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## Hot Air

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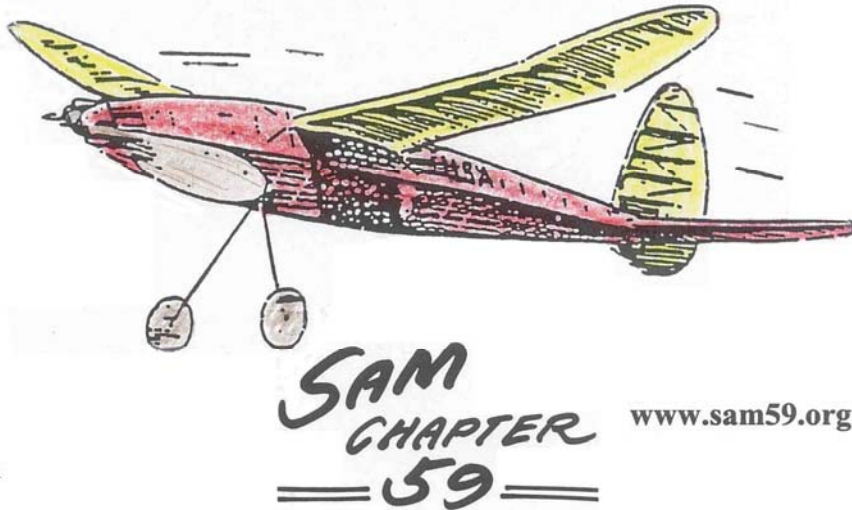
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### **2009 HEART OF DIXIE FREE FLIGHT CHAMPS**

May 2 and 3 turned out to be very blustery at Pensacola Site 8A. The event was hosted by the Model Airplane Club of Huntsville, and CD Tom Hepler said “the event was very nearly a blowout, and the winds were brutal”. Still, 23 events were flown, Trophy as well as National Cup events. Our Jim Bethea put in one of the best shows of the day with a total of 355 seconds to win first place in Old Time Rubber with his immaculate Gollywock.

### **2009 FIESTA OF FIVE FLAGS**

The weather in Florida was much better by the time Saturday and Sunday of June 13-14 rolled around for the Pensacola Free Flight Team’s Fiesta of Five Flags, with George White as Contest Director. Jim once again put in a good showing with a Second in Commercial Rubber flying his Wren, and a Fourth in OT Rubber Small with his Gollywock. Scott Cannon also placed first with his Alert in OT Cabin/Pylon Combined.

Our congratulations go out to these fliers, and our thanks to George White for permission to reprint contest results from his newsletter.

### **CARL IS NOW RETARDED/RETIRED**

It has to happen sometime. After 35 years in the oilfield, your editor is hanging it up at the age of 65. Just in time, too, as there are a lot of layoffs going on, and it’s better to go out with a bang than a whimper.

My last day officially is the end of July, but my last day of work will be this Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July, when I leave for Dayton, OH, and then on to Muncie for the FF Nats. The only thing you really need to know is that the day telephone number and Scientific Drilling E-mail above on the mast head will be no more. And I no longer have a cell phone. Never did like those things. If you need to call, call me at home, 337-504-4363, and my e-mail will be **carlbakay@hotmail.com**.

## HINTS AND TIPS

These ideas came from several sources. The idea of using wiper blade tubes is a good one because it is a clear tube, and has end caps. You can also buy clear tubing in aquarium supply stores, but you have to make your own caps. Or you can go to [www.smallparts.com](http://www.smallparts.com) and click on *Plastic thin wall tubing*.

My laminated tips for my Jimmie Allen models were always rough looking, because of all the pins I used to hold them in place. By using nylon cable ties inside and out, the results are beautiful. An added bonus is that almost nothing sticks to nylon, and the ties can be used over and over. Find them in the electrical section of Lowes or Home Depot.

On stringer fuselages, it is often suggested that one scallop the formers between stringers. Using the stringer position as shown is a lot less work, and makes for a prettier model.

Micro Mark and other places will try to sell you aluminum angle wing jigs already made. You will get 6 for \$12.90. Instead, just buy a 6 foot length of 3/4" aluminum angle, and you can make 72 one-inch angles for four or five dollars.

