



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

S.A.M.-Antics

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Only in California are we blessed with this great flying weather in February. Come out and enjoy the clear blue skies. Our Membership Drive extends for one more month. If you are thinking of joining our club you will save \$50 by joining in February. For all of our returning members your 2013 dues are due now. As has been announced in previous Newsletters our General Meetings will only be held quarterly this year. Our first meeting will be Sunday March 17 at 3:30 pm at the field. Come and add your voice to the direction of the club.

We are still looking for ideas for 2013 SAM projects. These include both physical improvements and administrative improvements. If you have any ideas come to a meeting and bring them up or talk to a club officer. We are still planning on sealing and striping the pits and runway this year. Also the "Jerry Votaw" extension to the pit area will happen as soon as enough donations have been collected.

A gentle reminder about the flight rules at the field. When you are practicing your Humpty-Bumps or other maneuvers do it out beyond the runway. There is a lot of air out there to share. When you are planning to use the area around the runway for take-offs, landings, touch-and-go, low passes, etc. announce your intentions so every pilot on the line can hear. Also check the pattern before you enter the runway area. In this generation of more electrics you can't always hear or be heard.

Be nice

...John

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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 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 27th of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to tank4an@surewest.net. Submittals may be edited for content and length.

NEW/RENEWAL MEMBERS

Jim Altmeyer
Andrew Cole
Karisma Ferguson
Zachary Bragwell
Sam Smith
Senarath Barzava

Mark Forester

SAM Members

Be sure to share the Membership Drive Flyer with all your friends and relatives to help build our membership. Along with the flyer, share these thoughts and encourage them to fly with us. Are you bored? Has winter kept you indoors too much? Are you a dad looking for a hobby to share with your son or daughter? Need a hobby yourself? Retiring and wondering how you will keep busy enough with no job and more free time on your hands? Looking for fun? Want to meet new friends? Need a challenge? Come join us at the Sacramento Area Modelers Flying Club and learn to fly radio controlled airplanes. We will help you for FREE and guarantee you will have a good time. Our Club has a roster of instructors that are waiting and willing to help you learn to fly. Our instructors can be seen and introduced at our Club website (<http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org/>) by clicking on the instructors tab. Our Club is the answer to all these questions. Give it a try by flying one of our airplanes for FREE and then get information on selecting your own airplane and plenty of free assistance to get it flying. It is fun and the experience will delight you!!! There are so many facets to the hobby—sport flying, fun flying, racing, pattern flying, building and occasionally rebuilding. Schedule yourself for some fun by visiting our website and contacting an instructor. Call Jim Lichtenberg or email him at RCFLYER999@comcast.net and he will set you up with an instructor.

What better time to do this than NOW. It's free to get help. By doing it now, you can save money (half price) if you should decide to join the club. (See the attached membership flyer for promotion details). Club membership gives you huge benefits including beautiful countryside, shade covers, lawn, club house, toilet facilities, electricity to charge your batteries, and wide open spaces to fly your airplanes. We are at 11000 Florin Road on the south side between Excelsior and Sunrise. We have our annual Open House on April 20, 2013. Do come and give it a try!! We are waiting to help you.

Also members, if you have a trainer airplane and a desire to be added to our list of flight instructors, please give me a call and I will add you to the roster. Likewise, if you are on the list and no longer instructing, let me know that too.

Jim Lichtenberg
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SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT SAM

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS P.O.BOX 292441 SACRAMENTO, CA 95829 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2013

Please Pay Dues between January 1 st and January 31 st , 2013	\$90.00
After January 31st	\$100.00
SPOUSE AND JUNIORS	\$10.00

IF YOU PAY BEFORE JANUARY 1st, YOUR CHECK WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE 1ST. 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.

Board Meeting January 8, 2013 Perko's Restaurant 6:30 PM

Board Members Present: John Bigwood, JR Schiager, Frank Tanforan, DJ Enzminger, Dick Weston, Sergio Varo, Tom Richardi, and Jim Smith .

On Super bowl Sunday, the U.S. Marines are going to have a 5 mile run with football style obstacles. SAM has been invited to have a flyover of 4-5 models while the national anthem is being played at approximately 9AM. Several board members agreed to participate. *Following this meeting, word was received that the event had been canceled.*

The dates for SAM's 2013 events and quarterly club meetings as listed in the January SAM newsletter were confirmed and are no longer considered tentative.

The membership drive was discussed along with ways to increase public awareness of it. It was decided that posting of flyers at the field should be pursued, along with posting at hobby shops. JR said that he had posted an announcement on Craig's List and some interest has been shown.

Honorary membership in SAM for 2013 was agreed upon for George Steiner, Ellis Hall, Dave Sullivan, Wally McAllister, Adrian Wong, and Richard Verano.

