

EL TORBELLINO

NEWSLETTER OF SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS FREE FLIGHT CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2009



PRISIDENTS COLUMN - M.Pykelnv

We have quite a bit of opportunity to compete with your fellow modelers.

- 9/16 Scamps monthly contest. Perris, CA.
Featured event-COUPÉ
- 9/20 Orbiteers Monthly. Featured event-COUPÉ
- 9/25-27 US free Flight Champs, Lost Hills, CA.
9/25-27 WestFACII, FAC events, Gainesville, TX.
- 10/5-9 SAM Champs, Boulder City, NV.
- 10/25-27 SW FAI Champs, an Orbiteers sponsored event. Boulder City, NV.

We have consistently been wrapping up the business portion of our meeting to allow ample time for indoor flying. Again Time to FLY.

Model Aviation, the AMA Magazine. Ever notice the "Focal Point" never has any Free Flight models? Next project, why not submit your digital photo?

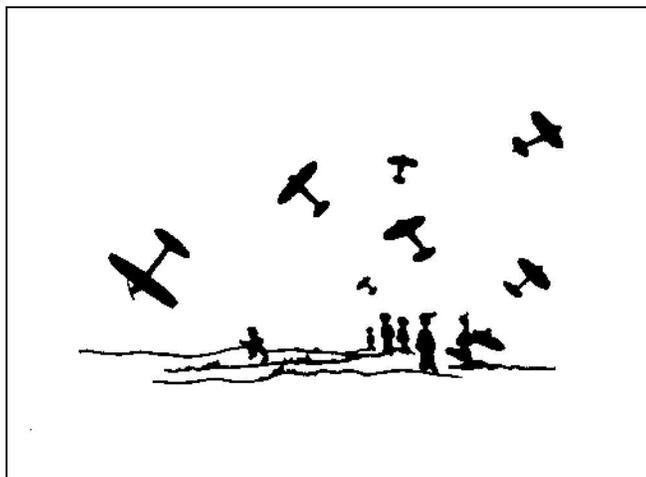
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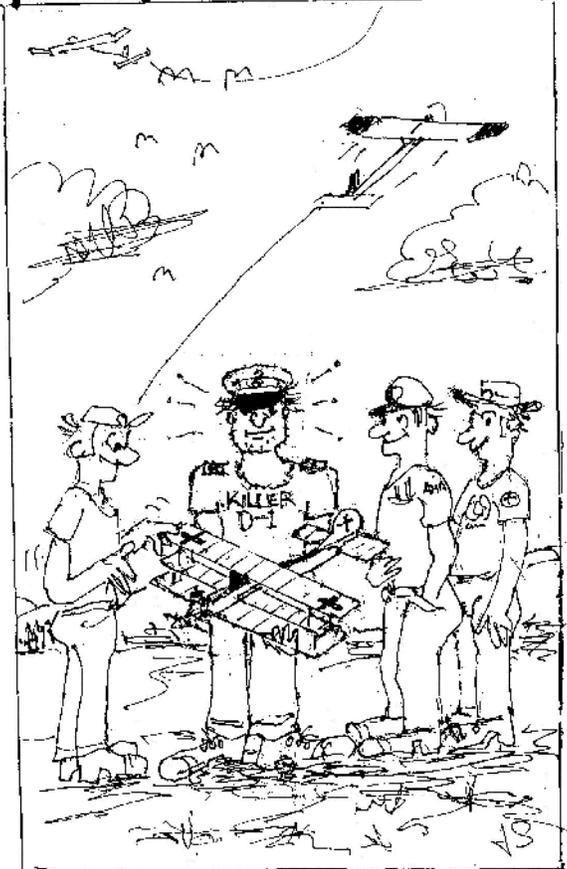
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PLANE CORN *by Jos Slovack*



VON RICHARD IS SHOWING OFF HIS NEW 1/2 A FF DESIGN-HE CALLS IT THE D-1 KILLER TRI PLANE. HE CLAIMS THAT HIS GREAT GREAT UNCLE WAS THE FAMOUS WW-1 FIGHTER PILOT-THE RED BARON-BARON VON RICHTHOFEN-A FELLOW MODELER LOOKING WITH INTEREST AT THE D-1 TRIPLANE-ASKS VON RICHARD "DOES IT FLY GOOD?"

THIS WAS HIS ANSWER

"LEBT EIN BÄR IN BEM WALD!"

If you can't speak or read German return to the bottom of Page 2 for the interpretation!

