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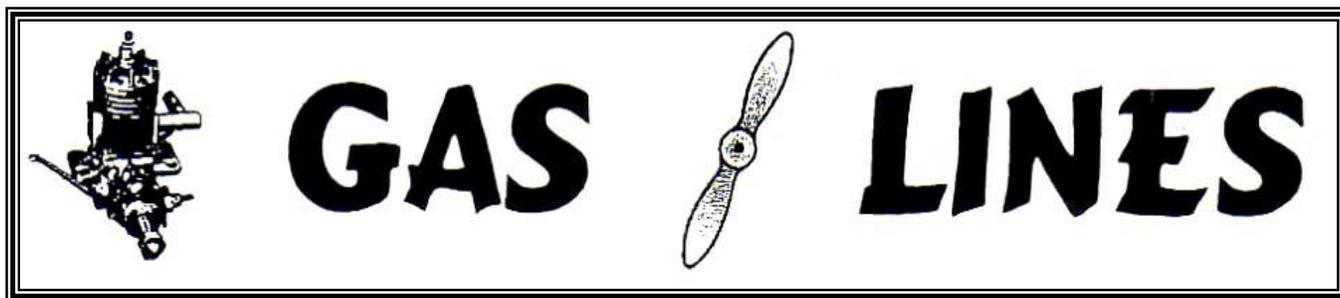


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President’s Corner-January 2020

by Bernie Crowe

- Here we are on the threshold of a new year, and indeed a new decade. I have a lot to be thankful for, not least of which is the outstanding support from all of our regular members. I’d like to mention a couple of folks in particular. **Lance Powers**, in his role as Club secretary, has made big contributions to the Club and has had my back at every turn. Lance authored the new “55 Year Anniversary” t-shirts and some high visibility caps. He usually comes up with solutions to problems I hadn’t even realized we’d got yet! Couldn’t have done it without you, Lance, thanks! And **Clint Brooks** has worked tirelessly as Newsletter editor and has also taken the Club forward by introducing some new events to our everyday flying and our contest calendar, including Small Unlimited Rubber (“Andrade” rubber), and Bungee-Launched Glider which is rapidly gaining in popularity. Thanks Clint, keep up the good work!



- We’ve gone through the year enduring the waste piles across the field, and it has created some strenuous chases and some lost planes. I continue to stay in touch with the farmer who leases the field, and he assures me the plan to knock down and grind in the waste is still in the works, as soon as the pressure of other tasks permits. Let’s not forget that we are on his working property with his blessing, and should be **grateful to have a place to enjoy free flight**. Once again, we sent him a Christmas thank you to let him know we appreciate his tolerance.

- We are moving towards more cooperation between SCAMPS, Orbiteers and OASIS to share our diminishing pool of free-flight geezers. And we will be adding more popular events in the new year to enjoy on Wednesdays and in weekend shared contests. Stay tuned! Also look for extended use of social media technologies to share our experiences among ourselves as well as with other folks out there. And we will continue with our plan for having some form of show and tell (or at least tell) at our monthly Club meetings. **So, stay involved** and bring your ideas!

Happy New Year!

SCAMPS 2020 Club Meeting Schedule		
Month	Day	Host
January		None planned
February	TBD	Hal Cover
March	TBD	Bernie Crowe
April	TBD	Open
May	TBD	Open
June	TBD	Open
July	11	Clint Brooks
August	TBD	Open
September	TBD	Open
October	TBD	Open
November	TBD	Open
December	TBD	Open

SCAMPS Monthly Donut Schedule		
2020 Donut Coordinator: Jane Cover (909) 851-2075		
Volunteers are responsible to coordinate with other club members if they cannot fulfill their assigned commitment		
Mo	Day	Responsibility
Jan	8	Clint Brooks
Jan	15	Don Chaption
Jan	22	Hal Cover
Jan	29	Bernie Crowe



No January club meeting is planned. Please review the open schedule slots for club meetings and see if you would like to host one of them. Please let Hal or Bernie know if you do and the schedule will be updated. Wishing everyone a great 2020 Free Flight Season!

