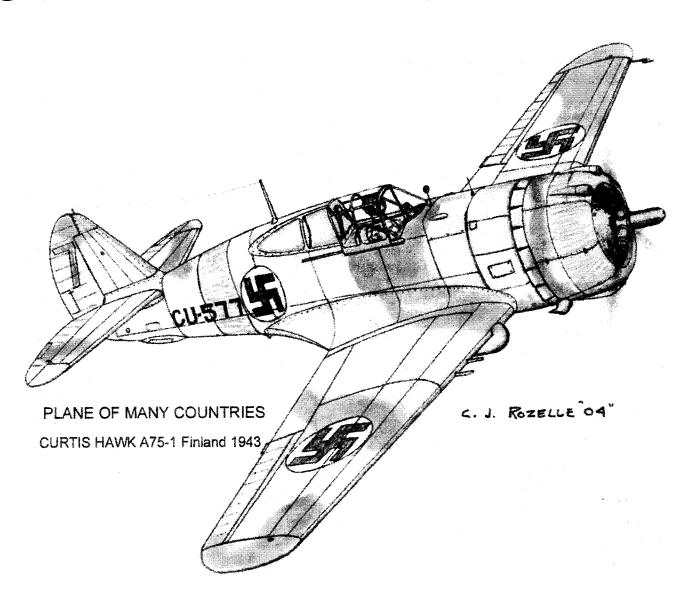
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Club News

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Another nice cover, this time by a newcomer of our cover art. This one is done by C.J. Rozelle. I have seen some of C.J.'s other work and it is first rate, to say the least. I hope he can find time to do some more for us. Thanks, C.J. I also want to thank everyone else who contributed to this issue, we all appreciate it.

The plans for this issue came from; Ted Davis---S.V.A. Ansaldo SVA-5, Al Backstrom---Sopwith Bee, Rocky Russo and Michael Heinrich---Messerschmitt BF-109, John Blair---Anzani Longster.

For those of you who could not attend the FAC Outdoor Champs at Muncie, you sure missed a great meet. Not only from the standpoint of competition but because of the weather which was fantastic, temps around 80 degrees and winds light and variable, said to be about 3 mph. It was almost like flying indoors for most of the weekend. Example, Dave Neidzeilski put up a flight of over 11 minutes with his Mystery Tailess, walked about 100 yards and picked it up! I want to thank all who came and participated and especially those who volunteered their time to help put this contest on. Special thanks to Ralph Kuenz who CD'ed the meet and had things going smoothly all weekend. Good job by all!

If you intend to come to the Western N.Y. Free Flt. Soc./FAC-GHQ indoor contest at the Buffalo Bills Fieldhouse Be sure to remember that the date published in the last newsletter was in error! The correct date is OCTOBER 24, 2004. I hope to see you all there. Another thing to remember is that all classes of scale model will be judged! You must meet the 45 point rule in all classes to be eligible to compete, you have had ample time to prepare for this. You all have rule books, please read them!

On a sad note, we must report that we have lost two members of the FAC since the last issue. Jimm Mcneill who was a strong supporter of the FAC and was the A.M.A. District 5 VP, and Ted Langley who was a member of the current Flying Aces Club since its beginning. Our condolences to there many friends and their familes, they will truly be missed.

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Col. Lin Reichel, CinC, FAC

The FLYING ACES CLUB

is a society of unique individuals with a common interest that at times borders on a passion. It is our intent to preserve and promote the traditional building and flying of free flight stick and tissue model aircraft. Although competitive at times, the sharing of innovations, assistance and camaraderie is second nature to all that believe in the unique spirit of the FLYING ACES CLUB

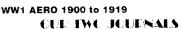


NEW PLANS FROM FAC-GHO

Three new plans for sale. The Messerschmitt BF-109E by Michael Heinrich and Rocky Russo for the FAC-Nats. 22 inch span. Bill Henn has given us his plan of the Swiss EKW C-3603,25 inch span and we have the Spartan Executive of 29 inch span. Original drawing by Alan Booton and redrawn by Ralph Kuenz. The BF-109E includes a color profile and a short history of the aircraft. All plans should make good flying models. All 3 plans sell for \$6.00 each postpaid. Send to; FAC-GHQ, 3301 Cindy Lane, Erie, Pa. 16506.



Valuable Resources for the Scale and Full Scale Builder



- information on current projects news of museums and air shows
- c technical drawings and data aeropianes, engines, parts for sale historical research
- scale modelling material
- vour wants and disposals
- news of current publications O information on paint and color O copies of original drawings, manuals
- O photographs
- O workshop notes



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If the box on the right has the dreaded RED "X" in it, it is time to renew your membership which includes the newsletter. Cost is \$15.00 per year in the United States per year. Cost in Canada is \$20.00 per year. Overseas the cost is \$25.00 per year. All in U.S. dollars. Six issues per year, published approximitly every other month. Please make checks payable to; Flying Aces. Send to; FAC-GHQ, 3301 Cindy Lane, Erie, Pa. 16506.

NEW FAC T-SHIRTS

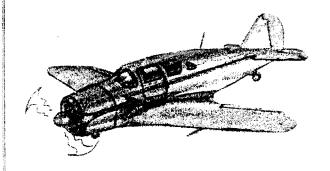
We now have the FAC Outdoor Champs T-shirts in stock. This shirt features the Spartan Executive. Another design by Bob Bojanowski. We have all sizes in stock and ready to go! Small med., lge., X-lge., XX-lge., and XXX-lge. Nice in silver & green.

We still have the Boeing F4B-4 shirts in all sizes. This may be our all-time best seller! Also still in stock is the 2004 FAC-Nats shirt in all sizes. This one is of the Messerschmitt BF-109.

The Boeing shirts also come in youth sizes of small, medium and large.

Prices for all shirts is \$15.00 Postpaid, send your order to; FAC-GHQ, 3301 Cindy Lane, Erie, Pa. 16506.

These shirts will make great Christmas presents!







Vet Thomas CD 970 Clarkson-Parma TL Rd Hilton, NY 14468 716-392-5164 vthomas1@rochester.rr.com

NOTE: Schedule is subject to change at CD's discretic

AMA

The Western New York Free Flight Society

Flying Aces Club

jointly sponsor the 7th Annual

Empire State Indoor Free Flight Championships

Raiph C. Wilson Fieldhouse Orchard Park, NY

October 24, 2004

AMA Class AA Sanctioned Contest

There will be nine AMA indoor duration events, nine FAC events and Science Olympiad. Sorry, no Butterfly or RC.

Entry fee is \$30 and will allow flying in all events except for the specials where the fee is \$5. ID Tags will be issued at check-in and must be visible at all times. We welcome fun flyers and trust they see the need for these entry fees A donation jar will be set up for any fliers who feel that fees are too low.

Awards will be made through 3rd place in all events. Helium available on-site AMA or MAAC membership is required for all events. AMA membership can be

obtained on site

. 50-50 Raffle is planned.

Models entered in the Golden Age Civil Scale event must be judged along with other models in FAC judged events. Standard documentation, including color

information, will be required.

Arnple parking is available directly in front of the main fieldhouse entrance.

As in the past, absolutely no glass containers, food, or beverages are allowed in the building. Food and beverages will be available for purchases on site, or can be consumed outside.

Scale Models

Be sure to have model plan and/or proper documentation where called for in scale events, including mass iaunches. Models will be checked

Science Olympiad

There will be middle school, high school and open classes. Models must comply with either new 2004 rules or 2003 rules, with the following exceptions: Seven minute time limit is waived. In anticipation of the proposed 2004 rules being finalized, no ROG will be required in the high school category, and landing gear can be removed from "old rules" models. Best single flight of three counts.

Radio Control

There will be no radio control flying this year.

