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## MEETING NOTICE and Travels of Sea Cows

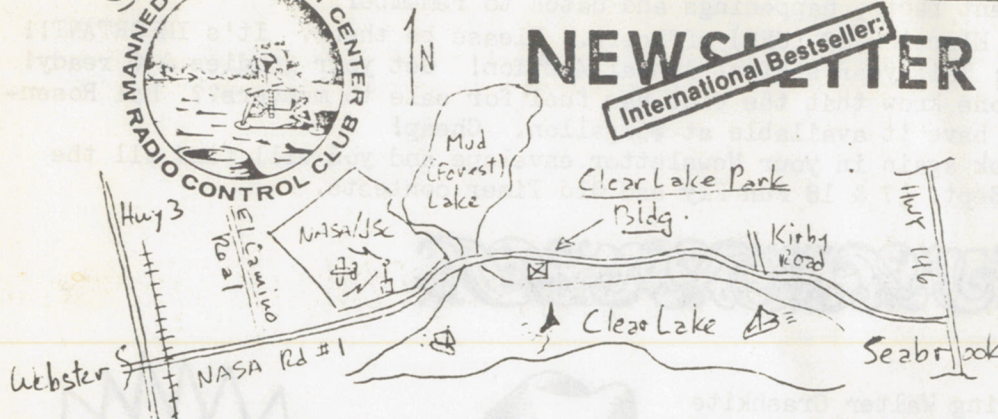
**NEWSLETTER**  
International Bestseller

DATE: Thursday Sept. 8, 1977

TIME: • DAMMAM

PLACE: • DUBAI (Sharjah, Abu Dhabi, Doha)

PROGRAM: • BANDAR SHAHPOUR  
• JEDDAH



## Because You Demand Variety..

The dozens.....nay, hundreds....of letters that you have written to your Unusually Resourceful & Perceptive (URP!) club officers have finally paid off. They have decided to Do Something Different! In case you were not smart enough to figure out the meeting instructions in the upper right corner, we will meet out at the flying field from 5 P.M. on. Then at 7:30 after it gets dark, we will migrate to the Monterey House lounge on NASA #1 (see picture of typical MSC/RCC member).

Maybe by 8 or thereafter, tables will be available for all of us to use since many will be hungry by that time. Those of you who aren't going to fly, come on out anyway to the field....or, if that's too early for you, just gather at the M-H before 7:30 and get a head start on the rest of us! Since we haven't tried this sort of thing in several years, let's make it a big one and see if Monterey House stock goes up! Naturally, in case of rain, flooded field, etc., we will just skip the flying part and meet in the lounge about 7:30. (Prediction: betcha there will be lots of the ladies at this one!)

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FIELD REPORT from J. W. Smith

SUBJECT: Flight Report - Corvette Top-Holer

TIME: Friday, July 22, 1977, 12:30 P.M.

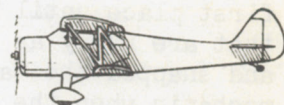
PLACE: Near Bldg. 35 parking lot (opposite side of JSC from the Antenna Test Range)

Have you even seen an .049 Corvette Top-Holer? John Kiker had one. It was a nice looking monoplane finished in red and yellow. John claimed that it was an "exciting" plane to fly, so when he called to say he was going out with it I rushed right over. This had to be good!!! John is used to flying biplanes that are as slow as an overstuffed turkey and he should need help with anything "exciting". Little did I suspect that the airplane was a Corvette Top-Holer! This docile looking little plane was range checked, inspected, cranked-up and hand launched. That was when its true nature came out. That thing turned 90° and headed out over the parking lot with John uttering those words we all dread, "I don't have it!" The buzz bomb was looking for a Corvette. It flew straight across the parking lot and, spotting its prey parked in the street, suddenly turned 90° and started a descent. It was then that the Corvette top target became obvious. The flight path was straight and true! A Corvette top with a ragged hole is a sorry sight.....but then, so is a Corvette Top-Holer!!!!

(Epilogue): naturally John left a note on the Corvette so the owner could reach him later. He then found that the ailerons still worked but not the elevator. That night when he got out to the workbench, there was a clue as to what might have happened: a small self-tap screw was lying on the bench right where he had worked the previous evening. Sure enough, when the wing was removed from the airplane, John found the output arm off of the elevator servo!! Moral of the story: Check those screws! Make sure that they are all installed as they should be. Otherwise, you too might become the unproud owner of a Corvette Top-Holer....or maybe worse!!!



