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Editors Note

By: Tim Johnson

The OEAF hosted event "Gunsmoke" was awesome! If you didn't make it, you missed out on a wonderful event! The weather was great for the exception of nearly a cross wind most of the weekend with the cross wind being right down the runway in the late afternoon. It became very obvious who had gyros installed in their aircraft.

There was a little over 35 entries for Gunsmoke 15 of which traveled from Southern California and 3 were Squadron members. Squadron members that participated in One Eighth Air Force's "Gunsmoke" qualifier are Tim Cardin, Frank Migliaccio and Tim Johnson.

Tim Cardin walked away with 1st place in Expert with his "Sky King" T-50 Bobcat. Tim worked really hard the whole weekend to earn his 1st place, included a few scary near model ending experiences due to cross wind and loss of a few hundred RPM in the power department.

Frank Migliaccio was setting up to place respectfully, but unfortunately mother nature had different plans for his Fw-190.

The next event is the Hemet Qualifier. Please note the flyer in this issue of the newsletter. The Hemet Qualifier will now be hosted at Gilman Springs.

Thumbs alive and happy landings. See you at the field.

-Tim Johnson

Commanders Note From The Bench

By: Sam Wright

April is here and so has April Fool's day gone by. I got hoodwinked into a few of those April Fools Jokes, but thank goodness they were friends and all in good fun.

Our past few months have wonderful flying weather. It about it for our back east who read our newsletter. us, let me remind them enjoy this climate. So and we certainly have ours

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been busy and of course some is almost a shame to brag and international friends Before they go crazy on what we pay here, to everything cool has a price in Southern California.

I have been swamped with from both sides and have had That should change here shortly as things are falling into order.

work projects jamming us very little flight time at the field.



Carl Lindou's Fokker DR-1 at the Gunsmoke USSMA qualifier in Phoenix, AZ.



Corey Dail's P-51B at the Gunsmoke USSMA qualifier in Phoenix, AZ.



Brad's PT-19 at the Gunsmoke USSMA qualifier in Phoenix, AZ.

Commanders Note From The Bench **Cont'd**

I am now cramming on the OV-10 Bronco and plan to get over to Larry Wolfes to finish up the plug on the 72" wingspan Panther. That bird will be an EDF for me and from all calculations and Larry's keen eye and scale detail, it should fly well.

Not far away is our Warbirds and Classics Event in June and this should be a banner year for our event now in its 10th year. Our event has endured several field changes and name change with no hiccups and I attribute that to our great members and loyalty of our participating pilots.



Sam making good progress on his OV-10 Bronco project.

Mike Greenshields who fosters the event from a production standpoint has worked out some cool details that will eliminate our manpower requirements. As an example, we do not have to man the kitchen. This will be taken care of by OCMA and that means many of you can fly in the event.

Also as a bonus, I have Chris Admus the Plant Manager for Balsa USA coming to the event with his RV and Trailer full of wood and kits. Chris is coming from a few other

events and making the sweep and we are on the list.

So if you're in the mood for a Balsa USA kit, let me know so I can tell Chris to load it up on the trailer and save you the shipping. We will also have a kit to raffle off as well, so this is a first and I am excited and hopefully we can gather up a few more vendors. Warm weather is coming fast so be sure to buy your cool Scale Squadron Golf Shirt. Mike Greenshields always lugs those shirts to the meeting so be sure to purchase yours next Monday. They are lightweight and do have a pocket as well as embroidered Squadron Logo.

I want to thank Mike for covering for me last month's meeting. I was barely back from Florida after a week of Red Flag and Florida Jets. Both banner events and next year the Red Flag will be in November as a standalone event.

Remember the Show and Tell portion of our meetings. For our new members, you will receive a raffle ticket for prizes each time you bring a scale orientated product to the meeting. Of course no sales items are permitted. The raffle tickets are drawn at our annual Christmas party. Our Christmas party is free to members and significant others, and a not to miss event. More on that in the newsletter and squadron website as we get closer to the date.

Don't be shy, we want to see what you're doing even if it is plans, a pile of wood, rubber powered, glow, electric or gas, we enjoy the opportunity to see other scale projects as well as learn and even offer help. That's what we are all about. It is not just about counting rivets and stitches anymore. It is about enjoying scale aircraft of all sizes with each other.