Phantom Flash

At the conclusion of the contest at 6 PM there will be a "Phantom Horde" mass launch event. This will be a one-flight, simultaneous launch of Phantom Flash ROGs, open to all registered contestants. The models must be built according to the Cornet kit plan, using wood sizes and wheel diameter shown. any propeller can be used, but its diameter cannot exceed six inches. Covering must be Japanese tissue - no Gampi, film or condenser paper allowed. Models will be checked for compliance by FAC GHQ! Send a legal size SASEto the editor for a plan or check out the kit from Penn Valley Hobby Center. \$37 W. Main St, Lansdale, PA 19446 215-855-1286 or on line <www.pennvalleyhobbycenter.com>

Mini Stick

F1D Std.Class Catapult Glider Intermediate Stick 7 gm Bostonian Cabin Limited Penny Plane Open Penny Plane Easy B AMA Electric Endurance

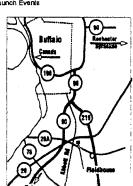
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Dime Scale FAC Hi Wing Peanut FAC Peanut Scale · FAC Scale

Golden Age Scale No-Cal Scale(6.2 gm Min wt) WWII Combat

Golden Age Military · Phantom Flash

Peanut Scale models are not eligible
 Mass Launch Events



Science Olympiad

Special

Wright Stuff (Use last year's rules)

- Middle SchoolHigh SchoolOpen

HOW TO GET THERE

From the East: Take the New York State Thruway (190) past Ext 55 to Rt 219 Proceed on Rt 219 to Big Tree Rd Ext (Rt 20A). West on 20A to Abbott Rd. then night on Abbott to the Fieldhouse

From the West: Take the New York State Thruway (1-90) to ext 57. Camp Rd (RI 75 N or W) Proceed to Southwestern Blvd (RI 20). Go right on RI 20 to Abbott Rd. Right on Abbott Rd to Reliph C. Wilson Stadium and the Fieldhouse

From Canada: Take the OEW to the Peace Bridge and onto US 1-190 South Then to NY State Thoway (1-90) and R 219 to Big Tree RB 250 (RI 20A) Go West on 20A to Associt Ru. then right or Abbott to the Flexingues

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the practice facility for the Buffalo Bills football club. The structure has a 128 foot arched ceiling and a tloor area measuring 200 by 400 feet. It's carpeted with artificial turf, making an exceptional AMA 🗥 Catatory, IV Indoor flying site and a premiere indoor contest venue. It's really worth the trip!

This fabulous building is

Application for Membership

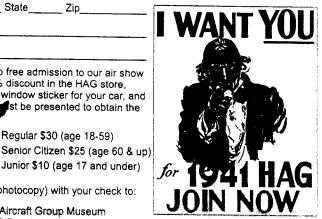
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Regular \$30 (age 18-59)

Junior \$10 (age 17 and under)

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OKAY, all you FACer's that have attended the FAC contests at Geneseo, N.Y., you know what a great flying site we are allowed to use there at the 1941 HAG Museum. If you are not a member of the museum yet you may want to consider joining. They could use our help as new members. We here at GHO think we owe it to them!

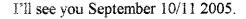
2004 Flying Aces Outdoor Championships

Well my friends, I would have to say we made good use of AMA Model Activity Sanction # 04-0805. This was our ticket into the great AMA flying site at Muncie, Indiana on the weekend of Sep.11/12. Sixty-one of our number enjoyed this great flying site and once again, great weather.

Take a moment and be aware of the efforts of a chosen few who work so hard that we might play with our wonderful model airplanes. You will not find their names on the digitized score sheets that appear here.

However, they are all First Place winners.

After your quick initial scan through these results to see where your name appears, take a moment and say a silent thank you to Juanita Reichel, Lynn Lewis, and Janet Lang. These ladies, and a regular group of dependable fellow modelers who take on the task of judging and mass launch events make the meet possible, and bring you and I to a special place at summer's end. Congratulations to the sixty-one winners who attended this meet.



Regards, Ralph Kuenz



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| FAC Scale | | 2004 Outdoor | Champ:Flt #1 | Flt #2 | Flt #3 | ScPts | Bonus | Hi time | Total |
|------------------|---|-----------------|--------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Phil Cox | 1 | Fleet biplane | 56 | 120 | 59 | 59 | 15 | 82.5 | 156.5 |
| Jack Tisinai | 2 | Hawker Fury | 108 | 66 | 0 | 58.5 | 15 | 79.5 | 153 |
| Chris Starleaf | 3 | Dash-8-300 | 80 | | | 60 | 20 | 70 | 150 |
| Walt Farrell | | Macchi | 52 | 80 | 114 | 58.5 | 10 | 81 | 149.5 |
| Jack Moses | | P-51A | 71 | 90 | 74 | 59 | 10 | 75 | 144 |
| Pres Bruning | | Antinov AN-2 | -75 | 58 | 53 | 60 | 15 | 67.5 | 142.5 |
| Mike Zand | | Bellanca Trimot | or 52 | 37 | 25 | 54 | 35 | 52 | 141 |
| Bob Bojanowski | | F7F Tigercat | 51 | 55 | | 60.5 | 25 | 55 | 140.5 |
| Mike Welshans | | Fleet 2 | 73 | 61 | 57 | 58 | 15 | 66.5 | 139.5 |
| P. Boyanowski | | Hannover CL III | a 30 | 67 | 39 | 60 | 15 | 63.5 | 138.5 |
| Al Backstrom | | Comper Swift | 59 | 104 | 0 | 54.5 | 5 | 78.5 | 138 |
| Juanita Reichel | | Piper Clipper | 120 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 0 | 82.5 | 128.5 |
| Charlie Sauter | | Yak II | 54 | 0 | 0 | 59 | 10 | 54 | 123 |
| Ollie Benton | | D.H.Hornet Mot | h 53 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 15 | 53 | 122 |
| Dave Niedzielski | İ | Curtiss SB2C | 47 | 31 | 45 | 55.5 | 10 | 47 | 112.5 |
| Mark Rzadca | | Rearwin | 57 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 0 | 57 | 111 |
| Al Backstrom | | Curtiss OC-2 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 58 | 15 | 35 | 108 |
| Norman Becker | | Gr. Lk. Trainer | 30 | 33 | 23 | 52 | 15 | 33 | 100 |
| Les Burdsal | | A J Savage | 21 | 21 | 0 | 53 | 25 | 21 | 99 |

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| | Stu Weckerly | Щ — | Ω | F. | j | Ž | dell | 1 E. D. T. Jr. Modelplane | 120 | 86 | 120 | 326 | |
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| Fiction Flyers | 2004 Outdoor Champ | osFlt#1 | FIt#2 | FIt#3 | Sc pt | Bonu | Hi Flt | Total - |
|------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|---------|
| John Houck | 1 Joy's Racer | 109 | 80 | 72 | 53 | 10 | 79.75 | 142.75 |
| Dave Niedzielski | 2 Mystery Tailless | 42 | 83 | 0 | 47 | 15 | 71.5 | 133,5 |
| Bob Gourdon | 3 Murphy Dari | 41 | 29 | 27 | 0 | 5 | 41 | 46 |

