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Tim Johnson, Commander
MY View From the Bench

WOW! The last two months have been exciting! Arizona Electric Festival was a blast. There were less foamies, and more scale EP aircraft this year. The OCMA Open House had good turn out. The Scale Squadron provided cooking services for the event, and OCMA provided the provisions. I would like to thank Squadron Members that helped with setup and cooking duties; Sam Wright, Randy Wilber, Jerry Ortega. I really hope I did not forget anyone.

The One Eighth Air Force event is this month. The fall event was a lot of fun. If you have not made it to one of their events you are really missing out on a great time with great people. I know a few members will be going to this event.

I am seeing more and more Squadron Members flying on Sundays. This is great to see! Members I remember from the past two years that I never saw fly until this year. The bug seems to be spreading! With the amount of members we have flying on Sundays,

and the nice smooth runway at OCMA, there is no excuse not to get off the couch and come out and fly. Dust off those wings! I hope to see you on Sundays!

Tim, Squadron Commander

HOT NEWS

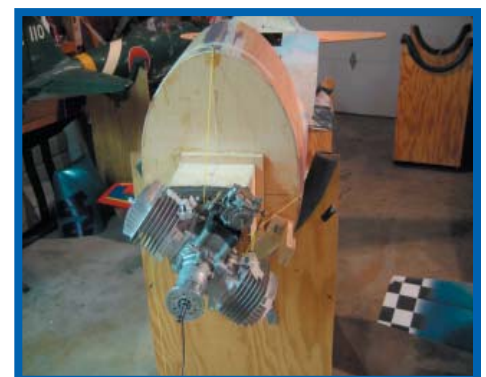
The Scale Squadron has been selected again to provide the Static Display at the RCX Expo April 18-19, 2009 at the Pomona Fairplex. See Sam Wright or Jim Reed for details.



Tom Smith's Jerry Bates Sea Fury. Proof that scale builders are still building. Tom is working hard to get this baby to Top Gun this year. Scale: 1:4.5 with a 101" wingspan 35-45 lbs. power will be in the 3.5 range. Tom's AD1 Skyraider missed winning the US Scale Masters by a fraction of a point.



Brian Youn's DA 150cc twin wedged into the cowl of his huge Don Smith 140" wingspan P-47.



Here again is that big DA in Brian's jug with the cowl off. No shortage of power here.



Rambling Hangar Chatter

By Sam "Showbiz" Wright

The new runway at Black Starr is completed and almost cured out. The new Eco friendly poly pavement is definitely a lot smoother and I am told once it cures out and the loose stuff on top is brushed into the cracks, and then it should be relatively clean. Thanks to Wayne Spani and the OCMA Board for getting this project completed. It certainly is a dream to fly off of.

Just a note, when propping up, try not to blow the loose material into the pits.

Speaking of fields, I visited PVMAC during the week with Greg Tracey from Australia. He was really impressed with the facility. It is absolutely beautiful. My key was a bit rough in the gate lock at first, so don't

panic, it will work. The new slurry coat is super and it is well marked. The diagonal lines on the runway are scoring indicators for IMAC and pattern events. with spotting poles outside the edges. I don't think to many fields can brag about that.

We are once again fortunate to have a few really nice places to fly. It is a tough decision to decide where we want to fly and of course, our weather makes it even greater. Check out Ted Cooke's weather inside this issue and then hang up the whining about the rain here.

The One Eighth Event is just around the corner and a bunch of us are heading that way. Once again, we will tow the Squadron trailer and for those that want to car pool, get your aircraft packed into the trailer. See the flyer for the event in this issue of the Scale Dimension.

The OEAF Auction is back with some ground rule changes. If you were going to throw the stuff away, most likely no one wants to buy it either. If you have RC items that may be of interest to someone else, bring them along and that helps offset the expense of the event. Like many clubs the OEAF pays for the use of the field and the county gets the parking, so

profits are generated by the entry, auction, and raffles. The Friday night wings and beer are part of your registration, and the steak dinner Saturday night is a break even deal. So start that spring cleaning and join us at the Cave Buttes park for this fun scale event. As a One Eighth member, I will help with the announcing about an hour each day. You can also join the One Eighth at this event.

March Program:

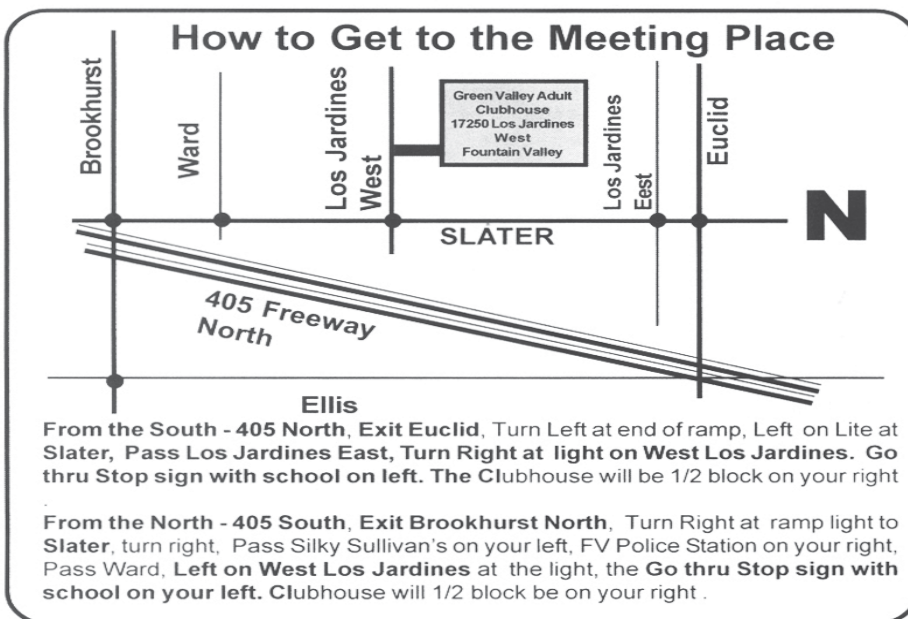
Wayne Spani will present another short session on Continued Aero Dynamics as it applies to our scale models. If we have time, I just received the new video from Propwash for the Monster Event held in Florida. If we have time we can show that on the video projector. By the way; the projector is a gracious loan from Tim Albright. That sure adds to the meeting. If anyone has a real projection screen, that would help immensely as well.