SCAMPS NEWS

by Clint Brooks

It's the end of December as this is being composed and already we have had enough rain events to turn everything green. The immediate flying area at Perris is now getting a new fringe of green and there is a very good surface for flying towline gliders or other designs that an overgrown field would normally hinder or make impossible. Take note-those delicate scale models will soon have a plush landing site for testing-time to get them ready if you have them.

I spent a good part of 2019 working on an enlarged version of the *Joulebox* E-36 model, that I have dubbed "*Super 'J'*". Two test models were built to get the moments adjusted and the overall model sizing right for the drive train system. At this point, I'm very pleased with the results and have already made pre-production kits available to a few fliers who had encouraged this development. The design targets the AMA Electric



A/B class, and has a design option for auto rudder as the B class allows auto surfaces to be used, whereas A does not. Flying it is about the same as the E36 version, just bigger and more powerful. The glide performance is more than what I expected-there is something to having a larger model that affects this I think. I'm hoping having a model design specifically targeting this event will help give it more popularity eventually. It's a well attended event further East, a little less so out here in the West. If you get the bug, try one-it's a blast to fly.

This year the SCAMPS Christmas party was hosted by Nancy Kaiser at her home in Cypress. It was very well attended, with catering from the Olive Garden to keep us all well fed and jolly. A lot of great socializing was observed. Even Daniel Heinrich made it down from the high desert to join in, and the club was able to present an appreciation award for the years of service he provided as club president. Many thanks to Nancy for hosting this event-I hope having the free flight community in her home again helps with the loss of Ken. We sure enjoyed being with her and hope there is more bonding as we all go forward in time.



Bernie (partially hidden) presents recognition award to Daniel. Well done Daniel-we appreciate everything you did for the club during your tenure as SCAMPS President.

SCAMPS Club contest Wednesday December 18, 2019

by Clint Brooks

There was a contest scheduled for 12/11, but weather conditions squashed those plans and the field became unusable for a week. I flew the following Sunday with SDO and the field looked pretty good, so Bernie put out the email flash for a rescheduled club contest for the 18th. Plans were for Large OT Rubber combined, Nostalgia Gas and Electric combined, and AMA Electric A/B.

Upon arrival at San Jacinto Blvd around 7:30 AM, I found the road closed at the flood gate and a detour around the entire North side of the field that included the entrance road. Looking to the east, I could see others had made it onto the field, so I followed the detour around and accessed the field on the rough road that bounds the east side of the property. This path was a bit perilous, with some large muddy ruts and all sorts of indiscriminate trash littering the ground as supplied by the locals. This made crossing an area out of the mud a bit un-nerving as I was afraid of my tires getting punctured by hidden sharp things. Fortunately, I did not experience any problems in this regard.

Arriving at the flying site, I observed Bernie, Lance and David Wade actively working at breaking down the berm that has formed around the access road mud puddles. This was causing some cars on the Sunday prior to get high centered on it, so we had planned to work on reducing the height in a few spots to provide a path through the small mountain of the berm. I joined in, and soon we had some small cuts made that seemed like they would help. The observation after starting the work was it was somewhat akin to boiling the ocean, but focusing on getting just enough removed to allow a car to pass made it bearable. Even though the puddle water was frozen and the ground felt like it was, the strenuous work soon had us shedding the jackets we had on. Luckily, I had gloves with me and avoided the blistered hands that surely would have resulted from handling the tools.

Finally, we went back to the field area and set up for flying. Aside from those mentioned, Randy and Linda Wrisley were also present. Others arrived at San Jacinto and were defeated by the closure, so turned back. The contest for the day was looking like it was over before it started.

