

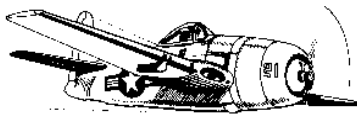


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Christmas Party – December 9, 2010, Clear Lake Park Building– 7:00 PM



In The Pits

by Michael Laible

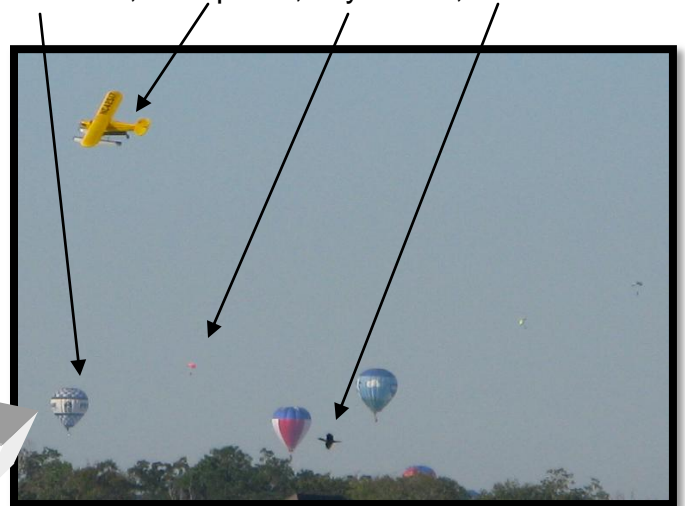
As I write this it is the first of December. This is a busy time of the year. It seems like every evening until Christmas is already accounted for. What a time of the year. I hope everyone gets a little time to slow down and enjoy time with friends and family.

I thought I would just fill in this month with a couple of pics and the story behind them.



The above picture is of my float plane during the Ballunar Saturday morning race. Herman

Burton was the designated photo tog. It was a great morning and the flights were highly successful. If you look close, this particular picture has four items flying – balloons, float plane, sky divers, a bird.



This summer I had the opportunity to float Arkansas River in Colorado. After the float we visited the Forney Museum of Transportation in Denver. One item of interest was the Martin Aircar. As you can note from the pics below, it was a car, an airfoil, and boat. I really couldn't find anything on this car on the web except for these two blogs:

I noticed the Martin aircar discussion and just wanted to chime in. This car was built around 1950 with plywood which was soaked in water and molded. It had a bi plane engine with the

propeller reversed. This allowed it to drive on the street, go in the water, and also fly. This car spent many years in my father's shop before being donated to the museum in Denver. Mr. Martin and Albert Hadan built this vehicle and had many talks with the military on selling the design. I have a video of the car boating around in a lake then driving straight out from the boat ramp. Then they drove it down the street and it would easily travel at 60 comfortably. They then took it to the airport and the video shows it getting off the ground by at least 6 to 7 feet. They didn't want to get in the air any farther because the plane/boat/car was made of just plywood and this was their only one. I guess they didn't want to risk it. Just wanted to say that this design was way ahead of anything produced lately and these two get no credit on creating it. I will try and get the video on YouTube of the car flying, driving and boating around the local lake. Oh yea, the Martain aircar was created in Nebraska...Omaha.

And finally this answer to the above:

My grandfather Bud Martin invented the Martin Air Car in Fremont, Nebraska. It never did mold even after being in the water. Though it does have some damage my uncle Paul said from sitting in the old Forney Museum. My family does not have much footage of the air car flying and it looks as if someone does. That is something I would love to see. The footage we have was lost by a TV station in Omaha. Thanks for all the interest in the car. Also thank you to the person who notified me of this topic and this web site.



This is all for this month. Don't forget about the Christmas Party.

Until next month,
Safe Landings,

Mike

November Meeting Minutes

by Kent Stromberg

Club swap meet:



Model of the Month Winners - 2010

The names below are eligible for Model of the Year. Please note that the model must have flown and still be flyable. So bring your model to the Christmas Party.

JAN – No MOM
FEB – Dave Bacque – Dirty Birdy
MAR – Charlie Teixeira – P-47
APR – Joe Schmidt – Cox Lazy Bee
MAY – Mike McGraw - Buccaneer
JUN – Dave Bacque – Battle Ax
JUL – Herman Burton – P-38
AUG – No MOM
SEPT – Don White – Fokker DR-1
OCT – Bill Schwander – Cessna Bobcat
NOV – No MOM

December Birthdays

Tom Altmeyer
David Bacque
Michael Bodak
Kevin Cap
John Dunehew
Larry Dyer
Steven Palm
Steven Rhodes
Duane Sterling
David Whelan
Donald White

Old Time Puzzle

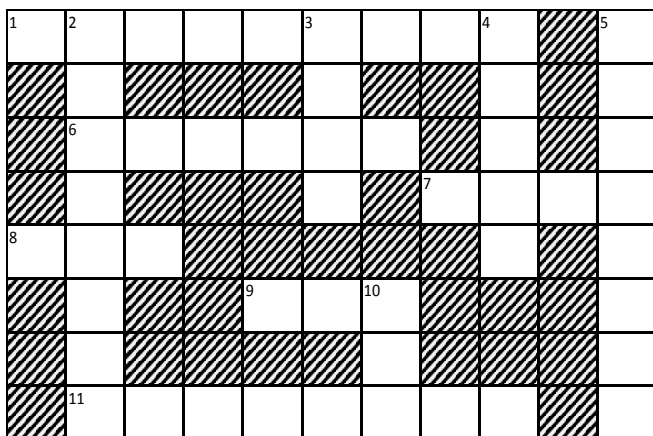
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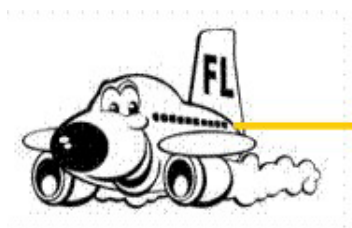
ACROSS CLUES

1. SUPPLIER
6. FINE FINISHING WORK
7. HELI'S TAIL SUPPORT
8. LOBE
9. QUICK WAY TO FLY
11. CONTROLS VERT. PITCH

DOWN CLUES

2. WEAPONS
3. COVERING
4. ----- RACING
5. CHEMICAL SYMBOL "AL ="
10. CLOSE ---





JSCRC Club Cordially invites all Club members and their families
to the Annual Christmas Party

December 9, 2010 at 7:00 pm (2nd Thursday) at our normal meeting site
in the activities building at Clear Lake Park.

The main course will be provided (Tony's BBQ) and we
ask that each attending family bring either
a finger food snack or a desert for approximately 6 people.

To make sure we provide enough BBQ, an RSVP to
Kent Stromberg at **281-480-0095**
or email **wkstromberg@comcast.net** with the number
of attendees in your family would be appreciated.

Please come and help share in the Holiday spirit
and celebrate another year of flying fun.



Upcoming Events

Club Christmas Party December 9th

Club Meeting January 13th

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