| O.T.Stick | | 2004 Outdoor C | hamp:Fit #1 | Flt #2 | !Flt #3 | Total | Flyoff |
|------------------|---|-----------------|-------------|--------|---------|-------------|--------|
| Don Srull | 4 | Gollywock | 120 | 120 | 120 | 36 0 | 222 |
| Geo. Lewis | | 96% Korda | 120 | 120 | 120 | 360 | 151 |
| Fred Wunsche | _ | Gollywock | 120 | 120 | 111 | 351 | |
| Mike Zand | _ | Gollywock | 120 | 120 | 111 | 351 | |
| Dan Driscoll | | Thermal Badger | 120 | 68 | 120 | 308 | |
| Dime Scale | | 2004 Outdoor C | hamps Fit#1 | Flt#2 | FIt#3 | Flt pts | Bonus |
| Jack McGillivray | 4 | | 120 | | 120 | 360 | 10 |
| Dan Kane | | D.H. Tiger Moth | 87 | 120 | 100 | 307 | 15 |
| Stu Weckerly | | Fokker D-7 | 120 | 57 | 111 | 288 | 15 |
| P. Boyanowski | - | Boeing P-12E | 67 | 106 | 103 | 276 | 15 |
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| Jack McGillivray | 4 | | 120 | 120 | 120 | 360 | 10 | 30 | 390 |
| Dan Kane | | D.H. Tiger Moth | 87 | 120 | 100 | 307 | 15 | 45 | 352 |
| Stu Weckerly | | Fokker D-7 | 120 | 57 | 111 | 288 | 15 | 45 | 333 |
| P. Boyanowski | | Boeing P-12E | 67 | 106 | 103 | 276 | 15 | 45 | 321 |
| Pres Bruning | | Martin MO-1 | 120 | 67 | 89 | 276 | 5 | 15 | 291 |
| Walt Farrell | | Arado | 57 | 81 | 90 | 228 | 10 | 30 | 258 |
| John Houck | | D.H. Leopard Moth | 64 | 109 | 82 | 255 | 0 | 0 | 255 |
| Mark Houck | | Curtiss Robin | 87 | 61 | 93 | 241 | 0 | 0 | 241 |
| Norman Becker | | Cessna Skymaster ??? | 55 | 71 | 95 | 221 | 0 | 0 | 221 |
| Bruce Finley | | SBC-4 | 62 | 38 | 54 | 154 | 15 | 45 | 199 |
| Walt Farrell | | Curtiss Robin | 100 | 59 | 39 | 198 | 0 | 0 | 198 |
| Les Burdsal | | Martin MO-1 | 56 | 43 | 52 | 151 | 5 | 15 | 166 |
| Jack Moses | | Boeing Monomail | 71 | 30 | 32 | 133 | 10 | 30 | 163 |
| Dan Driscoll | | Cessna C-34 | 69 | 47 | 45 | 161 | 0 | 0 | 161 |
| Norman Becker | | Boeing P-12E | 32 | 43 | 37 | 112 | 15 | 45 | 157 |
| Ted Allebone | | Martin MO-1 | 45 | 39 | 56 | 140 | 5 | 15 | 155 |
| Al Backstrom | | Martin MO-1 | 65 | 31 | 37 | 133 | 5 | 15 | 148 |
| George Lewis | | Martin MO-1 | 44 | 30 | 51 | 125 | 5 | 15 | 140 |
| Mike Welshans | | Martin MO-1 | 34 | 47 | 36 | 117 | 5 | 15 | 132 |
| Phil Cox | | Pitcairn Sportwing | 20 | 26 | 40 | 86 | 15 | 45 | 131 |
| Dan Olah | | Martin MO-1 | 43 | 30 | 40 | 113 | 5 | 15 | 128 |
| Pres Bruning | | Ryan SC Cabin | 35 | 59 | 0 | 94 | 10 | 30 | 124 |
| Ollie Benton | | Martin MO-1 | 43 | 53 | 0 | 96 | 5 | 15 | 111 |
| Dan Driscoll | | Arado-96 | 55 | 24 | 0 | 79 | 10 | 30 | 109 |
| George White | | Ryan Mail Plane | 16 | 29 | 42 | 87 | 0 | 0 | 87 |

| No-Cal Scale | 2004 Outdoor Cham | p:Flt #1 | Flt #2 | Fit #3 | Total |
|------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|--------|-------|
| Mark Rzadca | 1 Mr. Smoothie | 82 | 390 | 0 | 472 |
| Mark Houck | 2 Zero | 267 | 99 | 31 | 397 |
| Dave Niedzielski | 3 Blohm Und Voss 141 | 128 | 87 | 165 | 380 |
| zWalt Farrell | Maule Lunar Rocket | 114 | 161 | 94 | 369 |
| Dennis Ruhland | Focke-Wulf | 100 | 152 | 102 | 354 |
| Henry Frautschy | Aeronca Sedan | 95 | 79 | 120 | 294 |
| Phil Cox | Helio Stallion | `101 | 44 | 116 | 261 |
| Alden Frautschy | Cessna 210 | 74 | 52 | 57 | 183 |
| Mark Houck | Cessna Cardinal | 56 | 58 | 63 | 177 |
| Pres Bruning | Albatross DVa | 30 | 32 | 62 | 124 |
| Harrison Knapp | BF 109E | 78 | 23 | 21 | 122 |
| Dan Driscoll | Focke-Wulf 190 | 65 | 45 | 0 | 110 |
| George Lewis | Waterman Gosling | 48 | 31 | 0 | 79 |

| Peanut Scale | 2004 Outdoor Cham | osFlt#1 | FIt#2 | Flt#3 \$ | Sc Pts | Bonus | Flt pts | Total |
|--------------|---------------------|---------|-------|----------|--------|--------------|---------|-------|
| Don Srull | 1 Voisin | 38 | 40 | 57 | 57.5 | 30 | 57 | 144.5 |
| Stu Weckerly | 2 Caudron C-460 | 61 | 77 | 65 | 54 | 10 | 68.5 | 132.5 |
| Bruce Finley | 3 Heinkell 1077 | 39 | 87 | 45 | 53 | 5 | 73.5 | 131.5 |
| Walt Farrell | Monocoupe | 105 | 106 | 43 | 50 | 0 | 79 | 129 |
| Mike Zand | - Andresan Bipe | 41 | 34 | 62 | 52 | 15 | 61 | 128 |
| Jack Tisinai | Bucker Jungmann | 56 | 28 | 0 | 55 | 15 | 56 | 126 |
| Jack Tisinai | Clip Wing Monocoupe | 84 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 0 | 72 | 126 |
| Al Bacstrom | Penguin | 61 | 58 | 80 | 46 | 5 | 70 | 121 |
| Pres Bruning | Amjet Hustler | 38 | 42 | 56 | 59 | 5 | 56 | 120 |
| Don Lang | IS-4 | 62 | 48 | 55 | 52.5 | 5 | 61 | 118.5 |
| Al Bacstrom | Sopwith Bee | 38 | 30 | 28 | 55 | 15 | 38 | 108 |



NEW FAC SQUADRONS: Two new squadrons have been formed in the FAC Airforce. They both invite anyone in their areas to join them. You can't go wrong!!! The Grassy Knoll Flying Club Squadron #69 Squadron #68

