



S.A.M.- Antics

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

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

March has been a busy month. The biggest news is that Casey and Kimmy bought a Lexus and then got married! We all wish you the best of luck to both of you and many happy years together. Just remember that the maintenance on the Lexus is cheap compared to the other.

The Fireworks booth is just around the corner. Sign up quick so you don't miss a prime day to be at the booth. Spouses are welcome to help. We have 3 shifts per day with 2-3 people per shift. That means that only 50 of our 150 members get to sign up! We have changed the format somewhat this year. Since we are a volunteer organization we are asking you to volunteer your time. There will not be free Christmas dinners this year. Last year the Fireworks booth netted \$0 for the club. This year we will instead use the proceeds to help fund other club activities and projects. One of these projects will be to repair the entry road. We hope to get this done before the first event.

Bob and Bob have reserved an upscale restaurant for this year's Christmas Party. If we can keep Kimo from molesting the help we will have a great time. We are going back to the gift raffle for the party. Throughout the year Bob or his assistant will be gathering new or lightly used (never been raced) donations from club members. We all have that kit or something that we will never build or use. Donate them and we will raffle them off at the party. They don't have to be model related since the wives will get a raffle ticket also. The club will add \$500 to purchase additional gifts or gift. It is good fun to pick and swap gifts.

The weather has turned warm and now is the time to enjoy our hobby. Since the introduction of the 2.4 ghz radios we have all gotten a bit sloppy with getting a frequency pin. Please go ahead and put your AMA card on the board and take a pin no matter what frequency you are using. We use this not only for frequency control but also to insure that everyone flying is an AMA member. AMA is our insurance provider so everyone needs to be a member. We are trying to make sure that there are enough 2.4 pins to go around.

If you have been to the field recently you have seen that our new sign "Sacramento Area Modelers Members and Guests Only" has been covered. Someone reported the new sign to the Parks Dept. and pointed out that our lease says that we need written permission to erect any sign. I have submitted a request to have the sign approved. Also last weekend the frequency pins were stolen and the lock on our gate disappeared. I don't know if all of these things are related or traceable to one person but it makes you think. When you are the last to leave the site please lock the gate. If you are the first to enter in the morning please spin the combination and close the lock on the chain.

...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 !

Hank Downs
Robert Nickerson
Rick Elwood
Robert Watkins
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R/C COUNTRY'S SPRING
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**SWAP
MEET**
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SATURDAY
MAY 1st
In the Parking Lot

The swap meet is open to anyone buying
or selling (non-commercial). Bring your
flash light because it starts early.

STORE OPENS @ 8:00 am

A REPORT FROM THE FIELD

Hey Guys,

I would like thank everyone who came out to the workday on March 6th. We had a great turnout and even **Dan Hughes** showed up! The grass is starting to fill in and work will soon begin on the potholes. We had a little vandalism at the field; all the frequency pins were stolen. Steve Brown replaced them with a backup set...Thanks Steve!! Road repair will begin shortly and the last of the trenches will soon be filled. Thanks again.

... *Kimo*

Board Meeting	Celia's Restaurant	7:07 pm	March 04, 2010
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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, Mike Miller, and Tom Richardi attending. Reading minutes of previous meeting was waived and approved as printed in newsletter.

Tom Richardi, Publicity Director reported on requirements of 'Adopt a Road Program' for SAM; a couple of board members would contact personnel at Sacramento Dept. of Transportation, fill out forms and go over paperwork, and at least two members would attend safety training which then allows them to train any and all members that would be performing the duties of the program. All participants would have to sign release of liability waiver which club would be required to keep updated. Dept. of Transportation would then post two 36" x 48" signs on Florin road recognizing SAM for our contribution to the program. Cleanup for ½ mile section of roadway would be required 2 to 4 times a year. John Bigwood said he would follow up and initiate paperwork with Dept. of Transportation.

John Bigwood, President attended the TNT fireworks meeting to gather info. John volunteered to chair the Fireworks Booth committee and will be looking for a helper. He suggested that SAM Fireworks Booth workers no longer be given free Xmas dinners in return for working two shifts (emphasis on volunteering). Also John suggested that \$25 gift certificates and Sees candy boxes no longer be given at the SAM Xmas Party raffle, discussion followed. It was suggested that the proceeds of the SAM Fireworks Booth be allocated as follows; 1st that \$500 would be used to buy prizes for the Xmas Party raffle along with donations (RC supplies, kits, etc.) solicited from members for the raffle and 2nd that the balance would be put in the general fund to pay for special projects (like the entry road repair). John's idea was that proceeds from the Fireworks Booth should fund special projects not included in the budget and to avoid raising club dues to pay for such projects, discussion followed. Mike Miller motioned that workers no longer be given free Xmas dinners for working the booth, Kimo Dias seconded, motion passed with 6 ayes, 2 nays, and 1 abstain. John Bigwood made motion that SAM Fireworks Booth donate \$500 of proceeds to buy prizes for the Xmas Party raffle and that balance of proceeds would be put in the general fund to pay for special projects. Tim Sorenson seconded, motion passed. (Notice will be made in the newsletter announcing that the changes made are to help fund special projects instead of raising club dues in the near future). Notice will also be announced in the newsletter each month asking that members donate gifts to the Xmas Dinner raffle.