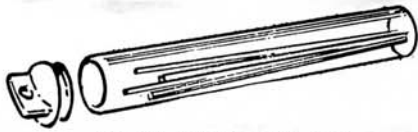
## 2009 EVENT CALENDAR

- July 27-31      **AMA FF Nationals**, AMA Flying Site, Muncie, IN. For info [www.modelaircraft.org/events](http://www.modelaircraft.org/events)
- Sept 25-27      **WESTFAC II**, Western Region Flying Aces Club, Gainesville Municipal Airport, 2300 Airport Drive, Gainesville, TX. You don't have to go to NY to fly rubber scale anymore. Events include Power Scale, Rubber Scale, Jumbo Rubber, WW I Combat, WW II Combat, Jimmie Allen, OT Cabin, Golden Age, Thompson, Greve, Dime Scale and Embryo. CD Dave Regan, [dcregan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dcregan@sbcglobal.net)
- Oct 4-9          **The 2009 SAM Champs** will be held on El Dorado Dry Lake south of Henderson, Nevada on October 4-9, 2009. Registration Sunday October 4, contest flown from Mon Oct 5 through Fri Oct. 9. Mike Myers, Contest Manager, 911 Kilmory Lane, Glendale, CA 91207. 818 241-9154 [mikemyersgln@charter.net](mailto:mikemyersgln@charter.net) . RC Contest Director Steve Roselle [rosy@cheerful.com](mailto:rosy@cheerful.com) . FF Contest Director Ted Firster [civiboy31@aol.com](mailto:civiboy31@aol.com)
- Oct 10-13      Pensacola FF Team hosts the **Gathering of the Turkeys**, Navy Site 8A, Pensacola, FL. A full slate of AMA, FAC and SAM free flight events. George White CD. 850-473-0866, [white76@cox.net](mailto:white76@cox.net).
- Nov 7-8          The Cloudclimbers of SAM 59 host their **Fourth Gulf States Annual**. At Pensacola Navy Site 8A. Cat Glider, HL Glider, OT/Com Rubber, Coupe d'Hiver, FAC Dime Scale, Rubber Scale, Two-Bit Rubber, 1/2A Nos Gas, ABC Pylon/Cabin OT Ignition, Gollywock. \$20 entry flies any or all events. CD Doug Petty, 916 Durnin, Denham Springs, La. 70726
- Dec 29,30,31    FMA hosts the **King Orange International**, Palm Bay Florida. sponsored by the Florida Modeler's Association, Palm Bay, FL. AAA AMA Cat III Contest, NFFS National Cup, America's Cup Contest  
CD Joe Clawson, 401 Almansa St NE, Palm Bay, FL 32907, [claw3132@msn.com](mailto:claw3132@msn.com) .

SAM 59 members fly most weekends when the weather is agreeable at the Simpson Sod Farm, just North of Folsom, LA. 8 am til 4 pm. No gas RC. AMA license required. Newbies and visitors welcome.

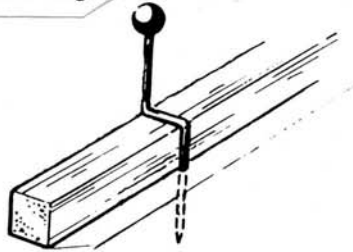
## SAM 59 MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2009

- Saturday, Aug 8      Carl & Sharon Bakay Lafayette BYO luncheon and meeting  
Saturday, Dec. 5      Scott & Dona Cannon Xmas Party. Covington Bring present to exchange.



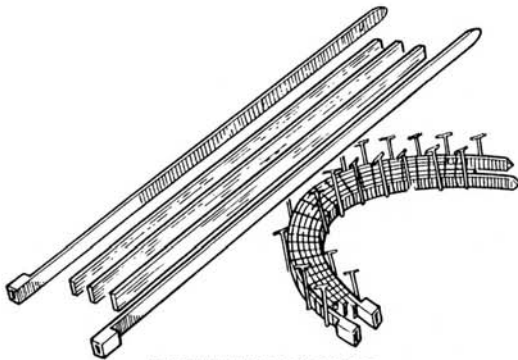
### METAL TUBE STORAGE

Windshield wiper blades are sold in useful plastic display tubes with tabbed plugs. These are useful for storing your pieces of metal tube and short lengths of wire. Possibly two can be joined to suit longer stock. Tubes are 3/4-inch diameter and up to 18 inches long.



### BALSA SAVER

Pushing a pin through 1/16-inch-square balsa may cause it to split. Use bent pins to clamp strips to the board.



