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Earl's Rubber Stretching Investigation

This July while in Muncie practicing for the NATS Joe Williams noticed that I wasn't stretching my rubber motors as much as is often recommended. Joe commented that I was giving away turns and torque. Really, I had better look into this. Stretching rubber to seven times its relaxed state is an amount I have seen recommended al-though I cannot site a source. Also, although I have heard this recommendation and seen it practiced by other modelers I have never seen any data on the practice. So, I set up the following test. I made up ten motors of six strands of 1/8th inch rubber six inches in length. The motors were washed and lubed and of course came from the same batch of FAI rubber. Five motors were stretched 2 times the relaxed length and immediately wound with turns to about one half of maximum torque, then I would start moving in until the motor broke. Torque recorded by research assistant, Jane. The second set of five motors were stretched 7 times the relaxed length and wound the same as the previous set.

This is the results of those tests.

Rubber stretched 2X			Rubbe	Rubber stretched 7X		
Motor	Turns	Torque	Motor	Turns	Torque	
#1	316	12	#1	368	17.5	
#2	332	12	#2	352	16	
#3	336	14	#3	356	19.5	
#4	320	11	#4	360	16	
#5	340	14	#5	364	20	
Average	328.8	12.6	Average	360	17.8	

Well wouldn't you know it, Joe was right on both accounts. The results show turns increased by about 9.5% and torque by about 41%. Jeepers. Although, these test are limited by small number, only five motors in each group, there is no overlap between the two. The highest torque in the 2X group (14) is less than the lowest torque (16) in the 7X group. This is good to know.

Now You Know! Earl Griffith

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September 14, 2013 Meeting Minutes

ATTENDEES:

Mary Kay & George Avila, Lori & Phil Burris, Paula & Jeff Englert, Jane & Earl Griffith, Regina & Marty Kline, Darlene & Richard Kirkland, Marty & Jim O'Reilly, Eleanor Phelps, Chuck Powell, Ed Salguero,

President Avila called the meeting to order. The previous meeting minutes were approved. The treasurer's report was presented by Jim O'Reilly.

OLD BUSINESS:

George reported the south end of the field has been mowed but not baled.

Reports from participants at the Denver and Perry contests reported. Reminder on the Upcoming Marion Contest was presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

The treasurer reported on having to change banks due to service charges. The president reminded everyone that elections will be held at the next meeting.

Ed S. moved that the club executive committee met to audit the club expenses to assure that the club status would not be impacted by IRS rules. Motion seconded and passed.

Ed. S. moved that the executive committee review club direction/ target for the future. Motion seconded, but tabled to next meeting.

SHOW AND TELL:

Earl Griffith showed the Mulvihill traveling trophy from the MMM Denver Contest. Very pretty and impressive.

Marty Kline displayed a MID-MAT catapult glider design version of the Tony Matthews design withStan Buddenbohm inspired features.

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Meeting Minutes (Continued)

SHOW and Tell

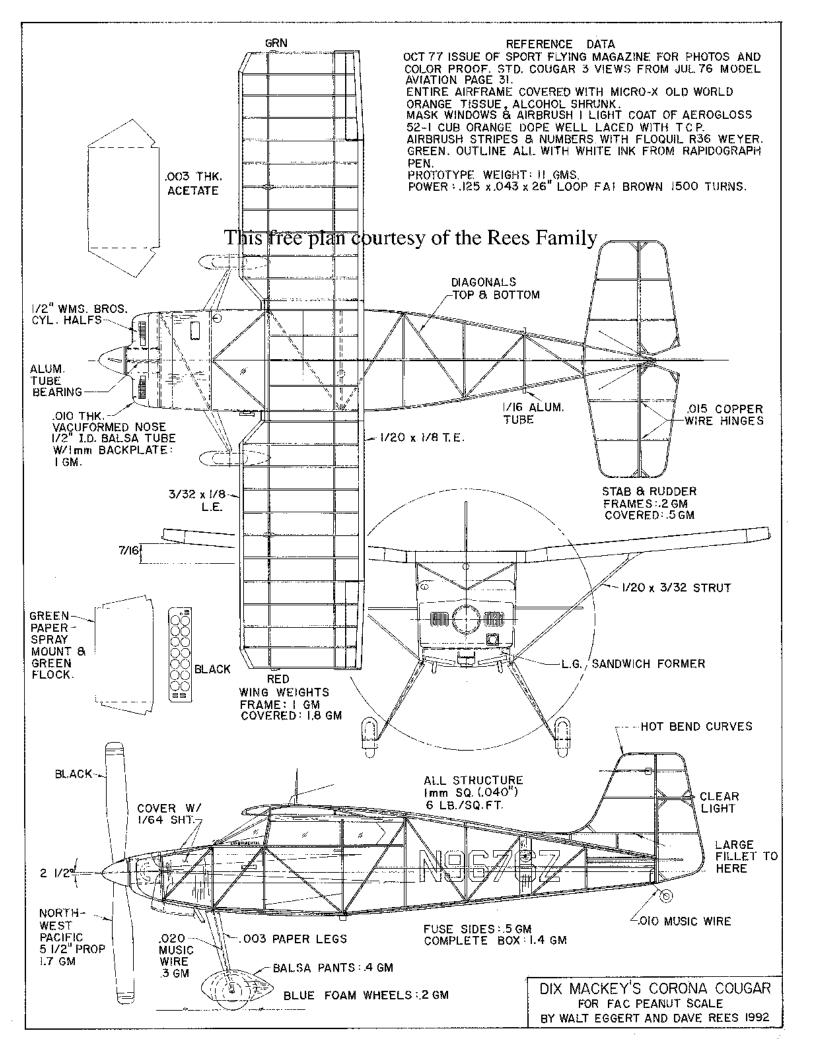
Phil Burris displayed his Flying Aces Moth, built from Bill Schmidt's redrawn plans. (He would go forward and take Small Fild Combo at the Sept Perry Contest). He also had a 1/2 Awake built from the easy built kit.

