



S.A.M.- Antics

The Official "Fly" paper of the
SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS
AMA Charter Club #1822

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

It was a dark and stormy morning. The Big Kahunas convened and looked at the radar. It wasn't good so we didn't start. Everybody cried and complained. Too bad!

Fast forward to the next Saturday. The sun was shining, it was warm and the wind was calm. Those Big Kahunas were geniuses. The racing was great and everybody had a great time. Life is good.

Now that the weather is good lets all get out and do what we do best- BS and fly. Again a big thank you to Kimo and the gang as the field is looking great. We will have another workday so we can all sweat a little then fly a lot. The entry sign (with the bag over it) has been redesigned and is being made by the County Parks. The County Parks did not like our initial sign because our road provides public access to the rest of the 200 acres of parkland. We are going to produce a pamphlet to give out to visitors detailing where they cannot be for safety reasons. This is a win-win solution for everyone.

The fireworks fundraiser is coming soon. I will be there the entire time but would appreciate it if someone would volunteer to help with some of the organization. Due to popular request the shifts have been reduced to 3 hours each but we will need 4 shifts per day. I will have a sign-up sheet at the May meeting. Sign up early for the prime shifts!

The Adopt a Road program is on hold for now. All the responses that I received about the idea were "I won't do that!" That is unfortunate since it would have been some great PR for the club. Also note that we are required by our lease to pick up the trash in front of the park property along Florin Road. That we will do or we will lose our site.

See you all at the May meeting.

Be nice

... John

DO YOU HAVE A VALID AMA CARD?

Remember: Our By-Laws and the County of Sacramento require a current AMA Card to fly at the S.A.M. site. Also did you know that your current status as a **member requires a valid AMA card?** If you do not have a current AMA Card in your possession or proof in the form of a fax or e-mail from AMA, **do not fly**. If you fly without AMA membership, you will be in violation of our rules and may be suspended from flying at the S.A.M. site. Contact the AMA at 1-800-435-9262 for membership when paying via credit card.

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FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Are you new to R/C flying? Or perhaps you need to brush up or even just want to talk with one of our "Pro's." SAM's corps of Flight Instructors stands ready to help you. You will usually find at least one of them at the flying site on Tuesday or Fridays. You may call **Jim Lichtenberg** our Flight Instructor Coordinator at **916-681-5335** or e-mail at rcflyer999@comcast.net and he will arrange for the assistance you need. If **Jim** is not available, you can contact the Assistant Flight Instructor Coordinator, **Ron Davies** at **916-682-7902**. Or you can call our flight instructors directly.

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SAM-Antics SUBMITTALS

.Deadline for submissions to the SAM Antics is the 27th of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to tank4an@surewest.net. Submittals may be edited for content and length.

Welcome New and Rejoining Members !

Eduardo Roa
David Pylman
Steve Weintraub
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SAM FIREWORKS BOOTH

June 28th thru July 4th

6840 Woodmore Oaks Drive, Orangevale
next to 7-11 Store

Volunteers needed to work shifts

9:00-12:00 12:00-3:00

3:00-6:00 6:00-10:00

each day

All volunteers will receive a raffle ticket entry for a prize of \$50.00 worth of premium fireworks. As an added bonus for your time, any club member that volunteers will also receive 20% off your personal fireworks purchase. All other club members will receive a 10% discount. All workers are reminded to bring a chair and beverage container. Bring snacks or purchase at the 7-11. The 7-11 will furnish counter drinks and ice. Contact John Bigwood at 965-4223 to sign up and reserve your time slot today!

BIG KAHUNA CLASSIC X

The tenth Big Kahuna Classic was rain delayed to April 17, 2010. The delay caused some conflicts with workers and participants, but we still had a great turnout with 34 pilots ready to kick off the 2010 SAM Warbird racing series. Once again our faithful workers showed up to help make this warbird series one of the best on the West coast. I would like to personally thank all of those that helped with the event, your dedicated service makes our racing events the best. In addition, I would like to thank all of the following sponsors for their generous donations.

R C Country Hobbies	R C Country Gift Certificates
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YS Performance	YS engine Gift Certificates for 1 st in all Brackets

Thanks to all our sponsors, and remember to support them with your hobby purchases to show our thanks.

After a rainy weekend washed out the original race date, the rescheduled race day turned out beautiful. Sunny skies, light winds, and a balmy 75 degrees, just a great day to start off the 2010 SAM Warbird Racing Series. We had 8 pilots in bronze, 14 pilots in silver, and 12 pilots in gold. The racing was fierce, with an incredibly fast bunch of racers. In the gold bracket, almost any of the pilots could break out every race, and it was the same for the silver bracket. We had just a couple of mid-air, and some of the planes involved actually survived.