2009 ORBITEER FLYING SCHEDULE

Sept 20 - Coupe

Oct 18 - P-30

Oct 24/25 SW FAI Challenge*, Boulder City NV

Oct 25 - Scale Staffel FAC Scale Contest* (3 or 3)

Nov 15 - Old Timer, P-20 & HL/Cat Glider

Dec 20 - Coupe (Festival)

* Non-Club Points Event

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ORBITEERS YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES

Junior - \$10 Senior - \$15 Open - \$25
65+ - \$15 Family - \$30 Subc - \$15
Lifetime membership - \$250

Submit dues to club treasurer or editor:

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ORBITEER WEB SITE

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2009 ORBITEER/SCALE STAFFEL SCHEDULE

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Sept 6 - Indoor Flying at Grossmont College
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Orbiteer monthly meetings held the 2ND Friday of each month,
 @ Scripps' Ranch, 11885 Cypress Canyon Road,
 with the meetings starting at 7:00 PM.

Orbiteer monthly outdoor contests are held on dates shown,
 @ Otay Mesa flying field, starting at 8:00 A.M.

Grossmont College monthly indoor flying held the 1ST Sunday of each month, @ Grossmont College in the gymnastics gym, starting at 9:00 A.M.

Scale Staffel events are the 1ST Thursday at 7:30 PM, and the 3RD Friday at 6:45 PM, of each month at the San Carlos Recreation Center, 6445 Lake Badin Ave.

MONEY MATTERS - H.Haupt

Starting Balance (07/01/09) \$1,679.60

Income:

June Monthly Contest Income	3.00
Dues Paid (2)	40.00
T'Shirt Sales	10.00
Refund on Account Fees	3.00

	\$56.00

Expenses:

AMA Sanction Fees	55.00
July Newsletter	14.94
Scale Contest Food Costs	24.00
Lost Hills FF Champs	100.00
Donation	-----
	\$193.94

Ending Balance (07/31/09) \$1,541.66

MONEY MATTERS - H.Haupt

Starting Balance (08/01/09) \$1,541.66

Income:

Fresino Share/Annual Contest	156.47
Dues Paid (4)	70.00
Donation (Self imposed late fee)	10.00

	\$236.47

Expenses:

August Newsletter	14.94
BofA Account Fees	9.95
Scripps' Ranch Rm Fee (1/2 Yr)	150.00

	\$174.89

Ending Balance (08/31/09) \$1,603.24

AUGUST 2009 MEETING MINUTES – L.MILLER

San Diego Orbiteers Monthly Meeting Minutes
 Fri. August 14, 2009

Recorded by Larry Miller
 Place: City Serv. Cntr.
 @ Scripps

Our August attendance was ten and included the following members: Mike Pykelny, Gerald Sullivan, Howard Haupt, Gus del Castillo, John Hutchison, Larry Bagalini, Larry Miller, Don Riordan, John Oldenkamp, and Harry Steinmetz. There were no guest visitors.

Our Meeting officially was called to order by Club President Mike Pykelny at 7:15.

The July meeting minutes were amended to clarify that Japanese tissue was used by John Oldenkamp on his new O.T. Rubber Golly Wock as described under Show and Tell.

Treasurer's Report – Howard reported a current bank balance of \$1,518.

Revenue committee member Larry Bagalini passed out a list of revenue saving options generated from the committee. The intent was for club members to review the list and vote on each option separately. After some comments and discussions about the options in general, John Oldenkamp made a motion to table voting on revenue options until more analysis (pro/con) of each option is performed and presented. The motion carried and John O. was requested to chair the committee. Mike P. and Larry M. will work with John and revisit the revenue options. Members were informally asked for their opinions concerning an option of moving our monthly meeting to our indoor site at Grossmont gym on the 1st Sunday of each month. Our members offered mixed opinions and

comments which will be considered by the revenue committee.

Larry M. passed out a list of 12 club program suggestions and requested each member rate the ideas as to their interest and preference. Larry will summarize the member's choices and provide feedback at our September meeting.

Howard has some estate items he received and will have a silent auction in the same format that he used last time the club inherited model items. A list of items, dates, procedure details etc will be published soon..

Our Meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Show and tell followed:

John O. brought in a new coupe which is smaller and lighter than his current model. The projected area is 198. The wing is strong since he is using light weight 5mm spar tubes from Flite_Tech. The front end uses a Montreal- stop setup with hand carved blades by John O.

