# SCALE DIMENSIONS

THE OFFICAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SCALE SQUADRON OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA • THE FOUNDERS OF THE US SCALE MASTERS



Squadron members working our booth at the AMA EXPO. From left to right: Scott Whyte, Larry Wright, Sam Wright, Joni Whitsitt, Charlotte Rosenlaf, Bob Rosenlaf, and Gordon Truax.

## COMMANDER'S NOTE

Welcome Scale Squadron Member's & friends..... The first month of the year zoomed by more rapid than I had realized, and hopefully many of you had opportunities to work on your projects and of course fly as well. Our station at the AMA EXPO was well displayed and I thank all of you for your dedication of time, and your smiles while in the booth. The booth looked great and our published club project, and Tim Cardin's Bobcat Bamboo Bomber in the bones really showed people what we are all about.

I want to thank Tim for bringing a boned up scale model to the show. Removing an under construction scale model off the bench is a tall order and Tim made it happen.

This year not unlike last year is full of activities around us and in neighboring states plus our own agenda with the Scale Fly In now called "Warbirds and Classics". Along with that is our one day scale un-contest/seminar event at the OCMA Field, and the RCX Show display booth with the "Battle of the Builder's" hosted by the Scale Squadron. These all are exclusive Scale Squadron events and ones that are fun and successful thanks to all of you.

A warm welcome to all our new members this year and they are joining us to learn more about the scale aspects of the hobby. It is our jobs to make them feel welcome and assist them along the way. The meeting "Show and Tell" portion is for any form of your scale modeling. That can be plans, a pile of wood, a rebuilt project or progress on the one your building. We love to see them all, and no one should be worried about someone picking it apart. That simply is not our way of support. Our goal is to encourage you and to help you get to where you had planned. Hopefully that includes going to some events with that model.

Some Scale members have stepped up this year to really guide our efforts to accomplish our goals for 2014. First are Mike Greenshields, our past Commander and now our "Events Director". Mike is responsible for all our events, our point of contact and communication with key personal, and he is way ahead of the game on arrangements and plans. Mike has years of management in the hobby industry and knows his way around and the proof of that is already visible and has already elevated the Scale Squadron's visibility. Gordon Truax, who has held numerous positions on the Scale Squadron board, including Treasurer last year, has been methodical and dedicated in every one of



those positions. Gordon has diligently collected every newsletter since its beginning and knows the history of the Scale Squadron. That gives him the background to hold the new position as the Scale Squadron's Historian. You will see articles now from Gordon with the history of the squadron and accompanied by some pretty scarce photos. "Gordy" was with the Scale Squadron from its inception with the founder Harris Lee and the crew. This will be good information for all members that joined and wondered who these rivet counter and fabric guys and gals really are past and present.

Larry Wolfe has stepped up to be our "Program Director". From time to time Larry will be arranging programs for our meetings to include modeling techniques, and special presentations. I know no one as qualified as Larry to show modeling techniques. Larry is an expert at Color and markings and a recent AMA Hall of Fame Inductee.

I am excited to be your Commander and hoping that I can fulfill all of your expectations. I am totally open to new ideas and looking forward to seeing each one of you involved with scale modeling. We all have different reasons for being members. For some members the Scale Squadron is about pure modeling, and for others it is a social experience. We welcome you all to the meetings and events regardless of the level of involvement that you choose.

This year we plan to drag several of you with us, mainly myself and Tim Cardin to the Gunsmoke Qualifier in Arizona in Late February and early March. We will take the club trailer and car pool, jam three to a rag tag motel room, and pack a cooler of beer as well. That will be followed by the One Eighth Scale Fly In event later that month. Both events are well run and a real experience with great people to interface with. Let Tim or myself know if you would like to come with us.

On that final note, I want to see all members at our next meeting Monday February 10, 2014 at 7:00PM. Coffee and cookies as usual will be available thanks to Tim Cardin who does the brewing before the meeting. For new members coffee and cookies are on a donation basis with no set amount to keep the program alive.

Thank you again for your support and friendship and see you all at the meeting,

Sam Wright, Commander



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## CALENDER OF EVENTS

It's already February. Competition season is already starting!

The 1st qualifier is right around the corner, Gunsmoke in AZ. And if you can't make that one, we've got the Hemet

Qualifier next up! So, put the Zap to the balsa, the Stits to the frame, the polish to the metal and the

charge on the batteries and get flying so you're ready!

And if you don't make ANY
OTHER EVENT, the Squadron's
Warbirds and
Classics in June is now a MUST
ATTEND! Colonel Bob Thacker
is our special
Guest Speaker. He'll be attending the event AND speaking at
the Saturday
night banquet!

Put this stuff on your calendar! Digital, 'fridge, Pin-Up Girl, or other calendar, whatever you use, it's time to get these dates!

Feb 3 – Board Meeting (See Sam for Details) Feb 10 – General Meeting 7pm, public welcome, Bring your PROJECT!

Feb 28 to Mar 2 – GUNSMOKE! AZ Qualifier www.oeaf.org

Mar 3 - Board Meeting (See Sam for Details) March 10 - General Meeting 7pm, public welcome, Bring your PROJECT!

Mar 22-23 – 1/8th Air Force Fly-In (AZ). Don't want to compete, go fly for fun! www.oeaf.org

Apr 14 - General Meeting 7pm, public welcome, Bring your PROJECT!

Apr 19-20 – Hemet 2014 Scale Masters Qualifier at the World-Famous Hemet Model Masters Flying Field. www.hemetmodelmasters.org

> May 12 – General Meeting 7pm, public welcome, Bring your PROJECT!

