



The Official "Fly" paper of the  
**SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS**  
AMA Charter Club #1822

# S.A.M.-Antics

APRIL 2012

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Time does heal. It just happens at a rate that differs for all individuals.

We had a successful first Warbird race of the year last weekend; A big thank you to JR Schiager for stepping up and being the CD. We also need to again thank the members that came out and worked hard to make the event a success. The sky was sunny but the wind was in your face. I think several pilots had not been practicing over the winter as the Black Flag came out early and often.

The FAA ruling that is to affect our sport has been again delayed. The new date for release is July of 2012. I still think it won't happen in 2012 at all. This is an election year so I don't see our politicians making any decisions that may affect their re-election.

It has been suggested that we add on to the covered pit area southerly to the end of the asphalt. Several people were looking for a way to honor Jerry Votaw, and this seems to be a worthy project. The design has not been finalized but it was suggested that the roof and concrete floor be constructed to match the existing structure but the setup tables be eliminated. This would give us an open covered area that could be used as a lunch/BS area with tables and chairs. We are open to all suggestions.

Our next SAM event is the Open House. I know that many of you have volunteered to help. Please e-mail me if you want to help and we will schedule a meeting sometime in the next week to get organized. The meeting will be in the evening during the week so please include any dates that you cannot attend.

The club meeting this month will be Tuesday night 4/24 at 7:30. We will be sending an e-mail later with the details of the raffle prizes and agenda.

The weather has turned warm and sunny. Let's do what we do best and go fly!

Be Nice

...John

## DO YOU HAVE A VALID AMA CARD?

**Remember:** Our By-Laws and the County of Sacramento require a current AMA Card to fly at the S.A.M. site. Also did you know that your current status as a **member requires a valid AMA card?** If you do not have a current AMA Card in your possession or proof in the form of a fax or e-mail from AMA, **do not fly**. If you fly without AMA membership, you will be in violation of our rules and may be suspended from flying at the S.A.M. site. Contact the AMA at 1-800-435-9262 for membership when paying via credit card.

## FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Are you new to R/C flying? Or perhaps you need to brush up or even just want to talk with one of our "Pro's." SAM's corps of Flight Instructors stands ready to help you. You will usually find at least one of them at the flying site on Tuesday or Fridays. You may call **Jim Lichtenberg** our Flight Instructor Coordinator at **916-681-5335** or e-mail at [rcflyer999@comcast.net](mailto:rcflyer999@comcast.net) and he will arrange for the assistance you need. If **Jim** is not available, you can contact the Assistant Flight Instructor Coordinator, **Ron Davies** at **916-682-7902**. Or you can call our flight instructors directly.

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### SAM-Antics SUBMITTALS

.Deadline for submissions to the SAM Antics is the 27<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to [tank4an@surewest.net](mailto:tank4an@surewest.net). Submittals may be edited for content and length.

### Welcome New and Rejoining Members

Jeff Graham  
Gregory Weissenfluh

## **YS PARTS AND SERVICE**

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Minden, Nevada 89423  
(775) 267-9252 FAX (775) 267-9690  
ysperf@charter.net  
[www.YSPartsandService.com](http://www.YSPartsandService.com)

## **GOLD COUNTRY ACE HARDWARE & HOBBIES**

4121 Cameron Park Dr.  
Cameron Park, CA  
(530) 677-4417

### **R/C Country Hobbies**

#### **The Hobby Shop**

**6011 Folsom Blvd.  
Sacramento CA**

**(916) 731-5868**

#### **E & H Hobby Enterprises**

2372 Butte House Road  
Yuba City, CA 95993  
Open: Tues-Sat 11:30 AM-6:00 PM  
(530) 751-0225



**R/C Country's  
SWAP MEET**

**Saturday  
April 21st  
In the Parking Lot**

The swap meet is open to anyone buying or selling (non-commercial). Be sure to get here early to get a spot.

Due to the event there is no parking in the parking lot, however, there is additional parking at the school a block west of R/C Country.

**Store Opens @ 8:00 am**

## Board Meeting

Called to order at 6:52 PM, March 14, 2012, at Perkos, 9647 Micron Ave, Sacramento,

### Board Members Present:

John Bigwood (President), JR Schiager (Vice President), Dick Weston (Membership), Sergio Varo (Field Marshal), Rodger Cady (Safety Officer), Casey Smith (Events Director), Tom Richardi (Publicity), Don Enzminger (Treasurer)

### Items discussed:

-Next door neighbor asked to use our water for his sheep on the property. The board discussed if this was possible and it was stated by John Bigwood that it would cost \$400 to run pvc pipe and get float switches for it to work. The board discussed if the sheep get sick is the Sacramento Area Modelers responsible? John Bigwood made a motion to not pass this decision. Dick Weston seconded.

-The board discussed the field work day that is being held on Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup> and a bunch of tasks that we would like to see finished. Those tasks included spraying Roundup on weeds, stack the firewood, repair work on the bar b ques. Also it was discussed extending the shade structure with a few more benches in memorial of Jerry Votaw. The company that Jerry worked for, Centerline Striping, and a few of Jerry's relatives wanted to contribute to help fund this project.

-Our new treasurer, Don Enzminger, was introduced to the board. Don and John have been trying to track down all of SAM's financial information that Jerry had on his home computer and work computer.

-The board discussed the open house on April 21<sup>st</sup> and how the pilot of an airplane who is training somebody needed to have AMA insurance but the person being trained doesn't need the insurance.

