

Squadron 36 Dispatch

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Tony Perrotta on a cold February Day

From the Oval Workbench

We'll gang, don't look now but flying season is nearly upon us. I know it's Valentine's Day as I write this, but just think, once we're rid of February, the runt of months, March will be here with warming temps and blowing winds, just like most of all last year!! But before I get to the good stuff, models, flying, contests, etc., here's a word from your sponsor, the treasurer!!

We ended last year with \$808.42 in the black. With 18 of 22 members paid our balance is \$833.49. WHAT IS THIS you say!! Well we paid out: \$130.00 to AMA for the club charter \$880.00 to Ken Zink for field permission \$54.93 to someone named Litschi for his expenses (letters, stamps etc.) And now add back in \$1090 from dues and wadda ya get? \$833.49. Thank you very much.

OK

, math test is over, pass your papers forward.

I've seen some of you on Facebook and it seems you've been busy building, especially Tony P. and newish member Pat Ciambrello. Well done lads! I myself have built a Comet Jenny, Dumas Stinson 108-2. a Guillows P-40, EZ-Built DH Leopard Moth, and an enlarged Zip to 1.75 size for a Mini Mills .4 diesel. Been out to fly twice the past week and all show promise but the P-40.

The field seems to be in great shape but at this time of year it pays to be extra careful.

If you get bored sometime, look on You Tube for Free Flight Scale in the U.K. I can't tell you where to look exactly but search around and you'll find them. They are absolutely FEARLESS!! They put our little rubber band models to shame with the level of detailing they can do. They are on the level of some r/c scale things I've seen. AND THEY FLY THEM!!! And very well too. Most are IC powered and diesel to boot (odd coming from me, huh). A few CO2 thrown in and a couple (gasp!!) electric.

Don't forget, contests in April, June, and September!! Mark your calendars and BE THERE!! I have a feeling we've really started something here and our three meets this year should prove me right, especially if the June meet is more than just a few guys showing up. I have a good feeling.

I'd like to add more tech like stuff to this epistle, so if you have any hints or good ideas, send em along.

One last thing: Annual BS and show and tell gathering will be here at the home of the Oval Workbench, March 16. BYOB but we'll have hot sandwiches, chips, pretzels, dips, and cookies. Don't miss it!!

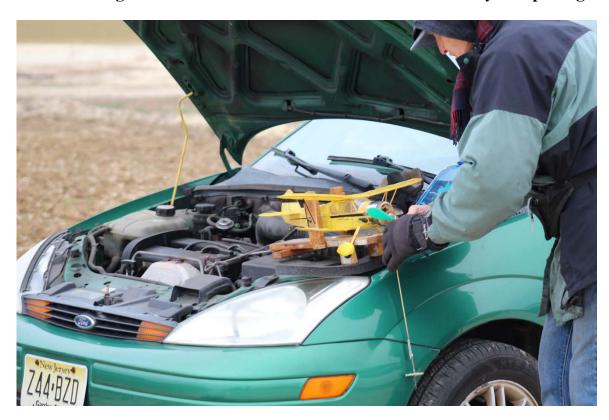
Da Prez





Jim Smith Launching one his newest.

Jim and Tony comparing notes



Bruce Foster Winging his SIG Cabinaire. Then the Rise Off Ground!









Gibbs; with his "Beardmore Newport 12"





Above: the Beardmore Newport 12 Looks good coming in for a landing

On the right is a snapshot of a young Jim Smith. No wonder he's called "Da Prez"







Bruce Foster Showed up with this Cutie, Get a load of the engine





Gibbs, The launch and a great overhead view





A new embryo and Race Plane for Gibbs Gilbert





Tony Perrotta launching, then checking out Gibbs' Aiche "Grace



My Guillows P-51 covered and primed, ready for paint.
I'm making it a static model. Too challenging to try to make her fly...
Built by Andy Kovac

Going to spend some extra Newsprint on the next plane

A Roland DVI



It was a heavy modification from the original kit from DFC Aerowerkes. I had to modify the engine area and add panels around the engine area. I worked off of Windsock Datafiles. When you're doing this sort of thing you have to decide what details to include and what not to.