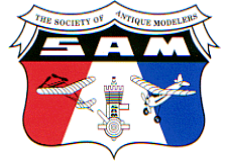




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Chapter 21

AMA Charter Club 1470

...The Crash of the Titan!



Above: Before:
Jeff Davies and his ultra light Box-car, complete and ready to go...



Above: Testing:
Landing gently in the evening calm



Left: After:
... See narrative, right

The Moral to the story:
... Lightness does not equal strength or agility in some circumstances

Left: Jeff Davies, in his own words, relates a story about flying Old Timers. One that is familiar to most of us... Yeah, I got caught in a wind gust - a better pilot would have gotten home, but ,, ...I had enough 'tude so, thought I was safe , but had to make a down wind leg before landing ... Then , it gusted strong enough so that the tail was being pushed down 45 degrees ... tried to turn but got flipped inverted then arced in from about 200 feet. Thought it would loop but, no go full up elevator and full power had practically no effect other than a higher speed on impact . Kinda cool in a way as the plane just exploded in a splash of dozens of parts . The previous day , I had taken a rather bucolic and sedate picture of a gentle landing in a little wind . What a difference a day makes

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Next Meeting:

Thursday, December 28, 7:00 pm

SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT

(Corner Saratoga Ave & Sunnysvale-Saratoga Hwy)

The September Meeting Social Assignments

are: **Goodies (Lescher Dowling)**

Coffee: (Brian Sargent)

See Page 2 For Annual Goodie Schedule



2017 WEST COAST EVENT SCHEDULE

Bold are Confirmed dates
Shaded Italics are Unconfirmed events
Italics are Completed Dates

Revised 11-24-17

	SAT	Sun
JAN	7	8
JAN	14	15
JAN	16	17
JAN	21	22
JAN	28	29
FEB	4	5
FEB	18	19
FEB	11	12
FEB	28	29
MAR	4	5
MAR	11	12
MAR	18	19
MAR	25	26
APR	1	2
APR	8	9
APR	15	16
APR	22	23
APR	29	30
MAY	6	7
MAY	13	14
MAY	20	21
MAY	27	28
JUNE	3	4
JUNE	10	11
JUNE	17	18
JUNE	24	25
JULY	1	2
JULY	8	9
JULY	15	16
JULY	22	23
JULY	29	30
AUG	5	6
AUG	12	13
AUG	19	20
AUG	26	27
SEPT	2	3
SEPT	9	10
SEPT	16	17
SEPT	23	24
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OCT		1
OCT	7	8
OCT	14	15
OCT	21	22
Oct	28	29
NOV	4	5
NOV	11	12
NOV	18	19
NOV	25	26
DEC	2	3
DEC	9	10
DEC	16	17
DEC	23	24
DEC	30	31

1/14, 15, 16, 2017 SOUTHWEST REGIONAL, Eloy Az

Saturday only 1/28 SAM 21 BANQUET— HOLDER's Country Inn, San Jose

SAM 26 Spring Annual, Wekerly Field - near Bakersfield
 CD: Dick Fisher - 805-489-4078

Saturday 4/29 only SAM 21 Speed 400/1/2A contest Dwarfs Field

Sat 5/6 only, Clash of the Titans Fly Off - Livermore Flying Electrons Field
Sunday 5/14 Mother's Day

Sat only 6/3 SAM 21/30 Joint Fun Fly only- Schmidt Ranch

Sunday 6/18 Fathers Day

Sat/Sun 6/24, 25 SAM 21 41st Loren Schmidt Memorial - Schmidt Ranch

Tuesday 7/4 Fourth of July

September 8, 9, 10, SAM 27 Annual Crash and Bash, Schmidt Ranch

Sept 23 only Livermore Flying Electrons Old Timer

Oct - 7/8 SAM 26 John Pond Commemorative - Wekerly Field - near Bakersfield - CD: Bob Angel 805-937-5145

Oct 14 only SAM 21 Fall Speed 400/ 1/2 A Contest—Dwarfs Field

Saturday November 11th only ... SAM 21 Collecto

Thursday 11- 23 Thanksgiving Day

Monday 12- 25 Christmas Day

Monday 1- 18 NEW YEARS DAY

2017 Meeting Dates

7:00 p.m.