-The board discussed a ¼ scale experimental proof of concept aircraft that the owner contacted the club to see if they can fly it at club field. John Bigwood said ok to the flight as long as the pilot had AMA insurance.

-The board discussed adding an option on the website to accept credit card payments for the annual dues. Dick Weston motioned to add this option to the website and Tom Richardi seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

-Chance Harris will be asked to do a freestyle flight demonstration at the upcoming Rancho Murrieta Air Show.

-The board has moved the rest of the club meetings for this year to the club field. The next club meeting will be on April 24<sup>th</sup> at the SAM flying site.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 pm

Submitted by Casey Smith  
Acting Secretary



# Fly'n Ash Fast

Warbird Race June 24<sup>th</sup> 2012



- Registration Starts at 7:00 a.m. and
- Closes at 8:15 a.m. Sharp!(No Exceptions)
- Worker's meeting – 8:30 a.m.
- Pilot's Meeting – 8:45 a.m.
- Racing Starts – 9:00 a.m.

## • NO FREQUENCY CONFLICTS!

- 2012 NC RC UF Rules Apply

- Name \_\_\_\_\_
- Address \_\_\_\_\_
- City/State \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
- Email \_\_\_\_\_
- AMA# \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre- Entry Fee: \$35.00 \$40.00 day of race**  
*Entry fee must be paid by SUNDAY 8:15 am, no reduced. WWW.ashcreekrcflyer.com*

**Mail to NCRCUF**  
**22468 Venzke Rd Cottonwood, Ca 96022**

- **Plane & Description:** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- **Engine Size:** \_\_\_\_\_
- **Frequency #:** \_\_\_\_\_
- **Event Choice (circle one):**
- **Bronze Silver Gold**



**Keaton Raphael**  
MEMORIAL  
*childcancer.org*

Introduces

## ***Kids with Cancer Charity Race*** May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012

### Itinerary for Saturday

Registration Starts at 7:00 a.m. and  
Closes at 8:15 a.m. Sharp! *(No Exceptions)*  
Worker's meeting – 8:30 a.m.  
Pilot's Meeting – 8:45 a.m.  
Racing Starts – 9:00 a.m.

There will be 3 heats for each bracket

### Itinerary for Sunday

Worker's meeting – 8:00 a.m.  
Pilot's Meeting – 8:30 a.m.  
Racing Starts – 8:45 a.m.

There will be 2 Heats and Main for each  
bracket

All prizes will be awarded Sunday only

### Send Payment to:

JR Schiager  
1509 Rampart Dr  
Roseville, CA 95661  
(916) 792-1526

Please make checks  
payable to SAM

### **NO FREQUENCY CONFLICTS!**

**2011 SAM Rules Apply**  
*(Exception – Any plane style that  
follows the wing area with engine  
displacement) See Rules or call JR  
Schiager*

### 3 ways to Pre-Register

1. *Send in Entry Form and Check*
2. *Pay Cash to me directly*
3. *Log into [www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org](http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org) to pay by credit card*

Entry Fee: \$35.00 in Advance (get a T-Shirt)  
\$40.00 day of race

*To get a t-shirt (entry must be received by April 27, 2012)*

*Entry fee must be paid by Saturday 8:15 am, no reduced  
entry fee for one day of racing.*

## ***Registration (one per class)***

*Please write legible and complete full registration*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Plane & Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Engine Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Frequency #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Event Choice (circle one):  
Bronze Silver Gold  
Electric (5 Laps with 1 Min 15 Sec Breakout)

Annual Open House – Open to the Public

**Sacramento Area Modelers**



# 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Introduction to Radio Controlled Airplanes Open House



Come Fly Our Airplanes  
Flight Demonstrations  
Flight Simulators  
Radio Control Basics  
Plenty of Shade & Restrooms

Buddy Box Instruction  
Setting Up Your Airplane  
Safety Instruction  
Hands-on Flight Instruction  
Full Service Snack Bar on site

Sat. April 21, 2012  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
SAM's air park  
11000 Florin Road  
Entrance at Gene Andal Park  
(Between Excelsior and  
Sunrise)

**S.A.M. AirPark  
Sacramento**



[www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org](http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org)

**SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS  
P.O.BOX 292441  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95829  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2012**

Please Pay Dues Before December 31st, 2011           \$70.00  
After December 31st                                       \$80.00  
SPOUSE AND JUNIORS                                     \$10.00

YOU MAY MAIL CHECKS TO SAM, OR PUT ENVELOPE IN THE RED DAY USE BOX AT THE FIELD. DICK WESTON WILL GIVE YOU YOUR STICKERS IF HE IS PRESENT. PLEASE GIVE CHANGE OF ADDRESS, E MAIL, OR PHONE NUMBER. THE NEWSLETTER IS SENT BY EMAIL SO MAKE SURE THAT DICK CAN READ IT CORRECTLY.

## **SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS' MONTHLY MEETING**

The April club meeting will be on Tuesday, the 24<sup>th</sup>. This meeting and all subsequent meetings for 2012 will be at the SAM field. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm. In addition to reports from the various Board members, there will be "show and tell" and a raffle. Plan to attend and keep updated on club activities

## **SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **APRIL**

1	Big Kahuna Memorial Warbird Race at the field
21	Club Open House
24	Club Meeting, 7:30 PM at the field

Check the website for other scheduled events for SAM and throughout California.

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**Thank you, Dick Weston, for all your hard work and ingenuity!**