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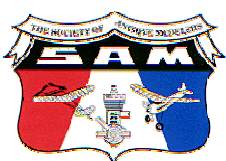
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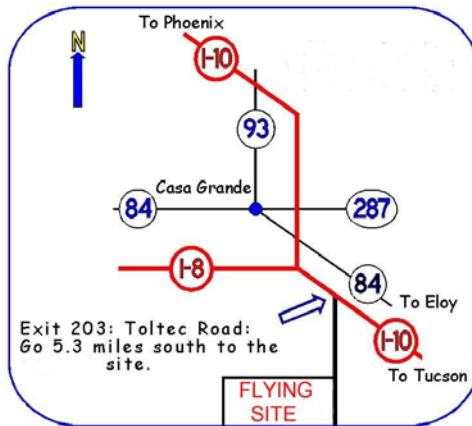
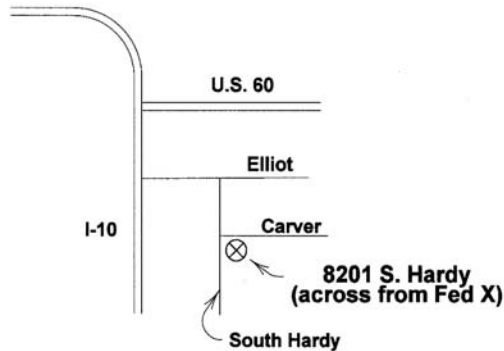
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SOUTHWEST REGIONALS



NEXT MEETING
JUNE 12th
7:00 PM.
8201 S. Hardy
Tempe police Dept.
Auditorium

NEXT CONTEST
DAWN PATROL !
SUNDAY
JUNE 17th
JUNE 30th
ELOY, ARIZONA

NEW WEB SITE

Thanks to Alan Petersen, we again have a web site

<http://www.freeflight.org/PMAC/>

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Meeting Minutes
Phoenix Model Airplane Club April 10, 2007

Location: Tempe Police Substation

7:00 pm President Al Lidberg called the meeting to order

Old Business

The AMA is combining gas classes. The highest old record in the new combined category will be the new class record.

Jerry Murphy, the FF Contest Board Chairman, is very upset with the AMA, because of the amount of time waiting for their interpretation of records due to the combining of classes. This change will roll old records in combined classes together.

Proposed changes in the Builder Of the Model (BOM) rule have not been resolved. Elmer asked how individual members could have input in the decision. E-mail to FF contest board members was suggested.

Following are the results of voting by members present on proposed BOM rules;

Allow new interpretation	6 for change
Leave as is	3 No change
Second vote	
Do away with BOM	4
No change	4

Al presented Peter brocks with his winners plaque for 1st place in Catapult Glider that Peter earned at the December contest.

New Business

Al passed around the latest issue of Flying Models Magazine. It contained an article on E-36 (electric free flight). The South West Regionals is written up in the issue. Flying Models magazine is on sale at Hobby Town, SW corner of Baseline and Gilbert Rd.

A letter that Elmer read that was received from the 07 FAI team asking for financial support was voted on. Elmer moved and Bill Langelius seconded that we send \$100.00 out of the regional contest account to the team. The vote was 0 for and 9 opposed.

A second motion was made and seconded that we send \$200.00 out of the contest account, subject to Tucson approval. Vote was 4 for and 4 against. Motion defeated.

Elmer stated that in class A contests only members get awards.

Elmer also said Rules Books are all on line.

The I-10 Challenge is coming up. We need competitors from our club.

Show and Tell

Bill Langelius discussed model trim adjustments and decalage.

Bill Sewell

Meeting Minutes
Phoenix Model Airplane Club

May 8, 2007

Location; Tempe Police Substation

President Al Lidberg Called Meeting To Order at 7:00 pm

Eight members were present

Old Business

The previously discussed (last meeting) request for financial support from the 07 FAI Team was corrected and agreed on that we send \$100.00 to the team from the Contest Account, Elmer obtained agreement from the Tucson Club.

The AMA Free flight Contest Board received an interpretation proposal to change the Builder of the Model (BOM) rule. Following the posting period the proposal was voted on and failed to get the required 50 % approval vote. The proposal failed, it deals with pre finished components. The proposal is available on the AMA web site. Another proposal was approved which basically says if the model comes out of the box covered you can not fly it. Both proposals were circulated at the meeting. A rule change will now be written and follow the rule change process timing.

There has been a suggestion (coming out of Colorado) to change the SW Regional to a three day contest. Out of 45 free flight competitors 26 voted yes. As a result Al has prepared a proposed three day schedule for a Saturday, Sunday and Monday contest and passed it around.

