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Tim Johnson, Commander

this year, no “hook ups”. So I am sure that will bring pilots from out of state to the event. Please do not forget the Scale Squadron needs your help for our event. If you can help just a little, that will go along way, and help allow members that volunteer, to get a few flights in during the day. Please call Randy Wilber or Tim Johnson if you can help.

Did You Know?

The WACO Aircraft Company was named after a stunt pilot! The Weaver Aircraft Company.

The Original Founders were: Clayton Brukner 1896-1977 & Elwood “Sam” Junkin 1896-1926 The aircraft was manufactured in “Ohio”& not Waco Texas!

The original 1934 Waco UMF with a 210 HP Continental engine sold for \$6,350.00. The aircraft cruised at 128 mph and stalled at 47 mph. The UMF burned a mere 13 gallons per hour with a range of 460 miles.

Both Clayton J. Brukner and Elwood junkin graduated together in 1915 from the same high school in Battlecreek, Michigan. Both learned to fly during their time at the Curtiss plant in Buffalo, NY, they met two barnstormer named George E. “Buck” Weaver and Charlie Meyers. Buck Weaver damaged a Jenny Biplane and Elwood Junkin agreed to repair. Buck was popular and was able to raise the funding for all of them to start the Weaver Aircraft Company and their aircraft was designated the WACO. believe it or not, during the repair of the Jenny, They believed they could improve on the design & several Jenny type models were manufactured until they finally built the first UMF WACO.

The very first UMF was an open cockpit sport utility biplane. The front seat could seat two passengers side by side.

Elwood was the president and tested all of the aircraft. The first design by Elwood was the Model#2 called the COOTIE. The entire WACO history is a good one to read., Now you know....**Editor**



Another exciting month has passed with plenty of flying signed off in the log book, and a lot more to come. The Scale Squadron fun fly is coming June 6th and 7th. The Pomona Valley Club has been gracious in welcoming us back this year. Please be sure to give Phil Goodwine and the PVMAC board your warm thanks for the use of the field.

I hope you are close to completing your airplane projects, so that you may show them off at our yearly event. On site camping has been approved

Don't forget, Sunday is the Squadron weekly flying day at the OCMA field. From what I have seen in the last 4 months or so, Sunday seems to be “Scale Day”, or Sport Scale day. It would seem, that just about everything that shows up on Sundays is scale or scale like. So pull back them covers, get your airplanes out of that hay, and let them fly this Sunday.

Tim, Commander



Rambling Hangar Chatter

By Sam "Showbiz" Wright

While your reading this I will be at the 2009 and 21st Top Gun Invitational as the announcer. I have the best seat in the house and have an opportunity to witness 160 pilots fly from Wednesday through Sunday afternoon. If you ever want to experience scale aircraft at its best, then I urge you to put Top Gun on your list of travels. it will be money well spent and you will have a great time as well. You then can jaunt down to Kissimmee and visit Kermit Weekes fantasy of Flight museum and the Kissimmee flying Tiger Air Museum and of course Epcot and Disneyworld in Orlando. I have made all of those desti-

nations and it was a family blast. Our Scale Squadron Fly-in is soon upon us and we have a lot to do. Commander Tim was very prolific with his front page ad and request for help. We have all heard the excuses and of course they are no longer accepted. Maintain your dignity as a member and your good feelings and help your club out. Those of you who sit in the meetings motionless and never help out are duly noted and it is time you put in a little effort. If your offended by that comment, so be it because the squadron was not founded to be a baby sitter for burned out husbands. Get involved and sign up to help out as we need plenty of volunteers to assist to make our 3rd annual fly-in the best ever.

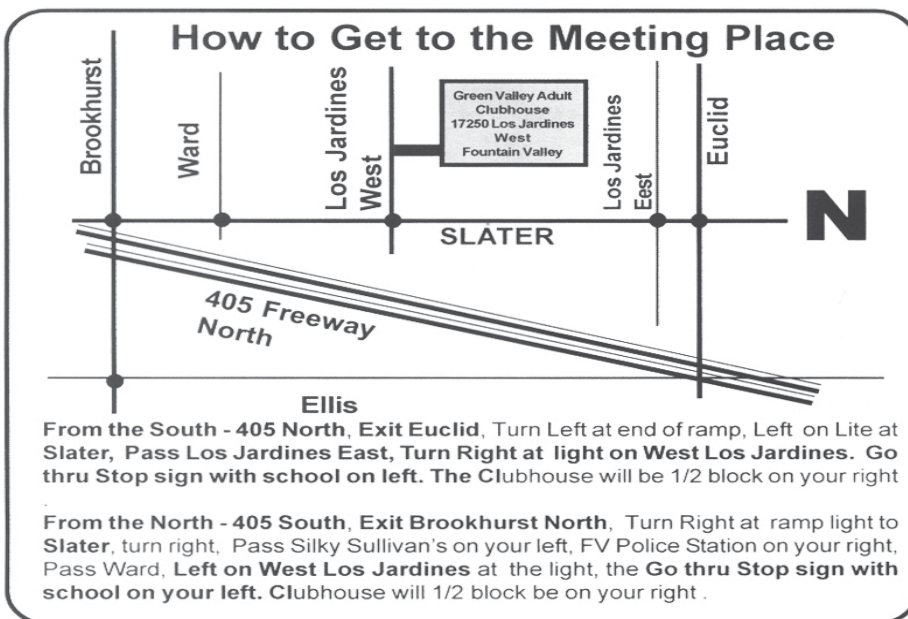
The PVMAC members of which about 65% of the Scale Squadron belongs to have laid out hard earned cash to re-surface and stripe the runway and pit area as well as get the surrounding grounds in pristine shape., The PVMAC Board also gave us a sweetheart deal on the cost of the field for two days.