@ SARATOGA FIRE

DEPARTMENT

**Corner Saratoga Ave &
 Sunnyvale-Saratoga Hwy**

January 26

February 23

March 23

April 27

May 25

June 22

July 27

August 24

September 28

October 26

November 16

(For Thanksgiving)

December 28

2017 "GOODIE" Schedule

Here are the assignments for 2017, excusing those who normally do not attend meetings on a regular basis.

If you cannot accommodate this schedule, then **it will be your responsibility to "volunteer"/ coerce another member to take your place.** Don't say you weren't warned.

And, if you feel 'The Call' (and aren't on this list), please call one of the unfortunate souls on the list or the 'Standby' and offer to take their place.

JANUARY	Eberhardt
FEBRUARY	Martinez
MARCH	Vanderbeek
APRIL	Peterson
MAY	Leopold
JUNE	Lewis
JULY	Cutler
AUGUST	Gurney
SEPTEMBER	Henry Smith
OCTOBER	Saso
NOVEMBER	Sargent
DECEMBER	Dowling
Standby:	Eberhardt



MINUTES OF OCTOBER 28, 2017

Call to order: President Ken Martinez 7:00 PM

Members present: 14

Guests present: no guests

Approval of minutes: Minutes of September 28, 2017 approved

Reports:

Treasurer's report: Lescher Dowling we are solvent!

Membership report: Lescher Dowling L5, R25, A16, T46

Competition Report: Dave Lewis:

A) Clash of the Titans III; September 23, Livermore:
report in Clipper

B) SAM 21 2017 Fall Speed 400/1/2 A contest:

October 14, Dwarfs Field: Nice weather!

1/2A Texaco – Ken Martinez / Baby Playboy – 18.25 minutes (three entries). Speed 400 – Brian Chan / Tlushmite – 18.49 minutes (6 entries) 8 pilots total!

Editors Input: Bill Copeland: Report

A) Clipper Kits: Holman: Prototype finished, no flight reports, no price point. Eaton: 1st kit now cut. Will start building after Champs, no price point. Watch for building blog on internet!

B) 2017 SAM Champs ALOT event: Sargent: no report, Brian at Champs

C) Klarich Estate: Copeland: Half the kits sold for about half price at Crash & Bash, remainder will be offered at Sam Champs

Unfinished Business:

A) Proposed Electric Classes A,B and C: Brian Sargent: na (at Champs)

B) 2017 Collecto: Gurney: Need help Friday night @ 9:00 PM. 4 doz doughnuts

New Business

A) Walt Gurney: Keep fire station meeting room for next year. Approved

B) Walt Gurney: Jan 26 banquet will be at Holder's on De Anza.

Break: (10 minutes) 7:20

Monthly Mystery Drawing: Guaranteed \$200 value!!

Small Skil Lipo drill won by Dr. Joe Poco.

Show and Tell: Alan Peterson / Cox Medallion 15 modified with Anderson Spitfire timer assembly. Lescher Dowling / Clarence Lee article in MAN – Nov 2017. Fred Terzian / Plans for "Ascender" kit by Airsail, New Zealand. Direct copy of a US design of noted Wakefield competitor. Issues of Northern California News/West Coast Model News – Oct, Nov, Dec 1947. With great articles about OCD and wonderful lists of manufacturers & hobby shops!

Adjournment:

Refreshments: Courtesy of: Dave Lewis (Dave Saso sick!)

Coffee by: SAM 21 Courtesy of Bill Copeland

Next Meeting November 16, 2017



AGENDA - NOVEMBER 16, 2017

Call to order: President Ken Martinez

Members present:

Guests present:

Introduction of guests:

Approval of minutes: Minutes of October 28, 2017

Reports:

Treasurer's report: Lescher Dowling

Membership report: Lescher Dowling

Competition Report: Dave Lewis:

A) 2017 SAM Champs ALOT event: Sargent: Report

Editors Input: Bill Copeland:

A) Clipper Kits: Holman/Eaton Progress: Report

B) ODB/F 2018 Contest Schedule

Unfinished Business:

A) Proposed Electric Classes A,B and C:

Brian Sargent:

B) 2017 Collecto: Gurney: Report

C) Annual Banquet planning: Gurney

New Business: None

Break: (10 minutes)

Program: None

Monthly Mystery Drawing: Guaranteed \$25 value!!