May 16-18 - RCX BATTLE OF THE BUILDERS! Sign UP on RCFLIGHTDECK.COM (link's on our homepage too!) http://www.rcflightdeck.com/ event\_details.cfm?event\_ id=2680

Jun 2 – Board Meeting – Final Planning for the Fly-In! Jun 9 – Last GENERAL

MEETING before the FLY-In! 7pm, public welcome, Bring your PROJECT!

June 20-22 – Warbirds and Classics, Featuring Colonel Bob Thacker! PVMAC Field! Sign Up on RC FLIGHT DECK!

This is our schedule up to the Fly-In! I hope you're READY FOR ACTION!

-Mike Greenshields Event Coordinator mikegreenshields@gmail.com

Don't forget to sign up for events on RC Flight DECK dot com, visit us on FACEBOOK too!

Mar 31 - Board Meeting (See Sam for Details

## AMA EXPO PICTURES



Larry Klingberg's Supermarine Walrus model won thrid place at the AMA EXPO. This is a beautiful airplane that you do not see everyday. Great job Klingberg!

Larry Klingberg also entered his Monocoupe into the AMA EX-PO's scale static competition. He won first place with this giant scratch built model. Congratulations Klingberg on the two award winning models!





Scott Whyte talks to some interested AMA EXPO guests about scale modeling and our opportunity drawing. Many guests were very impressed with the three scale airplanes we displayed, Tim Cardin's Bamboo Bomber in the bones, Mike Greenshields' F-16 built by Ted Cooke, and the Club Project Taylorcraft.



Left: Tim Cardin brought his Bamboo Bomber to the meeting. Tim's scale craftsmanship is amazing with this model.

Below: January's meeting was Ted Cooke's last day in the States. Ted talked about what he is building back home and the state of modeling in England.

# JANUARY MEETING PICTURES

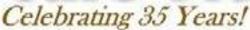




Left: Paul Lee talked about the Maxford USA ARF he bought at the AMA EXPO and the landing gear he has for it.

Thank you to everyone who brought something to the January meeting for show and tell!







# HEWET 2014

★★★ Southern California Regional Qualifier ★★★



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#### FEATURING:

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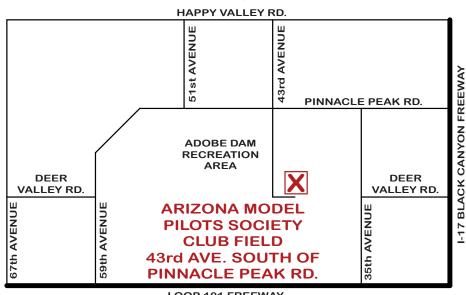
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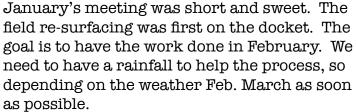


**LOOP 101 FREEWAY** 



### **OCMA** Meeting





Next up was the discussion of moving the pilot stations back from the runway. The AMA suggests 25' and that is what we are shooting for. The safety fences will have to be moved and it was voted on to have a fencing company do it. Changes to the fencing will help to protect those flyers in the pit area.

I am sure you have all re-upped your membership with OCMA by now. Along with renewing your membership a mandatory safety meeting is required. Two dates have been set for this the first is on Sunday, February 2 in the second date is Saturday, February 8. New gate keys and updated field rules will be handed out at that time. No flying will be allowed before the 9 AM meetings, after, the

field is yours.

January's T 28 pylon race was exciting and fun for the guys that raced and the fans that showed up to watch. Following races will be on Saturday, February 15 and again on Sunday, March 16. Food and prizes have been provided by OCMA for all of these events.

The lawn mower needs an annual overhaul. Tim will arrange that with the B & M Lawn Mower Service.

Please remember that the field will be closed during RED FLAG ALERTS. Check the flyoc-ma.com web site. More of these closed days are bound to happen with these dry times and windy days.

I wish you all well and happy flying.

Randy Wilbur Scale Squadron OCMA Rep.

"My biggest fear when I am gone is that my wife will sell my RC stuff for what I told her I paid for it.

My second fear is that my friends will agree with her....."

## BLAST FROM THE PAST- NEWSLETTER PAGE FROM FEBRUARY 1995

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The Scale Squadron will meet Monday, February 13th in HOBBY SHACK'S Conference Room, Fountain Valley, starting promptly at 7:00 P.M.

#### Remember:

\* Wear your name badge,

\* Bring your Show & Tell,

\* Bring a friend.

The February program will be a .....DOUBLE WHAMMY......

Now hear this:

JOHN ELLIOT will discuss twin or multiple engine control systems without expensive computers. In the past 24 years John has flown 7 multi-engined aircraft and would like to share his expertise with us.. "how to fly multis for maximum effect and personal satisfaction." An operable R/C system will be shown to demonstrate the concept.

Then to DOUBLE your pleasure, SAM WRIGHT presents a video entitled "30 Seconds 50 Years Ago", historic footage of the 1942 Doolittle raid over Tokyo. As a bonus, Sam will show new footage of the "Heavenly Body" B-25J project..Sam was in on this 50th anniversary launch from the U.S.S. Ranger.

Is this a great program or what??

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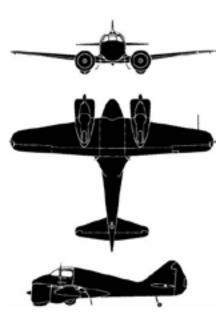




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