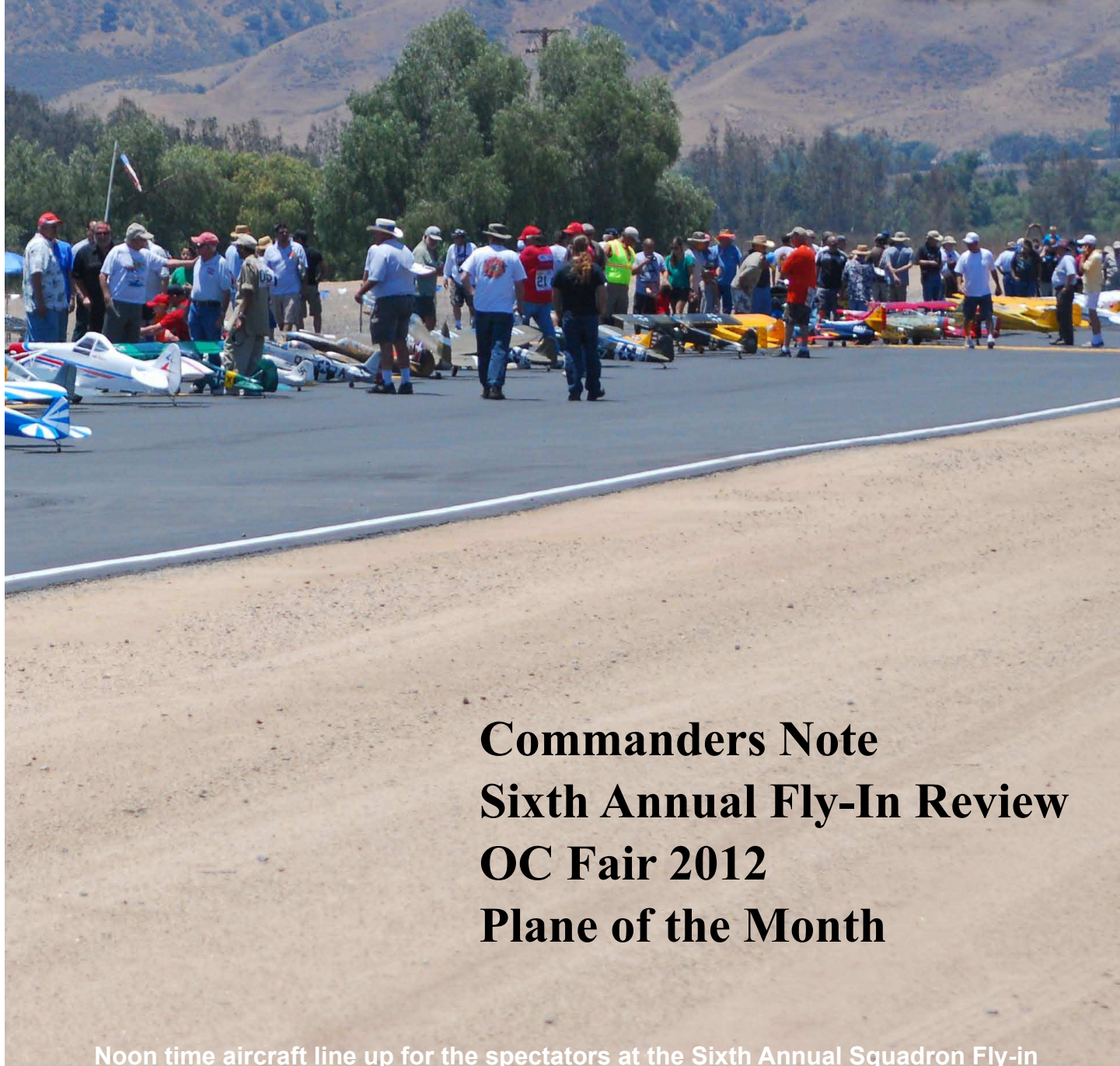


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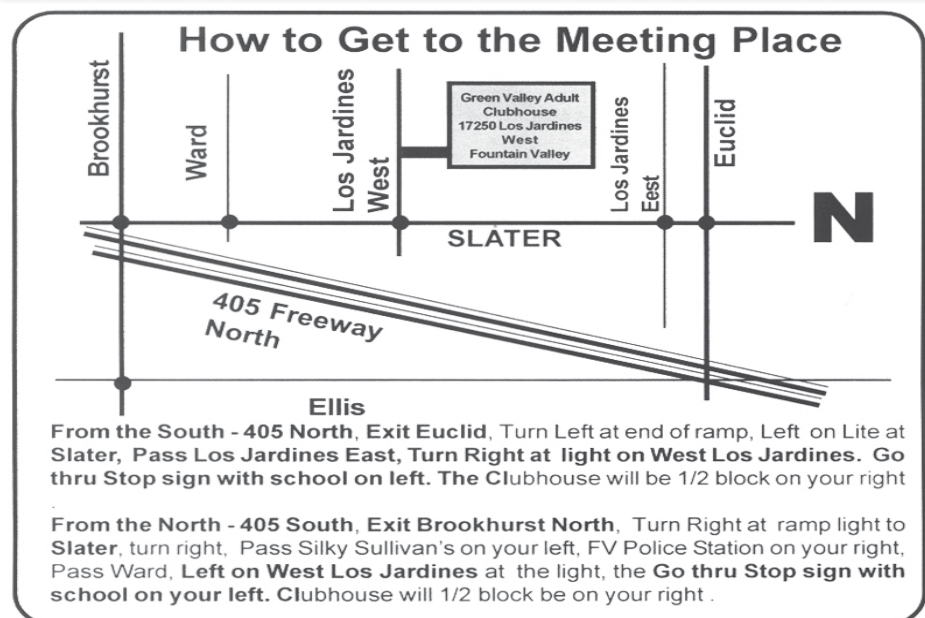
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COMMANDER'S MISSION BRIEFING

Mike Greenshields

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The Sixth Annual Fly-In is in the history books. It was a tremendous success.

First, let's review the numbers

70 Entries

200 Aircraft

Pilots from 4 states AND Northern California (which is a heck of a drive too!) Over 500 Spectators The most awesome P-51 Fly-Over...EVER An ARMY of volunteers from our club AND the PVMAC 80 people at the banquet An auction that was absolutely over-the-top Multiple On-Site Vendors Major Sponsorship from some of the industry's leading companies.

I am overwhelmed with gratitude and a feeling of pride. The Scale Squadron is a club made up of spectacular people and that showed this weekend. What's more, we worked with the PVMAC club and they went above and beyond to support this 6th Annual Fly-In. It is impressive that our two clubs work together in such a friendly and supportive manner. We need to show a world of thanks to the PVMAC club, Phil Goodwine, all the volunteers from the PVMAC club, our incredible CD and Fly-In leader Randy Wilbur, our hangar-hosts (they make the hangar events possible), Ken "Wags" Wagner and his spectacular P-51D Fly-Over, and all of the Squadron staff that worked so hard this weekend and in preparation.

Some highlights for me:

-So many planes flown so well by so many enthusiastic modelers. They really make this the event that it is!

-Seeing the club members from PV-MAC and the Squadron work so well together at the event.

-The banquet was simply awesome. Silky's Tri-Tip, the goodies in the fridge, beautiful planes, and a well done auction (thank you SAM, Nancy, and Debbie!) while relaxing with friends and family. What could be better!

-People drove a heck of a long way to be with us. Doug Crumley from Kansas, the Las Vegas warbirds gang and their ALL-DAY-DRIVE due to the I-15 being closed, and the AZ gang who started showing up THURSDAY. These are some dedicated modelers!

-The P-51D fly-over. Yes, it was AWE-SOME -A successful seminar on getting started in scale competition!

-Two days of spectacular noon-time demonstrations. It takes a lot of confidence and guts to get out there with a couple thousand eyes on you and do what these pilots did for these demonstrations.

-THREE generations of modelers. My father John Greenshields, my son Christopher, and I all participated. Spent the whole day together flying in the sun. And let us not forget the entourage that came out with my father! The Victor Valley Crew was out there flying some good looking, FAST aircraft!