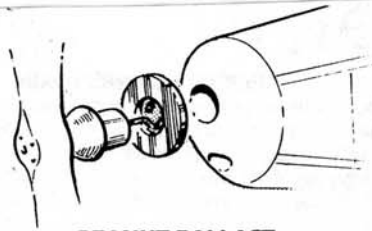
### LAMINATED OUTLINES

Place a nylon cable tie on either side of a pack of wet, glue-coated balsa strips and wrap the bundle with nylon thread. Bend the bundle into a curve and pin it to your work board. After the glue has dried, the thread can be cut and the ties easily separated.



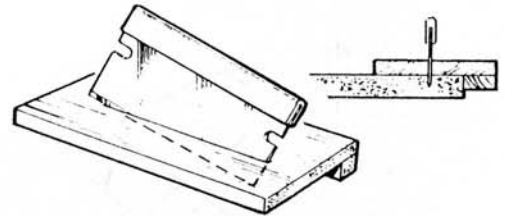
### MODELING CLAMP

A clothespin with the spring reversed gives the modeler a clamp with deep jaws for that extra-long reach.



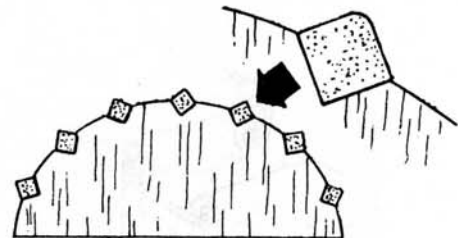
### PEANUT BALLAST

Simple Peanut ballast made from washers slipped over thru button.



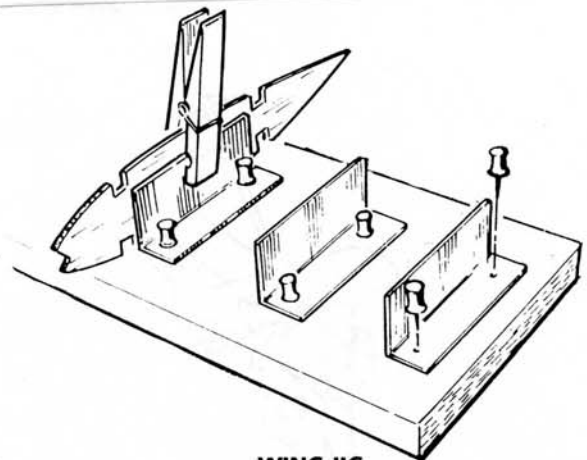
### BALSA STRIPPER

"Lazy Man's Balsa Stripper" is made from hard balsa scraps and a razor blade secured with cyanoacrylate. The blade must be parallel with the guide strip. Thicker sheet must be cut with one pass on each side. Inexpensive and worth making for each strip size you normally use.



### STRINGER ATTACHMENT

A method of attaching stringers that has several advantages over the usual notches. Notching is greatly simplified and speedier; stringers stand up clear of formers, eliminating the need for scalloping; *lightly* rounding the corner of each stringer gives a good scale appearance after covering.



### WING JIG

Short lengths of aluminum angle are used to hold ribs at 90° to the bench, the ribs being clamped with clothespins or paper grippers. We suggest drilling holes to take map tacks, too. For symmetrical wings, line up trailing edges with a thread. A great wing jig!

## RESULTS — 2009 HEART OF DIXIE FF CHAMPIONSHIPS MAY 2-3

### 1/2A Gas (6 entered)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Mark Troutman | 158 |
| 2. Tom Bell      | 24  |

### A/B Gas (6)

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| 1. Ron Thompson       | 338 |
| 2. Tom Bell (Class B) | 244 |
| 3. Willie Bell        | 148 |
| 4. Tom Bell (Class A) | 9   |

### Classic A/B Gas (5)

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| 1. Tom Bell  | 318 |
| 2. Dick Hall | 112 |

### OHLG (4)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Paul Grabski  | 213 |
| 2. Bob Thoren    | 113 |
| 3. Mark Troutman | 66  |

### CLG (6)

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| 1. Bill Duke    | 90 |
| 2. Paul Grabski | 75 |

### 1/4A Nostalgia (6)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Gene Wicks    | 360 |
| 2. Mark Troutman | 199 |

### 1/2A Nostalgia (5)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Mark Troutman | 292 |
| 2. Gene Wicks    | 243 |
| 3. Tom Bell      | 225 |