Al has contacted the East Valley Tribune which has a section titled Your Space, they published an article about our club including tonight's meeting. An excellent way to publicize our club. Our publicity member Richard Williams will pursue this approach with other area papers. There is also a web site for listing our activities. Several web site approaches were discussed.

New Business

From the internet "How to Run a Successful Contest" was passed around and discussed.

A lot of good information.

A contest circular from the Texas Cloud Climbers was passed around from a June 23rd and 24th contest. It says smoking is only allowed in vehicles due to concern over fire.

A Free Flight Quarterly from Tasmania was circulated. A quality publication. The e-mail address is Montes@iinet.net.au The web site is www.freeflightquarterly.com The annual cost is \$32.00 US. The MAILING ADDRESS IS;

Freiflug Haus

37 Windsor St.

Kingston Beach 7050

Tasmania, Australia

The Library of Paints sells butyrate and nitrate dope. The nitrate comes in both tautening and non-tautening. They are located at 1102 Madison, phone 602-252-2321. Call before you go. They are selling off what they have.

Al passed around a 3M Sanding Sponge available at Ace Hardware and Harbor Freight. Available in various textures and can conform to curved edges and surfaces.

Elmer mentioned Hobby Action, located at SW Guadalupe and Rural. You can shop on line at www.hobbyaction.com phone 480-829-1226

MAY 20th CONTEST REPORT

The May contest (HOT STUFF) appeared to have better attendance than in previous years with 11 contestants putting in 79 flights in 17 events. The weather was perfect for flying, with no wind, lots of thermals, and reaching a high temperature of only 102 degrees by 2:30 PM.

The quality of flying was excellent, with only one crash apparent (no names please!). We had max-outs in a number of events with the unusual occurrence of Peter Brocks maxing out in CAT glider, to be followed by Elmer Nelson posting 3 maxes in a row to subsequently win in a fly off. Vaun Coker was flying two good looking, very hot ships in AB and CD Classic Gas. Look out for him when he finishes the final tweaking on his power trim.

A good time was had by all.

Frank

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PHOENIX MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB / TUCSON FREE FLIGHT CLUB

CONTEST SCHEDULE

With the new contest format you can bring just about any model and find competition either by event such as ½ A gas, P-30, etc. or by a category such as Nostalgia/OT gas, Two Minute Rubber Combo, etc. Or just come out and test your latest model.

Here is the contest schedule;

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CONTEST</u>	<u>CONTEST DIRECTOR</u>
Saturday	September 15 th	Fall Kick Off	Bob Loeffler
Sunday	October 21 st	Ghost Riders	Dick Nelson
Saturday	November 17 th	Turkey Shoot	Jean Andrews
Saturday & Sunday	December 8 th & December 9 th	Arizona Free Flight Champs	Randy Burros & John Nystedt

So what do we do in the middle of summer when it's just too darn hot for a contest ?

DAWN PATROL !

We start around sun up and fly until it's too hot. Usually around 9:00 A.M.

A great time to do test flying or just fly for the pure fun of it. Then we usually adjourn to a local eatery for coffee, breakfast, and a bull session. And you get home in plenty of time for church, a NASCAR race, or just flop in the pool.

Here are some dates;

Month	Saturday	Sunday
June	2	17, 30
July	14	29
August	11	26



Jim and Nancy Seamster getting ready for a mass launch event.



A line of spectators and photographers line up for a mass launch event. Look at that line of cars, two and three deep. 36 entries in this one event, WWII mass launch.



My wife Jeri was the "mechanic" for Ed DeLoach from Texas. She also enjoyed the event.

The first annual FAC Western event in Perris Calif. Was a great success. Extremely well organized and well attended with modelers from most of the western states as well as several vendors. And I don't know how they arranged it, but actual clear air in southern Calif. !

Lots of smiling faces, not a malcontent in the lot. The plan is to move the event around the west to various clubs that might be interested. Possibly Denver in 2008



Bob White Max Men International Contest

P.M.A.C.s own Dick Wood and Peter Brocks placed well in this important contest. Dick placed first in F1G over some tough competition including flyers from Russia and the Ukraine. Peter also finished in the top 10.

Congratulations guys !

Details of the contest can be found in the May issue of the NFFS Digest.

Steve



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The National Free Flight Society

This is your organization no matter what aspect of Free Flight you prefer. FAI, FAC, Old Timers, Indoor, Nostalgia, AMA gas. Or just flying for the joy of it. NFFS is about *all* of us. Scholarship funding, team support, A plans service, and of course the latest news and tech info.

