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**Jim Reed**  
**Commander**

## ***MY View From the Bench***

A view from the bench; well gang here we are again, April went by so fast with a full schedule of events for the month I hope you were able to get to some of your projects completed or at least Englehoff piloted Oscar Weingart's Air Coup and

Chuck Maitre's Waco UPF7 took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Team, due to not flying and having a problem with his plane, great job guys!!! Bill and Carolyn prayed for good weather, and the lucky pilots got to fly 5 rounds, fun was had by all, even the out-of-towners. Thanks to all who supported the Qualifier.

At the RC Expo, the Squadron was in charge of "The Battle of The Builders"; there were 15 entries for the competition. Chris Wolfe place 1<sup>st</sup>, Grand Champion, (with his A7 Corsair, the same one that won the Qualifier, 100 points on static), Adam Gelbart placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with his Sopwith (great detailing) and Scot Raines place 3<sup>rd</sup> with his P51. I entered my "Cow" and the B24 Liberator; I was surprised how much interest those two planes drew. My thanks to the Squadron members who signed up to

man the booths and answer questions the public had about the hobby and our airplanes.

After a couple of weeks of events we were able to get to the Lake for our usual "breakfast with the gang", but the "Z" car people were having a rally and blocked the entrance road and after waiting for half an hour in line we decided to call it a day. This last weekend we were more successful, the gang met for breakfast at the Lake and the turnout was good. Tim Johnson had to fly his favorite F15, the garage door smashed his new Spitfire fuselage (were crying with you Tim), Randy flew one of his electrics until a gear motor problem put him on the sideline. Jerry Ortega and Phyllis were along with Larry Wright. Jerry and Larry helping each other fly Jerry's "Sea Fury", due to a side wind it met a bump in the road, but it's fixable. Larry Wolfe, back from vacation was there helping as always with any of us that are in need of improving our skills. I brought the "Cow" out to do just that fly, I'm progressing, and Moms was there to supervise and keep me in-line. Our good friend Vic Sotoloff was with us he wanted to see and fly the Cow. John Angle came to show us his new Rafale turbine he's working on. We ended our day back at the Lakeside store for brew and chips.

Last month "Gyro Hobbies" sent over a door prize for us to give a lucky person attending our meeting, Randy Wilbur was the prize winner. Many thanks to "Gyro"!! Guys, take

the time to check out the store, lots of scale goodies available. Support your local hobby shop.

OCRCC is sponsoring a booth at the Chino Air Show on May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>; they would appreciate any help if you got the time. Their Fun Fly is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup> at Black Starr.

Let's not forget we have our **Annual Scale Squadron Fun Fly** coming around the corner on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at Pomona Valley. Randy Wilbur will need volunteers; you can sign up at the meeting and at the same time you can make reservations for the Saturday night BBQ at the Hanger. You have the chance of a lifetime to win a ride in a P51 "The Lady Alice". The Squadron Super Raffle tickets are available \$10.00 each or 6 tickets for \$50.00.

Randy has a great program for us at the meeting so don't miss this one. I would like to take a moment to thank all of you that are bringing in your Show and Tell project; we are enjoying every one of them. Please keep them coming, it's great! Don't forget the meeting 7:00 P.M. on Monday, the 12<sup>th</sup>, coffee and cookies as usual.

Keep them headed into wind, and safe landings,

*Jim Reed, Commander*



## Rambling Hangar Chatter

By Sam "Showbiz" Wright

April went by with a whirl of activity and lots of flying. Thank goodness for California weather.

Top Gun was great with super mild breezes and excellent weather. The aircraft were spectacular and overwhelming crowds graced the grounds for 5 days. If you ever do anything, you need to make the trip and see it for your own eyes. My friends from Norway said the magazines and videos are not the same as being there.

Now that April is past, there is a lot more coming up with our Scale Fun Fly being the biggest event for us. we will be thrashing to have the hangar ready for the best ever Friday night at the hangar and of course the banquet Saturday. Our hangar bunch has a few surprises as well and we will save those for later.

Remember our raffle too. those funds will help wash away the cost of the trailer and the maintenance coming up for new tires and a brake job.

There are a lot of new airplanes in the mix under construction and that is a good sign for the summer months. Jim Reed is working on his bigger than big Jenny, I am still working on the Staggerwing with some progress too as well as three other projects. Aren't we nuts? John Angle is working on a RF4 Phantom and a B01Rafale. Brian Young has a huge 120" P-47 under construction and, Bob Richards had his almost completed Waco at the RCX show. I can't forget Frank Zukula with his Jungmeister project either. I am sure I missed some one so please let me know whats cooking.

The Chino air show is right around the corner and I will be announcing the San Diego Spring Fling Electric Event the same weekend. The end of the month is the OCRCC Fun Fly at Black Starr and we can let our hair down there and just fly until we are numb.

Randy has Ren DiLillo & his scale pilots coming to show us his wares as well as a huge glider, so be there.