### Gollywocks Galore (7)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Bill Duke     | 173 |
| 2. Bob Thoren    | 113 |
| 3. Paul Grabski  | 111 |
| 4. Tom Hepler    | 110 |
| 5. Al Pardue     | 93  |
| 6. Mark Troutman | 42  |
| 7. Gary Morton   | 27  |

### Nostalgia A (6)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Gene Wicks    | 204 |
| 2. Mark Troutman | 171 |
| 3. Dick Hall     | 120 |
| 4. Tom Bell      | 34  |

### Nostalgia B (4)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Gene Wicks    | 356 |
| 2. Mark Troutman | 280 |
| 3. Dick Hall     | 93  |

### Nostalgia C (3)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Gene Wicks    | 304 |
| 2. Mark Troutman | 218 |
| 3. Dick Hall     | 72  |

### Early 1/2A Nostalgia (4)

|                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|
| 1. Mark Troutman | 262 Plac decided |
| 2. Gene Wicks    | 262 by coin flip |

### OT Gas (1)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Mark Troutman | 126 |
|------------------|-----|

### OT .020 Replica (4)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Mark Troutman | 227 |
|------------------|-----|

### FAC Dime Scale (4)

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| 1. Bill Duke    | 169 |
| 2. Charlie King | 153 |
| 3. Gary Morton  | 21  |

### FAC Embryo (5)

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Gary Morton     | 327 |
| 2. Charlie King    | 221 |
| 3. Paul Grabski    | 210 |
| 4. Al Pardue (tie) | 129 |
| 4. Bill Duke (tie) | 129 |

### FAC Jimmy Allen (4)

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| 1. Paul Grabski | 234 |
|-----------------|-----|

### P-30 (7)

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| 1. Gary Morton | 299 |
| 2. Tom Hepler  | 183 |

### Moffett (3)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| 1. Bill Duke     | 120 |
| 1. Mark Troutman | 23  |

### OTR (small) (11)

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Jim Bethea      | 355 |
| 2. Al Pardue       | 339 |
| 3. Jerry Klingaman | 325 |
| 4. Bob Thoren      | 254 |

### Classic Towline (4)

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| 1. Paul Grabski | 177 |
|-----------------|-----|

### Commercial Rubber (7)

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| 1. Charlie King | 52 |
|-----------------|----|

### FAC Jet Cat Scale (3)

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| 1. Paul Grabski  | 74 |
| 2. Mark Troutman | 30 |
| 3. Al Pardue     | 26 |

Comment by CD Tom Hepler: The event came very close to literally having a blowout — winds were brutal.



