

# EL TORBELLINO

NEWSLETTER OF SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS FREE FLIGHT CLUB

OCTOBER 2010



## *The Prez's Corner - Don Bartick*

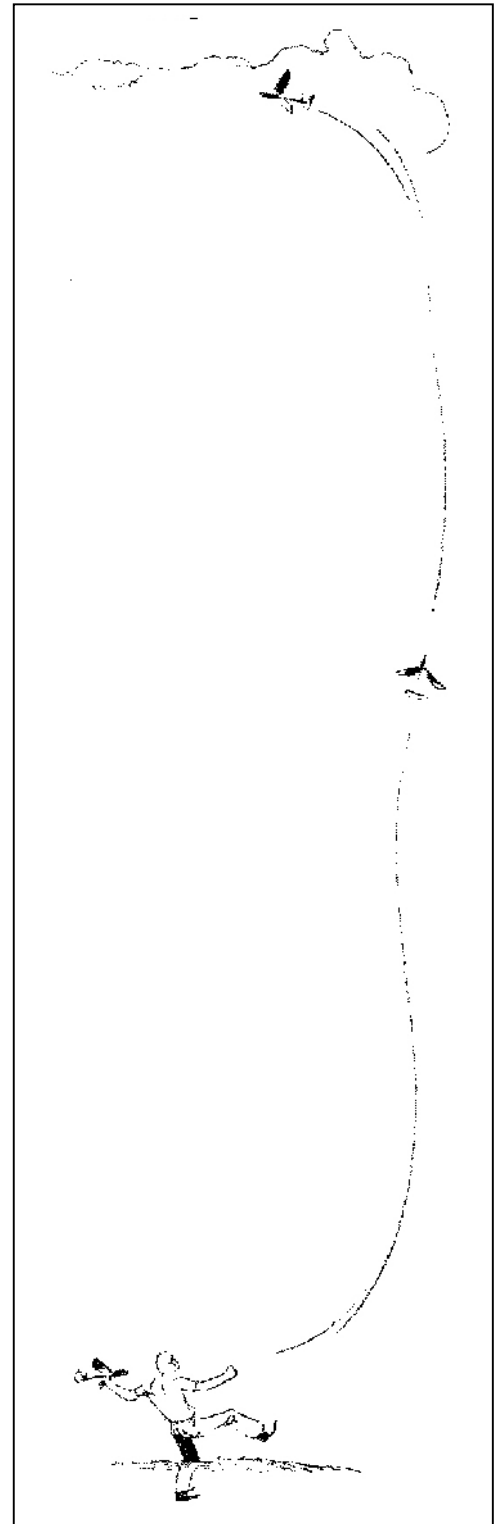
At the last meeting we did briefly discuss the low attendance at our meetings during the summer. The thought of going dark during June, July and August didn't appeal at this time and it was agreed we would table the discussion. I would like to hear from the membership as to their thoughts towards our meeting and what can we do to attract more attendance. If you got something to offer, please email to: [dbartick@4warddesign.com](mailto:dbartick@4warddesign.com).

By now, the membership should have received your AMA membership renewal along with the ballot for electing a new District X VP. Please vote by sending the card separate from your membership renewal. Remember, our club has endorsed Larry Tougas.

This weekend is the US Freeflight Championships at Lost Hills. Arline and I will be there and I hope other Orbiteers will be making the journey. The contest is gradually being upgraded to make it the premier contest in the West.

The first announcement by Al Lidberg to attend the Southwest Regionals, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> was emailed to his email list of out-of-towners. This is always a great meet. Suggest you consider going to this one. The link to get more information is: <http://aalmps.com/eleveninfo.htm>

Well, I need to get back to repairing planes for the Champs. Obviously, I won't be at the next meeting. See you at monthly.



## 2010 ORBITEER FLYING SCHEDULE

- Oct 8/9/10 40<sup>TH</sup> Annual Free Flight Champs.
- Oct 17 - P-30  
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Oct 30/31 SW FAI Champs\*, Boulder City, NV
- Nov 7 - Scale Staffel FAC Contest\* (3<sup>RD</sup> of 3)
- Nov 21 - Old Timer Rubber Stick (Small)  
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Dec 19 - Coupe  
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG

\* **Non-Club Points Event**  
**Otay Field Weather (619) 661-8297**

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Howard Haupt .....(858) 272-5656

## ORBITEERS YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES

- Junior - \$10  
Senior - \$15  
Open - \$25  
Family - \$30  
65+ - \$15  
Lifetime - \$250  
Non-Member Newsletter Subscription - \$15

