



# NEWSLETTER

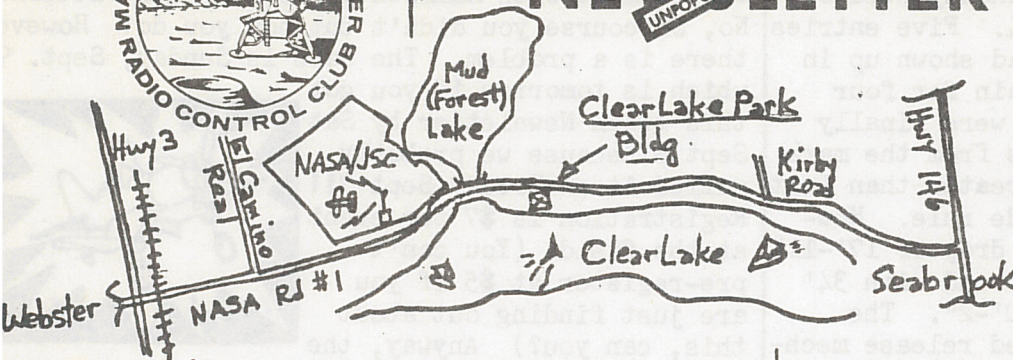
UNPOPULAR SCIENCE

DATE: Thurs. Sept. 13, 1979

TIME: 7:30 - 10:00 P.M.

PLACE: Clear Lake Park Bldg.  
(see map)

PROGRAM: Dave Hoffman will talk about adhesives (glue, not tape) and Tim Berlekamp will show a film about Air Traffic Control: "No Margin for Error".



## PREZ'S CORNER

### Meeting Notes

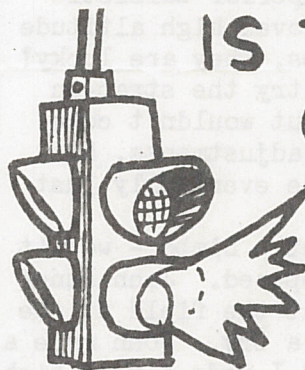
We'd like to thank Dick Centnar for taking care of refreshments at last month's meeting....and thanks, Don

hite, for agreeing to take them for the Sept. meeting!

The program for last month consisted of two slide presentations: the first by Mike audiano was about his trip on the Goodrich year limp, and the second was by Owen Morris on the -scale Fly-In at Las Vegas last year. Both of hem were excellently presented and enjoyed by 11!! Our thanks to both Owen and Mike for their ime and efforts in providing an interesting rogram.

Anyone in need of fuel contact Dick entnar (488-5489), Dave Hoffman (941-8485), or al Rosenberg (333-3866). As a reminder, the ign-up list for Club shirts and hats will be assed around at the next meeting. Anyone who s interested should sign up or contact Hal to et his/her/it's name on the list.

Here's another By Laws amendment proposal to onsider, talk about at the Sept. meeting, and ote on at the Oct. meeting. It is intended to ake life easier for an incoming President and acilitate his job. Basically, it will read hat after a new Pres. is elected (in the Nov. lections), he will have the option to either esignate his V-P or let him be elected as we o now. Reason for this is that in the distant ast there were times when the Pres. and V-P ouldn't easily communicate or coordinate the lub business and activities. (Ed.Note: when on White was Pres., it required a toll-call to is V-P) Anyway, think about it.



## IS THERE A GREEN LIGHT ON THE FIELD?

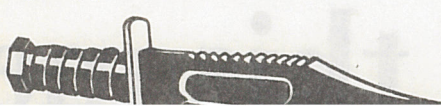
If you were out on the sort-of wet field about two weeks ago and were terrified by a truck roaring up and down the strip,

there was a reason for it! Owen Morris, John Kiker and their crew (Tom McPherson, Joe Martin, Craig & Scotty Paton, Gil Symons, Dave Thomasson, and maybe others) were making their 1st practice run for the AMA-sponsored Trans-America Race which goes from North Carolina to California and then back to Las Vegas for the finale. This is all tied-in to the current Muscular Dystrophy campaign and should result in some good publicity. Our heros will compete in the Shriveport to Ft. Worth leg of the race. Pilot will sit in the open back of the pick-up truck. Estimated time for the trip is about 5-6 hours!!

The airplane is a Sterling Gazariator with K&B 40, flaperons, and a 1 Quart fuel tank (that is the maximum allowed). Planes must take off in a normal unassisted manner and pit stops will be made wherever the pilot can find space (on an Interstate highway??). Now that Owen and John know they can fly it for 1/4-mile, the next step is to try it out in the "real world" such as on Hy. 35 between Pearland and Alvin. Fun!!