The event starts with the ZAP Tap Room at the Hangar Friday night for pilots, squadron members & invited guest. Unfortunately, we do not offer this as a public event for obvious reasons.

MAY Program:

Commander Tim has a good change in pace for the meeting. An opportunity to fly the flight simulator for prizes. This will give us time for the show and tell portion of the meeting and enjoy the coffee and cookies provided consecutively by Cyndy Wolfe. Coffee by non other than Jim Reed. I will be fresh back from Top Gun and hope to have a CD full of great scale photos for you so Tim Albright, don't forget the projector.

Squadron Shirts: Many of us are wearing the new black Squadron dress shirt and while they are a bit expensive at \$55.00, there is a request for a good summer weight golf shirt with a pocket. I intend to get some quotes and I encourage others that have some sort of knowledge of this and lets get our shirts. See all of you Monday. night.



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Squadron April/May 2009 Photos:



L-R: Brian Young and his Top Flight P-47. Tim Carden and his Byron P-51. Both pilots have been practicing close formation and will fly at the noon demo at the Scale Fly-In.



Gary Simlars Balsa USA Eindecker on a fly by at Black Star. Nice looking and flies really well.



Gale and his Proctor Sopwith. Gale explained the trials and tribulations of building a really scale model. Just like the full size. The results, however; are very nice when you view this model up close.



Larry Klingberg at it again with his Curtiss and the forming of the floats. Another giant scale project built from scratch by Larry.

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Chino, California - Held at the beautiful Pomona Valley Model Airplane Club field in the Prado Dam Recreation Area. Newly paved 800' x 50' runway with paved taxiways. The Chino Airport, Planes of Fame Museum and Yanks Museum are only 5 miles away.

All Scale or Stand Off Scale Aircraft are Invited, including sport scale, Built up, ARF's, Kits, Electric, Glow, Gas or EDF Jets.
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Photos of our Members & Friends.....



That is Mr. Top Gun in person, Frank Tiano at our hangar bar at the Chino Airport. Frank visited California on business and took some time to see the planes in our hangar.



L-R: Commander Tim Johnson presents Past Commander, Jim Reed with the squadron Appreciation Award. Jim put in a lot of effort and still does even as a Past Commander.



L-R: Sam Wright with Tim Johnson shows his plans for the 100" wingspan Beechcraft Baron G58 that he will offer as a glass kit for electric power.



Tim Albright testing his new twin engines for his Ziroli P-47 Sky train. Tim used his pickup at Black Starr for testing these new engines.



Larry Klingberg at the RCX Expo Static Display with his big Sikorsky. Larry picked up 1st place in the static judging.



A scratch built OV 10 with a 108" wingspan, glow powered and Sierra retracts. Another winner at the RCX Expo.



Only part of the display at the RCX Expo. We lost a lot of aircraft to the Hemet Scale Qualifier the same weekend. A special thanks to Larry Klingberg & Rose for bringing several aircraft and manning the booth all weekend.



L-R: Larry Wright, Larry Wolfe, & Gordon Truax applying the official Flying Tiger decal on Gordy's new Towne & Country. Signifying that the P-40 group build is alive & well again. Watch for show & Tell reports at the meetings.



Jerry Ortega, Squadron life Member beaming after a nice flight with a Kyosho FW190 on a Hacker 50 brushless motor. Sam gave this to Jerry partially completed and Jerry had it in the air the following weekend. Nuts!



On to bigger things and smelly fuel. Sam Wright bites the bullet and shows off his new 96" wingspan Robert P-47D-22. This one in Lt. Glenn Eagleston colors. Licensed from the Nick Zirolli P-47.



L-R: Sam Wright & Greg Tracey. Greg lugged the Robert P-47 from Australia and through customs. Unpacking called for a Coors Lite celebration.



L-R: Sam & Greg, show off the Robert P-47 mocked up to get a feel for the size. Yep, it fits in the Expedition behind. Sam plans to power this baby with a DA-85.



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Hot Squadron Fly-In Poster by Commander Tim Johnson to get the troops out to help at our Scale Fly-in next month June 6&7, 2009

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