Jim Bethea's Award Winning Gollywock

## 2009 Fiesta of Five Flags — Results

|  |                       |                |             |   |                       |                |             |
|--|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|---|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|
| <b>Event AMA P-30 - Senior/Open</b>    |                       |                |             | <b>Event AMA 1/2A/1/2A Classic Gas</b>    |                       |                |             |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| 1                                      | Bill Duke             | Own Design     | 316         | 1   | Bob Hanford           | Pilfered Pearl | 360         |
| 2                                      | Gary Morton           | Modified Marie | 293         | 2 *                                       | Dan Berry             | Marval         | 358         |
| 3                                      | Mark Troutman         | Rat            | 196         | 2 *                                       | Gerald Brown          | Own Design     | 358         |
| 4                                      | Jim Thornton          | Amalgum        | 135         | 4   | Tom Bell              | Mini Pearl     | 241         |
| 5                                      | Dan Berry             | Tail Firster   | 72          | <b>Event AMA A/B/C/D Gas</b>              |                       |                |             |
| <b>Event AMA P-30 Junior</b>           |                       |                |             | <b>Event AMA A/B/C/D Classic Gas</b>      |                       |                |             |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| 1                                      | Benjamin Jahnke       | Quick One      | 244         | 1   | Dan Berry             | Marvall        | 723         |
| <b>Event NOS A/B/C Gas</b>             |                       |                |             | 2   | Gerald Brown          | Own Design     | 696         |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | 3   | Bob Hanford           | Satellite      | 342         |
| 1                                      | Mark Troutman         | Ramrod         | 554         | 4   | Tom Bell              | Kiwi           | 307         |
| 2                                      | Bob Hanford           | Lindy          | 360         | <b>Event NOS 1/4A/1/2A/Early 1/2A Gas</b> |                       |                |             |
| 3                                      | Tom Bell              | Kiwi           | 197         | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| <b>Event Moffett</b>                   |                       |                |             | 1   | Bob Hanford           | Jay's Bird     | 360         |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | 2   | Mark Troutman         | Spacer         | 340         |
| 1                                      | Bill Duke             | J. Williams    | 504         | 3   | Bill Barr             | Ramrod         | 268         |
| 2                                      | Gerald Brown          | J. Williams    | 360         | 4   | Scott Cannon          | Spacer         | 257         |
| 3                                      | Mark Troutman         | Wisp           | 107         | 5   | Tom Bell              | Jay's Bird     | 168         |
| <b>Event SAM Old Time Rubber Small</b> |                       |                |             | 6   | Willy Bell            | T-Bird         | 120         |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | <b>Event Hand Launch Glider</b>           |                       |                |             |
| 1                                      | Jerry Klingaman       | Gollywock      | 360         | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| 2                                      | Jack Coyle            | Gollywock      | 355         | 1   | Paul Grabski          | Turnup         | 277         |
| 3                                      | Bob Thoren            | Gollywock      | 350         | 2   | Dan Berry             | Amelia Armhurt | 261         |
| 4                                      | Jim Bethea            | Gollywock      | 342         | 3   | Dohrman Crawford      | Meercat        | 250         |
| 5                                      | Tom Hepler            | Gollywock      | 340         | 4   | Bob Thoren            | Dynamo Hum     | 161         |
| 6                                      | Al Pardue             | Gollywock      | 321         | 5   | Gary Morton           | Dynomite       | 134         |
| 7                                      | Bob Thoren            | Gollywock      | 247         | 6   | Mark Troutman         | Rat            | 57          |
| 8                                      | George White          | Gollywock      | 120         | <b>Event Catapult Launch Glider</b>       |                       |                |             |
| 9                                      | Eric Hepler           | Double Feature | 90          | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| <b>Event SAM Old Time Rubber Large</b> |                       |                |             | 1   | Dan Berry             | Sting 19       | 305         |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | 2   | Dohrman Crawford      | Meerkat        | 211         |
| 1                                      | Jerry Klingaman       | Lamb Climber   | 496         | 3   | Bob Thoren            | Tomcat/Matcat  | 193         |
| 2                                      | Bob Thoren            | Lanzo Duplex   | 354         | 4   | Jim Attenborn         | Bo Weevil 16   | 153         |
| 3                                      | Al Pardue             | Lanzo Stick    | 240         | <b>Event FAI F1C Gas</b>                  |                       |                |             |
| <b>Event FAI F1C Gas</b>               |                       |                |             | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | 1   | Faust Parker          | Achter Burg    | 840         |
| 1                                      | Faust Parker          | Achter Burg    | 840         | <b>Event FAI F1B Wakefield</b>            |                       |                |             |
| <b>Event FAI F1B Wakefield</b>         |                       |                |             | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | 1   | Eddie Vandlandingharr | Adriukov       | 840         |
| 1                                      | Eddie Vandlandingharr | Adriukov       | 840         | 2   | Benjamin Jahnke       | Stamov Jr.     | 656         |
| 2                                      | Benjamin Jahnke       | Stamov Jr.     | 656         | 3   | Ross Jahnke           | Banjo #6       | 600         |
| 3                                      | Ross Jahnke           | Banjo #6       | 600         | 4   | Gerald Brown          | Own Design     | 121         |
| 4                                      | Gerald Brown          | Own Design     | 121         | 5   | Mark Troutman         | Own Design     | 55          |
| 5                                      | Mark Troutman         | Own Design     | 55          | <b>Event FAI F1H A1 Glider</b>            |                       |                |             |
| <b>Event Mulvihill</b>                 |                       |                |             | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| <b>Place</b>                           |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> | 1   | Mark Troutman         | Top Kick       | 52          |
| 1                                      | Gerald Brown          | Own Design     | 360         | <b>Event NFFS E36</b>                     |                       |                |             |
| 2                                      | Mark Troutman         | Smith          | 198         | <b>Place</b>                              |                       | <b>Model</b>   | <b>Time</b> |
| <b>Event Mulvihill</b>                 |                       |                |             | 1   | Dohrman Crawfor       | Sparks         | 69          |

