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## View From the "Real" Canopy

### Randy Wilbur, CO Commander

I just got home from flying all day at the Black Star field. This is what life is all about. The chance to get out with good friends on a balmy 80-degree day and fly RC airplanes. We, the club, started the day off at 8 AM having breakfast at the Irvine Lake Café. Sam, Gordy, Bob Richards, Tim from Kyosho and I then proceeded to go to the field and fly until 2:30. Bob Rosenlof, Sam's wife Nancy and her mother joined us later that morning. Sam and Tim both flew their mini Kyosho electric ducted fan jets. After a shaky start they both got up multiple times and had a ball with them. Bob Richards and I both flew our little foam planes that Gordon sold us at the meeting several months ago. My Space Walker lifted off the ground only because of a gust of wind. Needless to say the flight was very short. When the wind stopped so did the airplane. Bob's Cessna was a completely different story. The wind made flying this light plane challenging, but it had plenty of power and flew around the field with grace. I flew my Kyosho electric Spit twice, both times the plane would roll right when given up elevator. Challenging to say the least. We looked over the control surfaces but found everything to be doing

what it was supposed to be. Thinking maybe one of the aileron servos was not working we tested the radio out again. To my surprise I had flipped the mix switch on and every time I gave it up the ailerons deflected to the right. I have read it somewhere or heard it from someone that no matter how many times you have flown an airplane DO A PRE\_FLIGHT CHECK. I guess they knew what they were talking about. Luckily I was able to get the plane down in one piece and it will fly again.

Bob Richards and I also brought along our Hobby People Dragon Lady ARF. This was a joint project, His 120 and my radio. The plane was won in a raffle at last years Hemet Float Fly. This became a community airplane as Bob Rosenlof and Gordon joined in on some of the 5-6 flights that were made. We then ended up back at the Irvine Lake Café for a cool beer and great conversation.

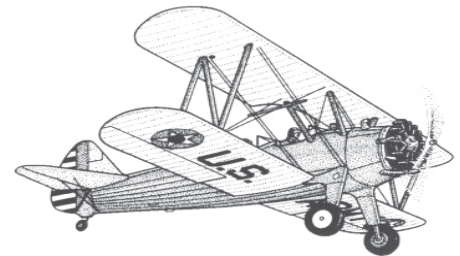
I hope the rest of you have similar stories to tell of flying and hanging out with friends.

The Sepulveda Qualifier is coming up next weekend the 17-18-19. I would like to see all of you there and maybe even to see you participate. They should have some very good scale aircraft flying at this event.

We will be having a very good program this month with a pictorial tour of Oshkosh 2007 from Gordon & Sam. I know that it is summer

and the weather is hot but you really don't want to miss these meetings. The kids are out of school and you know you need a break, so come on out for a couple of hours. You are all invited to the secondary meeting that takes place at Silky Sullivan's right after the meeting. A tall cool one and some of the best wings in town makes this evening well worth the effort of getting out of the house. Bring your projects in and let us see them. Happy flying and I will see you at the meeting.

*Randy Wilbur, Commander*



## MEETING

## MONDAY

## August 13, 2007

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## Rambling Hangar Chatter By Sam "Showbiz" Wright

This summer is whizzing by and thank goodness we have a few more months of great weather coming up.

I just returned from aircraft overload at Oshkosh Air Adventure 2007 for my 2nd trip since 2005. I am numb from so many beautiful aircraft old and new not to mention the many seminars we went to learn how to bolt and cover our Stearman.

We left Fullerton Airport in the Yellow Bonanza at 4:00am in the morning with Clarence in the left seat and I had the right seat while Gordy relaxed in the back. Two fuel stops and 9.5 hours later we landed at Oshkosh, and 6 days later we returned home via commercial airlines. The Bonanza was dropped off in Cincinnati for a new interior to go with the new engine. Ken "Wags" Wagner arrived Wednesday evening in Lady Alice after a 6.7 hour flight time. Lady Alice was a hit and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves as you will see elsewhere in this newsletter.

We did move to a new hangar and Rich Koehrer and Randy Wilbur helped us load the semi truck for the new 60'x120' home at the front of the airport. We now have the Stearman under construction, a flawless AT6 Texan owned by Mark Moodi, and Wag's gorgeous P-51. Ironically all of the aircraft for WWII from the Stearman as the main Primary Trainer with the AT6 as the Advanced Trainer

into the P-51, all there in our hangar. Great documentation material. We have a lot of work to do and the toilet was the first priority and it is in. Wait until we finish and we will have a great BBQ to celebrate our good fortune.

### August Program:

Gordon Truax and my self will present the many photos of WWI., WWII, Warbirds, and civilian aircraft as well as activities from this years EAA Air Adventure at Oshkosh. If you needed first hand documentation for your favorite model and also unusual birds, this was the place to be.

Hopefully Randy will score a video-projector so we can do the big image for you with some video clips too.

We had a great trip and hope we can encourage you to go next year. A lot of RC Modelers make this pilgrimage to photograph their favorite aircraft.

Randy did elaborate on our day at the Irvine field last Sunday and hopefully we can do it again this coming Sunday morning. We generally hook up at the little general store at the lake

around 8-8:30 for breakfast and then down the road to the field.

