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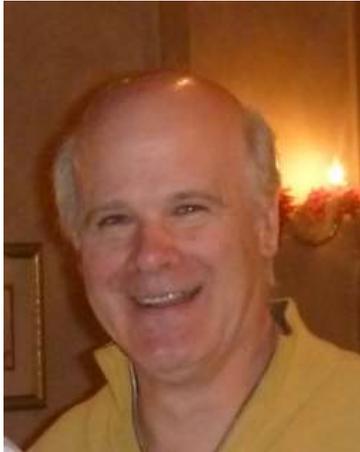
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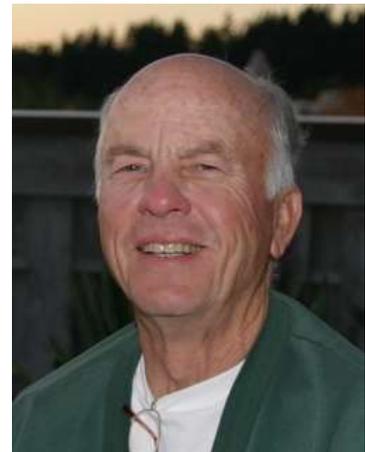
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Meeting at the Rainbow – May 2013

SAM 8 Minutes - July 10, 2014

President Steve Dona brought the meeting to order at 12:00 noon with a more normal 28 members in attendance. The first order of business was to announce that arrangements have been made for a number of Comet Sailplanes to be flown at one of the WMC contests. One built by Ray Chalker will be there as will Gene Evansen's model he built. There will probably be others there as well. Robert Hatch will bring a Nordlund built model and it should be a really good show.

Steve reminded everyone that dates for flying at the Snohomish field have been made. The field has been mowed and the bales have been removed. Sessions are scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday.

Decals for the Island Flyer were made available in both white and black lettering. Bob Macklin does a really nice job on these and there are a few left for purchase. Plans for building the Island Flyer are also available. These are plans with the parts separated so you don't have to ruin a full model plan.

John Kamla brought a very nice looking fuselage in bones of a nostalgia rubber model. It is full size and I did not get the name.

Ken Spiller has asked us several times to get the trailer moved from his place. Dave Cassel said that his Dog Club might be interested, but after due consideration, that was dropped by the Dog Club. Bob Parker asked if it would hold a vintage car and if so, he was interested. Will Tilse offered to buy the trailer if the other deals fell through. A motion was made and seconded to approve this action.

David Higgins offered to send in a mass order for Senator kits from Lee Campbell. He was not real happy with the delivered kits but the others ordering thought they were just fine.

Dave Gardner brought two trophies that will be used to refurbish and will be used as the Old Timer Trophy for those events at the WMC contests. During the discussion it was pointed out that Vic Lichtenberg

would be a perfect person to build a base and fix up the trophy. Vic was railroaded into doing the job.

A discussion took place about the FAA ruling on Drones that affect model aircraft. A comment period has been offered by the FAA and Roger LaPrelle will gather input and put together a club response.

The auction was fueled by material from Walt Johnson, Bob Parker and Ken Spiller. It went well and everything went. The meeting was closed at 1:25

SAM 8 Minutes August 14, 2014

President Steve Dona opened the meeting at 12:17 P. M. with some reminders for the Albany Contests. Fly early as the wind might come up later. Take your cell phone with you for the contest and when you go chasing a model. Let others know if you have a long chase. Bring lots of water—it can get hot! Don't forget the potluck at the Grell Farm. It is always a winner and scrumptious food. Thanks, Linda!

Bob Harper brought his Buzzard Bombshell for show & Tell. An O&R .23 was installed and the model came in at 9 oz. per square foot. As usual, Bob did a great job on the model.

John Kamla brought a rubber model called the Last resort to show us. The model was John's usual fine craftsmanship and was covered in mylar for that light and tough surface.

John Richards had his 36" Lanzo Bomber with him to show. It is electric powered and is also covered in mylar. The model showed fine craftsmanship and came in at 4 oz. per square foot.