MARGARITAS



## NEVER AGAIN



ONE CRASH TOO MANY!!!



# LOOK AT THIS!

Here are some important facts, happenings and dates to remember:

- ....October meeting: Election of (URP) officers. Please be there. It's IMPORTANT!!
- ....November meeting: This year's First Annual Auction! Get your goodies & \$ ready!
- ....Fuel: does everyone know that the club has fuel for sale to members?? Hal Rosenberg and J. W. Smith have it available at \$5/gallon. Cheap!
- ....The Contests: look again in your Newsletter envelope and you will find all the information for the Sept. 17 & 18 Fun Fly and Old Timer contests.



**IT'S  
ALL  
HERE**

The Newsletter was fortunate in having Walter Crashkite to coordinate field reports from MSC/RCC members who attended the NATS this year in California! In keeping with our tradition of excellence, we offered Mr. Crashkite (pictured at right) more bananas than MB, MAN, RCM and the other competition! So, without further waste of time, let's xwqtuyp €tr% hz\$m?zz #wfp2!!!



HELLO,  
MSC/RCC?  
THIS IS YOUR  
NATS REPORTER  
CALLING ON  
THE HOT LINE!

J. W. Smith: Notes on the Nationals -- Weather at Riverside was great with cool mornings and pleasantly hot afternoons, very few clouds. --- Pattern contest was outstanding, mostly Phoenix and Dirty Birdy airplanes. Our own Charles Danley gave everyone a lesson in perfection, flying an Atlas to first place in Expert. He led the Experts all the way during qualifications and then came back to lead all the way through finals. Michael Johncock (Texas City - Junior) placed second in Advanced with a Phoenix. Michael was in first place until the final round. Saw two airplanes lose their tail sections, those situations that are funny as long as it's someone else! One guy was wiping off his airplane after a flight and snapped the tail off of the fiberglass fuselage. The other poor soul was talking with his mechanic when the mechanic (ex-friend) stepped backward right on the airplane. --- Soaring was out in the boondocks as usual. It was hot, windy, and very dusty. Sailplanes were big, most with 150" wingspans, and graceful. --- There were many scale airplanes: Californians seem to go for scale. The airplanes were all beauties, but the ones that caught my eye were the 1/4 scale racers and the twin-engine P-38's and Cessnas. They were smooth flying efficient airplanes. Only saw two crashes, but understand that there were others.

Charlie Palermo: NOTES ON NATS -- This was my first-time attendance at a Nats event and, from my viewpoint, it turned out to be a very impressive spectacle. My main interest lies in the scale activity, so my one day of attendance was on scale event day when the whole spectrum of scale building was on display - from the absolute finest to the absolute crummiest. However, in all fairness, the better models far outnumbered the crummy ones. Maybe next year..... The highlight of my trip turned out to be the opportunity to spend over an hour visiting with Bill Northrop in his Model Builder magazine office in Costa Mesa. He has done a lot for our hobby - and continues to do so - and is my kind of modeler. He is not only a biplane buff, he also likes and promotes the BIG twingers!

Gil Symons: Where's the bathroom?







MSC/RCC FUN TIME  
SEPTEMBER 17 AND 18  
AMA SANCTION #438  
FUN FLY  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17



EVENTS

1. CLIMB AND GLIDE

- o THREE FLIGHTS
- o TARGET TIME 5 MINUTES TOTAL
- o MAX OF 2 MINUTES PER FLIGHT
- o ENGINE RUN 20 SECONDS PER FLIGHT
- o SCORE IS 300 POINTS MINUS ONE POINT FOR EACH SECOND OVER OR UNDER TOTAL TARGET TIME PLUS 10 POINTS LANDING BONUS IF NOSE OF MODEL STOPS IN THE LUCKY CIRCLE (SEE NOTE)

2. TOUCH AND GO

- o THREE FLIGHTS OF THREE MINUTES EACH
- o THREE LANDING CIRCLES
- o MOST TOUCHDOWNS IN LUCKY CIRCLE IS WINNER (SEE NOTE)
- o TWO BEST FLIGHTS COUNT (BEST FLIGHTS DETERMINED AFTER LUCKY CIRCLE IS DRAWN)

NOTE: THERE WILL BE THREE LANDING CIRCLES AND THE LUCKY ONE WILL BE DETERMINED BY DRAW AFTER ALL FLIGHTS ARE FINISHED.