-Dropping bombs with the Fly-Baby (There are 3 of us in the club with little Fly-Baby models and we ALL have bombs!) -Meeting and talking with new club members including some that signed up this weekend with Joni AT the event! Wow!

-Did I mention the Silky Sullivan's

specialty Tri-Tip? Yep, but I'm mentioning it again because the left-overs reheated perfectly and were very tasty on Sunday.

The 6th Annual Scale Squadron Fly-In was a beautiful event and I feel truly blessed to have been a part of it. One of the most memorable hobby events in my lifetime. Again, thank you to EVERYONE who made it great.

Ok, so if that weren't enough, there's tons more fun stuff to do! Mark your calendar, sign up for the volunteer list, and plan to participate in as many of these events as you can. They're all fun and well worth the effort!

In July we have the OC Fair R/C Aircraft - Scale Squadron display (it's pretty fun talking to people about our planes!) In August we have the PVMAC Big Jolt for all you electric fanatics (this is always a fun event to fly in) In September we have our Scale Squadron "Un-Contest" Scale Competition Workshop (Revisiting an old-concept, but in a new way! It will be fun and rewarding to share our knowledge of scale modeling and competition with others).

In October we have Wings over Chino AND the 1/8th Air Force Fall Fly-In. W.O.C. is always fun. Going to AZ to hang out with our friends at the O.E.A.F (www.oeaf.org) even with the drive is a truly fun and relaxing event. Both of these clubs do a great job running these events.

You all better keep your current models flying and get those new models done! There are a LOT of events you will NOT want to miss all coming soon!

Happy Landings and we'll see you at the field!

-Mike

THE “UN-CONTEST” SCALE COMPETITION WORKSHOP

September 23, 2012

Bob Swenson Memorial Field - Black Starr
(www.flyocma.com for field information and driving directions)

Schedule of Events:
9am - Registration Starts
10am - Static Competition Seminar
11am - Flying Competition Seminar

The Un-Contest is an event designed to help modelers interested in scale competition learn the basics of scale competition, both the static and flight components. For experienced scale competitors this is your chance to hone your skills, get some flight judging practice with experience scale competition judges, and share information about what works and what doesn't in scale competition.

Unsure what scale competition is all about? This is your chance to learn the basics in a stress-free, relaxed environment.

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Requirements:

Static Competition Seminar: Just come out and listen or participate if you'd like. If you have a plane that you'd like help with maximizing your static scores, bring it!

Flying Competition Seminar: You can just listen in or bring a plane AND your AMA card (must be an AMA member to fly) and we'll walk you through a scale competition flight, judge it, and help you learn how to increase your flight scores!

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OC FAIR 2012

July is here and it's The Orange County Fair Time

In many issues of the newsletter and monthly meetings Mike has talked about how the Squadron promotes our hobby, the one we all love. The Orange County Fair is the last promotion event of the year. Yes, we are asking for your help again? I am hoping you have just a little more energy left to volunteer for this fun and exciting event. We have three days where we get to meet and greet the public and share with them all the fun stuff about our hobby...of course the most enjoyable time at the fair is running the flight simulator on a 42" plasma and seeing how the public re-



acts when running the simulator...the plane crashes are the most popular...what's joyful for me is the wide eyes and smiling face of a 5 year old when he or she takes off and land the plane perfectly. I always think just maybe that's the one who is going to get what the hobby is all about.

The dates are Friday, July 20th through Sunday, July 22nd. We man the booth in 4 hour shifts that way you get to spend extra time checking out the



fairgrounds and all the crazy food and exhibits. The Fair provides us with free general admission tickets and special parking passes. Special thanks to Hobby People and their staff for supporting this event.



I would also like to thank all the club members who have volunteered in the past for this event and I hope to see you again.

Joni Whitsitt, Secretary



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SQUADRON FLY-IN 2012



The 6th Annual Scale Squadron Scale Fly In has come and gone. Great weather and good friends made for another terrific event. Friday began with pilots staking out good pit locations and settling in for the weekend. This included locals and out of Towner's from as far away as Higginsville, MO. Friday night included a small mixer at the Chino airport hangar.