Show and Tell: All

Adjournment:

Refreshments: Courtesy of: Brian Sargent

Coffee by: SAM 21 Courtesy of Brian Sargent

Next meeting: December 28, 2017 at: 7:00 p.m. Location: SARATOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT



... From The October Meeting

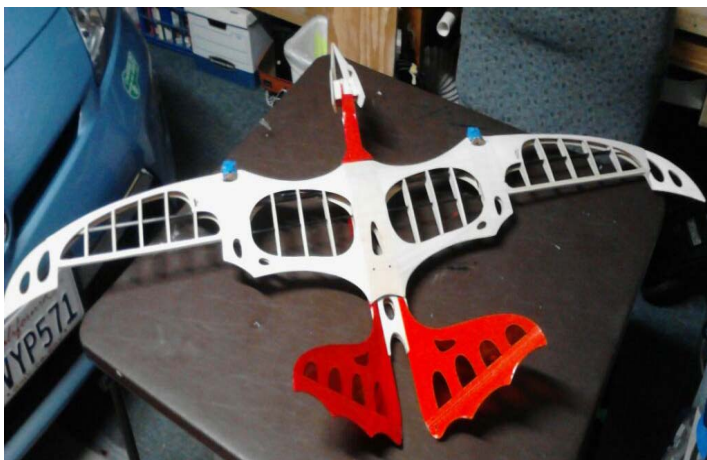
There were some interesting items displayed by Lescher, Alan Peterson and Fred Terzian, but were not quite photo appropriate...

... What our members are up to now!

Pictured below is the latest attempt to emulate the flight of soaring birds by a SAM 21 member who shall remain nameless for now.

I believe that there are only one other person besides the builder, and your editor who knows where this 'bird' is coming from so, like our mystery prize, here is the SAM 21 'mystery bird'.

Come to the December meeting to find out who is building this magical flyer and who is behind it!



... Notes From The Right Seat



Greetings:

With the completion of the 2017 SAM Champs, the 2017 contest season is officially over. It was an interesting, if somewhat frustrating, wind driven, postponements and flight difficult series of events.

As I have noted here before overall, participation, including the SAM Champs and our own Collecto, was rather anemic. Anybody got any ideas on how to boost participation in 2018 events? I have a couple which I will share after I develop them further.



This is the time for everyone to get out the old checkbook and make sure Lescher can include your name on the initial 2018 SAM 21 roster.



Another housekeeping note: Election of officers will be on the agenda for the December meeting. Be ready to step up to help if you want to keep the Chapter healthy and moving forward. One position for sure will be open, that of Treasurer as Lescher has indicated his intention to vacate his position after serving for more years than most of us can remember. I especially encourage new or members that have not served as a Chapter officer to consider volunteering to be a member of the officer ranks. Doing so is not particularly time consuming and, as you know, outstanding perks. The one drawback is the pay scale (I'll let you guess why)



It turns out that the monthly mystery prize drawing has produced significant cash input to the treasury which has more than offset monthly overhead and miscellaneous expenses. The drawing was started with the idea that it was to provide real return for your investment and to provide a little fun during each meeting. It has proved to be just that, but is now in need of supporting donations. If you check your stash and find an item that is new or is at least documented to be worth \$25 or more that you are reasonably certain you will not actually use, and would enjoy a painless way to have some fun and help the Chapter stay solvent, contact Vice President Tom Faith to arrange your donation. You can do it, just wander around your shop with the thought in mind: ... Hmmm, that's a nice gadget, but I've got two of them, or it's really the wrong color or, I don't really have a plan or place for the whatchamacallet, call Tom and hatch a plot to donate to the cause... (...it's also a good way to tidy up your shop)

So, with that...

AMA 27944... Over and Out.....



2017 SAM Champs Report



Above: Last (first?) flight of Steve **Roselle's** Sailplane. As Brian **Sargent** put it 'almost a hole in one'...

Above: Steve **Roselle** and Brian **Sargent** after a week of working the 2017 SAM Champs. Ready to head out...



Above: The eventual winners of the A LOT event after fighting strong wind were: Center, Mike **Clancy**, SAM 27, First.; Center: Richard **Dick**, SAM 27, Third and, Second, but not least, SAM 21's own, Brian **Chan**



Above: To Quote Brian **Sargent** the picture of Larry **Klarich** (Harry's son) with most of what's left of the Harry **Klarich** long time Old Timer kit production operation, marks the '**The end of an era**'
Yes it does indeed... Fare well, old friend, soar on...

