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NEWSLETTER OF SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS FREE FLIGHT CLUB

JULY 2009

PRESIDENTS COLUMN - M.Pykelny

Once again the San Diego Orbiteers/Fresno Gas Model Club's annual contest was a great time for all that attended. Due to the low attendance and higher than anticipated expenses, this year we posted a loss of $155.47 for the Orbiteers and $156.47 for Fresno, which is owed us. There seems to be little support for food on the field unless it is prepaid.

An essential part of model airplane flying is having the right equipment. Check with the most experienced flyers and see what they have. One piece of gear that is only available seasonally is the Costco field chair. This is the preferred model that folds flat and will bear the weight of the modern modeler. It is light weight construction with an aluminum frame and synthetic seat and back material. This highly rated piece is only available during the summer months from Costco. Color Selection varies by store. Highly crafted in China. $21.99

2009 NFFS Symposium will be available August 15, 2009. $35.00

Carlsbad has banned the flying and driving of all remote controlled vehicles in all city parks. When in Carlsbad bring your Guillows Strato-Streak.

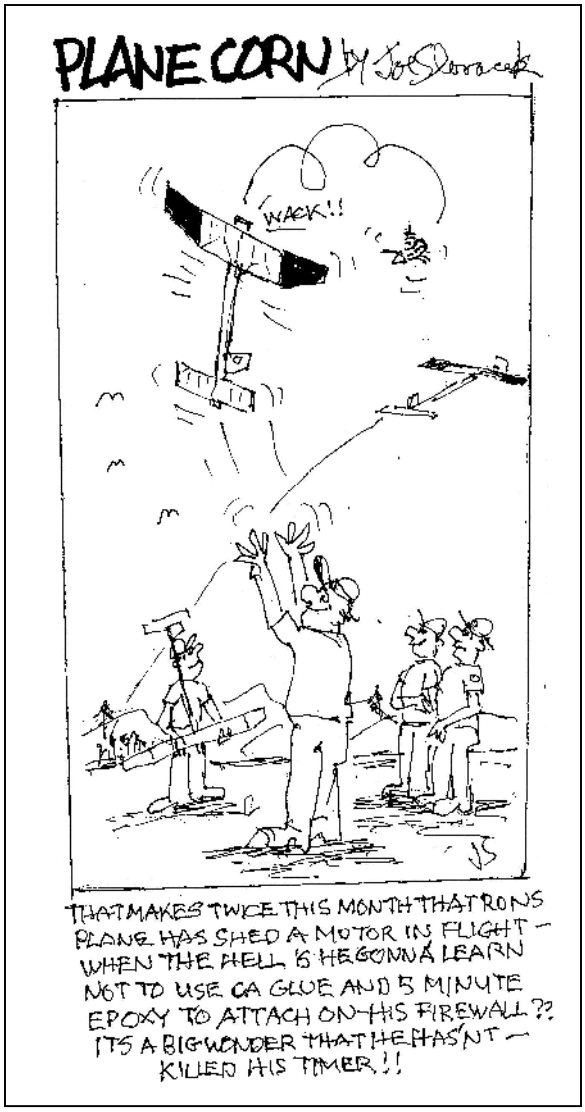
ON THE LIGHTER SIDE - H.Haupt

Our June meeting concluded with some spirited indoor fun flying. The results follow.

H. Haupt	Butterfly	70.7 seconds
D.Bartick	Butterfly	69.8 "
J.Merrill	Butterfly	69.7 "
H.Steinmetz	Vintage	18.6 "

Note that first three flyers times are withing a span of one second of each other.

Pizza will be available from Venice Pizza House at our meeting this month. Bring your favorite drink, as well as some money to cover your $2.00 per slice charge for your favorite pizza. Plates, paper towels, plastic utensils, and trash receptacle will be provided.



