# **EL TORBELLINO**

NEWSLETTER OF SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS FREE FLIGHT CLUB

#### AUGUST 2012



#### **The Prez's Corner** – Don Bartick

Well I'm late again getting this article to Howard. He is very patient with me. He does an outstanding job publishing the El Torbellino. I'm sure I'm speaking for the membership when I give you a special thank you for a job well done. Now if we only get you out to flying field.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Walt Mooney contest was well attended and a good time had by all. Thank you John H for running the meet and thank you Mike Pykelny for the lunch provision. That reminds me. Last month I said I was going to dust my Bostonian and try once again to make the dude fly. As usual the Bean Box, a John O design would fly. Made lots of adjustments, put in 2 miserable official and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> try, the plane dove into the ground and broke off the tail. This score as an attempt. Glued the tail back on, not caring much about its position. Wound up, launched and the darn thing flew out of site. Roger Willis timed it finally lost site after 4 ½ minutes. Scored a max that put me in the lead until a few seconds before the contest ended. George Mansfield got his Embryo wound and launch in time to win out. Well, what a fitting end the plane that I was not going to fly again.

The NFFS Digest sure has a new look. It came out in polished print stock, just like the big boys. Don DeLoach has done wonders with this publication ever since he took over the Editor role.

I asked Howard to publish the US FF Champs flyer this month. You should see it somewhere further back. As I said last month, there is lots of prize money at stake. Also, the contest starts on Friday and goes till Sunday. This is a wrap for now. See you at the September meeting (August is dark). Bring something for Show & Tell and an A-6 to fly. The entry fee for our monthly indoor contest session after the meeting is now \$2. There's big money to be had, so build an A-6 and come get your share of the bounty.

Remember; idle hands are the tools of the devil. So go build something to fly.

# San Diego Orbiteers Monthly Meeting Minutes

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> of July, 2012

Only four in attendance tonight, including President Don Bartick, Howard Haupt, Mark Chomyn, and John Merrill.

President Bartick called the meeting to order at 7:18p.m.

No new members or guests present, so down to business.

The Treasurer's report was approved as published. For current info, see elsewhere in this issue of the E.T.

Old Business: none. New Business: none.

Contest Report: some talk of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Walt Mooney Memorial Annual contest, which the Orbiteers have always shared with the Scale Staffel. Don and Mark were there, and reported some good competition, followed by a great BBQ. Memory recalled that Charlie Primb won the 2xMooney portion of the contest, and George Mansfield won Bostonian. Not sure who else won what. Hopefully, someone else that was there will

submit a full report to our esteemed editor. Next big event will be the USFF Champs on September 21-23 at Lost Hills, CA. AMA District 10 Vice President L. Tougas is scheduled to attend, and this promises to be a good contest. Next local contest is P-30, which will be over by the time this goes to press.

Show-and-Tell: Mark Chomyn brought his very nicely done Jimmy Allen Special. Orange fuselage, with blue stab and wing. Very Nice!

Meeting adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Indoor flying ensued. Unfortunately, Howard had to leave early for the evening, so I went ahead and took some flight time notes. We set a limit of 10 official flights, no minimum or max. just add the best two flight times together to get the top total. Results are as follows:

Mark Chomyn: 47 and 49 = 96 seconds. Don Bartick: 66 and 70 = 136 seconds. John Merrill: 69 and 69 = 138 seconds.

Very close times, great competition, and a lot of fun had by all. Next meeting (September), lets hope more people can attend, bring an A-6 of the proper type, and join in the fun.

Remember, there is no meeting in August.