Rick Vaux had a Comet Skylark towline glider with him to show. It is very well constructed and is a good place to start in the towline glider business.

Steve reminded everyone that the Snohomish field is available and the grass is cut and bailed and removed. Flying sessions are set for the third Saturday of the month and the second Wednesday. Call Steve about the Saturday sessions and David Higgins about the Wednesday sessions.

Steve also reminded us that there will be a gaggle of Comet Sailplanes at the Albany contest. If you have one, get it cleaned up and prepped and bring it. It should be a spectacular show of graceful model airplanes.



Nick brought two Gool models in the 7 foot size to show us. The flying surfaces are covered in silkspan and the fuselage is covered in silk.

There was a large auction with material from several members. Please remember to let Homer know when you are bringing material to auction. It is not a good scene when we get too much and the auction takes too long. The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 P. M.

SAM 8 Minutes September 11, 2014

President Steve Dona opened the meeting with the usual greeting at 12:04 P.M with only 19 present. Everyone was getting ready for the WMC contest, right? . Vic Lichtenberg and Bob Parker brought the perpetual trophy they made for the WMC Old Timer events sponsored by SAM 8. They top was donated by Dave Gardner and the two built a great looking wood base for it. They presented the trophy to the club and Steve accepted it. Great job, guys!

Steve summarized a few of the notable happenings at the September WMC Contest in Albany. Participants came from all over the West from B. C. to CA. John Kamla was testing a Small Nostalgia Rubber model and one test flight went 8 ½ miles. It was found by a farmer in his field. There were two O&R .23 entries, one by Steve and one by Bob Harper. Harper won. Bill Hooper flew Ray Chalker's Sailplane and placed 2nd. Steve Had an Antique built by Chalker, a Buchaneer? Hooper flew it but the engine timer stuck resulting in a high and long flight. Roger LaPrelle had his Texan going well and won a hard fought battle by 1 second. Great going guys!

For show and tell Will brought some old motors that looked strange but turned out to be air pump motors. They looked much like old timer motors but with no spark plug or timer. No information available on maker or vintage.

Chris Weinreich brought some material for the auction he collected during his tenure as editor of the NFFS Free Flight Digest. He donated the material to the club and the auction was ably moderated by Bob Einhaus. Meeting adjourned at 1:08 P. M.

Vintage FAI report

By Steve Dona

Weather was picture perfect with temperatures slowly rising throughout the day. Thermals were easy to pick and for the most part everyone put on a good show of how expert flyers should perform.

The annual Vintage FAI meet is for models from the Nostalgia era up to the early 1970's. Each model must fly by the rules for its "era" as the model or engine used denotes the category of rules to follow.

The event allows either really "early" models or "late" models to compete one on one against each other. Engine run times and launching rules are established for each category so the early models have long engine run times but must either ROG or VTO while the later models can be hand launched but have a shorter engine run time.

This year, we flew 3 minute maxes so it was a chance to fly longer flight times than the NW FF Champs flown later on the weekend.

For this writer, this was my first FAI meet flown in rounds. I have to admit... it was nothing like I expected. Going into the event I expected a full day of crazy running to get in the 5 rounds scheduled for the day. In reality, there was PLENTY of time to get in each round and the day was relaxed and really enjoyable as everyone spent the day on the flight line swapping lies and giving unwanted advice to their fellow competitors.

John Buskell started out round one with a pretty horrible crash with his beautiful Triad Lad and had to resort to his back was a beautiful model. ... a "Night Train" and it was a beautiful model. Sorry how he got there but we all enjoyed seeing it fly.

Mel Lyne had a hot Y-bar which he pretty much totaled the day before while checking trim but he worked all night and had it ready for the event on Friday. On his first flight the DT hung up and the

model just "kind of" DT's and sat in the thermal for over 20 minutes. All pretty much directly over the flight line! When Mel finally retrieved his model, he fired it up and promptly really really piled it in. I am sure it measured on the nearby Richter scales!