Gulf Hawks

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|----------------|--------------------|----------|--------|---------|---------|------|-------------|
| Herb Kothe | 1 Go-Devil | 120 | 120 | 120 | 9 | 369 | 3 39 |
| Rich Miller | 2 Homet | 120 | 120 | 120 | 8 | 369 | 214 |
| Mark Houck | 3 Sq. Bird Mod. | 95 | 120 | 120 | 9 | 344 | |
| Mark Rzadca | Puma | 62 | 120 | 120 | 9 | 311 | |
| Stu Cummins | Debut | 64 | 120 | 98 | 9 | 291 | |
| Mike Zand | Debut | 90 | 57 | 120 | 9 | 276 | |
| Stu Weckerly | Tomahawk | 69 | 120 | 76 | 9 | 274 | |
| Jack Tisinai | Heron | 120 | 120 | 0 | 0 | 240 | |
| Sam Grey | Prarie Bird | 79 | 83 | 67 | 9 | 238 | |
| John Houck | Swallow | 51 | 64 | 99 | 0 | 214 | |
| George White | R.H. Hornet | 83 | 66 | 49 | 0 | 198 | |
| Mike Welshans | Prarie Bird | 71 | 58 | 51 | 9 | 189 | |
| Bruce Finley | Debut | 63 | 109 | 0 | 0 | 172 | |
| J.B. Griner | Prarie Bird | 42 | 57 | 63 | 9 | 171 | |
| Al Backstrom | Big Cat 9 | 117 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 117 | |
| H. G. Frautchy | Embronica | 67 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 116 | |
| Walt Farrell | Go-Devil | 104 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 104 | |
| | | | | | | | |

| Jimmie Allen | 2004 Outdoor | ChampsFlt#1 | Flt#2 | FIt#3 | Total |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Herb Kothe | 1 Bluebird | 120 | 120 | 120 | 360 |
| John Houck | 2 Blue Flash | 118 | 102 | 86 | 306 |
| George White | Skokie | 120 | 120 | 53 | 293 |
| Geo. Bredehoft | Special | 82 | 107 | 86 | 275 |
| Jack Moses | B.A. Cabin | 78 | 90 | 92 | 260 |
| Dan Driscoll | Special | 41 | 66 | 120 | 227 |
| Stu Cummins | B.A. Cabin | 120 | 92 | 0 | 212 |
| Dan Kranis | Skokie | 81 | 97 | 0 | 178 |
| Herb Kothe | Skokie | 120 | 0 | 0 | 120 |
| Don Srull | Skyraider | 111 | 0 | 0 | 111 |
| Stu Weckerly | Bluebird | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100 |
| George Lewis | Skokie | 39 | 53 | 0 | 92 |
| Mike Zand | B.A. Parasol | 44 | 41 | 0 | 85 |



| Golden Age | | 2004 Outdoor Champsl | Flt#1 | FIt#2 | FIt#3 | Total |
|------------------|---|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Herb Kothe | 1 | Stinson 125 | 120 | 120 | 120 | 360 |
| P. Boyanowski | 2 | Taylorcraft | 105 | 120 | 120 | 345 |
| Jack McGillivray | 3 | Cessna C-37 | 120 | 79 | 120 | 319 |
| Walt Farrell | | Vega | 120 | 57 | 106 | 28 3 |
| John Houck | | D.H.Leopard Moth | 104 | 120 | 53 | 277 |
| Jack Moses | | Fairchild 24 | 81 | 120 | 65 | 266 |
| Kevin Lehnert | | G. A. Skyfarer | 97 | 97 | 67 | 261 |
| Don Srull | | Alco Sport | 65 | 100 | 74 | 239 |
| Stu Cummins | | Taylorcraft O-57 | 120 | 47 | 63 | 230 |
| Dan Driscoll | | Porterfield Zephyr | 51 | 84 | 84 | 219 |
| Bob McLellon | | Stinson SR-7 | 49 | 50 | 114 | 213 |
| Mike Zand | | Taylorcraft | 61 | 59 | 59 | 179 |
| Phil Cox | | Cessna AW | 53 | 57 | 35 | 145 |
| Pres Bruning | | Fokker Super Universal | 32 | 28 | 32 | 92 |
| Dave Franks | | Gadfly | 66 | 0 | 0 | 6 6 |
| Ollie Benton | | D.H. Homel Moth | 48 | 0 | 0 | 48 |
| Pete Azure | | Spartan Cabin | 27 | 0 | 0 | 27 |

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Who builds model airplanes as his hobby In Las Vegas lives a man named Bobby So, he now flies in the Luxor lobby. That they drift out of sight, He builds them so light

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| Modern Civil | 2004 Outdoor Champ | :Fit #1 | FII #2 | Flt #3 | Total |
|------------------|---------------------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Walt Farrell | 1 Citabria | 120 | 120 | 97 | 337 |
| Jack Tisinai | 2 Stinson Voyager | 74 | 120 | 120 | 314 |
| P. Boyanowski | 3 Cessna RG | 78 | 74 | 120 | 272 |
| Juanita Reichel | Piper Clipper | 108 | 69 | 94 | 271 |
| Jack Moses | Piper Pacer | 69 | 70 | 120 | 259 |
| Bob McLellon | Stinson Voyager | 68 | 73 | 105 | 246 |
| G. White | Helio Stallion | 75 | 70 | 75 | 220 |
| Mike Zand | Piper Super Cruiser | 62 | 60 | 65 | 187 |
| Phil Cox | Piper PA-20 | 69 | 44 | 74 | 187 |
| Dan Kranis | Found 100 | 54 | 57 | 47 | 158 |
| Offie Benton | Auster 6 | 43 | 53 | 59 | 155 |
| Mark Houck | Piper Vagabond | 56 | 43 | 38 | 137 |
| Kevin Lehnert | Nesmith Cougar | 50 | 48 | 38 | 136 |
| Jack McGillivray | Found 100 | 110 | 0 | 0 | 110 |

Thompson Race Dan Kane

12 Entries 1 Cessna CR-3 2 Hall Bulldog

Bob Bojanowski **Bob McLellon**

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WW-I Dogfight Walt Farrell

16 Entries 1 Fokker D-7

Bob Bojanowski Don Srull

2 SE-5 3 Fokker D-7

Fairchild 24

6 entries

Chris Starleaf 1 2 Bob Bojanowski Ray Trabbic 3

WW-2 Combat Jack McGillivray 1 Fairey Battle

26 Entries

2 Yokosuka D4Y1 Stu Weckerly Walt Farrell 3 ME-109

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| C. Schobloher | Messerschmitt M-20 | 91 | 49 | 0 | 46 | 0 | 75.25 | 121.25 |
| Ed Bojan | Nesmith Cougar | 75 | 64 | 68 | 49.5 | 0 | 67.5 | 117 |
| Stu Weckerly | Found Cent. 100 | 120 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 5 | 82.5 | 115.5 |
| Les Burdsal | Gadfly | 62 | 48 | 0 | 42 | 10 | 61 | 113 |
| Bob Bojanowski | Jack Rabbit | 49 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 10 | 49 | 110 |
| Ollie Benton | Waco SRE | 35 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 15 | 35 | 105 |
| Ray Trabbic | Rearwin Speedster | 37 | 47 | 57 | 36 | 0 | 57 | 93 |
| Pete Azure | Stinson Reliant | 39 | 29 | 34 | 43 | 0 | 39 | 82 |
| Mike Welshans | Cessna C-37 | 27 | 35 | 25 | 45 | 0 | 35 | 80 |
| Les Burdsal | D.H.87 Homet Moth | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 | | | |



DOWN MEMORY'S RUNWAY

HOW COME THEY FLY LONGER THESE DAYS? BY DAVE STOTT

The gang here at Hangar No. 1, Pinkham Field was huddled around the friendly glow of the pot bellied stove in the flight office one day. Ceiling, visibility, and temperature were all at zero outside. But the wind would not join those three. It howled like a banshee as it drummed on the hangar doors. Never Ready Eddie was jawing about the good old days when a winning Nats rubber scale job took home the hardware with a flight of less than 50 seconds.

"Geez", pipes the new guy, "I thought they always flew like they do now."

"Naw, things was different then, Blanchard." says Ed.

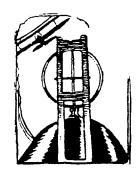
"We didn't know a lot of things back then, pipes Captain Downthrust. "Why, we didn't even know about down thrust. And, when we did see it on a plan we thought it was dumb! We wanted to go forward, not down."

