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MY View From the Canopy

Randy Wilbur Commander

Merry Christmas all. The end of the year is fast approaching and that means a change in board members. The following members have been elected. From the old clan Jim Reed, Larry Klingberg, Ray Young and myself. From out of the crowd we elected Tim Johnson, Miguel Arzola and back into the fold again is Mr. Bob Richards. I am very excited about this new board and seeing them in action. Having new people on the board will help to push our club in new directions.

I would like to take this time to thank the current board for all their hard work over the past few years. Their efforts made my job very easy. Thank you for supporting the club and me. I would also like to thank all the members who backed me through thick or thin. I had never been the head of an organization before this time. Your constant support throughout my four terms gave me the strength and courage to excel. I know that you will embrace the new board with the same vigor. Next year this club is going to be involved in some exciting new projects, as well as, continuing on with some of the old ones.

The first old project on the horizon is the AMA Convention in Ontario. This event will be held on January 11-13, 2008. Once again the Squadron will have a booth and a raffle. I will be passing a sign up sheet around at the meeting for volunteers to help sell tickets. The admission is free to anyone who works the show. Call me if you are unable to come to the meeting and I will pencil you in. The AMA show is the best place to see all the new hobby gear and to see what is coming up in the future. Rain or shine it's a fun place to be.

The other old event we will be putting on is the June fun fly. This will be taking place out at the Prado field on June 6th 7th and 8th. Please keep these dates open and plan on coming out to help. Working these events takes some effort but the camaraderie and fun well out weigh the work.

Our member dues are needed once again. Dues are \$30 a year and we are still waving the \$25 initiation fee for new members. Larry Klingberg will be handling the renewals. Please see him at the meeting for applications and membership cards.

Happy Holidays to you and yours. May the New Year bring you joy and prosperity.

Randy Wilbur, Commander

Ted Cooke from Jolly Ole England will visit us at this meeting. Ted is a Scale Squadron member and represents our Scale RC interest to the English community.



MEETING
Monday
December 10,
2007 -7:00 PM

Green Valley
Adult Clubhouse
17250 West Los Jardines
Fountain Valley, Ca 92708



Rambling Hangar Chatter

By Sam "Showbiz" Wright

We are blasting through the remaining weekends for good old 2007.

This year looks promising with the upcoming AMA Show and we have a lot of work to do to prepare for the events this year.

If all goes well, we will have our Scale Fun Fly at the Prado Field again, Our big raffle at the AMA Show and other things we need to do to replenish the treasury.

I will leave all of that to the new Commander, and like the rest of you, jump in where we can do our best for the Scale Squadron.

See the photos of the big Merlin snatched from lady Alice. This was a rare opportunity to be next to one of these fire breathers. It is even harder to imagine that for what you see and all the technicalities, it was built in

1941!

Once out of overhaul, this baby will have a whole new life with ken "Wags" at the controls. The previous owner only flew this rare bird a few hours and it then sat for long periods of time. Not good for a high performance engine.

We are fortunate that we have this great P-51 as a back drop for our annual BBQ. By then, lady Alice will have gone through the break in stages and be ready for service again.

I am thrashing to get my scale aircraft all airborne and like most of us, I bit off more than I can chew with several aircraft models in various stages of construction.

Our next big challenge is to cover the Staggerwing that Rich Koehrer, my partner in crime assembled. This Staggerwing will resemble the one at the Yanks Museum flown for the US Embassy in London. It is a shame to cover up Rich's craftsmanship, but it should be a show stopper at the AMA Show.

We will be covering this model with Stits covering material just like the

full size Beech Staggerwing. Possibly this may be a good program to see how this material is actually applied.

Speaking of the program for this month...it is pretty open and hope a lot of you guys bring in an airplane to talk about. We are gathering up footage and photos from the Warbirds over the Rockies.

English Scale Member to Visit Squadron

As an added treat our English Scale Squadron Representative, Ted Cooke will be at our meeting for his holiday visit. Hopefully Ted will update us on the scale happenings in the UK. Ted is a loyal Squadron member and proud to be one of us in the UK. Please be there to welcome Ted back to the good old US.