OLD TIMER  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

EVENTS

1. CLIMB AND GLIDE

- o THREE FLIGHTS
- o TARGET TIME 15 MINUTES
- o MAX OF 7 MINUTES PER FLIGHT
- o ENGINE RUN
  - 20 SECONDS GLO
  - 40 SECONDS IGNITION
- o LANDING BONUS OF 10 POINTS PER FLIGHT IF NOSE OF MODEL STOPS INSIDE CIRCLE
- o ONE POINT OFF FOR EACH SECOND OVER OR UNDER TARGET



2. DURATION

- o THREE FLIGHTS
- o TEN MINUTES MAX
- o COUNT TWO BEST FLIGHTS
- o ENGINE RUN
  - 20 SECONDS GLO
  - 40 SECONDS IGNITION



GENERAL

AMA AND FCC LICENSE REQUIRED  
SAM RULES APPLY TO OLD TIMERS  
ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 FUN FLY; \$5.00 OLD TIMER  
TROPHIES TO THIRD PLACE  
REGISTRATION - 8 A.M. - 9 A.M.  
FLYING - 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.  
ANY MODEL (INCLUDING OLD TIMERS) CAN ENTER FUN FLY  
PLACE: NASA/JSC ANTENNA RANGE (BEHIND BLDG. 14)  
C.D.: O. G. MORRIS  
130 DRIFTWOOD  
SEABROOK, TX 77586  
TELEPHONE: 713-334-1407



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2. DURATION

RICHARD SMITH  
418 HICKORY RIDGE  
SEABROOK, TEXAS

77586

J. W. SMITH  
418 HICKORY RIDGE  
SEABROOK, TEXAS

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J. Smith

MSC/RCC MEETING MINUTES - September 8, 1977

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1. Minutes of the August meeting were read by the Secretary and approved by the membership.
2. The Treasurer's report was given and noted that the only transactions for the month had been 4 gallons of fuel sold.
3. OLD BUSINESS - Dave Thomasson mentioned a visit to the Pink Pussycat with Jay Smith during Nats week in California.
4. NEW BUSINESS:

A. J. Smith related some information on AMA insurance which he had received from John Kiker. Homeowners insurance should be used to cover property damage and other claims caused by model damage. If you do not have homeowners coverage, then AMA will cover, but there is a \$250 deductible on this.

B. O. Morris gave more information on the MSC/RCC contest on Sept. 17-18. He provided details for the fun fly and requested volunteers to be there with stopwatches. A definition of an Old Timer model was also provided.

C. J. Smith noted a Texas City Fun Fly on 25 Sept. but events not known. Also, Mel Brewer had told him the the Gulf Coast Club was having a  $\frac{1}{2}$ A race on Oct. 23.

D. D. Thomasson gave congratulations to Don White for winning the biplane contest at Alvin last month.

E. T. Brown proposed that we do the M-H meeting more often, possibly for the December meeting.

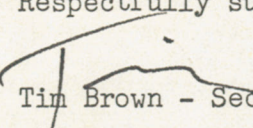
F. D. Klotz suggested a smaller permanent trophy or medal be awarded for Model of the Month instead of the current rotating trophy. D. White noted that we had done this in the past, but that it got too expensive. Del then put it in the form of a motion. H. Rosenberg volunteered to look into the cost of medals or plaques.

G. D. Hoffman said that the Confederate Air Force show would be in Harlingen on Oct. 7-10. This show will have the B-29 enact the Hiroshima flight.

5. MOTM: Dave Thomasson showed a House of Balsa P-47; Cox-Sanwa 3-channel on aileron, rudder, motor; TD.051. He said that the kit was excellent, parts fit, and the entire turtleneck from nose to tail is molded plastic.

The business meeting ended at about 9:25.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Tim Brown - Secretary



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G. D. Hoffman said that the Confederate Air Force show would be in Huntington on Oct. 7-10. This show will have the B-29 and the Hiroshima flight.

H. MUM: Dave Thompson showed a House of Balsa P-40 Cox-Sanna 3-channel on aileron, rubber, motor; ED 051. He said that the kit was excellent, parts fit, and the entire model took from nose to tail is molded plastic.

The business meeting ended at about 9:25.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Brown - Secretary