And, so it went with everyone putting their two cents in as to how we got from where we were to where we are in flight times on scale jobs. Our pioneers like Henry Struck, Earl Stahl, and other great scale flyers had a lot of burdens the modern FAC flyers are free of. One burden was a weight rule. This writer cannot recall exactly what the spec was, but I can tell you that there was no need for any 4 to 6 pound balsa to be used in those early models. For models of around 150 square inch wing area Struck would use 5/32 square longerons. Leading edges were made of 3/16 to 1/4 inch squares, while trailing edges were in the neighborhood of 1/8 by 3/8. ROGs were required. This was another burden in that it limited prop diameter. In an attempt to counter this, props had very wide blades in an attempt to get the thrust needed from the high power loading that was demanded by the heavy models and the ROG requirement. Any Embryo Endurance flyer can tell you about sweating ROGs on a gusty day.

"Boy, those guys were really boxed in," says one of the kiwis.

"And, the rubber was not all that good," pipes in Captain Downthrust.

"Hold on there Cap'n," cackles a crusty old timer. "Maybe the old para rubber wasn't, but the Brown T-56 was pretty good stuff, by turbulence. In the turn formula it had a constant of 130, same as Pirelli. Heck, black FAI had a constant of only 95 to 98 dependin' on the batch. Of course, FAI Tan II is the best yet with 144 as a constant." (The "constant" is a numerical expression of the turn capacity of rubber arrived at by testing to breakage. It is then reduced somewhat to allow a safety margin. The formula is simply the constant times the motor length in inches, divided by the square root of the number of 1/8 strands comprising the motor, equals max turns.)



Over the years we have had all kinds of characteristics in the rubber we used. We learned to work with it as best we could. FAI Tan II is in good part responsible for the increased flight times of to-days scale jobs. But techniques in running ever longer motors in a given space is what has contributed most to this. Back in the times spoken of above motor lengths rarely exceeded the hook to hook distance with a couple of inches of slack. I say "hook to hook" because motor pegs were yet to come into use. The rear motor anchor was a wire hook attached to the stern post of the fuselage. This put much of the motor weight well behind the CG. As a consequence, a good deal of nose ballast was required. Another drawback was that the motor, short though it was, consistently bunched up in the narrow confines of the very end of the fuselage thereby destroying the glide.

Enter the motor peg. First treated as a means of being able to wind a model in a rig so as to fly solo, or not require a live stooge, it was located very far aft in the fuselage with much the same consequences as the rear hook.

Next to see use was back-winding wherein half the strands are removed from the front hook and wound backward then re-attached. This tangled and tensioned the motor allowing a longer length to be run in a given space. As time passed braiding and spring tensioners were used along with motor length increases

In this period the motor peg location was tried further forward with good result. This gave more fuselage cross sectional area for rubber knot clearance as well as shifting the motor weight further forward that resulted in less and sometimes no nose ballast needed to balance the model. Even so, bunching has remained a problem. The latest remedy for bunching, though not yet in wide use, is the use of a sleeve that is free to rotate around the motor peg. (See "Banish Bunching" in FAC News #214-140)

"You new Skysters have got a lot of techniques all worked out for you that were developed over quite a long period of time," says Novak. "Like washout in the wings. Everything we read back then said to keep the wings warp free."

"Yep," chimes in Captain Downthrust. "We thought we were pretty smart enlarging the tail area. But, we not only enlarged the stabilizer, but the fin, too. In many cases that little trick caused spiral instability. We crashed a lot of good crates along the learning curve, I'll tell ya."

"Yeah, ya can't get much endurance out of a crate that goes dancin' all over the sky. I know that much, says the Kiwi. "I wonder what we'll know 10 years from now."

"I dunno," says the old bird, "but I hope I'm here to see for myself".

Out of Sight but Never Out of Mind

Want to know what happens to a seven year old farm boy from Texas when his precious "Hi Flyer" hand launched glider never comes back after a gentle toss into a Central Texas Summer breeze. I'll tell ya. Even fifty years later, he still remembers as if it were yesterday. It cost a whole dime. Two weeks work tending chickens, weeding the garden, changing younger brothers diapers. Hard work I'll tell ya. That little balsa beauty was a precious thing to this kid.

On that particular Summer day, I walked out to the farm to market road that ran about a quarter mile in front of the house. Had to get away from the mesquite and pecan trees that would like nothing better than to swallow up my most prized possession. There were kite skeletons rotting in the branches to attest to that fact.

We got eight or ten trucks a day on our road. Mostly farmers bringing the fruits of their labor to Austin, thirty miles to the West. After several joyful flights I spied a dust cloud approaching from the East. A truck I figured. Had plenty of time for one more toss. I reared back and sent that bird at least thirty feet into the cloudless Texas sky before it leveled out and circled lazily over the thermal billowing off the old black dirt road.

The dust cloud got closer. My "Hi Flyer" just circled. It was a chicken truck; coming fast. I watched the truck. I watched the plane trying to project its trajectory. The truck roared by just as my beautiful bird banked left and stuck itself hard into one of the many wire chicken coops stacked high on that old truck.

I watched in disbelief as that truck and my magnificent airplane disappeared in a cloud of dust, heading for Austin. This is a true story my "Glue Chewn' Comrades". True indeed. It was two weeks of hard work before I could fork up the dough for another one.

Next time you see a chicken truck barreling down the highway, would you look for my airplane. I

know it's out there somewhere.

Kindest regards,

Marion Pendergraft

Staggerwink Plans Available Here!

Special thanks to Clive Wienker for providing Eagle Squadron with Staggerwink plan packages.

So what's a Staggerwink? The Staggerwink is a cute little Bostonian size sport model. Clive Wienker, who designed & built it, has allowed our club to sell the plan

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Hello Skysters. What seems like just a few years ago I decided to trace this plan from the June 1938 "Air Trails" magazine. The "Executive" is a honey of an airplane and has always caught my eye. Doing the tracing involved some cute work arranging the large drawing paper over several pages of the magazine, But it worked out OK I think. After deciding to use this plan for the Flying Aces 2004 Outdoor Champs, it seemed a good idea to provide some building instructions. The original instructions included the options of covering the fuselage with 1/32" and 1/64" sheet balsa or hollowing it from a balsa block. I would not choose either of these methods, but they are mentioned as 1938 techniques considered by Mr. Alan D. Booton, the original designer, who was an excellent craftsman.

The fuselage uses the half shell former method. I prefer to cut the profile in a piece of foam board, tack glue the top and bottom keel pieces to the opening in the foam board and insert the formers in a sort of "whole shell" method. This keeps everything lined up nicely. Kind of unique is the use of "plywood" formers from cross grained 1/32" sheet. (thinned non-shrink aliphatic glue like Carpenter's glue would work well here). The formers seem a bit skinny for stringer notches, so these notches would best be made with a 1/16" sanding stick. New to construction techniques at the time is the "wing seat" we use on many of our low wing models today. Booton suggests this be from a laminate also.

"Half shell" fuselage construction:

Cut pairs of the formers from the prepared sheet of balsa plywood, except those noted. The method employed is to build one half of the fuselage on the drawing, and then build the other half onto the first half. Pin the top and bottom longerons and wing seat, also the short longerons of the cowl, to the drawing. The cowl front (A) and aBb should be finished before installation in the frame. Moisten and pre-bend the side longerons and cement in notches. Do not force any member into place as this will encourage warps when the first half is removed from the building board. When the first half is completed on the board, lightly spray with water while it is still pinned in place, and allow to completely dry before removing from the board. This will help the half frame to take a "straight set". Now remove the half frame from the building board and build the other half onto the first half, checking frequently for any unwanted curves along the centerline.

"Whole shell" fuselage construction.