*Sam*

## 2008 EVENT DATES

**May 16-18**

**MWE Spring Fling**

AI Electric Event - Mission Bay  
San Diego, California  
Silent Flyers of San Diego  
<http://sefsd.org/mwe.htm>

**May 31**

**OCRCC Fun Fly**

OCMA Black Starr Field

**June 7-8, 2008**

**Scale Squadron Fun Fly**

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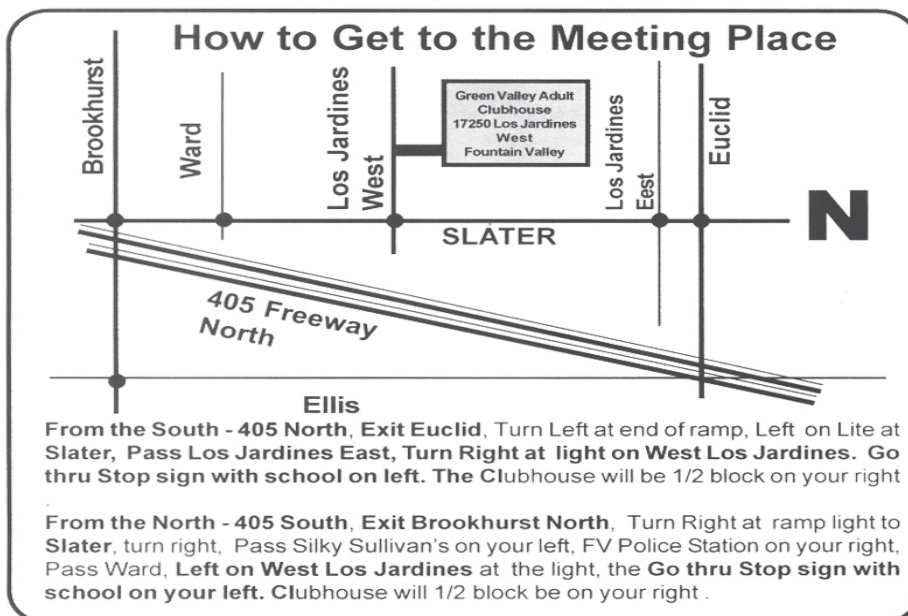
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**Let me know of dates that may be of interest for the newsletter.**

***Sam-w@cox.net***



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Camo/ail  
Cap 10 1.20 ARF Airplane  
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Randy Wilbur qualifies for the Scale Master's Championships in Sarasota, Florida with his PT-19. Randy worked hard on a Spitfire with had painted markings and a mishap during practice left him his back up aircraft. That is the new Airtronics RD-8000 2.4 GHz Radio he won.



Wayne Spanni and his immaculate Procter WW1 Sopwith Pup. Wayne admitted it was tough covering up the scale framework. This one flies great with a new engine. The close up detail is well worth a look. Nice job Wayne.



Frank Zukula and his hand made cowl for his Jungmeister project. Frank has access to the full size bird that he is building his scale version of. Hope I got that last name right Frank.



Randy Wilbur assist Larry Wolfe as he demonstrates sheeting foam cores and glassing them with ZAP PT-40 finishing resin and .7 ounce glass cloth. This is a string of upcoming programs at the Squadron meetings.

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**Saturday & Sunday June 7 & 8, 2008**

*Pomona Valley Model Airplane Club Field - Prado Area - Chino,*

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ARF's, Kits, Scratch Built, and EDF Jets all eras.

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**Saturday June 7, 7:00PM - Hangar "H" at the Chino Airport  
Home of Lady Alice P-51D**

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# The Scale Squadron at the 2008 RCX Expo



Chris Wolfe & his 1st Place at the RCX Battle of the Builders with his Jet Hangar A7 . This one powered with a Wren Turbine. Chris qualified for the Masters with this A7.



Adam Gelbart beams after his 2nd Place win at the RCX Expo with his huge Sopwith Pup. Adams attention to detail and accuracy are the best and it shows on his models.



Scott Raines accepts the 3rd place check from Squadron Commander Jim Reed. Scott's P-51B was finished nicely and rendered after a Tuskegee Airmans ride.



Brian Young's big A6M5 Japanese Zero built from a Mies-ter kit. Brian replicated the beat up look right from actual Japanese photographs.



Jim Reed's big B-24 powered with 4 magnum engines. The B-24 drew attention, but Jim's not scale big Cow drew more attention from the kids and parents. Nicely done Jim.



This Waco was built from a Pica kit and entered by a Valley flyer. Nice job and well done. I gave the sheets to Randy, so I do not have the pilots names.

# More Scale at the 2008 RCX Expo



Larry Klingberg displayed his really neat Sopwith Schneider racer. All of Larry's planes are scratch built and look great. He also makes most of his molded parts.



A great looking F6F Hellcat was nicely done by Richard Burman. Unusual paint scheme was accurate and the plane was well done.



This F-14 Slope Soarer was built up from a Jet Hangar kit. The wings actually swing in flight. built by Chris Mas. Almost in the money because it was done really well.



Larry Klingberghis scaled this 1937 Kellett from an Arizona Gyro kit with a lot of additional work to make it an accurate version of the Kellett. Very nice and neat.



Bob Richards great looking YMF5 Waco with the Robart R760 radial engine up front. This was built from a Byron kit with a lot of rework by Bob, Bill Hart & Bob Rosenlof.



The Beech Staggerwing, a joint project by Rich Koehrer & Sam Wright. That is a Premier pilot working on the wing. See these pilots at the meeting Monday night.

*All photos taken by Joni Whitsett*



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Chris Wolfe wins the Model Airplane News Battle of the Builder's 1st place & \$500.00 at the 2008 RCX Expo at the Pomona Fairplex

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