	Location	CD
Apr	8	Jet cat, Jim Allen (ROG), Sky Chief M/L	Perris	Roger Willis
Jul	15	Simplified scale, BLUR race, WW2 Combat M/L	Perris	Roger Willis
Nov	18	Dime Scale, OT rubber fuselage, Greve/Thompson Race combined	Perris	Roger Willis

San Diego Scale Staffel Outdoor Schedule 2020				
Mo	Day			CD
Mar	14-15	Flying Aces Club	Perris	CANCELLED
Jun	6-7	Flying Aces Club	Perris	CANCELLED
Oct	3-4	Flying Aces Club	Perris	CANCELLED



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.

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F1A F1B FIC 1/2A GAS(1) C/D GAS E-36 P-30 (1) VINTAGE FAI POWER CATAPULT GLIDER (1) ½ A TEXACO DAWN P-30 MASS LAUNCH NIGHT GAS (COMBINED) TWIN PUSHER MASS LAUNCH	SMALL OT RUBBER STICK SMALL OT RUBBER CABIN LARGE OT RUBBER STICK LARGE OT RUBBER CABIN ¼ A NOSTALGIA ½ A NOSTALGIA A NOSTALGIA B NOSTALGIA C NOSTALGIA EARLY ½ A NOSTALGIA	.020 REPLICA A PYLON B-C PYLON A FUSELAGE B-C FUSELAGE RUB/WAKEFIELD NOS CLASSIC TOWLINE ½ A CLASSIC POWER ½ A GOLDEN AGE	FIG F1H F1J F1S A GAS B GAS F1Q/A/B ELECTRIC (COMB) HAND LAUNCH GLIDER (1) FULL SIZE TEXACO MULVIHILL DAWN MULVIHILL GOLLYWOCK MASS LAUNCH

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