Go down to the local art supply store and buy a sheet of foam board. Look for a really straight piece. You may want to white glue some half round molding or panel strip along the edge for support to keep it flat. Trace the profile of the model's fuselage on the foam board and cut this out. This will be your fuselage jig for construction. Laminate the top and bottom keels from two strips of balsa, mark the former locations, and tack glue these into the profile cut-out on the foam board. I mount the foam board conveniently in a "Panavise" that can shift position. Slip the whole formers onto the keels and proceed with construction. I suggest marking the side keel notches and then sanding them in with a 1/16" sanding stick made from a 1 ½" by 8" piece of hard balsa with the corners rounded and a 1/16" wide strip of sand paper wrapped/glued around the edge. This will keep the stringers from being wavy. Check the wing seat by holding a stick up to it and checking it in several places to see that the opposing edges are horizontal.

After the fuselage is assembled, add Bt, the cabin window frames, then cover the cowl and front portion of the frame. Cement the rear motor peg support over the side keel just behind former "G". Put a small piece of 1/16" around the tail wheel location as a base for the tissue covering and install the tail wheel assembly. The cabin windows are cemented to the inside of the side window frame. A thin basswood or bamboo center post is cemented at the center of the windshield, and then the windshield is cemented in place. Dress the windshield edges with tissue.

The wing is built in halves. Note that the rib profile will require shims under the trailing edge. The shim would be 1/16" at the centerline and 5/32" at the break where the T.E. curves to provide washout. The plans indicate the option of moveable ailerons if you wish to include this troublesome feature on your model. 1/64" sheet covering is shown on the top leading edge of the wing. My personal experience with

1/64" sheet covering is that it is not stable. If you choose to sheet cover the leading edge, 1/32" sheet would be my choice. The L.E. sheeting would not be glued to the center rib until after the dihedral is added, 2 1/8" at the tips. The bottom of the L.E. is covered with 1/32" sheet out to rib #3. There is a trailing edge fillet at the fuselage junction that connects the T.E. to the lower side longeron just behind former "F".

Although not shown, the landing gear could be made as plug-in for display, removed as retracted for flight. A fully retracting gear as on the original complicates the structure and is too weak for a hard landing. The wire parts are covered with paper wrap or 3/32 aluminum tubing, be creative.

The tail surfaces are standard construction. After the glue dries, the structure should be lightly sprayed with water while still pinned to the board to relieve any stresses. Sand these to an airfoil shape.

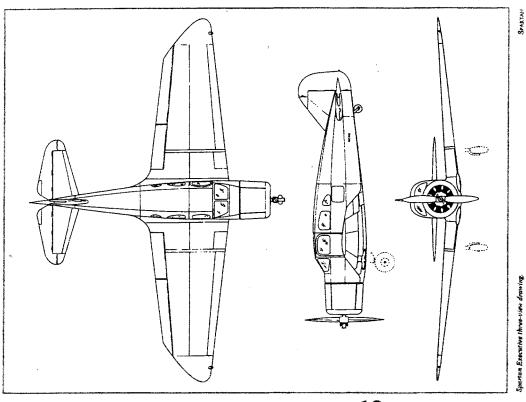
Cover the wing and tail pieces completely, but leave the lower fuselage sides open until the wing is cemented on, then add the trailing edge fillet and finish covering. I prefer to make fillets with separate small pieces of tissue between formers. Add the scoop, exhausts, lights and other protruding detail.

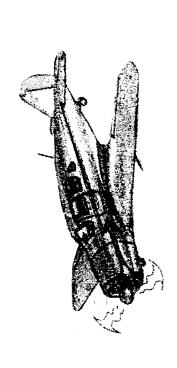
I would fly the Executive with a 10"D X 13"P prop. Start with using a 60" loop of ¼" rubber. Tie in 1" loops at each end. Lube. Then Pre-tension w/5 turns/inch (same way you wind for flight). Fold over and hold in pre-tension knots by tying the motor behind the small 1" end loops. Hold the motor by the small loops and "milk" it down to a neat braid. Insert a 1" piece of large plastic straw where rubber folds over itself (make this the rear, the two 1" end loops go to the front of the motor). This will now be about a 27" long, 4 strand motor. Stretch wind. It will hold tension as it unwinds with no CG shift and will have tension when fully unwound. We can thank Mr. Don Srull for this amazing method of pre-tensioning.

Most Executives were silver, but there are some good photos of them in color. The "Military Executive" (N17605) is shown in a retouched photo with a rear gunner's opening in the cabin roof in the book "The Spartan Story". This one is all red with an extended white Spartan logo all along the fuselage side. This all red "Executive" was flown in the 1939 Bendix race by Arlene Davis and averaged over 196 MPH! References:

- " Air Progress 3/67 ------Article by J. Triggs. . No longer in my possession
- "Alumigrip" paint advertisement—red w/ maroon on cowl sweeps back on sides and tapers to stripe on Fuselage. Maroon edging on side windows w/ Spartan wing at rear
- "Sport Aviation" 11/79———Cream w/ brown cowl trim, fuse stripe, and side window edging.
 ————Silver w/ red/brown cowl and lightning bolt side stripe.
- "The Spartan Story"——— No color, B/W photos, good 3 view. Some color data. All 7W"s listed.

Have fun! R. Kuenz





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THE ART OF BILL HENN

into the after life

PHOTO PAGE

All photos by Fred Wunsche; Top left, Earl Stahl, the "Master" with Mike

Welshans of the Detroit Cloudbusters.

Top right, Janet Lang displaying Bob Thompson's Heinkel 112 before it was

sent aloft to join Bob in the heavens.

Bottom left, Dave Stott has just launched

Bob's model which starts its long climb

Bottom right, Here is Janet Lang again.

with cup in hand, along with Phineas

Pinkham of Flying Aces fame about to

drink a toast to our departed friend Bob.

Phineas is wearing Bob's famous helmet.

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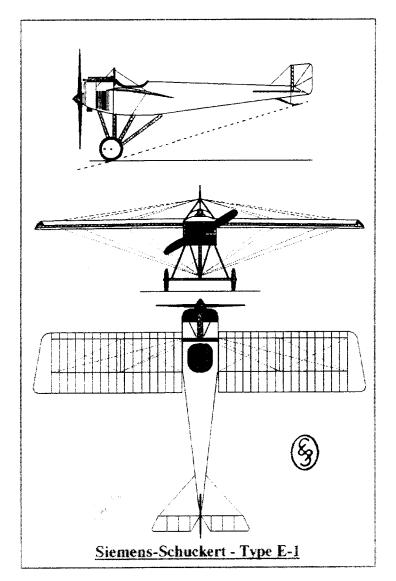
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SUMMER POSTAL CONTEST

You still have a little time to enter the Summer Postal Contest all you Ozone Chewers! You have until October 31, 2004 to get your flight times in. Entries postmarked after Nov. 2 will not be accepted.

The standings as of this printing are as follows;

MODERN CIVIL

| Pilot | Plane | Time |
|---------------------|------------------|----------|
| 1. Al Likely | BD-4 | 416 sec. |
| 2. Tom Hallman | Clipped Wing Cub | 278 " |
| 3. Rich Klingenberg | Found 100 | 145 " |
| 4. Ollie Benton | Auster 6 | 115 " |
| 5. Ed McQuaid | Turbo-Porter | 103 " |

GOLDEN AGE CIVIL

| Pilot | Plane | Time |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1. Frank Rowsome | General Aristocrat | 360 sec. |
| 2. Tom Hallman | Cessna C-38 | 166 " |
| 3. Bruce Holbrook | Curtiss O-52 Owl | 75 " |
| 4. Rich Klingenberg | Porterfield Zephyr | 69 " |
| 5. Walt Leonhardt | Mauboussin | 63 " |
| 6. Darold Wilken | Leopard Moth | 40 " |
| 7. Ed McQuaid | DH Tiger Moth | 28 |

MODERN MILITARY

| Pilot | Plane | Time |
|----------------|--------|---------|
| 1. Tom Hallman | Mig 15 | 95 sec. |

GOLDEN AGE MILITARY

| Pilot | Plane | Time |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------|
| 1. Tom Hallman | Mitsubishi 1MF1 | 77 sec. |
| 2. Walt Leonhardt | Mureaux C-1 | 34 " |

PHOTO PAGE

Left column; Bob Isaacks launching his Douglas A-20 Havoc built from Midkiff plans. It had a couple of impressive flights.