The program this month is how to make your Dremel Table saw more precise with new aftermarket fixtures. I will have all the new accessories to show you, mounted on the saw.

While the Dremel table saw is off the market, there still are a few floating around eBay.

One of our members purchased the more expensive one on the market and went back to his Dremel table saw with the new parts. My saw is now perfect for smoothly cutting 1/4" X 1/4" Balsa Stringers or any other size.

Top Gun is just around the corner and we have 5-6 members from the Scale Squadron heading to Florida. I am particularly proud as the announcer to talk over the PA about my flying buddies as they compete against some world class scale pilots and their awesome aircraft.

See all of you at the meeting Monday April 11, 2016

Sam

Photos From Gunsmoke

By: Tim Johnson



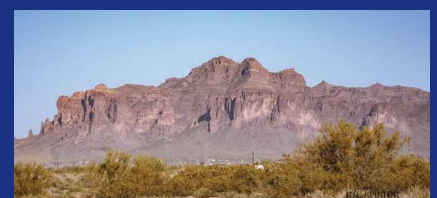
Ron Peterka's Stinson SR-5E at the USS-MA Gunsmoke event hosted by the OEAF



Father/Son Lloyd family team with their "speedster" at OEAF Gunsmoke qualifier



Tim Johnson's J-3 Cub waiting in line at the OEAF Gunsmoke qualifier



The amazing view of Superstition Mountain from the AMA field.



R/C AVIATOR
BY: TIM JOHNSON

Curtis competing with Ron Peterka's Stinson SR-5E at the Gunsmoke USSMA qualifier in Phoenix, AZ



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Bobby's Comp ARF P-47 over PVMAC field



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Brian Young's LA-7 on a hot pass at the PVMAC Field



WARBIRDS WEST
PHOTO BY: TIM JOHNSON

Brian and Michael practicing formation flight



WARBIRDS WEST
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Joe Castelao's Comp ARF P-47 after a maiden flight.

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More INFO: scalesquadron.com

Calendar of Events



BY: TIM JOHNSON

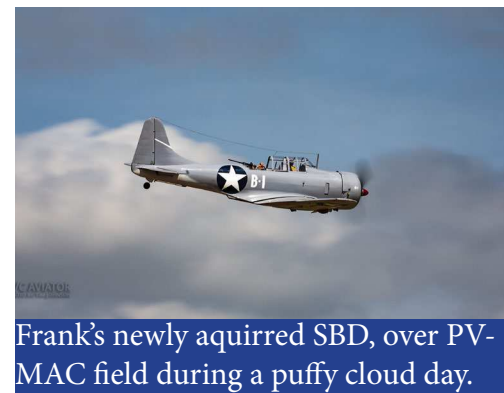
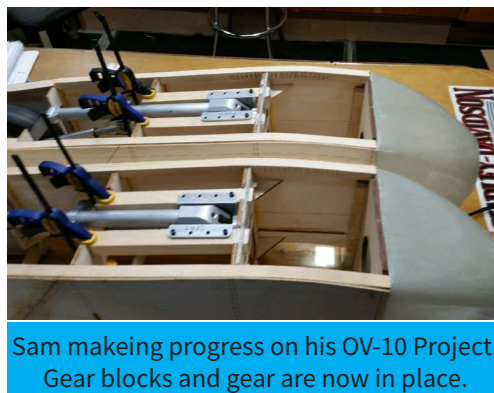
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Michael Fetyko's Stearman during golden hour at the PVMAC field.

APRIL 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	Menifee Valley Flyers Swap Meet 2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	Gilman Springs RC Flyers "Dawn Patrol Over Gilman Springs" 16
17	18	19	20	21	Hemet Qualifier, NOW AT GILMAN SPRINGS FIELD 22	Hemet Qualifier, NOW AT GILMAN SPRINGS FIELD 23
Hemet Qualifier, NOW AT GILMAN SPRINGS FIELD 24	25	26	27	28	Planes of Fame Chino Airshow 29	Planes of Fame Chino Airshow 30

Squadron Photos



Anand is out representing the Squadron and he walked away with a "People's Choice" Award at the Valley Flyers Fun Fly

Larry Wolf making amazing progress on his Piper Apache project.