The above is respectfully submitted by John R. Merrill, Secretary

## 2012 ORBITEER FLYING SCHEDULE

Aug 12 - Old Timer Rubber Stick (Small) Power, P-20, HLG & CLG

Aug 25/26 Scale Staffel FAC Contest\* (2<sup>ND</sup> of 3)

Sept 16 - Coupe Power, P-20, HLG & CLG

Sept 21-23 US FF Championships, Lost Hills

Oct 14 - P-30 Power, P-20, HLG & CLG Oct 27/28 SW FAI Champs\*, Boulder City, NV

Oct 27/28 Scale Staffel FAC Contest\* (3RD of 3)

\* Non-Club Points Event Otay Field Weather (619) 661-8297

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#### **ORBITEERS YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES**

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

Non-Member Newsletter Subscription - \$15

## Submit Dues to Club Treasurer:

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## **ORBITEER WEB SITE**

www.SanDiegoOrbiteers.com

Webmaster: Bob Beecroft

## **NON-FLYING STATUS - H.Haupt**

Our club is populated with a variety of members with varying degrees of interests and backgrounds. A handful of these members are active in the pursuit of building and flying free flight model airplanes. Others on the other hand, are rarely seen with an airplane in there hands.

My activity level has been drifting down over time and is approaching that of an inactive member in regards to building or flying model airplanes. This is balanced with my administrative support of the club doing the newsletter, and keeping tabs on the club treasury.

Moving forward, I see no change in my inactivity as a flying member, but continue to see myself supporting the club on the administrative side. Publishing the club newsletter continues to be something I enjoy doing. Looking after the clubs treasury seems to dovetail nicely with my efforts to maintain the club roster that is needed for newsletter distribution.

Are the interests of the club best served, with a non-flying member, publishing the club newsletter? Too me the laughable part of this question is: Who else would want to do it?

So, there you have it, keep those post cards, emails and checks coming, the newsletter needs to be feed on a monthly basis.

As an additional closing note, this column was drafted before I received the Prez's Corner from Don and the glowing praise for the work on the El Torbellino. An answer to the question before writer knew the question. I appreciate the written support, and plan to continue my work publishing the newsletter.

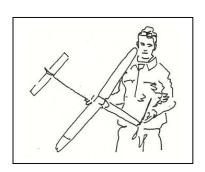
# July 15th Club Contest - L. Miller

Our monthly was for P\_30 and Power and began with John Merrill registering first. He was anxious to fly but continued to laugh and chat as usual. Around 8:30 John was wound and ready for his first.flight. He spent little time checking the tail feathers (no D/T), smiled as he nodded at his timer, then launched quickly. His model readily climbed up and out into good morning air. It bounced around a bit drifting SE with John

It bounced around a bit drifting SE with John chasing it. The One-Nite-28 clocked 2:03 to the ground. John was all smiles and wasted no time in logging 2 more maxes. John had a game plan and followed it. Often quoted "Fly early and often".

John M.was1<sup>st</sup> in P-30 with Mark Chomyn placing 2<sup>nd</sup> and J. Oldenkamp was 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Power sheet indicated 3 flyers tied with 2 maxes each. On their third flight, Don edged out John O. by 10 seconds. John was able to best Mike by 13 seconds.



## ATTA BOYS TO "HUTCH" - H.Haupt

At this years FAC Nationals in Genesco, John Hutchison was voted into the FAC Hall of Fame. The Honor was announced at the FAC Awards Banquet on Saturday evening.

John was nominated by Bob Hodes of VegasVulture Squadron and Roger Willis representing WESTFAC.

This is a richly deserved honor for John who as been a leader and mentor to many in Southern California free flight modeling for many years. He is very active in the Flying Aces as Squadron Leader for the Scale Staffel in San Diego and the Orbiteers. He will be Contest Director for WESTFAC IV in Perris California next year.

(From SEN 1669 – As written by R.Willis)

## **MONEY MATTERS - H. Haupt**

July 2012

#### Income:

Dues (3)	95.00
	\$95.00

#### Expenses:

Expenses:	
July Newsletter	3.90
Spanky's Service	108.50
	\$112.40

**Current Balance .......** \$1,201.39

Follow up call to Spanky's uncovered a billing error, and subsequent credit added to our account for \$43.40.