Several A-6 models took to the air for monthly fun and competition.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE - H.Haupt

Our August meeting concluded with some one on one indoor fun flying. It should be noted that Don's Butterfly was giving him some trouble as the flying progressed. Some breakage was encountered and repaired on site. His last flight was a barnburner to achieve the top time of the session. This winning flight was launched with a few too many turns, and a climb out that took it to the ceiling in 10 seconds. Following the rocket like climb was a mind-numbing amount of ceiling scraps and wall bounces that amazingly tended to self center the plane each time. After the power burst finally burned off, the plane settled into a nicely centered circle as it descended to the floor. Just one word, Wow, with that both Don and I agreed that could not be duplicated and packed up for the evening.

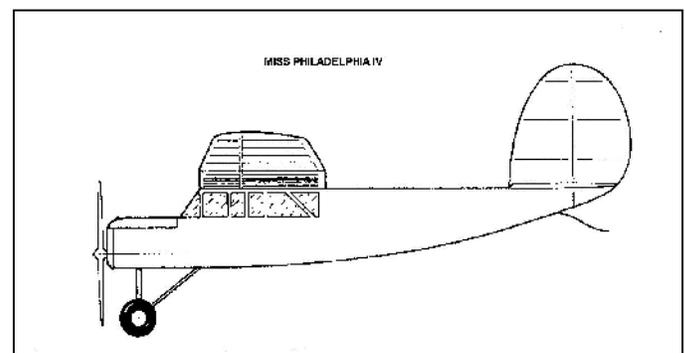
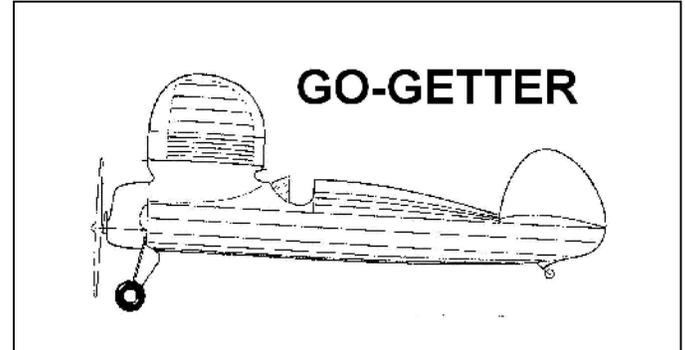
Results follow:

D.Riordan	Butterfly	72.5 seconds
H.Haupt	Butterfly	65.2 "

Pizza will be available from Venice Pizza House at our meeting this month. Bring your favorite drink, as well as some money to cover your \$2.00 per slice charge for your favorite pizza. Plates, paper towels, plastic utensils, and trash receptacle will be provided.

Earlier in the newsletter, on page two, I introduced a new item. It is the Orbiteer/Scale Staffel combined schedule. If it is to your liking, it can continue as a monthly item. At a minimum, it might be handy to print at the beginning of the year so that you have all your local free-flight dates printed on one piece of paper.

The Art Way Estate items are in the process of being organized. Look for a Silent Auction list in October. When the list comes out you will find a variety of items from kits, tools, books, scales, winders, rubber and balsa. The items in the auction should bring in a few coins for the club treasury, how many coins remains to be seen.



**AUGUST
2009
Monthly
- L . Miller**

Pilot	Plane	1	2	3	Tot
O.T. Rubber (sm)					
J Oldenkamp	Golly Wock	120	120	103	343
M Pykelny	Golly Wock	120	102	53	275
J. Hutchison	Moth	110	71	52	233
G Mansfield	Moth	120			120
H Steinmetz	P-20	43	33	28	104

Power					
M pykelny	Marvel	81	120	107	308
J Oldenkamp	OhmBox31	54	62	120	236
	2				
H Steinmetz	F1Q	102			102

Our day was warm with light variable winds. It was a beautiful SD day. Turnout was less than usual. We did have 5 non contestants that came to test and socialize. Two competitive flying Moths in OT rubber. Unfortunately Geo M lost his model OOS straight up after 12+ Minutes due to a timer calibration problem.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

SEPTEMBER 2009

- Sept 3 - Scale Staffel meeting for Hanger Flying, San Carlos, 7:30 pm.
- Sept 6 - Indoor Flying, Grossmont College, 9:00 to 12:00 pm.
- Sept 11 - **Orbiteer Monthly meeting at S.D. City Serv. Cntr. @ Scripp's Ranch,**
11885 Cypress Canyon Road, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.
Indoor Fun Fly featuring A-6 & Gliders up to 8" follows the meeting.
- Sept 18 - Scale Staffel Indoor Fun Fly, San Carlos Rec. Cntr., 6:45 pm.
- Sept 20 - **Orbiteers Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am.**
Non-power: **Coupe** Power: **All Classes**

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