What a fun way to spend a day flying models! The whole day focused on only one model (instead of my usual running around with 5-6 events) Lots of great flying and beautiful models too.

The event also allows models that don't fit into the Nostalgia era to be flown competitively instead of having to fly in AMA gas events where they are at a disadvantage. All in all, it was a fun contest, I expect to fly it again.

I hope more of the SAM 8 gang will come play with us next year.



SAM 8 Minutes for October 9, 2014

President Steve Dona opened the meeting with the usual greeting to 29 members present. He reviewed the World Ringmaster Event Day that he and Will Tilse participated in. Much fun was had by all, especially those that had not flown Controline for many years.

A review of the WMC's latest contest was conducted. The weather was great and participation was good, as well. Steve was impressed by the efforts of the son and father team of Swifts. A six foot Dodger flew great but the timer stuck resulting in a long chase. Harper flew his $\frac{3}{4}$ Bombshell and many were not amused by the low buzzing model. Later analysis proved that the timer disconnected during flight preparation. He redeemed himself; however, by flying his Clipper with some great flights. Roger LaPrelle has his Texan flying good after much testing. It honks! Our AMA Vice president, Chuck Bower, flew an Island Flyer and put in some good flights. Chuck normally flies radio models so this was a considerable change and learning experience for him. E 20 was well attended with something like 14 entries. To be in the top few you had to max out. E 36 had about 8 entries and produced some great competition, as well. WMC announced that next year they will offer ROW events. That should be interesting.

The John Crosetto Memorial Old Timer Events Trophy was awarded for the first time at the last WMC contest of the year. This trophy is in recognition of the modeler that accumulates the most points from Old Timer Events at the three WMC contests. The competition was hard fought by several of the veteran northwest modelers. The trophy was won by our own President, Steve Dona.

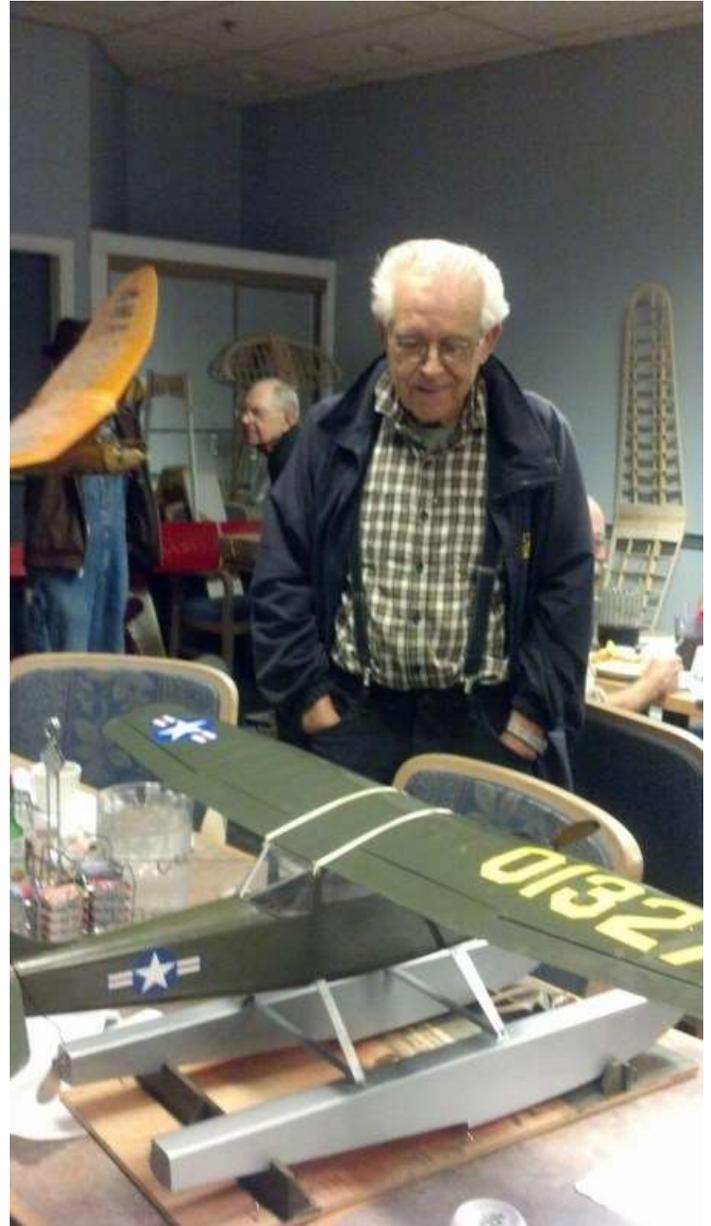
The trailer is sold and has been transferred to the new owner.