### **ANNUAL MONEY MATTERS - H. Haupt**

## Fiscal Year July 2011 thru June 2012

### Income:

Dues (24)	\$ 420
Decals	5
Donation	6
Dual Club Annual Income	658
SW FAI Challenge Income	368
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\$1,457

#### **Expenses:**

Club Newsletter	\$ 86
B of A Account Fees	17
Web Site Domain Name	20
(2) Yr Renewal Web Site Host Fe	e 191
Web Site Storage (5) Yr, Club pic	
Scripps Ranch Meeting Room	225
AMA Contest Sanctions	-
St of CA Non-Profit Registration	-
Annual Awards	159
Annual Banquet Net Cost	76
Porta Potty Service (2)	109
Dual Club Annual Expenses	171
Donation to FAI JR Team	300
(From: SW FAI Contest)	
•	\$1.409

Two expenses are outstanding for the year to date for sanctions and non-profit registration. When the expense for both of \$75 is considered, our status as a non-profit club is valid.

## MAGAZINES AVAILABLE - H.Haupt

Bob Langdon has passed along a bunch of SAM Speaks magazines to any and all who want to take a look at them. John Merrill presently has the magazines, with plans to bring them to the next meeting, and to the flying field at Otay. Give John a call if you want to get a leg up on others for specific issues of SAM Speaks.

# 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL UNITED STATES FREE FLIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS

September 21 - 23, 2012 at Lost Hills, CA - Category II - AMA Sanction - American & National Cup Events

Friday September 21 7 a.m 5 p.m.	Saturday September 22 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Sunday September 23 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Modern Events	Modern Events and FAI	Modern Events and FAI
	ROW: Power and Rubber	ROW: Power and Rubber ends 11:30 a.m.
ROW: Power and Rubber	E-36 / B electric	E-36 / B electric
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CO <sub>2</sub>	Jetex/Rapier	Jetex/Rapier
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P-30 (Jr and Open)	Moffett (ROG)	Moffett (ROG)
Moffett (ROG)	Mulvihill	Mulvihill
Mulvihill	Catapult Glider Pen (Jr and Open)	Hand Launch Glider Pen (Jr and Open)
Super D Gas	A Gas	Y2 A Gas (Jr and Open)
	C/D Gas	B Gas
	F1A, F1B and F1C/P	F1G, F1J, F1H, F1Q
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Nostalgia Cabin (ROG,	Nostalgia Cabin (ROG, dummy not required)	Nostalgia Cabin (ROG, dummy not required)
dummy not required)	Nostalgia Rubber and Wakefield	Nostalgia Rubber and Wakefield
Nostalgia Rubber & Wakefield	Y2 A Gas	1/4 A Gas
5	B Gas	A Gas
You may fly your first three	C Gas	
flights of any event.		
CLASSIC	CLASSIC	CLASSIC
Classic Towline	Classic Towline	Classic Towline
	Classic Y2 A Gas	Classic A/B Gas
OLD TIMER EVENTS	OLD TIMER EVENTS	OLD TIMER EVENTS
All Texaco Events MUST be	NOTE: Old Timer OnlyALL O/T Events	
launched by 11:30 a.m.	can be flown at any time during the Contest.	Small Rubber Stick
	You do not have to start and finish the same day.	Small Rubber Cabin
Pee Wee Antique (1/4 A Texaco) (ROG)	Power Events	Large Rubber Stick
Y2 A Texaco (ROG)	A size 15 sec HL, 20 sec (ROG) 3 min max	Large Rubber Cabin
Texaco (ROG)	B/C size 20 sec HL, 25 sec (ROG) 5 min max	8 oz. Wakefield
A Pylon	.020 Replica 15 sec HL, 20 sec (ROG) 3 min max	Rubber Scale
B/C Pylon	Rubber Events	Gas Scale (ROG)
A Fuselage	Small Rubber 3 min max	2 Bit Rubber
B/C Fuselage	Large Rubber and Wakefield 5 min max	
.020 Replica	Two Bit Rubber 2 min max	
Note:	UNOFFICIAL EVENTS	UNOFFICIAL EVENTS
Bill Vanderbeek One Design Event	7:30 a.m Gollywock Mass Launch	7 a.m. Dawn Mulvihill
Flown Friday through Sunday (\$45, \$30, \$15)	9:30 a.m. "The Mikkelson Memorial" Twin Pusher	A O DI C FILL 10
	Mass Launch	Any Open Place from Friday and Saturday
	Night Gas	schedule may be flown on Sunday's Schedule
		Will not bump previous flyer(s)