Contestants will turn in all contributions they can collect, when they register, so if you can, please bring checks to the meeting or mail them to any of the people involved. It's a good cause. Starting time for the East Texas run is Sept 15th for assembly and the 16th & 17th for

## HALP!!!





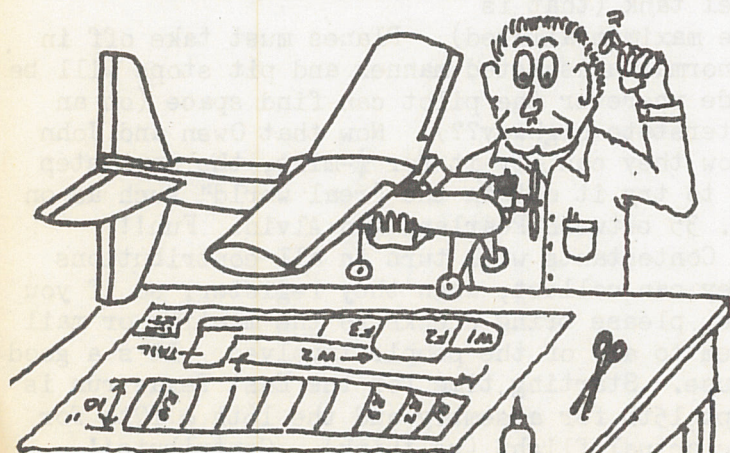
Since the last newsletter report, two of the club Fun-Fly contests have occurred. The much delayed donut drop was finally held on Aug. 4. Five entries who had shown up in the rain for four weeks were finally

able to participate. The distances from the mark to the donut this year were much greater than last year due to the new minimum altitude rule. However, Peter Campo made a very good drop of 17'-11" from the target. John Campo was second with 34' and Lee Foxworthy was third with 40'-2". The Campos had a scientifically designed release mechanism which produced a much superior ballistic trajectory, thus allowing improved high altitude bombing accuracy -- and besides, they are lucky! Tim Brown was the only one to try the strap-on peg system. At first, the donut wouldn't come off: then, after a few clever adjustments, he couldn't get it to stay on. (He eventually just ate his donuts!)

The seventh Fun-Fly contest - Limbo - wasn't really conducted. It just happened. John Dune-hew and I were the only ones at the field at the appointed time, so we gave it a try. John made a good pass under the ribbon and I made a very high pass over the bar with much wild antics by my very good looking new plane. After that, I gave up and John made another pass and crashed his airplane (which he claimed needed rebuilding anyway) ...so with that, the contest ended!

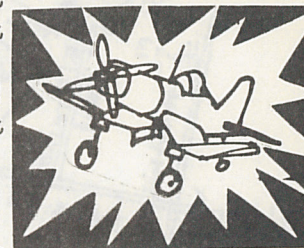
Standing in the overall contest have not been changed by any of this. 1st-Gary Galle, 2nd-Ed Galle, 3d-Howard Keith, 4th-Peter Campo. Don't forget the Sept. 15 contest -- Las Vegas spins, loops, & rolls. This is not a "how many" contest (which Gil Symons wins easily with his full-power straight-down "rolls") but how long does it take to go up, do the number of a maneuver specified by a dice roll, and land. (Lee Foxworthy)

(Ed.Note: ask Lee about the relationship between the airplane's electrical system and fuel system that he discovered!)



# DID YOU KNOW...

....that the Sheldon RC Club was holding its 1st Annual Northeast Houston Area SPORT SCALE AA Sarcotined meet with Mammoth Scale & Novice Pattern? No, of course you didn't but now you do! However there is a problem. The date is Sunday, Sept. 9 which is tomorrow if you got this ~~trash~~ Newsletter by Sat Sept 8 because we probably mailed it on Friday Sept 7!! Registration is \$7 per event at the field. (You can't pre-register at \$5 if you are just finding out about this, can you?) Anyway, the CD's are Rusty Dickerson (456-0732) and Bill Diamond (453-4926) and the location is Sheldon Airport on Miller Rd. II. Take the McCarty Exit from Loop 610, go 8.7 miles out US 90 to Miller Rd. II, then south 1 mile to the airport.



LATE FLASH!!! Just received another announcement Corpus Christi R/C Club Annual Sport Scale bash Sunday, Sept. 16, at Rodd Field. Sport Scale has prizes of \$100, 50, 25; R/C Static Scale and R/Mammoth Scale both have plaques to 3d place. We have a map and other info if anyone is interest



World Engines Expert 7 Channel System on 72.400  
Tx, Rx, 2 Servos --- \$150.00

World Engines Blue Max 6 Channel on 72.080.  
Tx, Rx, 2 Servos --- \$120.00

Owen Morris 334-1407

'Lord,  
get me out  
of this mess'

OCTOBER MSC/RCC FUN FLY CONTEST

SATURDAY, Oct. 13, 1978

REGISTRATION: 8:30 a.m. (no fee)

FLYING: will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m.

SITE: MSC/RCC field behind building 14

EVEN: sailplane-duration/spot landing

- High start/s (elastic) will be used. Duration flight goal is 120 seconds per flight. Time starts when hook is released and stops when plane touches ground or disappears from sight. Seconds under flight goal are counted toward score. Seconds over flight goal are subtracted from 120 to obtain score.

- Bonus seconds are added to score for landings within 30 feet of the spot. Distance measurement is from tip of nose to the spot. Measurements falling between the foot markers will be increased to the nearest foot. Score is not affected by precision of landing approach, but bonus is zero if parts separate from plane at landing. Bonus seconds = 30-distance.

- Five flights will be made by each contestant. The lowest 2 flight scores will be discarded. Fly-offs will resolve ties.

- Rainout will require restart of the event on the following Saturday.

- Points will be awarded for 1st thru last place according to the number of contestants and results. Points are accumulated toward the year and trophies.

JAC