2009 ORBITEER FLYING SCHEDULE

July 4 - Walt Mooney Scale Contest

July 19 - P-30

Aug 16 - Old Timer (Festival), P-20 & HL/CATP Glider

Sept 20 - Coupe

Oct 18 - P-30

Oct 24/25 SW FAI Challenge*, Boulder City NV

Oct 25 - Scale Staffel FAC Scale Contest* (3 or 3)

Nov 15 - Old Timer, P-20 & HL/Cat Glider

Dec 20 - Coupe (Festival)

* Non-Club Points Event
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ORBITEERS YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES

Junior - $10 Senior - $15 Open - $25
65+ - $15 Family - $30 Subc - $15
Lifetime membership - $250

Submit dues to club treasurer or editor:

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MONEY MATTERS - H.Haupt

Starting Balance (05/01/09) …….. $1,676.84

Income:

Monthly Contest Income	1.00
Dues Paid (2)	50.00
	$51.00

Expenses:

Score Card Printing	28.08
June Newsletter	17.16
Account Fees	3.00
	$48.24

Ending Balance (05/31/09) …… $1,679.60

An email has been received from the Scripp's Ranch Civic Association (SRCA) requesting payment for our use of our current meeting space

for the 2ND half of 2009. SRCA Board has accepted our suggestion of $25 per month as our fee for use of the meeting space. Payment is requested (6) months at a time, so I will be asking for membership approval, to have a check cut for $150. This amount will cover our use of our current meeting space, for July thru December 2009.

JUNE 2009 MEETING MINUTES – J.Merrill

We had ten in attendance tonight, including: V.P. Larry Miller, Larry Bagalini, Howard Haupt, Gus Del Castillo, Gerald Sullivan, Harry Steinmetz, Don Bartick, John Hutchison, John Oldenkamp, and John Merrill.

Thanks to Howard Haupt for once again providing us with our favorite pizza!
Congrats to Larry Miller on his announcement of his first grandchild, a grandson.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Vice President Larry Miller.
The minutes of the last meeting were passed unanimously.
Treasurer's Report: see this month's Money Matters column for details.
Officers Report: Don Bartick (Safety Officer) decreed "we're safe". He also reported the Otay site porta-potty has been serviced and should be okay for a while.

The Dual Clubs Annual Contest was discussed, at great length, and many aspects of the contest were covered. The consensus seemed to be that it was hot, and there were a LOT of bugs. Otherwise it was a nice contest, and a lot of folks had fun.

John Hutchison, President of the Scale Staffel, talked about the Science Decathlon National Event held May 30th at Grossmont College. There were 38 teams with indoor models from many states across the country. Johnny Walker Middle School in Antelope Valley won the event with flights over 2 ½ minutes. Many thanks then went to both John H. and Jerry Sullivan for their continuing efforts and hard work in support of promoting our hobby to the younger generation.

Old Business – Don Bartick last month had suggested that the club donate $100.00 the U.S. Free Flight Champs. After a little discussion, John Oldenkamp made the motion that we donate the funds suggested. Harry Steinmetz seconded the motion, and it then passed unanimously. Don will contact Fudo for a check.

Last months big topic was "The Book", which features everything you need to know to be a C.D., and more. The report this month is that it is still not completed, but will be shortly.

New Business – Fudo wishes to donate some scale models he has made, to be auctioned off to raise funds for the club. There will be a silent auction, so see elsewhere in the E.T. for further details.

Howard Haupt reported that over the passed 3 years, our funds have decreased significantly, as has our membership. Much discussion ensued as to how to remedy the situation, but a "wait-and-see" approach was taken. It was decided that maybe next meeting we should form a committee to study the problems further.

Show-And-Tell – Larry Bagalini passed around an "ECT", and electronic coupe timer which is basically a rubber band burner. It only weighs 4 grams, comes with a LiPo battery, and the current version sells for about $100.00. The next batch will sell for significantly more, so see Larry soon if you want one. The ECT comes mounted on a small board, so you can play with it and figure out how it works before you install it on your pride and joy.