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To help reduce expenses of maintaining the NFFS records, **PLEASE RENEW FOR TWO YEARS. Thank you!**

New Member Renewal Address change

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Current expiration date: Mo. - Yr. _____

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____ AMA member: Yes No

Address: _____ AMA #: _____

City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

(IMPORTANT – PLEASE PRINT VERY CLEARLY)

e-mail address _____

Send **all** renewals, address changes, applications, and membership questions to the Membership Office.
e-mail: catroper@tampabay.rr.com

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Mail to: NFFS Membership Office
22 Pine Street
Homosassa, FL 34446-4654
USA

Make checks payable
in U.S. dollars to:
National Free Flight Society

Dues include a mandatory \$.50 per year for NFFS membership.

US Residents (Age 19 & over)	2 years	\$48.00
	1 year	\$25.00

Junior Membership (U.S. only) Age 18 & under as of July 1 of the current year Copy of birth certificate required for new memberships.	2 years	\$18.00
	1 year	\$10.00

All Non-U.S. Residents (To use VISA or MasterCard, see Important Renewal Information above.)	2 years	\$56.00
	1 year	\$29.00

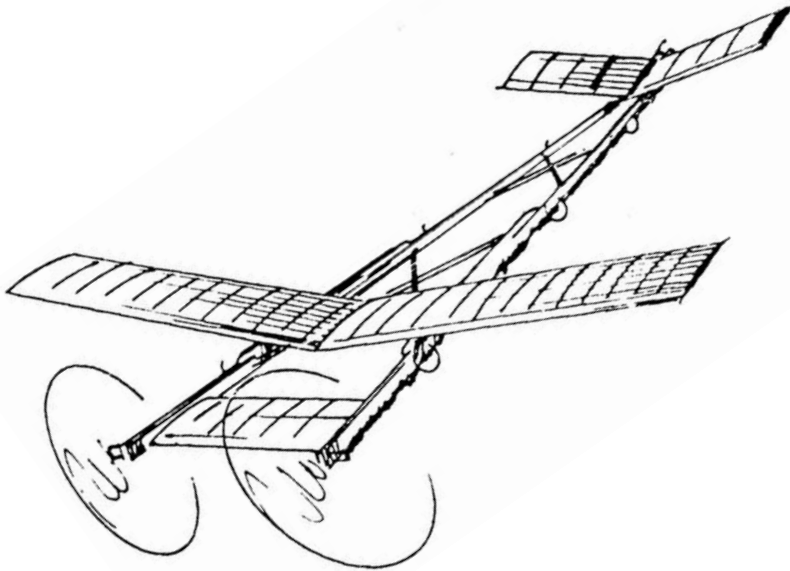
Life Membership	US Residents	\$500.00
	Non-US Residents	\$550.00

PMAC-TFFC Contest Ladder (by event)

	February	March	April	May	Total
3 minute Rub/Glider Combo					
Jean Andrews	46	37	24	47	154
Paul Andrade	44	30			74
Elmer Nelson	17	28		12	57
Roland Lovejoy	15	17			32
Dick Strang		15			15
Kent Prescott		5		26	31
Jim Seamster	8				8
Jim Farmer			17		17
3 minute FAI					
Peter Brocks	32		13	29	74
Elmer Nelson	32				32
Dick Wood			24	13	37
2 minute Combo					
Dick Strang	22			21	43
Ben Nead Sr.	12		5	5	22
Jim Seamster	5				5
Jean Andrews			12		12
PeterBrocks				35	35
Dick Nelson				20	20
Dick Wood				28	28
Cat/HL Glider					
Peter Brocks	43		56	47	146
Elmer Nelson	24		39	35	98
Ben Nead Sr.		14	16	16	46
Dick Nelson		12	12	12	36
Frank Roberge			23		23
AMA/CL Gas					
Dick Nelson	22		5		27
Tom Miller		19		14	33
Vaun Coker				44	44
NOS/OT Gas					
Dick Nelson	42	41	40	94	217
Dan Sobala	22				22
Elmer Nelson			12	8	20
Tom Miller				10	10

Contest Ladder Summary (totals)

	2/24/2007	3/18/2007	4/21/2007	5/20/2007	Total
Dick Nelson	64	95	57	126	342
Elmer Nelson	73	28	51	55	207
Peter Brocks	75		69	111	255
Jean Andrews	46	37	36	47	166
Paul Andrade	44	30			74
Ben Nead Sr.	12	14	21	21	68
Dick Strang	22	15		21	58
Roland Lovejoy	15	17			32
Tom Miller		29		24	53
Dick Wood			24	41	65
Frank Roberge			23		23
Dan Sobala	22				22
Jim Farmer			17		17
Ben Nead Jr.		14			14
M. Mosier		12			12
Jim Seamster	13				13
Kent Prescott		5		26	31
Vaun Coker				44	44



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