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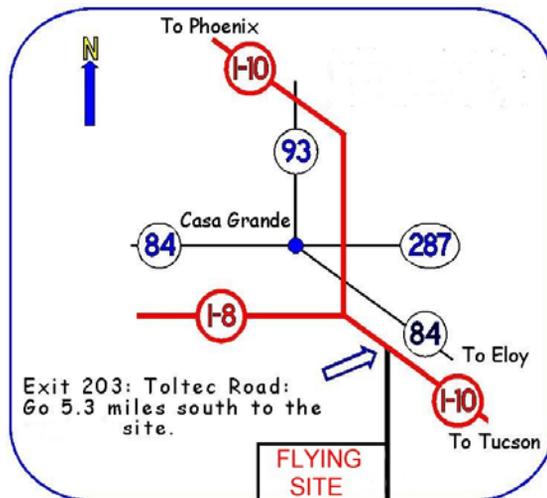
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<http://www.freeflight.org/PMAC/>

## NEXT MEETING

There will be no meeting in September. Too many club officers with too many conflicting dates.

However if there is a pressing bit of new business, the club officers will be at the next contest on September 14<sup>th</sup> at the Eloy field.



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**FLYING ACES**

## From the Pres:

### Adventures with Doctors

Spent some time with a dermatologist a few weeks ago. He looked at a couple of new things on my arms, sliced off samples and had them analyzed. They turned out to be squamous cancer [squamous cells are the surface of one's skin] and thus will require more intense treatment. I knew that sunburn can cause these things and told him I could remember only two bad sunburns – he says it only takes one! I remarked, what about the folks who have to work outside all the time? – he said that's what keeps him in business. From then on, I listened closely to what he was telling me, including the fact that folks with light skin and blue eyes are more prone to such problems. What I have is not all that dangerous, but they do need to be removed. So, as folks who do spend time outside flying models, please do pay attention to strange things that may appear on the skin – especially the left arm which catches more sunlight while driving!

### And, adventures with computers

My computer quit about a day after some ebay auctions of mine for old Jetex stuff had concluded. This meant that I couldn't communicate with the buyers about how much and where to send payments. The computer geek at Data Drs says the box is OK, it's probably your monitor. Off to Fry's Electronics I go, looking at monitors. Have always wanted a bigger than normal monitor to help with CAD model plan drawings so homed in on one that's 22" X 16" [much bigger than the 17" one that died]. Took it home and wow, what a difference, but now, we find that the computer doesn't know how to play well with the monitor, making things disproportionately wide. You saw this coming, didn't you? Yes, accessories not included, just like those toy boxes always proclaim. Had to email HP to see what could be done – got a nice, complete, very prompt response, too. I need to go back to Fry's and now get a video card like the game players use in order to bring the screen to a normal view. The next things that will happen are delving into the magic box to install the card, and then clicking on lots of mysterious commands to make it all happen. Wish me luck on this! Somehow, I'm reminded of a saying from some Army communications techs I knew at White Sands Proving Grounds many years ago – Tune for maximum smoke!

### Conclusions?

With these distractions, I've about given up on building anything more for the Muncie SAM Champs in September beyond a better organized toolbox. Have a couple of completed models that haven't been flown and it is tempting to wait for the actual fall, green grass there for testing. If nothing else, the SAM Champs is a nice social event and it's really great to see the folks there. At Muncie, there's a FF contest and a 3 day FAC stick&tissue contest the weekend before the SAM Champs [FF plus RC old timers] plus the MECA [Model Engine Collectors Assoc.] Grand Collecto – Show&Tell, engine running [unusual ones, some made by the operators] and a really big swap meet – those MECA functions take place at the convention center in downtown Muncie. And, on the weekend after the SAM Champs, there's another FF contest! Can you imagine 15 continuous days of contests?

Your faithful scribe / AL

## **PMAC / TFFC Fall Contest Schedule**

**September 14<sup>th</sup>**

**October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**November 16<sup>th</sup>**

**December 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**

**The 59th Annual  
Southwest Regionals  
Model Airplane Championships  
will be held on 17, 18, 19 January, 2009 at Eloy, Arizona**

Lots of info at this web site;

[www.aalmeps.com/9info.htm](http://www.aalmeps.com/9info.htm)

Or contact Al Lidberg at (480) 839 8154



Another great contest coming up is the  
Dual Clubs Free Flight Bonanza  
at Lost Hills on September 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>  
I have included their flyer in this issue.