A LOT, As I saw it ... Brian Sargent

Friday, the only day ALOT was to be flown, started off with calm conditions. That didn't last long. By 10 it was blowing 15 mph. Turned out that, altogether, there were only two and one half days of flyable weather

A week before the contest I was told 8 had signed up for ALOT~ During the contest 11 flyers had shown interest in flying. By Thursday no one was asking anything. Having the flight schedule compressed, I'm sure put the brakes on for 'non essential' flights.

There was no pilots meeting Friday as it was a free for all to get flights in. When all was done, due to wind, only three pilots flew ALOT.

1st Mike Clancy 2nd Brian Chan and 3rd Richard Dick. Mike flew 3 flights and lost his plane on the third flight. (recovered); Brian flew 3 flights and landed out of bounds on 2nd flight; Richard flew one flight.

Random Notes: Only electric powered models were flown. None of the grand Champs were planning to fly ALOT. Only 2 pilots would have flown gassers, both were ignition.

Too many SAM events and there is talk to eliminate some of them. Many pilots I spoke with were only interested in getting as high as possible and limiting altitude was of no interest to them. Some didn't like the fact that you could linger around before running for the ceiling.

Power shouldn't be flown with electric. Small planes can't compete with larger planes.

Midwest guys fly gassers. Only a few fly electric and they build large planes so they can be seen. Again going for max altitude.

Too many events to few pilots. These are just some of the comments I heard from pilots I spoke with about ALOT.

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ED Note: Look for more reporting and pictures in the December issue...



FIRST NOTICE....

(Put on your calendar NOW!)



Holders Country Inn
 998 S. De Anza Blvd, San Jose, CA

SAM 21 2017 Awards Banquet - January 27, 2018

MC: President Ken Martinez (if reelected?)

6 PM to 7 PM: Social Hour

7 PM: Dinner

After Dinner: Program: TBA

Presentation of Awards, Door Prizes, and Drawing

Entrée Selections

Prime Rib, au jus with baked potato \$ TBD

Chicken Breast with cranberry/apple stuffing \$ TBD

Salmon with lemon butter sauce \$ TBD

Vegetable: Pasta Primavera \$ TBD

Note: All entrees, except the Pasta, come with house salad, fresh vegetables rolls, and coffee or tea. Entree costs **will not** include desserts or well drinks; they can be ordered separately, from the server.

Stand by for additional details in your December Clipper

... Or better yet, come to the December meeting 12/28



**Be Prepared: It's Happening again at the DECEMBER 28th meeting...
The Annual, SAM 21 PIRATES WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE**

It's always a Blast!

Here are the details:

Everyone Brings a hobby related, wrapped gift

with a value of at least \$20

Used items are welcome, as well as new ones but,

This is not a 'clean out your **junk** drawer' event

Playing order is drawn from a hat and #1 selects a gift and unwraps it.

#2 has the option of grabbing a new gift or pirating #1's selection.

Ditto for # 3 who either selects a new gift or robs a gift from #1 or #2.

The trick is to then select another gift which has a good chance of being pirated.

That way you can get your original gift back.

This goes on until all gifts are opened.

Once a player has possession of a particular gift 3 times, it belongs to them and is out of play (and so are they).

Bring a pen to mark your gift selection with your initials in case it is 'pirated' from you.

As you might imagine, the action gets **WILD** for certain items.

Remember, you cannot take a pirated gift **directly back**, It must first pass through a second party's hands.

Sound complex?

Naaa!.... it's a bunch of fun!

Special Date... December 28th



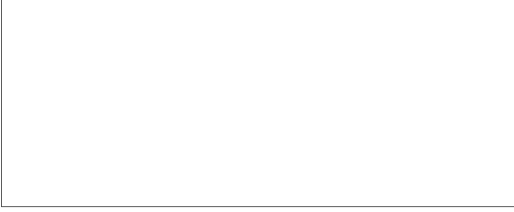
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SAM 21 - 2018 Membership Application Form

Check one: NEW MEMBER RETURNING Member
 FULL MEMBER \$40 ASSOCIATE Member \$20 (newsletter only)

SAM No. _____ AMA No. _____
(Req'd if full)

Name: _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

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