

# WHAM



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## NEWS, VIEWS and REVIEWS

### Walston TX Housings By Earl Griffith

Walston retrieval systems have enabled me to retrieve models that would have been lost forever. On models with pylons the transmitter can often be placed in the pylon near the center of gravity. However on long fuselage models such as Mulvihills, Moffetts, Nos Wakes and Rubber models I like to place the tx in a housing just aft of the noise block. I do this primarily to shift the CG and make the plane unflyable without the tx being installed. The necessity of mounting the tx on the plane before flying eliminates an impulsive "I'll just try a couple test hops without the Walston....I'm sure there is no lift about."

I make up housings for the tx in batches and keep them around until needed. The average weight of this set of four is .75 gram.



Figure 1 I start by measuring the width of the widest tx..I have two.



Figure 2 I select a drill about the same diameter as the tx is wide.

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## November 17, 2011 Meeting Minutes

### **ATTENDEES:**

George Avila, Jeff Englert, Darlene & Richard Kirkland, Regina and Marty Kline, Danese & Bill Lindsey, Jane & Earl Griffith, Marty & Jim O'Reilly, Eleanor & Jack Phelps, Linda & Chuck Powell, Marilyn & Bill Schmidt, Dan Walton Guest : Ed Gieger

President Avila called the meeting to order.  
The previous meeting minutes were approved as read.  
The treasurer's report was presented.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The 1/2A Texaco trophy was awarded to Jeff Englert (4th consecutive year).

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Dec Tustin Blimp hanger fly was described by Chuck Powell.

The Arizona Spring meet at Eloy was described by Jim O'Reilly.

### **SHOW AND TELL:**

Jeff Englert presented his Piper PA-17 built from the greg Thomas kit.

Marty Kline showed a 1/2A Witch Hawk, Norvel 049 power.

Bill Schmidt displayed a Goldberg Zipper A (his 4th version) with an Arden .09

Earl Griffith showed an original P-30 design for the coming season.

Chuck Powell displayed some of the indoor glider designs acquired at Tustin

George Avila had a bind and fly Mosquito with a Spectrum DX6i TX.

Dan Walton had a Lud Kadwig designed Baby Bipe powered by a Cox .010.

**Walston TX Housings (cont'd)**



**Figure 3** After soaking 1/32 balsa in hot water, it is wrapped around the drill, secured with scrap rubber, and left to dry.



**Figure 4** The 1/32 balsa tube is cut to length. The rectangles are 1/16 and will serve as the base of the housing.

**Walston TX Housings (cont'd)**



**Figure 5** Hold the tube segment against the base with the tx in place. When everything looks and feels right, remove the tx and and CA the two together. The excess tube material can then be trimmed.



**Figure 6** Glue a block on to one end of the housing. Carve to shape, sand, dope, sand, dope again and sand lightly.

## Walston TX Housings (cont'd)



Figure 7 The housings are now covered with very light fiberglass and 30 min. epoxy. Excess epoxy is squeegeed off. I have set the housings up on T pins stuck in my work board while the epoxy sets.