# DUAL CLUBS FREE FLIGHT BONANZA

*\*A National Cup Event\**

**SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS 50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL - CLASS AA, CATEGORY 2  
SPONSOR OF AMA & FAI EVENTS**

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**FRESNO GAS MODEL CLUB 69<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL - CLASS AA, CATEGORY 2  
SPONSOR OF NOSTALGIA, TEXACO & OLD TIME EVENTS**

**\* SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 2008 \***  
**\* LOST HILLS, CA \***

<b>SATURDAY ONLY</b> 7 AM – NOON, 1 - 5 PM LUNCH BREAK W/ICE CREAM SOCIAL	<b>EITHER DAY</b> MUST FINISH EVENT THE SAME DAY	<b>SUNDAY ONLY</b> 7 AM – 3 PM
½ A GAS (1) C/D GAS P-30 (1) F1A F1B F1C F1Q (ELECTRIC) CATAPULT GLIDER (1) ½ A TEXACO DAWN P-30	SMALL OT RUBBER STICK SMALL OT RUBBER CABIN LARGE OT RUBBER STICK LARGE OT RUBBER CABIN ¼ A NOSTALGIA ½ A NOSTALGIA A NOSTALGIA B NOSTALGIA C NOSTALGIA	EARLY ½ A NOS. .020 REPLICA A PYLON B-C PYLON A FUSELAGE B-C FUSELAGE RUB/WAKEFIELD NOS CLASSIC TOWLINE ½ A CLASSIC POWER FIJ (POWER) FIG (COUPE) F1H (TOWLINE) A/B GAS VINTAGE FAI POWER FULL SIZE TEXACO HAND LAUNCH GLIDER (1) MULVIHILL DAWN MULVIHILL

*(1) Junior & Senior/Open Event*

*See Special Instructions on backside*

**\*\* AN ORBITEER TRADITION LIVES ON \*\***  
**JOIN US FOR SATURDAY ICE CREAM SUNDAE SOCIAL ON US (NOON – 1 PM)**

**AWARDS FOR FIRST 3 PLACES (except as noted)**  
**Ceremonies at: 5:15 PM Saturday**  
**3:15 PM Sunday**

**\$20 REGISTRATION Sr. & Open / \$2 Jr**  
**\$5 per Event Sr. & Open / \$1 Junior -**  
**Optional: \$40 for Registration & Unlimited Events**

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**LOST HILLS MODEL AIRFIELD ASSOCIATION CARD REQUIRED (\$20 AT FIELD TO JOIN)**

**\*\*\*\*\* BE THERE \*\*\*\*\***

Also on the field . . .

**◆ JAY SLOAN'S FINE DINING HALL ALL WEEKEND ◆**

# SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

## SATURDAY NOON to 1 PM LUNCH BREAK & SUNDAE SOCIAL

The contest will be suspended for 1 hour for lunch and the San Diego Orbiters famous ice cream social. This is a great time to relax, cool off, have lunch and enjoy the ice cream sundaes. We will provide ice cream, & sundae fixings, napkins, plates and plastic ware.

## PRIZE DRAWING

The Fresno GMC once again has collected an enormous amount of model stuff for their drawing. For each event entered that is sponsored by them, the contestant will receive a drawing ticket. The more events entered, the better your chances. Drawing to be held right after Sunday's award ceremony.

## HAND LAUNCH GLIDER & CATAPULT GLIDER

Hand Launch Glider & Catapult Glider will to be launched from an established glider pen on the field. Max's are 120 seconds and all flights count.