I am at Florida Jets as you read this and just back in time for the meeting Monday March 9.

Plan on bringing your projects and or planes in for show & tell.

See you all then and land on the numbers.

Sam



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Squadron Feb/March 2009 Photos:



Bob Walker at his field in Florida with his 1/3 scale Balsa USA Fokker D7 Lots of detail on this WWI Replica, and Bob says it flies like a dream. 118' Wingspan.



The big Fokker D7 in the air with an Aces of iron pilot at the controls. See the front of this aircraft on the last page of the newsletter.



Frank Gagliardi from San Diego shows his 55" wingspan Kyosho Hiem KI-61 Tony with some airbrush work, pilot and wing guns for a more scale look. Powered with a Neu motor and 5000 mah lipo batteries.



Greg Tracey in Australia and his new 92" wingspan all composite Robart ARF P-47 jug from a Nick Zirola design. It comes out of the box like that and you have several choices of paint schemes. Powered with a Zenoah G62. Set up for Robart air retract system and wheels.

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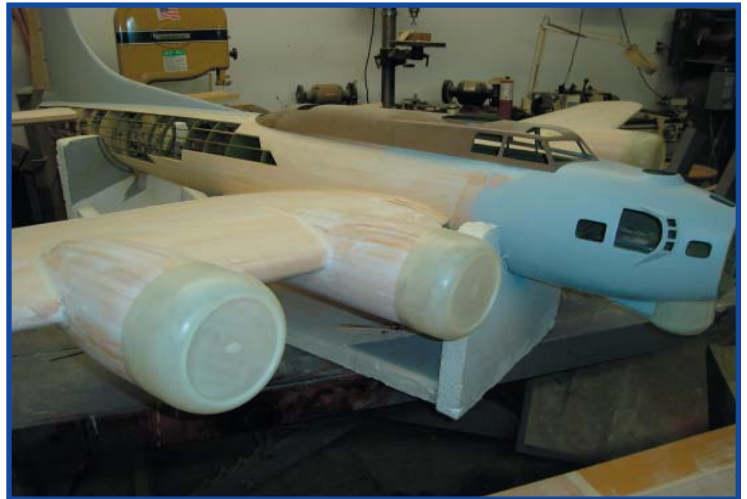
Our UK Squadron Wing Commander Ted Cooke enjoying the usual flying weather in the UK



Ted Cooke's electric P-51 Built from Stahl plans. 24" wingspan. Note it is finished up in Wag's Lady Alice paint scheme.



Tim Johnson stuffs his Kyosho Illusion jEDF in giving the term lawn dart a real meaning at Black Starr..



Jerry Caudle of Pro Mark Graphics B17138" wingspan . We will have more information in the next newsletter.



Front Bulkhead of Jerry's B-17. Note spray can to the left.



Tim Johnson and cutie "Miho" a Japanese Exchange Student, and his electric Kyosho 72" Spitfire.



L-R: Jerry Ortega & Randy Wilbur. Jerry has been coaxing Randy on the methods of flying a P-47 and it is working. Randy's landings are looking very good. *Greg Tracey Photo*



Tim Cardin's great flying vintage Byron Staggerwing. This bird looks good in the air and Tim Flies it very well. *Greg Tracey Photo*



Brian Young's tried and true Top Flite P-47 Jug. Brian has a ton of ours on this one and flies it well. Captured here on a gear check pass. *Greg Tracey Photo*



L-R: Sam and Randy Wilbur manning the grills at the OCMA Open House to celebrate our new field surface. We cooked 3 and a half cases of burgers and 3 cases of hot dogs. *Joni Whitsett Photo*



An approach view of the newly re-surfaced PVMAC Field in Chino. That is Sam Wright midway down on the left. *Greg Tracey Photo*



Sam Wright's Kyosho Phantom 70. An actual scale model of the famous Reno Racer in the Bi-Plane class. A cracked prop took her out of the air, but a rebuild will be at the OEAF in Phoenix. *Greg Tracey Photo*



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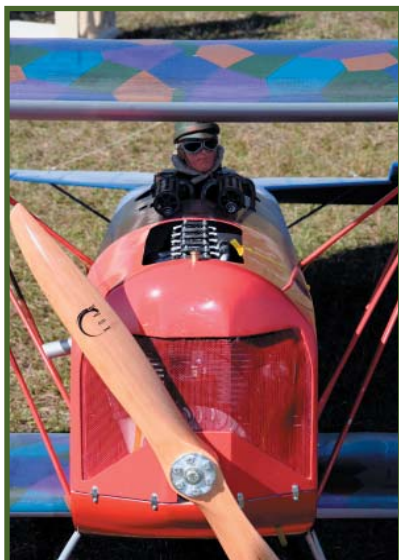
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Bob Walker's big Fokker D7. See flight photos inside.

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Fly-In - Cave Butte Field,
Phoenix, Arizona