\* see other side for Awards and Contest information

# 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL UNITED STATES FREE FLIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS

## September 21 - 23, 2011 at Lost Hills, CA Category II - AMA Sanction - American & National Cup

<u>US FF CHAMPS REGISTRATION:</u> Proof of current AMA Membership and current Lost Hill's Membership required. \$25 includes *first* Event and a Food Voucher. Additional events are \$10 each. Gold card \$65 includes unlimited events and a Food Voucher. \$5 Entry Fee for the Single Design Event. Juniors *first* Event free, additional events \$2 each.

### **SWEEPSTAKES**: \$300 cash plus certificate.

Included with Gold Card, must declare intentions of competing for the Sweepstakes Award. Must fly in 2 of the 3 Divisions (Modern, OT, Nostalgia/Classic), must fly a <u>minimum</u> of 7 events including three power and three non-power events. Must fly 3 official flights in each of the required 7 events and must have at least 20 or 40 secs depending on the event to qualify as an official flight.

One point for each flyer bested, 9 points max. Points given for 1<sup>st</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> place. Example: One to ten flyers 1<sup>st</sup>/9, 2<sup>nd</sup>/8, 3<sup>rd</sup>/7, 4<sup>th</sup>/6 etc....9<sup>th</sup>/1. One point for each 60 sec. total flight time to the nearest 1/4 of a minute, 9 points max. (Fly-off flights do not count).

<u>Three DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS:</u> \$150 cash plus certificate: Modern – Classic/Nostalgia – Old Timer Included with Gold Card, must declare intentions of competing for the Event Championships. Must fly a minimum 5 events, including two power and two non-power. Must fly 3 official flights in each of the required 5 events and must have at least 20 or 40 secs depending on the event to qualify as an official flight. Points same as above.

<u>Awards:</u> Cash and Certificates: Five or more flyers \$50, \$25, \$15. Four flyers \$25, \$15, 3<sup>rd</sup>/ Certificate. Three flyers  $1^{st}/$  \$15,  $2^{nd}$  &  $3^{rd}$  Certificates. Two flyers Certificates. One flyer Certificate. (Note: All official events flown qualify for flight points toward Sweepstakes and Championship Events.) JR EVENTS will be \$15, \$10 and \$5 plus certificate.

Lost Hills Member's Meeting, Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Notes: For Sweepstakes and Championships all 2 min. max event flight times will be multiplied by 1.5 The 5 min. max event flight times will be reduced by 40%.

Hand Launch and Catapult Glider will be flown from a pen - submit time cards every two flights.

All Engine Runs and Max Times are per the AMA Rule Book and NFFS Official Competition Rules.

FAI Saturday Events – (7) one hour rounds, starting at 8 a.m. F1A first round max 210 sec. F1B,C,P first round max 240 sec. All other rounds 180 sec. Flyoff rounds no earlier than 4 p.m. per CD.

FAI Sunday Events - F1G,J,H and Q (5) forty-five min rounds beginning at 8 a.m. F1G,J,H 120 sec max F1Q 180 sec max F1yoff rounds no earlier than 1 p.m. per CD.

Old Timer Flyoff – Power event fly-off flights will have a reduced engine run of 3 sec. from previous flight. Non power event fly-off flights will have a 1.5 minute max increase of the previous flight.

ENTER ALL TIMES IN SECONDS, except TEXACO Events.

Ted Firster, Contest Director, 951-776-4971, <u>Civyboy31@aol.com</u> Lost Hills Web Site: <u>http://www.lhffmaa.com</u> *See other side for Schedule of Events.* 

# 16<sup>th</sup> SOUTHWEST FAI CHALLENGE

# OCTOBER 27 & 28, 2012 BOULDER CITY, NEVADA

(Reserve Day October 29, 2012)

SPONSORED BY THE SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS AND THE BOULDER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AN AMERICAS CUP EVENT

AMA SANCTION #12-1629

THIS EVENT WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY THE GENEROUS EFFORTS OF JILL ROWLAND-LAGAN, CEO OF THE BOULDER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. PLEASE PATRONIZE BOULDER CITY MOTELS, RESTAURANTS AND BUSINESSES AND TELL THEM WHY YOU ARE THERE.