Randy could't leave the AMA Expo without a new bird, a SBD Dauntless is what caught his eye.

Sam making progress on his OV-10 Project. Gear blocks and gear are now in place.

Frank's newly aquired SBD, over PV-MAC field during a puffy cloud day.

April 22-24 Hemet Qualifier
This is an USSMA Competition Qualifier
At the Gilman Springs Field

This is a USSMA Qualifier event. Have your routine cards and documentation ready. If you are flying in the ARF class, static documentation isn't necessary.

MAY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Planes of Fame Chino Airshow 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	49ers Scale Rush Qualifier, Davis, CA 14 Gilman Springs RC Flyers Spring Swap Meet
49ers Scale Rush Qualifier, Davis, CA 15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

SoCal US Scale Masters Qualifier

Start Date: 04/23/2016 End Date: 04/24/2016

Hosted By: Gilman Springs RC Club in Moreno Valley, Ca Riverside

Contact Info:

Contest Director: Curtis Kitteringham CD AMA # 449672

CD contact e-mail cak11@cox.net

CD Contact Phone # 760-807-5519

Web Link for more information www.gilmanspringsrcflyers.com

USSMA Classes

Expert..... Yes

Team..... Yes

Advanced.. Yes

ProAm/Pro.. Yes

ProAm/Sportsman.. Yes

Additional Information Given:

This is a new location for the qualifier with hotels/motels within 10 miles located in Hemet, Moreno Valley or Beaumont.

Open camping at the field.

Lunch will be available Saturday only.

Fast Food again 10 miles from Field.

Static and the first 3 rounds on Saturday, 2 rounds on Sunday.

Location Gilman Springs Rd and Central Ave

GPS- 33.53'7.85N -117.3'51.27W for the entrance

GPS- 33.52'50.01N -117.3'59.05W for the field

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ABOUT THE SCALE SQUADRON

Scale Modeling is the accurate recreation of aircraft in aviation, from the early biplanes to the latest jets of the 21st century. Whether it's built from scratch, a kit or an ARF, scale modeling strives to recreate the airplane as historically accurate as possible. Paint schemes, rivets, windshield glass, and even pilots are faithfully painted and built to exacting specifications. The end result is a flying recreation of the original full size airplane.

Our members all have one common goal - to share their knowledge of aviation, aviation history, and scale modeling.

Our monthly meetings are open to everyone, and often feature "how to" seminars on building and flying model aircraft.

Each year the Scale Squadron hosts and participates in numerous events, with the overall goal of bringing

together modeling enthusiasts from all over the world. Events our members historically and perpetually attend are:

Top Gun
U.S. Scale Masters
Warbirds Over The Rockies
Arizona Electric Festival
Best In The West Jet Rally
One Eighth Air Force Fly-in
Battle of the Builders

The Scale Squadron also hosts their own annual event known as The Scale Squadron Warbirds and Classics. This year will be the 8th year running of the Squadron event.

The Scale Squadron dates back to the early 70's. Harris Lee, Bert Baker and Bob Olson were the original founders of the Scale Squadron and Members of the Orange Coast RIC Club. Their interest in scale modeling brought them together

regularly at Lee's home. The word soon got out and their numbers quickly grew to over 25.

Scale modeling became the hottest new interest within the R/C community. The first official scale modeling club was formed in 1973 with events held at Mile Square Park. Scale modeling was in its infancy yet immensely popular as attested to by the large participation at each of their events.

Harris Lee devised a plan for sanctioning a series of local qualifiers around the country and then having a fly-off to determine the national champion. Out of this idea the U.S. Scale Masters was started and is the premier scale competition in the country today. Pat Potaga, of Scale R/C. Modeler Magazine, helped to put this program on the map. His articles and front-page color photos helped fuel the fire of scale modeling.

The modeling world owes these visionaries a debt of gratitude. Thank you Bert Baker, Bob Olson, Jerry Ortega with special thanks to Harris Lee.

MONDAY
April 11, 2016
7:00 PM

Show & Tell is for our members to show their scale aircraft project in any stage from plans, or framed up to a completed model. Scale ARFs or full bore scale models are welcome.

Visitors are always welcome.