Saturday morning began with the usual welcome/safety meeting and national anthem. Flying commenced right after that and didn't end until sundown. 70 pilots signed up and 138 airplanes were shown off. The most unique plane there was the 110" Corsair brought over from Las Vegas by Greg Thomas. This was a CARF model with a Moki 250-5 cylinder radial engine and Century retracts. The coolest part of it all was the folding wing mechanism.

There were many other beautiful scale planes present like the F4F-4 Wildcat of Frank Harris and the Goodwin's. This plane was just back again from Florida where it participated in the Top Gun event. The plane is highly detailed and a true pleaser to look at. The 5-cylinder motor gives it a very realistic sound as it flies by.

Our event is growing in popularity. We are now pulling pilots from other states to fly at this beautiful event. The furthest away was Cal Orr from Higginsville, MO. Next we had Doug Crumley (former Commander of the Squadron) from Wichita, KS. Five pilots came across from Las Vegas, NV and two came down from the San Jose area. The rest of the pilots were from the Southern Cal. area. 70 pilots total, this surpassed our numbers from last year. In this tough economy we are very pleased and thank-

ful to have so many pilots from so many places.

The Squadron, once again, offered an afternoon seminar on Saturday. The gathered were treated to a very informative discussion on what was required to participate in a Scale Masters Qualifier. Gordon Truax and Tim Carden talked about documentation. This is the proof needed for the judges to rate your projects building and finish. Tim Carden had his P-47 bird there as an example. This plane is just in the primer and showed how panel lines, rivets and hatches can be added to give the plane a true scale look. The attendees asked so many good questions that we were finally forced to stop the seminar and get back to flying. We did, however, continue the discussion at the banquet. We were very pleased to see so much interest in the Masters.

Flyin Brian Young brought his 1/5th scale and 1:4.5 Scale Japanese Zero. The smaller plane is beautifully weathered to match how a zero would look at the end of the war. Brian and Greg Thomas flew the noontime event on Sunday. The big Corsair chasing the big Zero around the sky. What a site to see.

John Bayshore flew his very nice looking Byron T-6. This bird was painted up in a blue Reno racer paint scheme. His passes with smoke on were very scale to say the least.

A great food booth topped off the event. Ed Woodson ran the food booth, for the second year, like a pro. The menu included steak or chicken strip sandwiches cooked on a griddle, plus the usual Hot dogs, chips, soda and cookies. I would like to thank the members and the wives

that worked all weekend in the food shack. I would also like to thank Joni and Phyllis for doing all the food prep for this event. If it weren't for them we would of only had chips and soda. Way to go ladies!!!

Our own colonel Klink (Larry Klingberg) ran the public raffle on Saturday. The vendors on site as well as many in the RC industry generously supported our raffle. We had over 25 items ranging from Helicopters to nuts and bolts.

Saturday evening found us in the Chino airport hanger for a fun filled banquet. We started off the evening with h'orderves and libations. The hanger is home to a P-51, Lady Alice, an N3N, an SNJ/T-6 and a steerman restoration project. Dinner was catered by Silk Sullivan's restaurant. Tri-tip and chicken plus all the trimmings were served. We capped off the evening with an exciting auction. Sam Wright and Commander Mike Greenshields ran the auction. Some great deals were had, Proctor Kit (Gyro Hobbies) Airtronics SD-10G 10-ch 2.4G radio (Airtronics), a multi cylinder Moki engine (Hobby People) and the topper of the evening was a ride in the P-51 Lady Alice.

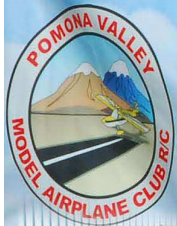
Sunday we enjoyed more great flying and then ended the day with the awards ceremony. 16 plaques were presented to the contestants. One of the most notable was the new award, Best WWI, which was given to Phil Bland for his Proctor Albatross. Phil is a new member of the squadron and spent over two years building this beautiful electric airplane.

I hope you made it to this year's event. If you are into scale airplanes than you really need to attend. Please mark next year's event down on your calendar. June 22-23 are the dates. There are so many RC events in the area that are worth your attention. This one I think is the best, but then again, I am a bit biased.

Randy Wilbur
Scale Fly-In C.D.



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