Kimo Dias, Field Marshall announced SAM Workday on Saturday, March 6th, 9:30 am. Kimo Dias said he would be donating a P.C. for use by C.D.s at club events. No further business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm. Next meeting will be held at Perko's Restaurant on Micron off Bradshaw Rd. Respectfully submitted,

Secretary
Tim Sorenson

Jerry Votaw, Treasurer reported on account balances.

Kimo Dias, Field Marshall thanked who came out to the work party. Pictures will be available in April newsletter. 20 + people attended. All trenches were filled. 4 yards of dirt was delivered on Thursday (3-11-10) Total of 8 yards have been delivered. Radar gun was taken home and tuned in and charged. Kimo would like to have the radar gun out at all races.

Bob Fallon, Vice President reported on changes at the last board meeting regarding the Fireworks booth and SAM Xmas Party. There will be no more comp meals for working 2 shifts. The Broiler Restaurant is where the 2010 Christmas Party will be held in December. \$500.00 will be donated from proceeds of the SAM Fireworks booth to buy gifts for the Xmas Party raffle. Club members will be asked to donate gifts for the raffle also. There will be no more Sees candy or gift certificates purchased for the Christmas Party raffle. John Bigwood explained how in years past the free meals given to fireworks booth workers and the purchase of gifts for the Xmas Party raffle were cancelling out the proceeds from the Fireworks Booth. People could be donating things throughout the year for prizes at the Christmas Party. One person would be collecting all the donations. The Fireworks Booth would be for 7 days and there would be 63 shifts to cover.

Tom Richardi, Publicity Director reported on the roadside cleanup project. The 'Adopt a Road' project would be from Excelsior Rd to SAM field gate. Tom would like to have volunteers for the 'road crew'. Striped suits, sledge hammers, and pickaxes would be issued to those deserving.

Bob Gully, Safety Officer reported all safe at field.

Dick Weston reported that people flying 2.4 still need to put their AMA card on the frequency board. Returning member Dave Shirley was introduced by Steve Brown. It was discussed that there need to be more 2.4 pins on the frequency board and that the board needs to be extended. Dave Shirley volunteered to make fifteen more 2.4 pins. John Bigwood mentioned that members should not get their SAM sticker unless their AMA is valid. Dick Weston said he would like people to make a copy of their AMA card and send in with their membership dues. The names were read by Jerry Votaw of those people who do not have a current AMA card. Everybody is asked to watch for these members and to notify them that they can not fly if they do not have their current AMA card.

Show and Tell: Sergio Varo showed his Voodoo Mustang. He made a wing joiner going out 3 bays on each side, no fiberglass needed, and YS 110S engine installed. Jim Smith brought his Rich models P38 lighting with two OS25FX engines and 9 channel JR 2.4 receiver. Dave Shirley had a Scratch built Strega from plans by Autocad. Built from wood, it had an OPS 40, and was scale, with 430 sq. inch wing area.

Raffle: (5) \$25 RC Country gift certificates were won as follows: Andy Anderson (1), Frank Tanforan (1), Jim Smith (1), Bob Fallon (1), and John Bigwood (1).

Meeting Adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Many thanks are to be given to Christina Brown for recording the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
Sorenson,
Secretary

Tim

Sacramento Area Modelers



PRESENTS:

THE

BIG KAHUNA CLASSIC

WARBIRD RACE

Registration Starts at 7:30 a.m.

and

Closes at 8:30 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.

Breakout Times

Bronze 2:30

Silver 2:00

Gold 1:30

**CASH PRIZES IN ALL
BRACKETS.**

NO FREQUENCY CONFLICTS!



APRIL 11, 2010

**Entry Fee: \$25.00 in Advance
Plus \$10 for year end points
Championship awards**

Please make checks payable to SAM

Send Payment to:

**Jerry Votaw
3331 Southport Dr
Sacramento, CA 95826
(916) 366-9589**

2010 SAM Rules Apply

REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Plane & Description: _____

Engine Size: _____ **Frequency #:** ____

AMA #: _____

Event Choice (circle one):

Bronze Silver Gold

WORKDAY

March 6, 2010



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, April 8th. Meeting time is 7:30 PM. Plan to attend.

SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

8	Club meeting, 7:30 PM at S.M.U.D.
11	Warbird Race at the field!

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.

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