The weather was great and we did have a good time. It certainly is not a place for thin skin as a lot of kidding and good fellowship went on throughout the morning.

See you all at the meeting Monday night.

*Sam Wright, Editor*

## Dates To Remember August 17-19, 2007

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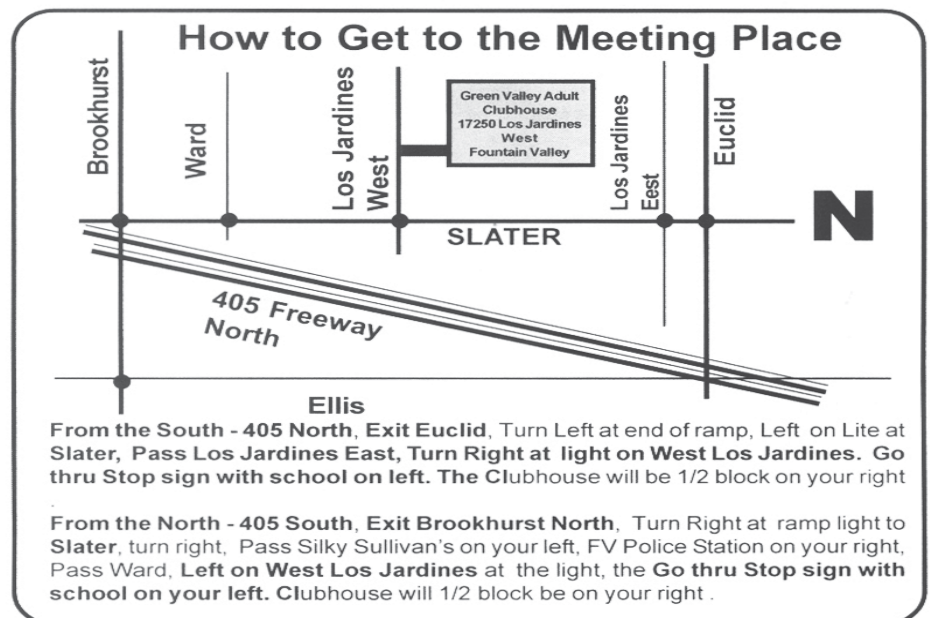
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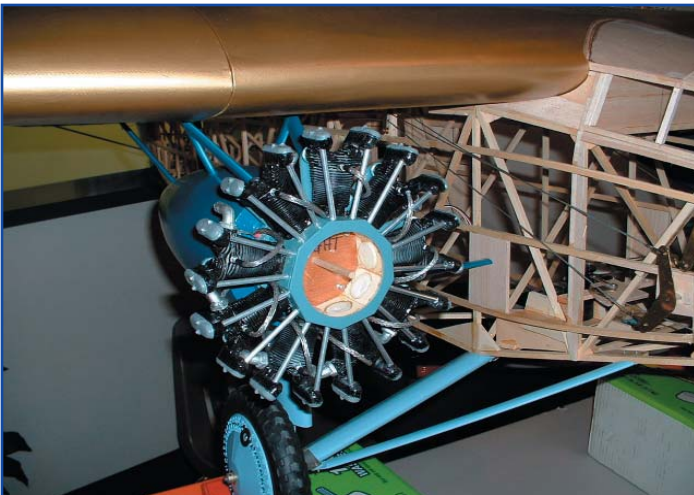
# Scale Squadron members Having Fun!



Bob Richards with scale ailerons for his WACO Bi-plane project. Made from disposable this aluminum cookie sheets.



Larry Klingberg and his Fokker C2 Tri-Engine. This was the 3rd plane to cross the Atlantic after Lindburgh. Power will be a single Quadra 400.



A close up of the highly detailed 425HP Wright Whirlwind engine. Built from Williams Bros parts and Larry's craftsmanship.



Another great name to those that sat in lady Alice...here is Scott Rais looking for the master switch...



Tim Johnson from Kyosho and me (Sam) with those hot Kyosho Illusion Ducted fan jets. These babies cook around at 80-85mph.....



After breakfast at Oshkosh, L to R, Gordy, Nick Zirola Jr, Sam, Nick Zirola Sr, Paul leTourneau, Bob Walker, and Clarence Peitri....all modelers too!

## ...More Scale members at Play.....



L-R, At Oshkosh right after a light rain...Ken "Wags" Wagner, Sam Wright & Gordon Truax. We just cleaned her up from the trip in.



L-R, Ken Wagner with Triple Ace from the 357th Combat Group, Clarence E. "Bud" Anderson, USAAF. Bud Flew "Old Crow" a P-51B-15NA.



Just a small example of the models blended with the full size aircraft at the EAA Museum at Oshkosh.



Another fine example of modeling at the museum and a teaser for this month's program. See the full story and photos on the big screen from our trip to Oshkosh.



Some time to look at the Diamond Twin Star Turbo Diesel Twin, all composite and a good modeling subject.....\$525K, gasp!



L-R Sam & Clarence with Kermit Weeks DH98 all wood Mosquito at the air museum distinguished as the world's fastest piston engine aircraft.



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Sam with a full size reproduction of a SE5A powered with a Ford V6. Used in the movie the "Aviator". Just a hint of the Oshkosh presentation Monday Night...Be There!

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