For Classes: F1A, F1B, F1C, F1G, F1H, F1J, F1P, F1Q, P-30, E-36 and Vintage FAI Power

#### Saturday October 27th: F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, and F1Q

(7) One hour rounds commencing at 8:00AM for all events

Round 1: F1A, 210 Seconds, F1B and F1C, 240 Seconds, Rounds 2-7: 180 Seconds

F1P, 180 Seconds, All Rounds

F1Q will be flown in accordance with current FAI rules. Contestants may use an approved energy limiter or may compute the allowable motor run and post the value on the model. 180 seconds all rounds.

Saturday Fly Offs will begin no earlier than 3:30PM

#### Sunday October 28th: F1G, F1H, F1J, P-30, E-36 and Vintage FA1 Power

Tie-Breaker "Espresso Fly-Off" (No Max): F1G 7:15-7:25; F1H 7:30-7:40; F1J 7:45-7:55, Vintage FAI Power 8:00-8:10 (5) 45 Minute rounds commencing at 8:30AM

F1G, F1H and F1J, 120 Seconds, All Rounds

Vintage FAI Power, 180 Seconds, All Rounds

E-36 and P-30 8:00AM to 12:00PM, No Rounds, AMA Rules

#### Sunday Flyoffs

No earlier than 12:45PM (30 minutes after close of Round 5) flyoffs will begin. For F1G, F1H and F1J, the first flyoff round Max will be 180 seconds. The second flyoff Max, if required, will be 240 seconds.

Vintage FAI Power Flyoffs will use the same engine runs, with a 240 second Max for the first flyoff and a 300 second Max for the second flyoff.

For all Sunday events, if a winner is not determined at the conclusion of two flyoff rounds, the Espresso Flyoff times will be used to determine final placing.

#### Awards

Perpetual Trophies to winners in F1A, F1B, F1C, F1G, F1H, F1J and FIQ

Glassware 1st through 3rd place for all events, including F1P, E-36, Vintage FAI Power and P-30. Cups to the Winners of "Espresso Fly-Offs".

**Entry Fee:** \$30 for first event entry, \$10 for each additional event entry. \$10 for P-30 and E-36. No entry fee for Juniors or Espresso Flyoff

#### **Contest Director:**

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#### **Directions to El Dorado Dry Lake:**

On Hwy 95 approximately 7 miles south of Hwy 93. Access through the Desert Tortoise fence is on the west side of Highway 95 on the north edge of where the power lines cross the highway. The flying area is to the west, approximately in the middle of the lake bed. In the early morning, the field is approximately 35 minutes drive time from the Las Vegas "Strip". Camping on the field is permitted.

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Don Bartick	Tail High	41	120	85	0	0	246
Mike Pykelny	Pirate	96	61	38	0	0	195
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J Oldenkamp	JeweleBox Jr	120	120	108		0	348
Mike Pykelny	Ebox	120	120	95		0	335
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# WHAT'S HAPPENING - AUGUST 2012

Aug. 5 - Indoor Fun Fly, Grossmont College, 7:00 – 11:30 am.

## NO BUSINESS MEETING IN AUGUST

Note change of date for August Monthly below:

Aug. 12 - Orbiteer Outdoor Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am.

Non-Power: Old Time Rubber Power: All Classes

Other Classes: P-20, HLG & CLG

Aug. 25/26 Scale Staffel, FAC Scale Contest, Perris CA.

Sept 2 - Indoor Fun Fly, Grossmont College, 7:00 am.

Sept 14 - Orbiteer Monthly meeting, Scripps' Ranch Comm. Cntr., 7:00 pm.

Sept 16 - Orbiteer Outdoor Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am.

Sept 21-23 U.S. Free Flight Champs, Lost Hills CA.