Major projects for the year 2013 were discussed. Slurry seal application in the pits and runway areas is needed along with driveway chip and seal from Florin road to the pit area. As a stopgap fix, Dick Weston may fill in potholes with cement. The Jerry Votaw Memorial Shade Structure will proceed on a funds available basis. It was suggested that donations should be solicited for this purpose in the newsletter.

The club secretary will send an email to all Board members concerning cleanup language for the SAM Bylaws. Copies of the original SAM Bylaws and a list of suggested cleanup language will be attached. Board members were asked to review the suggestions and think of changes, additions, etc. These items will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

It is of concern to some SAM members that the pylons used in races are not lowered on non race days. These concerns were discussed seriously. But, at this time, it was not possible to find a solution that would be equitable to all SAM members. The "Event Rules" were quoted but no one had a copy available at the meeting. Action was postponed until the "Event Rules" could be found and reviewed.

Account information was presented to complete the 2012 fiscal year. As anticipated, finances took a one time hit as a result of the change in club membership renewal date. Renewals are coming in but it is too soon to tell what membership will be for 2013.

Board meetings will continue on a monthly basis. With club meetings on a quarterly basis it was stressed that all members when renewing their membership provide their latest email address. If a special club meeting must be scheduled, this is the quickest way to notify members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Tanforan
Secretary



2013 EVENTS

March 17	Club Meeting, 3:30 PM at the field
April 7	Big Kahuna Warbird Race
April 20	Open House
May 18	Sacramento Spring Pattern Contest
June 16	Club Meeting, 3:30 PM at the field
June 23	Pylonpalooza Warbird Race
July 14	Tres Amigos Warbird Race
August 4	Valley of Speed Warbird Race
August 18	Funfly/BBQ
September 15	Club Meeting, 3:30 PM at the field
September 21/22	Trashman Classic Warbird Race
October 5	Swap Meet
October 12/13	Bud Garric Pattern Classic Contest
October 27	Two Minute Tango Warbird Race
November 17	Club Meeting, 3:30 PM at the field
TBA	SAM Xmas Party
Outlaw Races	every third Sunday of the month. Lunch at noon, then race.

JERRY VOTAW

Donations are solicited for the Jerry Votaw Memorial Fund.

Now is the time to remember Jerry in a positive way.

Contact any Board Member.

Sacramento Area Modelers



Come fly with us! Announcing the 2013 SAM's membership drive.

New members signing up by February 28, 2013 will be charged only \$50 for initiation fees in addition to the membership dues. This is a savings of \$50 for any new members that join before this offer expires.



Contact: Dick Weston at (916) 525-1849

or go to <http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org/home.html> .



SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS, INC.

Charter Number 1823

Academy of Model Aeronautics

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Through the joint effort of many local radio-controlled model airplane fliers, 30 acres of open land has been leased since 1982 from the County of Sacramento for our exclusive use of Model Aircraft, with the right to fly over the remaining 130 acres. The 40 by 400 foot runway and the covered 30 by 260 foot pit area are completed with a beautiful asphalt surface. The address is 11000 Florin Road, one mile east of Excelsior Road, and two miles west of Sunrise Blvd.

There are four types of valid membership available:

OPEN MEMBER: Any member, age 18 or over not listed under one of the below categories. Only open members have voting privileges. Membership in the AMA is required.

COST: \$100.00 New Member Fee, (payable in \$50 payments in each of first 2 years of membership) First year annual dues are \$90.00.

First Time Members: Dues will be prorated at a rate of \$8.00 per month after February 28. Dues period is January 31st through January 31st the following year.

FAMILY MEMBER/JUNIOR MEMBER: Spouse of an OPEN MEMBER and/or children under the age of 18. COSTS: Spouse, \$10.00 annual dues, and No New Member Fee; FAMILY MEMBERS OR JUNIOR MEMBERS under 18 years of age. Initiation fee is deferred until member reaches 18 years of age. Annual dues are \$10.00 until member reaches 18 years of age, then the initiation fee is the same as OPEN MEMBER. Dues will not be prorated. No Voting Privileges.

BUSINESS MEMBER: A Member who's Business may pose a conflict of interest with SAM activities. Business members have no voting privileges and may not hold elected Office. Dues and Fees are same as Open member.

Fees are non-refundable. To qualify for Membership, you must have a current Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) card in your possession. Membership in AMA provides both you and the site with liability insurance, which is a requirement of The County of Sacramento and the by-laws of the Sacramento Area Modelers, a "Dispute Resolution Agreement Form" must be submitted with your Membership application.