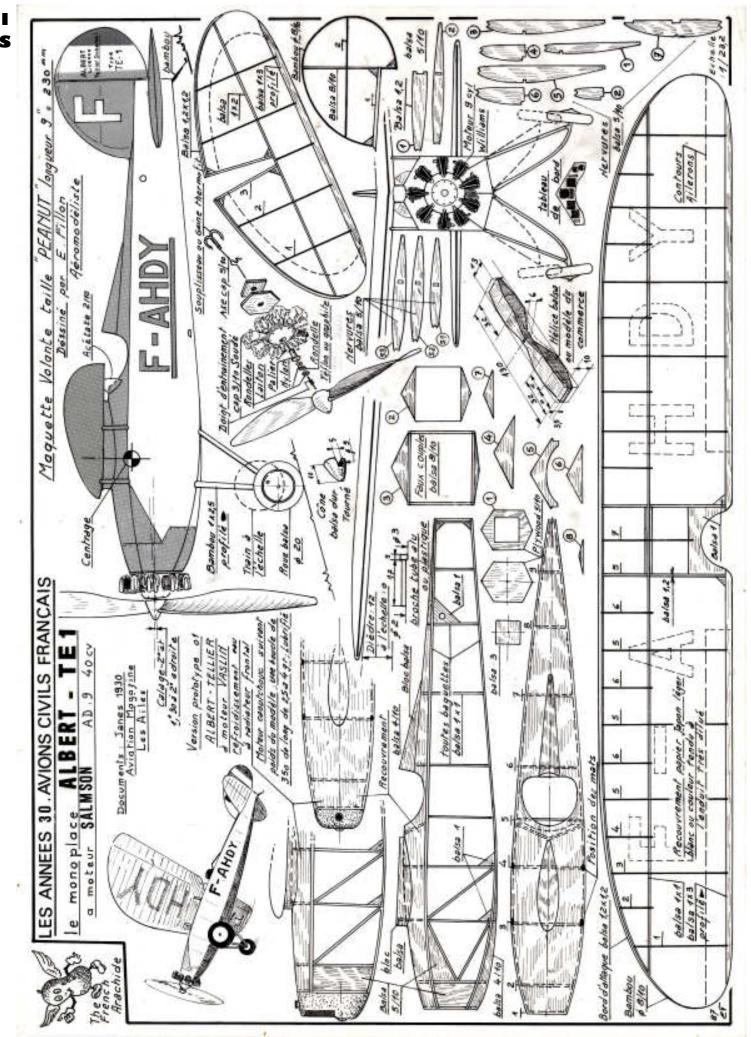
Jim O'Reilly brought in a Don Burnam Twin Pusher and his dual rubber winder used to prepare it for flight.

Richard Kirkland detailed the stomp rocket build features, both for the rocket and power section.



Bill Schmidt's Vought SB2U-2 Vindicator from Pres Burning plans





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The next SAM 56 Dinner Meeting will be at:

Mediterranean Grill

335 S Towne East Mall Dr., Wichita, KS 67207

(316) 651-5599

Saturday, November 9, 2013

Social Hour @ 6:00 PM, Dinner @ 7:00 PM..

Upcoming events:

November 9 – 10, The 2013 1/2A Texaco Finale – GO FOR the Trophy & Fun Fly General fun fly, bring out what ever has survived the year, fly for fun.

Membership Information:

Open to all interested AMA members, founded to encourage and promote the model airplane building hobby. Member dues \$20 annually, Subscription only; \$12 annually, \$18 foreign. Send checks to Jim O'Reilly, 4760 Battin, Wichita, KS 67220. All memberships and subscription renewals are due January 1st of the new year.

Club Officers: President: George Avila, 683-1474 Vice-President: Bill Schmidt 744-0378, Treasurer: Jim O'Reilly, 744-0856 Secretary: Jeff Englert, 722-7491