## FAI EVENTS

## EVENTS WILL BE SET UP AND RUN IN TRUE FAI FORMAT

F1A, F1B & F1C – Seven Rounds. Round 1 starts at 8:00 AM. Round 1: F1A-210sec, F1B-240sec, F1C-240sec. Rounds 2 to 7 - 180sec. One-hour suspension after round 4 for the ice cream social and lunch. Round 5 will start at 1:00 PM. Fly-off starts at 4:00 PM for F1A, F1B and 4:15 PM for F1C. 15min rounds in sequence. 15min between end of round and beginning of next one. Fly-off round max: 1<sup>st</sup> 300sec, 2<sup>nd</sup> 420sec, 3<sup>rd</sup> 540sec, 4<sup>th</sup> 660sec. Fly off rounds may be compressed by consensus of the participants and the CD.

F1Q – Five rounds. Round 1 starts at 8:00 AM. 20sec motor run, 180sec max. Fly-off in ½ hour rounds starting at 1:00 PM. 15min rounds in sequence. 15min between end of round and beginning of next one. 180sec max for all fly-off rounds. Motor run reduces by 5sec each fly-off round starting with fly-off round 1 with a 15sec motor run. Fly- off rounds may be compressed by consensus of the participants and the CD.

## MINI FAI EVENTS

F1G, F1H & F1J: First five (5) flights must be flown between 7:00 – 12:00 AM. 120sec max. Fly-off in ½ hour rounds starting at 1:00 PM. 15min rounds in sequence. 15min between end of round and beginning of next one. Fly-off round max: 1<sup>st</sup> 150sec, 2<sup>nd</sup> 180sec, 3<sup>rd</sup> 210sec, 4<sup>th</sup> 240sec, 5<sup>th</sup> 300sec, 6<sup>th</sup> 360sec and so on. Fly off rounds may be compressed by consensus of the participants and the CD.

## VINTAGE FAI POWER

For rules, please go to this website: <http://faipower.com/vintage-fai-power.htm>. A copy of the rules will be available at the CD's table.

## DAWN P-30

Saturday morning 7:15 AM exactly, mass launch from glider pen, one flight, no max, winner's plane may be processed.

## DAWN MULVIHILL (Timer can ride with flyer)

Sunday morning 7:00 – 7:20 AM launch window, one flight, no max.

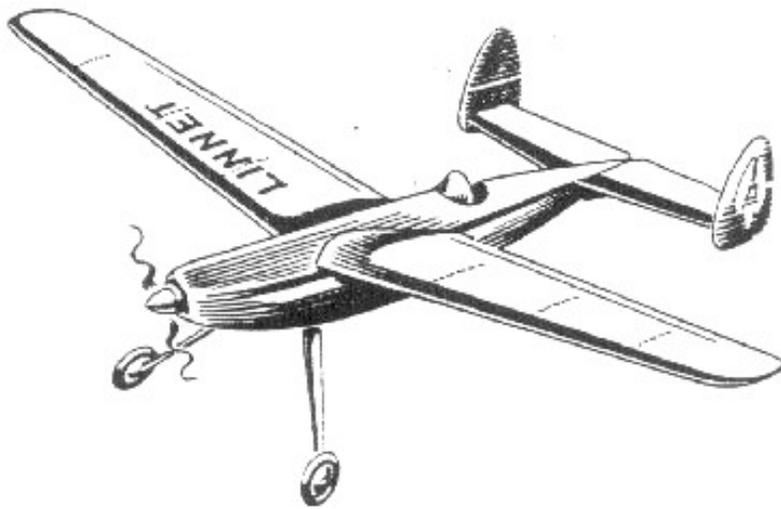
## TEXACO (Timer can ride with flyer)

1/2A Texaco: Saturday 7:00-10:00 AM launch window, 15cc fuel; Full Size Texaco: Sunday 6:00-10:00 AM launch window, 1/4oz per pound – max 1.75oz fuel.

## NOSTALGIA EVENTS

NFFS Rulebook 2007-2008 apply.

CATEGORY 2	1 <sup>st</sup> 3 Flights	Flyoffs	Max. Duration
Hand Launch	12 seconds	8 seconds	180 seconds
VTO	15 seconds	11 seconds	180 seconds
CATEGORY 3			
Hand Launch	9 seconds	6 seconds	120 seconds



**NEXT CONTEST  
SEPT. 14<sup>th</sup>  
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