Jerry Sullivan talked about an F1Q/VIT with MANY programmable variables. He even had a chart to show how it works, and it was very impressive. He then passed around some information about a RDT, or Radio D.T. system from Airtek, which is also an impressive little unit. You can see it on their website at http://mysite.verizon.net/resrqa3z/airtek/id65.html

John Oldenkamp then showed off F1Q #50! As always, it was beautifully done. The covering was clear, with some red trim on the outer wing panels and tail surfaces.

The meeting was then adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Indoor flying henceforth ensued, with quite a close competition! See elsewhere for an indoor flying report.

Respectfully Submitted by John R. Merrill, Scribe-In-Training

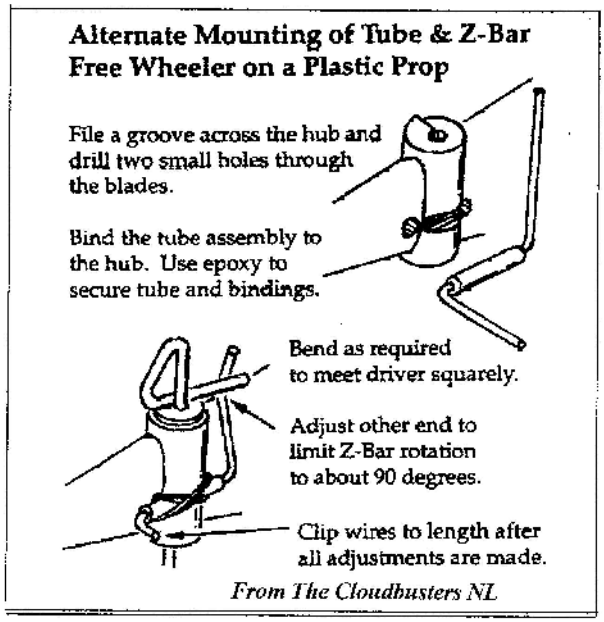
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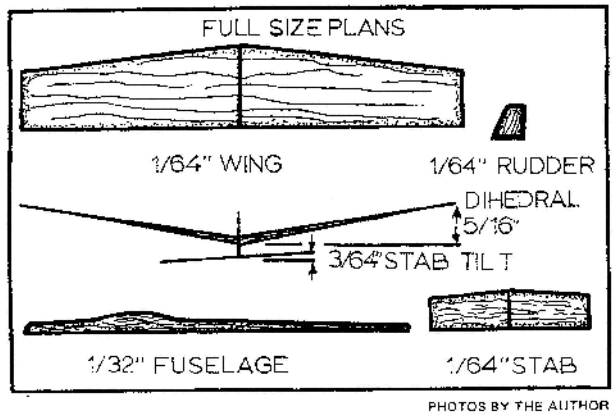
MONTHLY CLUB CONTESTS - L.Miller

Half of our club contest season is logged into our club spreadsheets. Our local flyers appear to be in good form with a few members such as Bob Langdon and Gus Castillo getting back into the competitive spirit. Based on my observations and participation, I feel the competition is heating up a bit. You can review the YTD Summary spreadsheet and see that most of our Year End Club Award Categories are currently within a 5 point range for 3 to 4 individuals. Keep in mind that there are 6 more contests for power and 2 contests each for the feature events.

In addition to the YTD Summary, I am providing a detail spreadsheet showing points earned at each featured event contest date. Note that the Points for Power are rolled up and summarized by quarter. Recall there was no club contest (OT Rubber and Power) in May due to our Club Dual annual at Lost Hills. A detailed monthly Power spreadsheet is also provided. These spreadsheets show our club contest history. Even though I keep reviewing and cross checking, I need your help to identify any discrepancies or data entry mistakes. Please review and verify that your flying activity has been recorded correctly. Thank you.