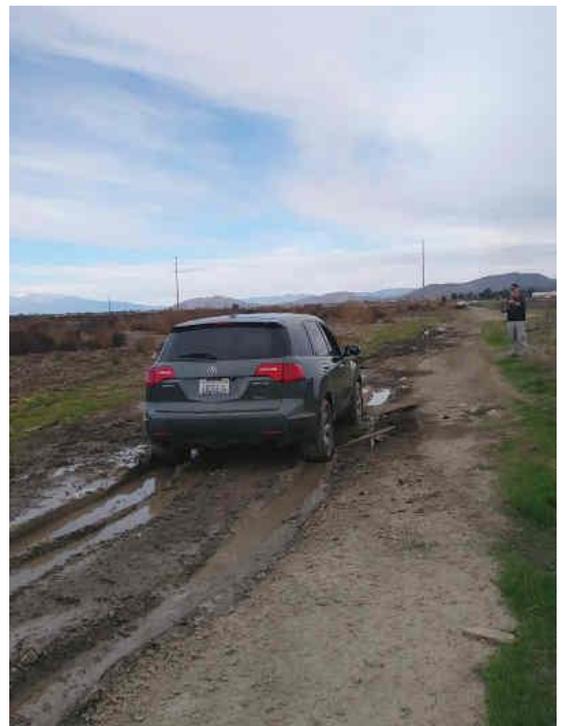
I had brought out my bungee launch towline rig, as had David. Both were set up-his using 3/32 rubber on the launcher, mine with 1/16 rubber for the launcher. I find the Thermic Trooper seems to perform better with a little less power on the tow and gains much better height before releasing. My A-1 style glider still performs on the softer launcher, so this is what I assembled to fly for the day.

Conditions were calm and quiet, and everyone except Bernie was flying towline gliders. The field surface is perfect for this right now-hardly any tumbleweeds or other snagging material, and it was easy to maneuver around and keep the launchers from being caught on the ground. Eventually I challenged the others to a contest, and they agreed. It was six flight attempts for the highest cumulative time, and two-minute max. Given the calmness and temperature, it seemed like two minutes would have been a challenge for any of the gliders.

This was mid-morning, and the intermittent sun was starting to warm things up. I was launching across the field toward the south side, and I repeatedly found light lift coming off the road or berms that were heating enough to propagate some warm rising air. The glider orbited and stayed upwind for the most part. A few times it went off across the drainage ditch and DT'd, but having the models stay on the field area made it a delightful event. I did pull off a few maxes for the day, I don't think anyone else quite did due to the light conditions and trim issues with their gliders. The towline event is really fun and I hope more club members will consider trying it this year as we have it a least three times in the 2020 club contest calendar.

Bernie put together his *Fugette* E36 model for some AMA Electric action, but I declined to compete as I was well into the glider event. Bernie's model was flying well and finding great lift in the light air-it would have been a good run for that event. Next time out it will be something to be reckoned with again.

Leaving the field, it was decided the east side road was the best way out, as the creek bed the road crosses further to the south was reported unpassable by David, who had seen it during a retrieval at some point earlier. I was last off the field, as I had replaced my launcher rubber while I had everything out. As I came down the road, I observed Bernie and David standing near Bernie's SUV, firmly anchored in a muddy rut. Flashes of my Lost Hills Ike muddy road passage came to mind. In this case, there was no way to wiggle the vehicle loose as I had done for mine at Lost Hills, and Bernie called AAA and was waiting for rescue. Lesson learned-don't drive in the muddy areas unless you have caterpillar drive on your vehicle. It's slicker and deeper than you think.



 SCAMPS AMA Electric Perris 12-18-19									
	NAME	MODEL	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3	FO 1	FO 2	SCORE	PLACE
	Bernie Crowe	Fugette	120	120	dnf			240	1
 SCAMPS Bungee-launched GliderClub Contest - Perris 12-18-19									
	NAME	MODEL	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	SCORE	PLACE		
1	Clint Brooks	Amethyst	120	120	120	360	1		
2	Randy Wrisley	?	47	62	45	154	3		
3	David Wade	Goombah II	84	67	106	257	2		

On the Sunday prior, Lance had brought out some bags of gravel and used them to roughly fill the ditch forming at the entrance road threshold. This should help slow down the erosion provided it doesn't get the large trucks driving over it too many times. Now, if we all send mental messages to the farmer that he needs to flatten the mounds we will be in much better shape for a flying field. Bernie had provided a Christmas card we all signed on Wednesday, and an Amazon gift card courtesy of Lance Powers was part of it. At least we haven't been forced out yet, and hoping he will be considerate of us moving forward.



