

The R/C Flyer

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Next Meeting - September 8, 2011, Clear Lake Park Building-7:00 PM



In The Pits

by Michael Laible

I always try to keep a theme in mind for the newsletter. Usually mulling over the idea numerous times till I get it on paper. I know sometimes my writing skills produce chuckles on a few faces. Anyway, to the matter at hand "In The Pits".

This month's newsletter article started by reading the AMA September column called the "President's Perspective". Mark Smith talked about how he always couldn't wait to fly. However, he noted that the real essence of his love for the hobby is the camaraderie that he enjoys. This led him to the title of the article – "The first piece of equipment I pull out of my trailer is my lawn chair".

Well, the last several Saturdays it has been a joy to see everyone and just chewing the fat. New faces, old faces, and the stories led to a lot of laughs and yes – camaraderie (that's twice I spelled that word right). It seems that the JSCRC Club is growing and it is for the better. Out last meeting was well attended and had 3 models for either show and tell or model of the month.

As I mentioned last month, the club growing can be fun when everything is working together – like it is. However, with the increased traffic we must remember safety, have common sense, and display courtesy. Remember to share the flight line, remember call out landing and take offs, do not fly over the pits, use the pilot boxes, and check your planes for air worthiness. AND PLEASE stay cool, have fun, and remember to pull out the lawn chair first. We have a good handbook for safety at:

http://www.jscrcc.com/club_docs/JSCRCC_H ANDBK_080105.pdf

This is the time of year for nominations. It was motioned and voted on to nominate the current board. I have talked to all board members and everyone has agreed to serve another year if voted in. The process is that nominations are closed at the end of the September meeting and ballots are close at the October refreshment break. For the past several years an election was not needed because the board was unopposed.

To wrap it up remember to visit and use the JSCRCC Swap Shop set up by Bruce Hilty. You can get to this page from the first page of the JSCRCC site. Enjoy

Godspeed and safe landings

Mike L.

AUBGUST MEETING

by Michael Laible

The August meeting was another good one. We had three models, one steam engine, and a fire extinguisher. The steam engine and fire extinguisher were totally unrelated.

Below is Larry Baileys Bell something or the other. It has retracts and a very professional paint job. Larry likes his scale copters.



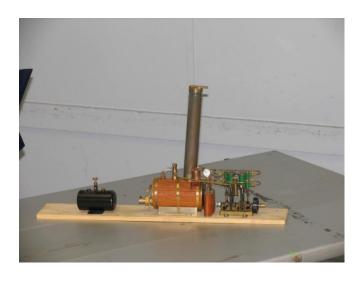
Below is Cecil Sores with his A1 Skyraider. It's an all foam electric. It is amazing what is happening with the molded foam. Cecil said he labored all morning for at least an hour.



I talked about my refurbished Super Skybolt. This is by far my favorite plane and it was a sad day to lose it 3-4 years ago. My parents visited for a week in June so Dad took the challenge to help me get it back in flying order. The proof is below.



Larry also brought in a scale steam engine. He just converted to propane and it powers a boat. He said the little engine really hums along.



The last picture is Ron Madsen with his open cockpit fire extinguisher. Ron was very concerned the steam engine would get out of control and with the burn ban in place, he wanted to be safe. Nahh, really he was showing an old airplane fire extinguisher and was totally unrelated to the steam engine



Of course the final flight will have an auto pilot that fly's the hump with accelerometer input to achieve zero-g.

That is all for now.

AN OLD BIRD, NOT MY DAD

by Michael Laible

I was going to write an article on the old Mustang but then my Dad sent me a couple of pics of the B-25 progress. So I thought I would throw in the words "Not my Dad". The reason for this is he is the builder of both these models.

The Mustang was first flown in January of 2008. My have now logged 57 flights on the

Mustang. It is holding up but may need a good overhaul very soon. James Lemon took these nice shots of the mustang in flight



The build of this model has a rich history. It turns out a dentist bought this kit in 2003. He then gave it to a friend of mine for some work he performed (My Skybolt kit and this Mustang). My friend then figured out he was never going to build them so he dropped them off at my house.

That is when I decided my Dad had way too much time on his hands, thus He got two kits for Christmas.

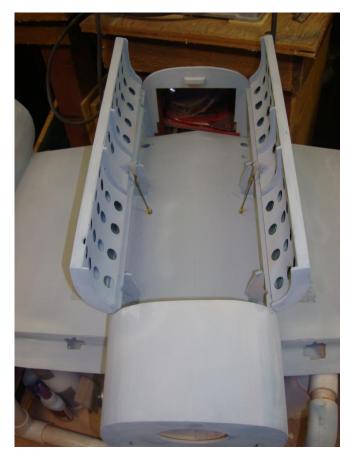
All I had to do is go pick them up.



So now for the mother of all projects. The Zirolli B-25. This one may have been a little overboard for him. But as you can see Pop is at the priming stage. Everything is looking

good. Can't wait to finish this one. I imagine first flight will be in 2012.





AUGUST MODEL OF THE MONTH

by Michael Laible

The August MOM was won by Larry Bailey with his scale Bell 222/230 (I didn't catch the number)



AUGUST MEETING MINUTES

by Kent Stromberg

Minutes of 8/11/2011

New members Gordon Lamb

Refreshments next month Cecil

Jon Mc Father

Old Business:

Discussion on Canopy- it was voted by all in attendance to secure a replacement of the same type which has lasted 3 years at a cost of approximately 200.00 vs the suggested replacement which would be heavier and twice as expensive.

Discussion of the JSCRCC Domain name. It was voted by all in attendance to renew the current domain name.

Discussion of fall fun fly on the week of Oct the Saturday after our our Oct. meeting. We will finalize plans and discussion at Sept meeting.

Nominations for the board will be open until next month.

Discussion of membership dues. Before any action or discussion Mike wants to meet with Dave and make a budget.

Treasures report. 4796.00 on hand.

B-24 FUSELAGE PROGRESS

by Michael Laible

Got a little time this month to work on the B-24. I know Herman has been planking away on the nacelles and should have an update next month. But for this month the fuse has the side gunners doors cut out and ready to finish up.

Not exact but good enough. The pictures below show it close and opened.





The next picture shows the fiberglass lay ups I made for life boat hatches. These hatches will cover the on-board glow drivers.



This picture I had to show because it is the first time I got a glimpse of what the wing airfoil looks like. It's a rough cut out but it gives an estimate of the airfoil. Can't wait to see it all together. By next month the wing should be fitted.



Upcoming Events

July 14 Club Meeting

Sept 15-17 Bomber Field Fly in Sept 30-Oct 2 District VIII AMA 75th

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