Come on out and enjoy our monthly contests. We look forward to seeing you.





Stolen from: Scale Staffel NL – J.Sullivan / Editor

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San Diego Orbiteers

Event: F1G and Power **Date: 06-14-09**

Place & Name	Plane	Time:

F1G

1. John Hutchison	Super Sugar/G	575
2. Larry Bagalini	Candy/G	560
3. John Oldenkamp	IceBox 41	420
4. Don Bartick	TailHigh	410
5. Harry Steinmetz	Bob White Hybrid/G	401
6. Bob Langdon	IceBox and ???	397
7. Gus del Castillo	Super Sugar/G	381
8. Larry Miller	Hybrid Coupe	373

Power

1. John Oldenkamp	OhmBox	348
2. Harry Steinmetz	Electrolite	158
3. Larry Bagalini	E-Maverick	DNF

CD L. Bagalini

SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS YEAR TO DATE 2009 CLUB CONTEST RESULTS

Results through June 30, 2009

	Hi Point	Non - Power			Power
		P 30	Coupe		
	Total Points	P 30	Coupe	OT, HLG CLG, P-20	Power
Alling	8	3	0	5	0
Bagalini	27	3	9	0	15
Bartick	22	13	5	0	4
Beecroft	0	0	0	0	0
Love	3	0	0	3	0
Castillo	1	0	1	0	0
Chomyn	4	0	0	4	0
Hobbs	0	0	0	0	0
Hutchison	21	8	12	1	0
Ives	0	0	0	0	0
Langdon	2	0	2	0	0
Miller	7	2	1	0	4
Oldenkamp	46	12	9	7	18
Overcash	18	3	7	0	8
Primbs	4	0	0	2	2
Pykelny	30	11	6	6	7
Ray	0	0	0	0	0
Slovacek	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	0	0	0	0	0
Steinmetz	8	1	5	0	2
Willis	0	0	0	0	0
Zackman	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	201	56	57	28	60