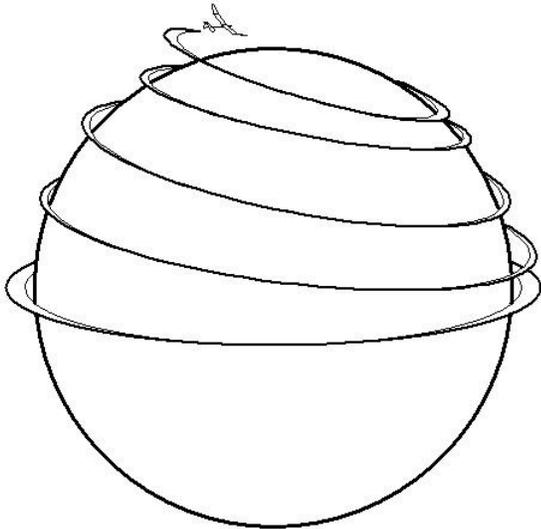
Contest action is already going for 2020, starting with the Southwest Regionals in Eloy, AZ on January 18, 19 & 20. This is an on-going classic that covers all aspects of outdoor free flight. The 2020 Lost Hills Fab February is in the initial registration stages for the FAI events, and so far, nothing has been pushed out for the AMA Ike contest. Hopefully there will be an event calendar and information announcement soon. Our first SCAMPS contest will be the 16th Annual Taibi Contest currently scheduled for Sunday, March 8. Take a look at the 2020 Perris Field event calendars at the end of the newsletter to get a sense of what is being planned right now.

One of the things you notice is the SDO group does a lot of Coupe events throughout the year. This can be any coupe model you want, and there are some great simple classic coupe designs you can build and easily fly without resorting to an expensive composite F1G design, although these are welcome too.

If you haven't tried coupe, it's just a step up from P-30 in a way. You are still limited to ten grams of rubber, and the minimum model weight is 70 grams, which is about 30 more than the P-30 minimum.

So, you can see the challenge and the fun of flying these models. There is no restriction on wing span/area or propeller system. I'm planning to make a new Majestyk coupe (big brother to the Majestyk P-30) which is an all stick and tissue design. Maybe a few of you would like to join in on that-I will supply copies of the drawing if you are interested. You might enjoy trying something like this in 2020 if you are already getting P-30 wired.

Last item-2020 club dues are now due. If you mail a check and have changed your email or phone number, etc., please complete the enclosed form for updated roster information.



2019 Free Flight Contest Schedules -Perris/Taibi Site Unless Otherwise Noted

SCAMPS Monthly Club & Sanctioned Contest Schedule 2020 V 1.0					
Mo	Day	Rubber	Power	Electric	CD
Jan	15	P30	AMA Gas & E Combined	F1S (E-36)	B. Crowe
Feb	12	OT Small Rubber (comb)	Nostalgia all Combined	E Nostalgia	R. Peel
Mar	8	SCAMPS 13th Annual Taibi Contest-Perris			C. Brooks
Mar	18	OT Large Rubber + Bungee-launch glider	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	B. Crowe
Apr	15	P30 + Small Open Rubber (Andrade)	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E20	C. Brooks
Apr	25-26	SCAMPS/SCIF Texaco-Lost Hills			D. Heinrich
May	10	Lotto/Twin Pusher-Perris			H. Cover
May	13	Nos Rubber/Nos Wakefield	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	J. Jones
Jun	17	Gollywock Mass Launch + OT Small Rubber (comb)	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	L. Powers
Jul	15	Coupe (F1G) + Bungee-launch glider	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E20	C. Brooks
Aug	12	OT Large Rubber (comb)	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	G. Drake
Sep	16	P30 + Moffett	Golden Age Small & Large	AMA Electric	R. Thomas
Oct	14	OT Small Rubber + Bungee-launch glider	Perris Special, OTSG Sm/Lg	F1S + E-20	P. Guiso
Oct	TBD	SCAMPS/San Valeers Annual??			??
Nov	18	P-30 + Small Open Rubber (Andrade)	AMA Gas & E Combined	E Nostalgia	C. Brooks
Dec	16	OT Large Rubber (comb)	Nostalgia all Combined	AMA Electric	B. Crowe