Here is Rich Adama with a nicely done Fieseler Fi-167. Very nice job!

This is Pete Kaiteris with two of his own designs. A TA-152 and a Polikarpov I-16.

Right column; Two pics of Bruce Finley's Heinkel P1077 Julia II rocket fighter. This model won the "WaltMooney" award as the best Peanut class model at the recent FAC Nats. Soon to be kitted by Easy Built Model Co.

All photos from Bruce Finley.

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during the Flying Aces Outdoor Champs, a very nice pair of sun glasses. They appear to be rather expensive as sun glasses go. If you lost yours and think these could be them, contact FAC-GHO. Either write or call (814)-833-0314.

T-SHIRT CLEARANCE SALE

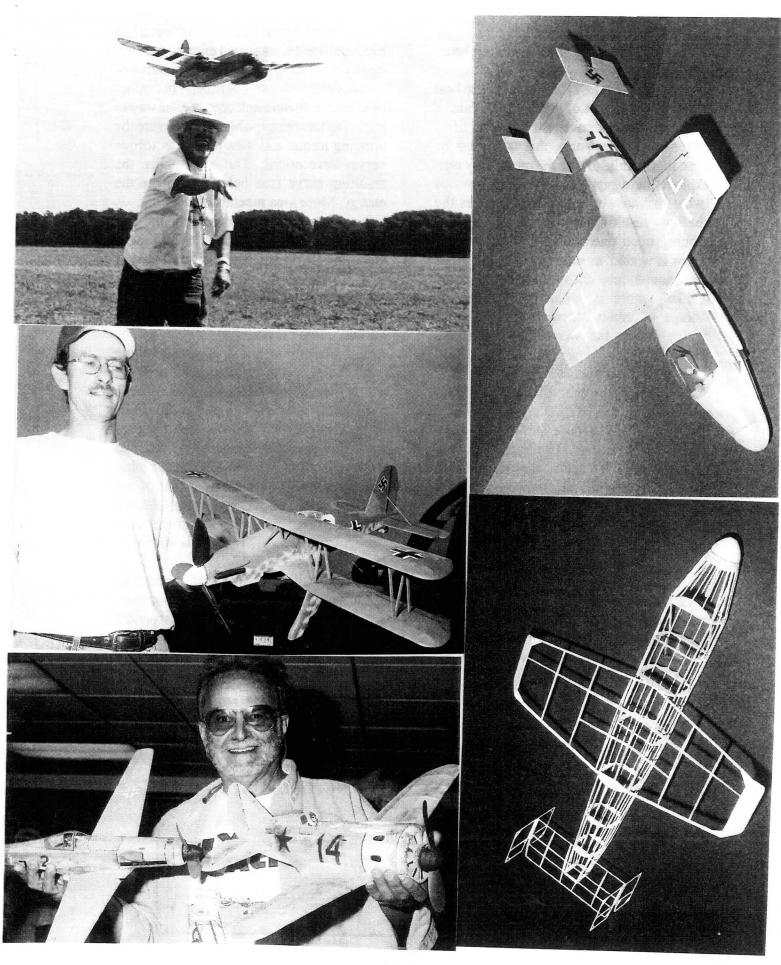
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* * Lube Rationale * * Mumbo Jumbo #117 from the Glue Guru

What's it for? Rubber lube is at best a sticky, gooey sort of stuff and rubbing it into our motor strands isn't one of life's better moments. Worse, this task must be done thoroughly, or else the motor may well explode in disappointment. The obvious 'what for' answer is that lube reduces the chafing resulting from motor strands rubbing upon one another whenever the motor is wound, or unwound. While true enough, lube does something else that is likely more important: it permits the storage of greatly increased amounts of energy within the wound motor. How's that?

Consider this case. Suppose we wind a dry (unlubed) motor to a safe level of turns, and release it, measuring the energy available. Next, suppose we lube the same motor, and wind in exactly the same amount of torque. Upon release, does it offer the same amount of prop-turning energy? More? Less?

The answer is more-very much more-as the number of turns approaches the bursting point. How much more? Checking the latest word below (*Flight*, Sept.28, 1912; pg.883.) we have roughly twice the energy delivered by a well-lubed motor as compared to the same motor, dry.

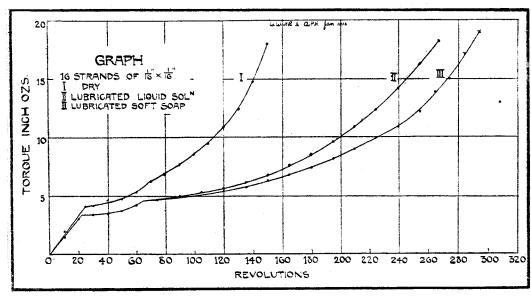
Why is that? The motor is really a torsional spring. Its stored energy depends upon the winding torque and the number of revolutions. More torque, or more revolutions, mean more energy. One way of picturing this relationship is to measure the winding torque and then plot it, as torque versus revolutions. The area under the resulting curve (see below) becomes the energy. More area means more energy.

Now curve I represents the dry motor; curve II one type of lubed motor, and curve III yet another, and better type of lube. The motor itself remains unchanged.

At a low number of turns, say 20, there's no practical difference between the curves. Lubing is pointless.

Starting at about 30 turns, lubing begins to pay off in the form of more stored energy for a given value of torque. Moving to higher torque, for example, at about half of max torque (10 inch-ounces), the area under curves II and III is roughly twice that under I. This means that the lubed rubber energy storage is about twice that of the dry. Going to still higher torque values, a new factor emerges: the lube type itself begins to matter, or, lube III is shown as better than lube II.

In short, lubing does more than reduce chaffing. And if anybody out there has some extra lube III on hand, just send it along to good old Glue Guru.





THE GOLDEN AGE

by Fran Ptaszkiewicz D.S.M.

The Bendix Trophy Races have seen many different designs entered thru the early years. With the first race being held in 1931 and continuing until 1939 when interrupted by World War II. The postwar races resuming in 1946, featured specially prepared surplus war aircraft and thus, was lost the variety and mix of the pre-war competition airplanes.

The Bendix was a cross-country, free-for-all open to both men and women. Depending on the site of the race, the Bendix was flown from Burbank, California to Cleveland, Ohio, or from New York to Los Angeles.

When being flown from California the Racer's would many times fly past the grandstand's at Cleveland to officially end their approximate 2000 mile run.

Flying Aces Club members are familiar with at least one of the competing airplanes. Frank Fuller's, Seversky SEV-S2, a racing version of the Seversky P-35 fighter. This as a result of a great piece of Tee-shirt artwork by Bob Bojanowski and a super plan by Tom Nallan.

Frank Fuller and his Seversky won the Bendix in 1937, placed second to Jacqueline Cochran flying a similar ship in 1938 and then he won again in 1939.

The Bellanca 28-92 was a well streamlined design, having clean lines and good potential. This airplane was strictly designed for racing. It was a tri-motor single seat monoplane, having a retractable landing gear and used a six cylinder 250 hp Menasco engine in each wing nacelle with a V-type twelve cylinder 420 hp Ranger engine in the fuselage giving a total of 920 hp which promised a maximum speed of 250 mph and a cruising speed of 225 mph. Long distance flights were guaranteed with a fuel capacity of 900 gallons. Controllable pitch propellers were installed on all engines with the nacelle propeller diameter being 6ft-9in and the fuselage propeller diameter at 7ft-6in. Of interest all motors had to be hand-cranked to start, which must have presented some hazzard to ground personnel. A wingspan of 46ft-4in provided a wing area of 282 sq. ft. while the fuselage length was 28ft-4in from spinner to tail.