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| Event FAI F1G Coupe               |                     |                |       | Event FAC OT Rubber/SAM Comm'l Rubber |              |                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------|
| Place                             |                     | Model          | Time  | Place                                 |              | Model             | Time  |
| 1                                 | Eddie VanLandingham | Gorban         | 538   | 1                                     | Bill Duke    | Wren              | 462   |
| 2                                 | Ross Jahnke         | BRRFT Coupe    | 493   | 2                                     | Jim Bethea   | Wren              | 446   |
| 3                                 | Gerald Brown        | Bob White      | 184   | 3                                     | Tom Hepler   | Miss Canada       | 331   |
| 4                                 | Tom Hepler          | Burdov         | 97    | 4                                     | Al Pardue    | Wren              | 306   |
| Event NFFS Classic Towline Glider |                     |                |       | Event FAI F1P                         |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          | Time  | Place                                 |              | Model             | Time  |
|                                   | Dan Berry           | Lil Bit        | 287   | 1                                     | Bob Hanford  | Astro Pearl       | 590   |
| 2                                 | Dohrman Crawford    | Meerkat        | 211   | 2                                     | Tom Bell     | Slowworm          | 234   |
| Event SAM OT Cabin/Pylon A/B/C    |                     |                |       | Event FAI F1Q                         |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          | Time  | Place                                 |              | Model             | Time  |
| 1                                 | Scott Cannon        | Alert          | 228   | 1                                     | Julie Parker | Maverick          | 577   |
| Event FAC WWI Mass Launch         |                     |                |       | Event FAC Dime Scale                  |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          |       | Place                                 |              | Model             | Time  |
| 1                                 | George White        | Fokker DVII    |       | 1                                     | Gary Morton  | Fairchild PT19    | 190   |
| 2                                 | Paul Grabski        | Fokker DVII    |       | 2                                     | George White | Beech Staggerwing | 183   |
| 3                                 | Bob Gourdon         | Fokker DVII    |       | 3                                     | Charles King | Rearwin Cloudster | 150   |
| Event FAC Two Bit Rubber          |                     |                |       | Event FAC WWII Mass Launch            |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          | Time  | Place                                 |              | Model             |       |
| 1                                 | George White        | Skokie         | 317   | 1                                     | Bob Gourdon  | D4Y JUDy          |       |
| 2                                 | Russ Tyre           | Spatz Moth     | 175   | 2                                     | Paul Grabski | Ki61 Hein         |       |
| 3                                 | Al Pardue           | F. A. Moth     | 158   | 3                                     | Gary Morton  | Ki61 Hein         |       |
| Event FAC Rubber Scale            |                     |                |       | Event FAC Jet Catapult Scale          |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          | Score | Event                                 |              | Model             | Score |
| 1                                 | George White        | Fokker DVII    | 138   | 1                                     | Paul Grabski | F86               | 97    |
| 2                                 | Bernard Chambers    | dH Tiger Moth  | 109   | 2                                     | Bob Gourdon  | F86               | 84    |
| 3                                 | Paul Grabski        | Fokker DVII    | 104   | 3                                     | Dan Berry    | Me262             | 46    |
| Event Thompson/Greve Race         |                     |                |       | Event FAC Jet Catapult Scale          |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          |       | Event                                 |              | Model             | Score |
| 1                                 | George White        | Cessna CR3     |       | 1                                     | Paul Grabski | F86               | 97    |
| 2                                 | Bob Gourdon         | Altair         |       | 2                                     | Bob Gourdon  | F86               | 84    |
| 3                                 | Paul Grabski        | M'coux-Bomberg |       | 3                                     | Dan Berry    | Me262             | 46    |
|                                   |                     |                |       | Event FAC Jet Catapult Scale          |              |                   |       |
| Place                             |                     | Model          |       | Event                                 |              | Model             | Score |
|                                   |                     |                |       | 1                                     | Paul Grabski | F86               | 97    |
|                                   |                     |                |       | 2                                     | Bob Gourdon  | F86               | 84    |
|                                   |                     |                |       | 3                                     | Dan Berry    | Me262             | 46    |
|                                   |                     |                |       | 4                                     | George White | Canberra          | 36    |

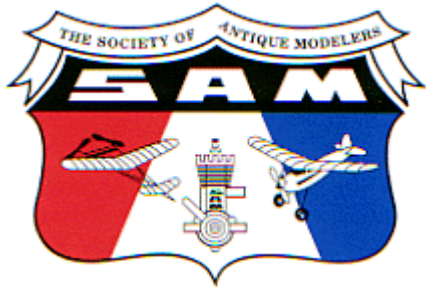


Bob Thoren holds his P30 while he harasses Jeff Dunlap over his "broken" TL Glider. The AMA number was later applied.



Bob Gourdon's great looking Fokker D7.

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