San Diego Orbiters Monthly Club & Sanctioned Contest Schedule 2020					
Mo	Day	Rubber	Power	HLG/CLG	CD
Jan	12	P-30 (1/26 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
Feb	16	Coupe (2/23 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
Mar	22	OT/Nostalgia rubber (3/29 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
Apr	19	P-30 Memorial (4/26 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
May	16-17	SDO/FGMC FF Bonanza-Lost Hills			Don Bartick
May	24	Coupe (5/31 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
June	14	OT/Nostalgia rubber (6/28 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
July		No Contest Planned			
Aug		No Contest Planned			
Sep	20	P-30 (9/20 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
Oct	18	Coupe (10/25 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
Nov	29	OT/Nostalgia rubber (6/28 rain date)	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny
Dec	13	Make up for cancelled events	Any-Gas or Electric	Any	Mike Pykelny

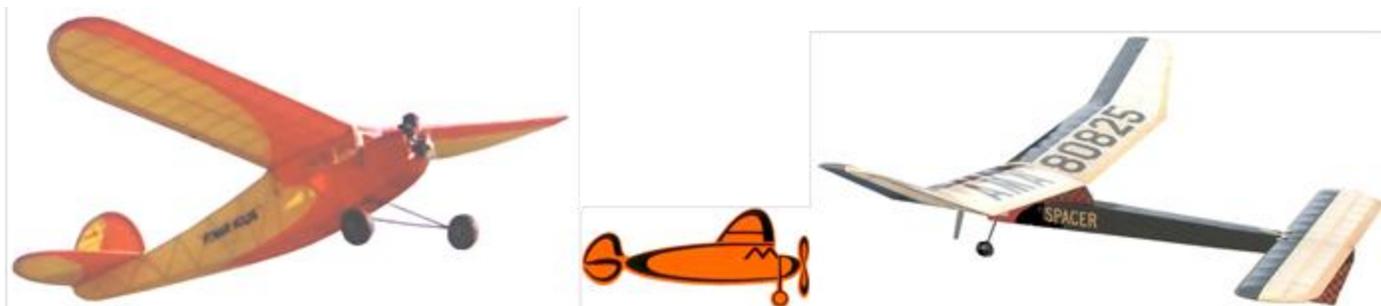
OASIS Squadron FAC-20 Outdoor Schedule 2020				
Mo	Day	Events	Location	CD
Apr	TBD	BLUR race, Jim. Allen (ROG), 1/2 Wakefield H/L	Perris	Roger Willis
Jul	TBD	Sky Chief M/L, OT Rubber Fus (ROG), WW2 Combat Mass Launch	Perris	Roger Willis
Nov	TBD	FAC Rub. Scale, Modern Military (total of 3 flts), Greve/Thompson Race combined	Perris	Roger Willis

San Diego Scale Staffel Outdoor Schedule 2020				
Mo	Day			CD
Feb	TBD	Flying Aces Club	Perris	J. Hutchison
May	TBD	Flying Aces Club	Perris	J. Hutchison
Sep	TBD	Flying Aces Club	Perris	J. Hutchison



Note to guests interested in observing or flying free flight models at Perris:

The usual time to catch us in the act is in the morning. Most Saturday mornings are when people come out to test fly or tune up their models and skills, and just have a good time. You can observe the Southern California Aero Team (SCAT) FAI rubber and glider flyers along with with others flying a range of model types-mostly endurance rubber powered and electric or gas powered. Scale free flight models are flown when the Scale Staffel has their FAC contests also noted above. These are typically conducted over two day periods to get in all the event categories normally flown. Flying usually starts 7-ish and ends late morning depending on winds. There is a larger group that flies on Wednesday as well if you would rather make a mid-week trip. Come join us-see the map above for an idea on directions-it's on the east side of the 215 freeway, off San Jacinto Ave.-there is a dirt road entrance on the right.