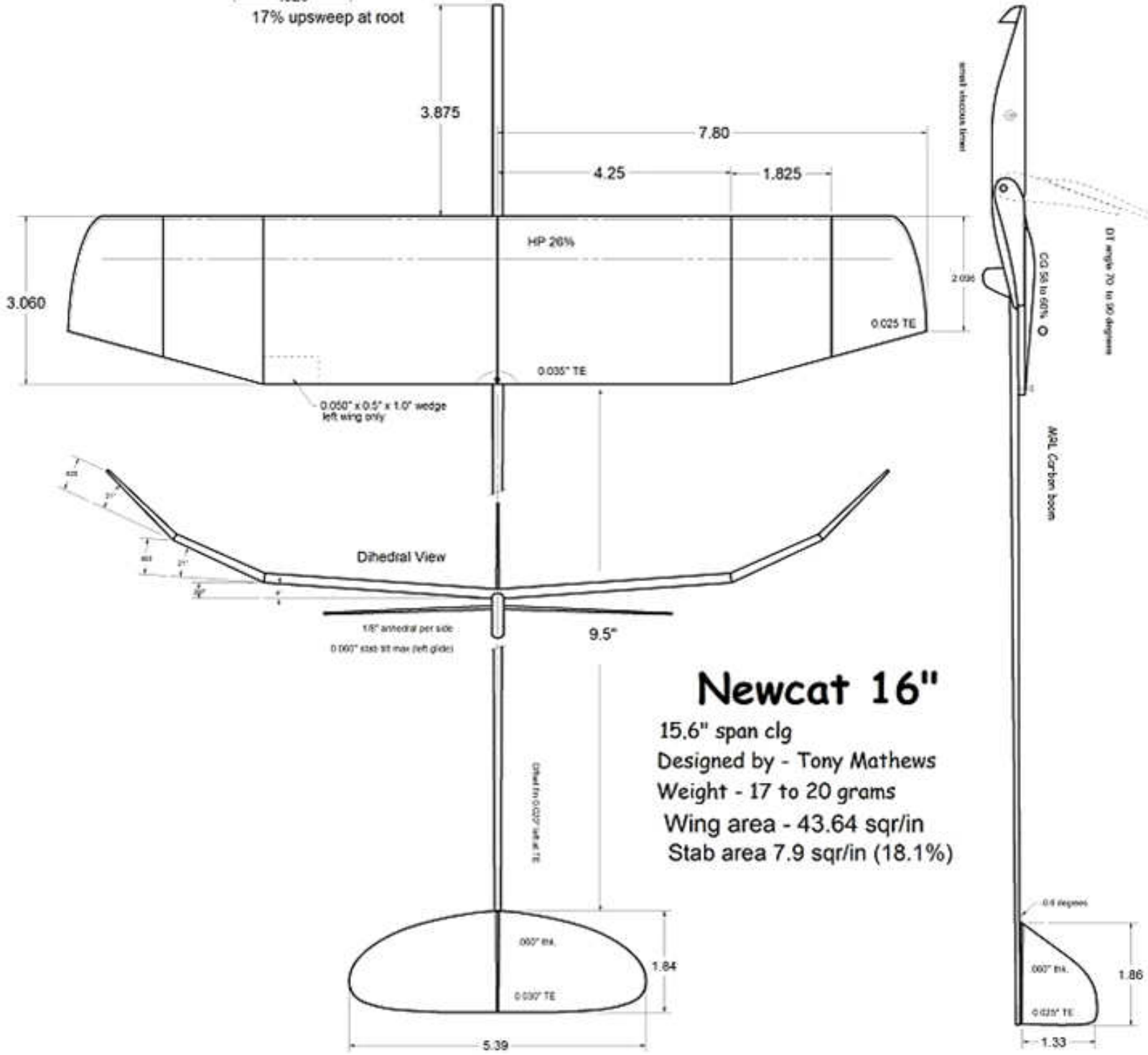
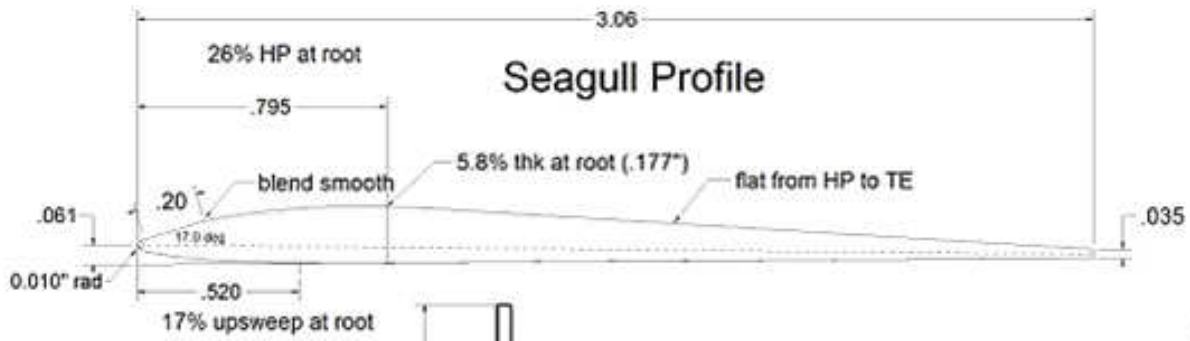


Figure 8 Here is a completed housing in stalled on my Moffett. The excess fiberglass has been trimmed and the housing lightly sanded.

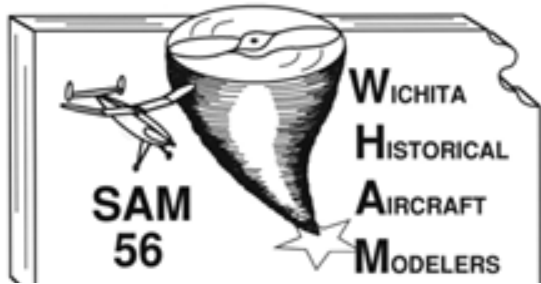
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The next SAM 56 Dinner Meeting will be at:

**Mediterranean Grill**

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**Saturday, March 10, 2012**

Social Hour @ 6:00 PM, Dinner @ 7:00 PM..

**Upcoming events:**

Apr 21/22

May 19/20 Meeting

June 23/24

July 21/22 Meeting

**Membership Information:**

Open to all interested AMA members, founded to encourage and promote the model airplane building hobby. Member dues \$20 annually, Subscription only; \$12 annually, \$18 foreign.

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