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS 2009 MONTHLY CONTEST RESULTS											
3			Bagalini		Bartick		Hutchison		Hutchison			
4			Rain Date		P-30							
5	Group "A"										2009	
6	Contestant		01/11/09		4/19/09		7/19/09		10/18/09		Total	
7	Alling				3						3	
8	Bagalini		3		0						3	
9	Bartick		6		7						13	
10	Beecroft										0	
11	Love										0	
12	Castillo										0	
13	Chomyn										0	
14	Hobbs										0	
15	Hutchison		4		4						8	
16	Ives										0	
17	Langdon										0	
18	Miller		2								2	
19	Oldenkamp		7		5						12	
20	Overcash		1		2						3	
21	Primbs										0	
22	Pykelny		5		6						11	
23	Ray										0	
24	Slovacek										0	
25	Smith										0	
26	Steinmetz		1								1	
27	Willis										0	
28	Zackman										0	
29												
30	Totals		29		27		0		0		56	
31												
32												
33												
34			Oldenkamp				Bagalini		Steinmetz			
35	Group "B"		OT, HLG, CLG, P-20								2009	
36			2/22/09		Lost Hills		08/16/09		11/15/09		Total	
37	Alling		5								5	
38	Bagalini										0	
39	Bartick										0	
40	Beecroft										0	
41	Love		3								3	
42	Castillo										0	
43	Chomyn		4								4	
44	Hobbs										0	
45	Hutchison		1								1	
46	Ives										0	
47	Langdon										0	
48	Miller										0	
49	Oldenkamp		7								7	
50	Overcash										0	
51	Primbs		2								2	
52	Pykelny		6								6	
53	Ray										0	
54	Slovacek										0	
55	Smith										0	
56	Steinmetz										0	
57	Willis										0	
58	Zackman										0	
59												
60	Totals		28		0		0		0		28	
61												
62			Steinmetz		Bagalini		Oldenkamp		Bartick			
63	Group "C"				Coupe						2009	
64	Contestant		Mar 15		Jun 19		Sept 20		Dec 20		Total	
65	Alling										0	
66	Bagalini		3		6						9	
67	Bartick		1		4						5	
68	Beecroft										0	
69	Love										0	
70	Castillo				1						1	
71	Chomyn										0	
72	Hobbs										0	
73	Hutchison		5		7						12	
74	Ives										0	
75	Langdon				2						2	
76	Miller				1						1	
77	Oldenkamp		4		5						9	
78	Overcash		7								7	
79	Primbs										0	
80	Pykelny		6								6	
81	Ray										0	
82	Slovacek										0	
83	Smith										0	
84	Steinmetz		2		3						5	
85	Willis										0	
86	Zackman										0	
87												
88	Totals		28		29		0		0		57	
89												
90												
91					Power						2009	
92	Contestant		Q1 '09		Q2 '09		Q3 '09		Q4 '09		Total	
93	Alling		0		0		0		0		0	
94	Bagalini		10		5		0		0		15	
95	Bartick		4		0		0		0		4	
96	Beecroft		0		0		0		0		0	
97	Love		0		0		0		0		0	
98	Castillo		0		0		0		0		0	
99	Chomyn		0		0		0		0		0	
100	Hobbs		0		0		0		0		0	
101	Hutchison		0		0		0		0		0	
102	Ives		0		0		0		0		0	
103	Langdon		0		0		0		0		0	
104	Miller		4		0		0		0		4	
105	Oldenkamp		11		7		0		0		18	
106	Overcash		2		6		0		0		8	
107	Primbs		0		2		0		0		2	
108	Pykelny		4		3		0		0		7	
109	Ray		0		0		0		0		0	
110	Slovacek		0		0		0		0		0	
111	Smith		0		0		0		0		0	
112	Steinmetz		0		2		0		0		2	
113	Willis		0		0		0		0		0	
114	Zackman		0		0		0		0		0	
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116	Totals		35		25		0		0		60	

	A	C	E	G	I	K	M	O	Q	S	U	W	Y	AA
1	**SDO Monthly Power Results**													
2														
3						Club Annual								2009
4	Contestant	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
5	**Alling**													**0**
6	**Bagalini**	3	2	5	5		0							**15**
7	**Bartick**			4	0									**4**
8	**Beecroft**													**0**
9	**Love**													**0**
10	**Castillo**													**0**
11	**Chomyn**													**0**
12	**Hobbs**													**0**
13	**Hutchison**													**0**
14	**Ives**													**0**
15	**Langdon**													**0**
16	**Miller**		3	1										**4**
17	**Oldenkamp**	4	4	3	4		3							**18**
18	**Overcash**	2			6									**8**
19	**Primbs**				2									**2**
20	**Pykelny**	1	1	2	3									**7**
21	**Ray**													**0**
22	**Slovacek**													**0**
23	**Smith**													**0**
24	**Steinmetz**						2							**2**
25	**Willis**													**0**
26	**Zackman**													
27														0
28	Totals	10	10	15	20	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
29														
30													math ck	60

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WHAT'S HAPPENING JULY 2009

July 2 - Scale Staffel meeting for Hanger Flying, San Carlos, 7:30 pm.

July 4 - San Diego Orbiteers & Scale Staffel Scale Contest, Otay, 8:00 am.

July 5 - Indoor Flying, Grossmont College, 9:00 to 12:00 pm.

July 10 - **Orbiteer Monthly meeting at S.D. City Serv. Cntr. @ Scripp's Ranch,**
11885 Cypress Canyon Road, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.
Indoor Fun Fly featuring A-6 & Gliders up to 8" follows the meeting.

July 17 - Scale Staffel Indoor Fun Fly, San Carlos Rec. Cntr., 6:45 pm.

July 19 - **Orbiteers Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am.**
Non-power: **P-30** Power: **All Classes**

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