SCAMPS 16th Annual Taibi Contest

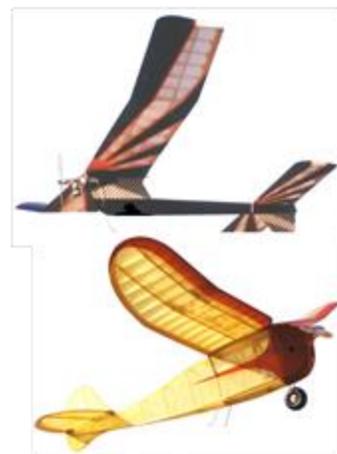
Sunday, March 8, 2020 – Perris, CA

This will be an AMA Sanctioned Contest

****Flying Starts at 8:00 AM and contest closes at 1:30 PM!****

EVENTS:

- #*All Taibi (Any Taibi design flown to its era's modified rules below)
- *Perris Special (15 Second engine run – Mark II version is legal)
- *ABC Old Timer (Fuselage & Pylon combined 20 second engine run)
- *Small O.T. Rubber - Combined - (Stick & Fuselage)
- *Large O.T. Rubber - Combined - (Stick & Fuselage)
- *ABC Nostalgia (10 Second Hand Launch, 13 Second VTO or ROG, then 7&9 seconds)
- *½ A Nostalgia (10 Second Hand Launch, 13 Second VTO or ROG, then 7&9 seconds)
- Nostalgia Electric(10 Second Hand Launch, 13 Second VTO or ROG, then 7&9 seconds)
- E-36 – First 3 flights 10 sec motor run then 10 and 5 in fly-off. All 2 minute maxes



*3 minute Max

*All Old Timer Flights will be **HAND LAUNCHED**, no ROG

*Nostalgia, **HAND LAUNCH** or VTO, no ROG

*SAM rules for standard SAM events

*Entry fee is \$5 per event

*Certificate Awards & cash prizes. Engine for first place in All Taibi Event



Modern AMA models like Starduster, Perris Special, Orbiteer will fly to current Cat II . rules, 9 second HL, then 7 in fly-off; Nostalgia legal designs will fly to currently used SCAMPS Nostalgia rules, 10 seconds HL, 13 VTO, then 7 HL, 9 VTO in fly-off. Old Timer designs will get a 20 second HL₁ then 15 in Fly-off. All 3 minute max.

CD Clint Brooks (562) 349-2672

SCAMPS Membership Form



Want to join one of the nation's top free flight model airplane clubs? We are accepting memberships to the SCAMPS (Southern California Antique Model Plane Society) at this time. Our membership is for one calendar year, from January to December. Membership includes a monthly newsletter, with the latest information on contests, building projects, flying news from Perris, plus much more. We host several contest each year, plus have a weekly fun-fly at our Perris, CA field. These happen every Wednesday morning, weather permitting. There is another group of SCAMPS that fly on the weekends. Members also receive a membership card and SCAMPS decal sheet. All members are welcome to attend monthly meetings, where it is more a social gathering, than a formal meeting. Refreshments are served at all meetings and it is fun to catch up on the latest happenings with your friends. We hope you decide to join in on the fun. We fly all forms of free flight models from old timer to modern and FAI. All free fighters are welcome.

Dues are \$30 for regular newsletter snail mailed, and only \$15 for members who receive the newsletter via E-mail ONLY. All funds should be made payable to the SCAMPS. Please send your dues to: Lance Powers, 1207 Trinidad Circle, Placentia, CA 92870

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