After the trophy race in each bracket, the following were the results:

	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
1 ST	JERRY VOTAW	SERGIO VARO	KENT MCLAIN
2 ND	DAN HUGHES	STEVE ELMORE	JAKE WILLIAMS
3 RD	JIM SMITH	OLLIE MERRILL	RON WOODRUM

Congratulations to all the winners of the 10th annual Big Kahuna Classic, and once again thanks to all the workers and sponsors who make our races so successful. I hope to see you all at the President's Cup race in June, 2010. Until then fly fast turn left, and pull hard.

...Jerry Votaw & John Bigwood

A REPORT FROM THE FIELD

Hey Guys,

Well the potholes are finally done thanks to Jerry and his crew. Road looks great. If you noticed the custom 2.4 pins with the SAM's logo thank Dave Shirley for a very nice job! Thanks to Dick and Jerry Haynes for getting the North Pylon up, it looks good and Marty didn't run into it at the pee pees either. Also the flue hat to the stove was changed by Dick. Prior to the Kahuna, Rodger trimmed up the runway and took the runoff at the end of the runway down to nubs. I am happy to report we did not lose 1 set of gear or broken tails on nose-overs at the Kahuna. We plan on getting it down a little more to eliminate nose-overs all together. Now for the good news. **WORKDAY MAY 22ND 9:30am!!!** On the agenda: wood pile cleanup, lawn maintenance, and general tidying up of the fringe areas around the field. Bring your gloves!!! If anything needs repair please let me know and we will address it then. If anyone has a log splitter please let me know. We have some big pieces that need to be split up. If I left anyone out, thanks for whatever you did!! I remain faithfully your humble servant!

... Kimo

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Board Meeting **Perko's Restaurant** **6:30 pm** **April 1, 2010**

Meeting was called to order by President John Bigwood at the time and place written above. Quorum was present with John Bigwood, Bob Fallon, Tim Sorenson, Jerry Votaw, Dick Weston, Kimo Dias, Bob Gully, and Mike Miller attending.

John Bigwood, President reported sending application to County for entry road sign. Also, signup list for SAM Fireworks Booth volunteers forthcoming. John said V.P. Bob Fallon will collect the donations for the SAM Xmas Party raffle.

Mike Miller, Events director noted that any Outlaws racers that are not SAM members must always register and pay day use fee at field. John agreed that day use policy needs reviewing and club members need to better monitor pin use by fliers. Remember, all pilots required to have AMA card on frequency pin board and frequency pin in possession when transmitter in use, including 2.4 GHz frequency pilots.

Jerry Votaw, Treasurer reported on account balances. Jerry then reported on entry road repair estimates: Estimates were submitted by CMP and Intermountain paving companies to chip seal the road. CMP had lowest bid at \$14,500. Centerline Striping Company would be able to repair and patch the worst areas of erosion (a necessary and temporary repair to get through the year) for around \$3,600. Discussion followed and John Bigwood suggested authorizing \$4500 for patching the road and tentatively planning the chip seal project for later in the year to maintain the integrity of the road. Kimo Dias made motion to authorize \$4500 for patching the road, Mike Miller seconded, motion passed. Work would be scheduled to be completed by Friday, 04-09-10.

Kimo Dias, Field Marshall reported next club workday would be scheduled for mid May. Work such as weeding, debris hauling, fence repairs, grass maintenance, etc. still necessary. Pylon repairs would be done a.s.a.p. Kimo said lawn maintenance helpers still needed at this time. Jerry Votaw announced U.S. scale team asked if club would sell raffle tickets for their events. Jerry will announce again at SAM General meeting.

No further business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm. Next meeting will be held again at Perko's Restaurant on Micron off Bradshaw Rd.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Sorenson,
Secretary

Returning member Dave Hilmes stood for introduction.

Guest Natalie Chandler stood for introduction with baby Meagan (Mama Bear and Baby Bear).

Board members present; John Bigwood, Bob Fallon, Tim Sorenson, Jerry Votaw, Dick Weston, Kimo Dias, and Mike Miller.

Reading minutes of previous meeting was waived and approved as printed in newsletter.

President John Bigwood applauded Jerry Votaw and Centerline Striping Company for the excellent repairs on the entry road. Also John announced the chip seal project on the road was slated for later this year. John reported more vandalism at field; gate lock and frequency pins stolen. All members asked to double check that gate is locked when last to leave field. Also he noted that SAM site has been recertified with AMA.

Treasurer Jerry Votaw reported on account balances and that budget was near balanced at present. Jerry reported repairs of worst road areas completed but chip seal later this year necessary to maintain condition of entry road. Weeds in road cracks must be killed a.s.a.p.

Membership Director Dick Weston reported 164 members at present.