Bob Parker brought a collection of odd and different $\frac{1}{2}$ A size model engines for show and tell.

Members are reminded that the Museum of Flight will hold a model exhibition on November 2, 2014. Those bringing models to display will be offered free admission for two people.

The auction featured material from several modelers and was spirited. Bob Einhaus did his usual fine auctioneer job. The meeting was closed at 1:20.

Nick Stratis brought his latest project; a Cessna L19 Bird Dog on floats. It's powered with an OS 10 and is beautifully built as are all of Nick's models.



And here's a nice Bantam-powered S4 Shrimpo built by our departed friend, Alfie Faulkner. It was designed by Malcom Abzug in the late 30's for the Elf Single. Sold at the auction today.



2014 WMC NW

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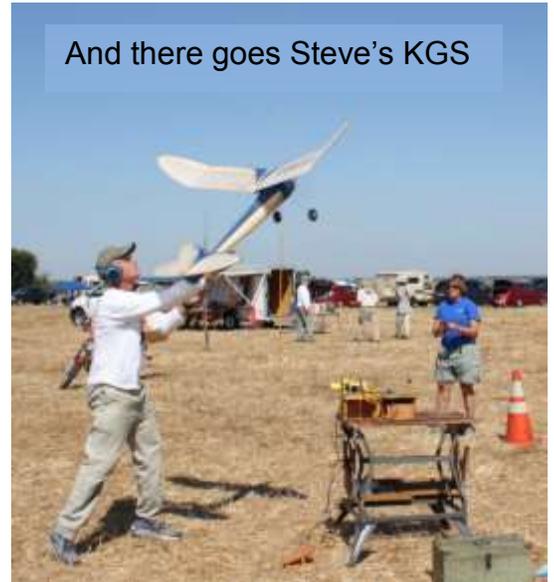
Nick Stratis and his GOOL



Putting the wing on the Sailplane



Greg Davis launches his Playboy Sr.



And there goes Steve's KGS



Neil Householder launches his Kiwi P 30



Mel Lyne sets the timer on his Starduster X

WMC Silents Please

Bill Swift's Altman going up!



Steve launches his "VTO Raunchy" - vertical of course!



There goes Will Tilse's O&R 23 powered Zipper



Roger LaPrelle's Big Texan



Ben Strauss flips the prop on his Ranger



Diving for Prizes!



& Old Timers Champs

2014 WMC Fall

AMA Dist 11 VEEP Chuck Bower with Island Flyer



Ted Vernon sends another Gollywock into orbit



Kevin Swift sends his Geef aloft



Chuck O'Donnell misses his Dakota Time Target by ONE second – Amazing!



Annual Recycled Trophy Contest

2014 Sam 8 Event Schedule

Date	Event	Activity	Time
Nov 13	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Auction	11:30
Dec11	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Annual Business Meeting	11:30
Jan 8 2015	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Auction	1130
Feb 12	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Show & Tell	11:30
Mar 12	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Auction	11:30
Apr 8	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Show & Tell	11:30
May 14	Luncheon at the Rainbow	Auction	11:30

The Really Great SAM 8 meets every second Thursday each month the Rainbow Café in Auburn at 11:30 AM. Come join us for lunch!

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