When completed and fully tested in 1937, the airplane was liscensed YR-AHA for a member of the Romanian Air Force by the name of Alexander Panana who had planned a New York City to Bucharest flight which did not come about.

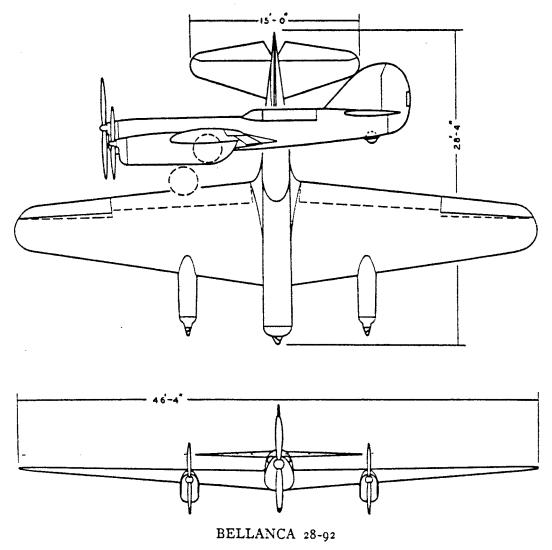
In 1938, this same aircraft was entered in the Bendix cross-country race. Sadly it did not finish.

Then entered in the 1939 Bendix race, wearing racing number 99 and registration number NX-2433, flown by pilot Art Bussey the ship finished in second place with an average speed of 244.49 mph. Frank Fuller's Seversky was first with an average speed of 282.1 mph.

With the cessation of air racing for the war years the airplane faded from view. Perhaps it reposes in a museum somewhere or may be in storage, I have been unable to document it's eventual disposition.

In researching this airplane I found that the Ace Whitman (Joe Ott) Company at one time featured a rubber powered kit of this Bellanca, having a 25in wingspan. A copy of this plan was located in the Allen Hunt plan catalog and is available from his plan service.

This model would probably be a good candidate for electric power.



This tri-motored single-seat monoplane has a Menasco engine in each wing and a Ranger engine in the nose.

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Here is my answer to your request of my experience with the Vought SBU-3 Vindicator. I think that most members of the Flying Aces Club would probably want to know how the plane flew and how the Marine's SB2U-3 differed from the Naval SB2U-2. I have included a couple of paragraphs on my experiences during the Battle of Midway.

In 1936 the Navy took receipt of SB2U-1 (later 2's) and they were good as submarine searchers, but left a lot to be desired as a dive bomber, but as such were really no worse than the BG's and SBU1&2, as dive bombers. The SBC-3 & 4's were actually better and were used by the Marines as last ditch patrol planes in Samoa. The Marine Corps needed replacements for the BG-172's and wanted the SBU's with the 1250 HP engine then going into the F4F-3's. Navy said NO; production problems and costs were too tight in those days, about 1938.

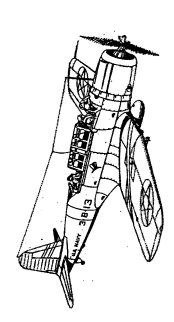
So the USMC got the SB2U-3 which had the following changes from the SB2U-2: Outboard wing tanks - 1121/2 gals per outer wing, with 250 more, for a total of 503 gals. We Could fly them, without a bomb, at 21 gph, at 95 KIAS, at 5000 ft. It had a 50 cal and a 30 cal gun in each inboard wing section. It also had provisions for 24 anti-personel bombs (about 25# each) to be carried on the center section.

These changes made great search planes, but did nothing to improve the dive bombing characteristics - which were like guiding a large rock! We usually dove with our landing gear extened to slow us down; not much help, but better than diving down from 8,000 ft. in a clean condition. At Midway we used glide bombing because of cloud cover and having so many new pilots in the squadron.

I flew the SB2U-3 at the Chance Vought plant in Conn. after coming back from overseas in 1943. It had the 1250 hp engine in it. It cruised at 155 KIAS at 9500 ft, but I could not see that the diving characteristics had changed.

KEEP ON KEEPIN ON!

Sincerely, Sumner Whitten



Marine Corps Second Lieutenant Sumner H. Whitten Midway Island

On 4 June 1942, the alarm sounded. "Major Henderson had given us the word on what was coming up, so (I) guess not many of us slept too well that night. The alert and take-off procedure were sort of screwed up, but we finally all got off in the proper sequence. I think that LT Cummings and myself were about tail end Charley. Rendezvous and climbout to the target area were normal, but about 7-8 minutes before we went into the attack on the battle cruiser, we were attacked by several zeros. I could fee[Zelnis, my gunner, firing at the zeros and

then saw one go under the right wing, inverted and traurity plack smoke. Zelnis got credit for 1 ½ zeros. The dive was like one never before practiced, about 30-45 degrees; released bomb, missed the bow of the cruiser, hard right turn to Midway and an uneventful ride home.

"About 1800 that evening we were informed that a burning Jap carrier was at sea, and we would be making an attack as soon as possible. I was assigned as Captain Williamson's wingman, with Major Norris leading the SB2U-3s. We all got off about 2100-2115 and started northwest to the target. It was dark by then, and we flew with no section lights – just by the exhaust flame and the compass light of our leader(s).

"After about 1½ hours, flying no. 4 in a 5 plane formation, all the planes disappeared. Guess they went through a cloud which I did not. Continued on for 5-6 minutes, made a 3 minute square search, dropped the bomb and headed for Midway. My gunner, Zelnis, couldn't raise Midway on the radio or homing device, so I flew until I figured I should have passed Midway. Then I saw what I identified as French Frigate Shoals. Headed for Midway, but no islands; made a 3 minute square search, then headed back to French Frigate Shoals.

"After a minute, Zelnis yelled that a fire was burning directly behind us. Made a 180 – no fire – but after a couple of minutes – the firel The burning oil tank on Sand Island. Made it back, landed with less than five minutes of fuel left. Had a long debrief and to bed about 3 AM – dead tired." Second Lieutenant Whitten, we salute youl

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Air Mail

Dear Ross,

I want to thank you, Lin and the others for the wonderful time I had during my first trip to Geneseo. I can appreciate how much work it was and how lucky we all are to have you guys. I hope the rest of our membership realize how much work was involved. It was also a great opportunity to share the action with my son for the first time in more than 25 years. I am trying to get him back into the hobby also.

I used to fly the AMA and SAM events before I got hooked on the FAC during the mid 1970s. What appealed to me the most is that there is something for everyone and the rules are so much less restrictive than AMA, giving one the chance to use his creativity. The fact that proposed and experimental subjects are permitted is one of the greatest attractions, providing the contestant has the required documentation, opening the door to many more designs and gives the modeler a chance to find something new that might be capable of bumping the dominent subjects, that win year after year, out of the winners circle. My greatest kick is in finding a competitive subject that has never been modeled before. The Swiss Fighter, the plan of which I donated to Lin, is one example and the Dornier-Falke that won the Golden Age Military is another. When I get the time to draw a decent and sellable plan for the latter subject, I will donate that to the FAC also along with anything unusual that I come up with in the future.

In addition, your rulebook is a great piece of work. I suppose you often have requests to change certain things, but I think it is OK the way it is. Nothing wrong with the little fine tuning that you do occasionally but I am glad you have not changed the basic rules because they have been working fine for years.

I hope I will be able to make the Non-Nats next year. It is a great thing to look forward to.

Regards,

Bill Henn



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