Field Marshall Kimo Dias announced he will schedule next SAM workday for mid May (edging, weeding, debris cleanup, etc) Kimo thanked Steve Brown for replacing the gate lock and frequency pins stolen last week. Kimo also thanked Jerry Haynes and Dick Weston for helping him install a new pylon. Kimo announced he was looking for helpers to mow at field. He gave Kudos to Rodger Cady for mowing before Big Kahuna warbird race and thanks to Dick Weston for chimney repair. Kimo brought new ladder, will toss rickety one. He also thanked Bigwood and company for excellent shelves built in storage locker and extra thanks to Dick Weston and others who put in extra mile at club.

Vice President Bob Fallon reported SAM 2010 Xmas Dinner location not confirmed at present and search ongoing.

John Bigwood announced Big Kahuna Warbird Race for Sunday, April 11th (John Bigwood, Jerry Votaw C.D.s).

Open House Director Jim Lichtenberg announced Open House August 7th was given \$378 by AMA TAG Program (less grant money available this year due to excess applicants). Jim asked members what activities and contests should the event include this year? Discussion followed regarding the pros and cons of raffle giveaways of trainers, etc. He asked what additional funds would be available for the event, discussion followed. Ideas such as a raffle, a free lunch, and to continue format of ground school, safety orientation, simulators, and buddy box flight training were discussed. A budget of around \$750 was discussed and that the board might approve matching the TAG grant funds for the event at a later date. Also, publicity might bring in additional donations and funds.

Show and Tell: Don Kokich brought his scratch built electric Spectra 'Seemego II' floatplane on temporary 'landing' gear, ready for 1st flight, with an Axi 41/20 motor and a beautiful covering job. 'Electric Bob' Fallon showed his Sig 'Senorita' ARF with Axi 28/26 motor, a new plane with cool transparent red and black with white trim covering. Tim Sorenson brought one of his two chrome covered 'Stiletto' racers modified from a 46 size World Model P-51 and fitted with a YS SC 1.20 four stroke engine, tested and ready for the Big Kahuna gold class race on Sunday. Tim's other 'Stiletto' is currently being restored from wreckage. The 'Jimmy Skids' Smith debut of his awesome new 'Rare Bear' built from a Thunder Cat brand ARF was nothing to snuff at with fiberglass fuse and built up wings, it sported Robart air retracts and a monster YS 1.40 four stroke, very nice, very scale, very ready for 1st flight. Todd Chandler brought a nice looking World Model Dago Red with a YS .63 four stroke, also ready for Sunday's race in bronze class. Who will win, who will lose, who will need a crash bucket?

Raffle: (5) \$25 RC Country gift certificates were won as follows: Steve Brown (1), Jim Smith (3), and Tim Sorenson (1). Jim Smith announced he would be donating (2) gift certificates to the Big Kahuna Warbird Race. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Sorenson,

Secretary

Steve Brown & JR Schiager

Present



President's Cup VII Warbird Race

Schedule

Registration Starts at 7:00 a.m. and Closes at 8:15 a.m. Sharp!
(no exceptions)

Worker's Meeting – 8:30 a.m.

Pilot's Meeting – 8:45 a.m.

Racing Starts – 9:00 a.m.

Please be ready to fly at 9:00 a.m.

PRIZE MONEY & TROPHIES FOR ALL CLASSES!

Breakout Times

Bronze	2:30
Silver	2:00
Gold	1:30

June 6, 2010

SAM Warbird Series Dates:

August 01, 2010

September 25 & 26, 2010

AMA Sanction # 10-1214

REGISTRATION

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____

Plane & Description (Markings): _____

Engine Size: _____ AMA #: _____

Frequency #: _____ Alt Frequency #: _____

Event Choice (circle one): Bronze Silver Gold

Please fill out completely

Entry Fee: \$35.00 – Pre-registration
\$38.00 – Day of Race

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2010 SAM Rules Apply

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS' MONTHLY MEETING

For 2010, the general meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month at the S.M.U.D. administration building, the one with the statues in front. This month's meeting will be on Thursday, May 13th. Meeting time is 7:30 PM. Plan to attend.

SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

9	Mother's Day
13	Club meeting, 7:30 PM at S.M.U.D.
22	Workday at the field, 9:30 AM

Check the website for other scheduled events for SAM and throughout California!

JUST A REMINDER

Please put your AMA card on the board and grab the appropriate frequency pin before using the field.

MAY 22, 2010

9:30 AM

Field Workday

It is time for spring cleaning at the field. Bring your gloves and your plane. Help get the field in shape for the summer. If nothing else, come out and witness what can be accomplished under the leadership of Field Marshal Dias. Put some sweat equity into our field and then fly.

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