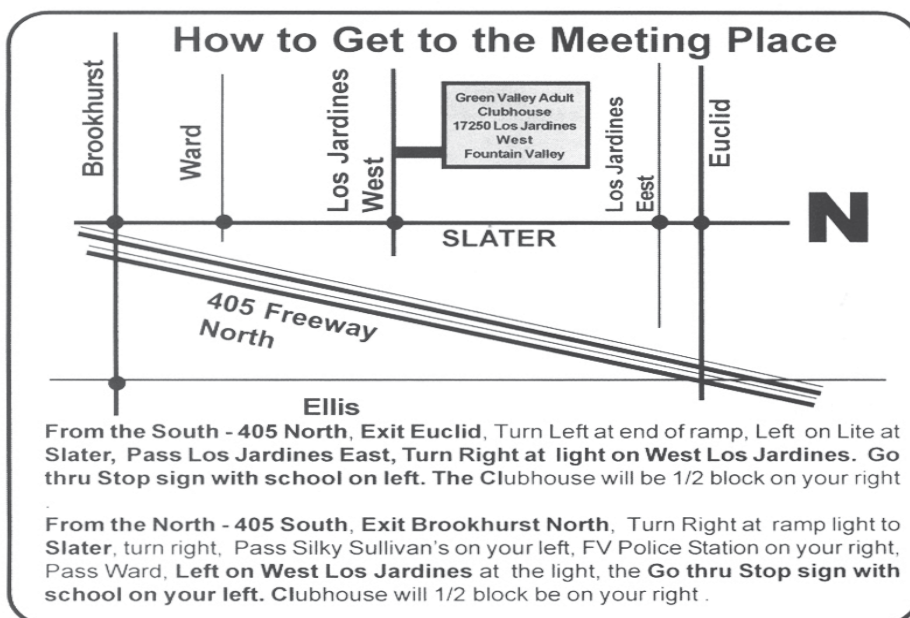
The good news is that Jet Hangar's Larry Wolfe has obtained permission to bring Bailey's Irish Creme to spike your coffee with those Christmas Cookies. That should warm us all up. No fair sampling the Irish Creme before the break!

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(Helicopter only 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM all days)

(Afternoon flying will be determined each day)

Noontime AirShow Power stations will be available

Food service is available at the field for Breakfast/Lunch on Friday thru Sunday

Free pilots raffle ticket included with entry fee.

Parking is \$6.00 per car - Sorry no overnight camping allowed

AMA Membership Required

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Squadron at Play...Again!



Mike Greenshields talks about the new Airtronics 2.4 Ghz radio and a host of new products from Hobby People.



Randy Wilbur (Left) and Mike Greenshields (right). Randy holding a lot of goodies from Hobby People as Mike shows off the new 92" A26.



Larry Klingberg shows off more progress on his Gyro Copter from the 30s era. An unusual project, but Larry likes these types of challenges.



Gordon Truax shows his Kyosho P-40 ARF. This is his first Hacker electric powered model. Several flights are under the wings and Gordy is liking it a lot.

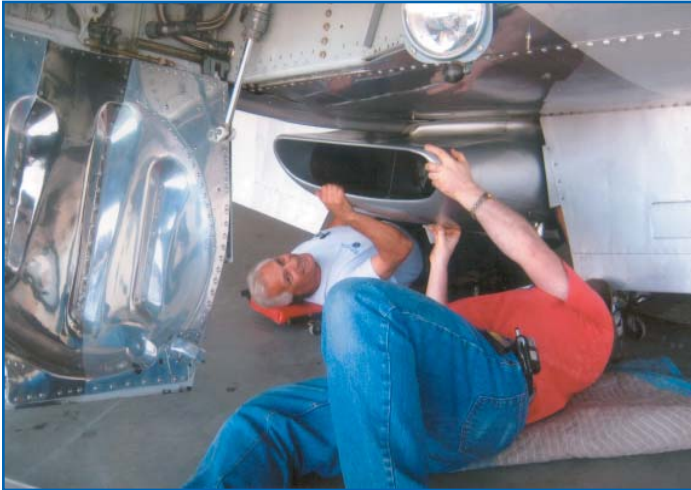


The Sea Cougar tested at Black Starr. Actually Ken Wagners Cougar with Larry Wolfes Sea Fury five blade prop and cowl. Gordy and Jim Reed think this is cool!



Once a farmer always a farmer! Sam takes a hand at grading the weeds at Black Starr. Don Aitken got the tractor out and we had to take a turn. Neat fun.

More Squadron Members Having Fun.....



Sam (left & Randy Wilbur (right) helping to take off the P-51 Cooling Scoop. Now I know why we like scale models.



Sam (Left, Wags (right) wondering how to put an electric in Lady Alice. Actually just cleaning up after the engine removal.



This is the real deal. A Packard Built Merlin Rolls Royce V 16 engine fresh out of Lady Alice just before overhaul. Sam (L) Randy Middle, & Wags on the right.



Larry Wolfe makes the tun with the oldest model at the field. The aircraft has been flown buy everyone for the last 10 years. Larry said he will recover it someday!



What scale is this? 1:1...as Nicky Zirol, Jr lands his Stearman at an event in upstate New York. Due to the weather, Nick has stored the Stearman for the winter.



Nick in the back seat cruising the coastline. Nothing like the real thing to build a scale model from.



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