S.A.M. meetings are held with place, time and posted. A newsletter is E mailed monthly to all current members. Flight instruction and training are available for fliers from beginners to expert.

CUT OFF AND MAIL TO S.A.M., P.O. BOX 292441, SACRAMENTO, CA. 95829
Please make checks payable to: Sacramento Area Modelers

NAME _____ DATE OF _____
BIRTH _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
TELEPHONE _____ AMA NUMBER _____ (must have valid AMA Number before membership is granted.)
CHECK MEMBERSHIP TYPE: OPEN _____ FAMILY/JUNIOR _____ BUSINESS _____
EMAIL ADDRESS _____
DATE OF APPLICATION _____

For AMA Membership Email (sawmmodelaircraft.org) phone (800) 415 9262
For Returning members that were current prior to the bylaw change of 2005, renewal is \$90.00 dues
For those members that joined after 2005 and have been inactive for 3 years or more - renewal is \$50.00 plus \$90.00 dues.
(must be current AMA member)

DISPUTE RESOLUTION AGREEMENT FORM

A. Mediation: All SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS members, event participants, guests, and/or visitors to the SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS facilities or activities agree to mediate any/all disputes or claims arising between them and the SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS BYLAWS, events, or field rules or any other related activity involving the SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS. Its members, event participants, guests, and/or visitors before resorting to arbitration or court action. Mediation fees, if any, shall be divided equally among the parties involved. If, for any dispute or claim to which this paragraph applies, any party commences an action without first attempting to resolve the matter through mediation, or refuses to mediate after a request has been made, then that party shall not be entitled to recover attorney fees, even if they would otherwise be available to that party in any such action. **THIS MEDIATION PROVISION APPLIES WHETHER OR NOT THE ARBITRATION PROVISION IS SIGNED.**

B. Arbitration of Disputes: (1) All SAM Club members, event participants, guests and/or visitors to the SAM Club facilities or activities agree that any dispute or claim in Law or equity arising between them which is not settled through mediation, shall be decided by neutral, binding arbitration, including and subject to paragraph (2) below. The arbitrator shall be a retired judge or justice, or an attorney with at least 5 years experience of CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE experience, unless the parties mutually agree to a different arbitrator, who shall render an award in accordance with substantive California Law. The Parties shall have the right to discovery in accordance with California Code of Civil Procedure, Section 1283.05. In all other aspects, the arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with Title 9 of Part III of the California Code of Civil Procedure. Judgment upon the award of the arbitrator(s) may be entered into any court having jurisdiction. The Federal Arbitration Act shall govern interpretation of this agreement to arbitrate.

(2) EXCLUSIONS FROM MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION: Any matter that is within the jurisdiction of small claims court shall be excluded from mediation and arbitration. The filing of a court action to enable the recording of a notice of pending action, for order of attachment, receivership, injunction, or other provisional remedies, shall not constitute a Waiver of the mediation and arbitration provisions.

"NOTICE BY SIGNING IN THE SPACE BELOW YOU ARE AGREEING TO HAVE ANY DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE "ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES" PROVISIONS DECIDED BY NEUTRAL ARBITRATION AS PROVIDED BY CALIFORNIA LAW AND YOU ARE GIVING UP ANY RIGHTS YOU MIGHT POSSESS TO HAVE THE DISPUTE LITIGATED IN A COURT OR JURY TRIAL. BY SIGNING IN THE SPACE BELOW YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR JUDICIAL RIGHTS TO DISCOVERY AND APPEAL, UNLESS THOSE RIGHTS ARE SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN THE "ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES" PROVISION. IF YOU REFUSE TO SUBMIT TO ARBITRATION AFTER AGREEING TO THIS PROVISION, YOU MAY BE COMPELLED TO ARBITRATE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

YOUR AGREEMENT TO THIS ARBITRATION PROVISION IS VOLUNTARY."

"WE HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE FOREGOING AND AGREE TO SUBMIT DISPUTES ARISING OUT OF THE MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE "ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES" PROVISION TO NEUTRAL ARBITRATION."

Print Full Name _____
Date _____ Signature _____

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

For 2013, SAM club meetings will be held once a quarter. These meetings will be at the SAM field on a Sunday after the Outlaw races. So, plan to come out to the field on meeting dates, enjoy the races, and stay for the meeting. Better yet, contact Jim Smith about joining the racers and participating! Meeting dates are March 17, June 16, September 15, and November 17. Meeting start time will be approximately 3:30 pm. Meeting reminders will be published in this newsletter, posted on the club's website, and notices placed at the field. See you there.

CLUB MEETING

Sunday, March 17
3:30 PM at the field

SAM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

	No events are scheduled. Visit the field and fly when weather permits.
18	Presidents' Day

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

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