### Submit Dues to Club Treasurer:

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San Diego, CA 92117-4622

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## ORBITEER WEB SITE

[www.SanDiegoOrbiteers.com](http://www.SanDiegoOrbiteers.com)

## THE GOOD STUFF via L.Bagalini

Word has been passed to me that Larry Bagalini of **StarLink-FlightTech Models** has in stock the latest batch of "Great Rubber" as mentioned in **SEN**. Available with no shipping charge to local club members. Give Larry a call before it is all gone!  
(760) 788-1858 or  
[starlink\\_flitetech@yahoo.com](mailto:starlink_flitetech@yahoo.com)



## September 2010 MEETING MINUTES - H.Haupt

With (5) members present, the meeting was called to order at 7:21 pm by President Don Bartick. Pizza was available and consumed by the members present as the meeting got under way.

Correction entered for the miss-print of the club bank account balance, it should of read \$1,884.71.

**Officers Reports:** None

### Contest Reports:

Wed / SCAMPS flying at Perris - Coupe Contest plus Power and Hand Luanch. Stories relayed on models landing within grazing sheep, and herding dogs not liking ATV's getting near the sheep. Value of Watson locators was supported.

Grossmont College Indoor Sessions - Attendance is growing with new faces each month, NO-CAL will be the feature event in October.

Atta Boys – Roger Willis received the Blue Max Award with 16 FAC victories.

**Old Business:** None

### New Business:

Discussion of low attendance at summer meetings. Go dark in the summer? December meeting attendance? Publish agendas? Give them a reason to come, ie marble draw, speakers, feature demonstrations? \$5 to first person to lose airplane in dome over the atrium meeting space. Matter tabled until March 2011, before the next run of summer meetings.

Hobby lobby needs website link to SDO website.

Profession grade of LockTite @ Home Depot is the best of building with instant glue, as reported by Don Bartick.

U-Line brand boxes, 36" x 12" x 12" available from John Hutchison for \$2.00.

Meeting concluded at about 8:30 PM, with indoor flying in the atrium.

## MONEY MATTERS - H.Haupt

### Income:

None

### Expenses:

Sept/2010 Newsletter	\$	12.00
B of A Account Fees	\$	3.00

Current Balance .....\$1,861.71

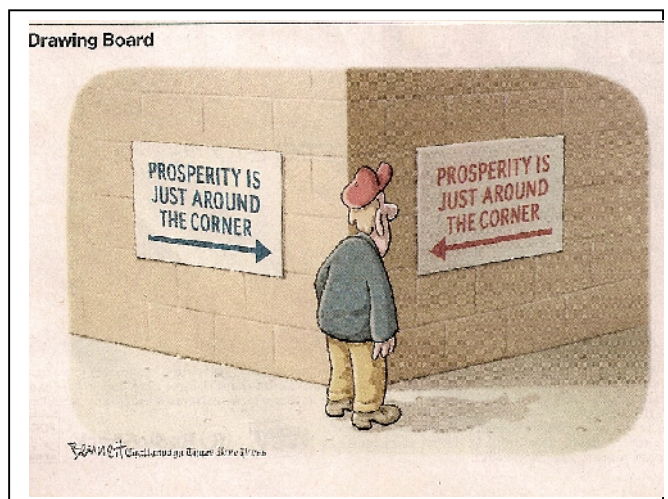
## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE - H.Haupt

At the conclusion of the meeting in September, two members chose to fly small indoor craft suitable for the flying space. As a bonus, they also earned points towards the annual Indoor Champion Award.

### September Indoor Flying:

Howard Haupt	Butterfly	60	117
Don Bartick	A-6	55	113

Pizza will be available from Venice Pizza House at our meeting this month. Bring your favorite drink, as well as some money to cover your \$2.00 per slice charge for your favorite pizza. Plates, paper towels, utensils, and trash receptacle will be provided.



Contest results for Coupe and Power: September 19, 2010

**Coupe:**

1. John Hutchison	Beau Coupe MKII(Bob White)	525
2. John Oldenkamp	IceBox 41	491
3. Mark Chomyn	2-Step	380
4. Larry Miller	Modified Candy/G	375
5. Mike Pykelny	Candy/G	306

**Power:**

1. Mike Pykelny	Lucky Lindy 350	480
2. Larry Miller	E-Pearl	475
3. Larry Bagalini	OhmBox 350	446
4. John Oldenkamp	JoulBox 250	339

CD L. Bagalini

Great flying weather.



# SOUTHWEST FAI CHALLENGE

OCTOBER 30 & 31, 2010

(RESERVE DAY NOVEMBER 1, 2010)

BOULDER CITY, NEVADA



SPONSORED BY THE SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS AND THE BOULDER CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
AN AMERICAS CUP EVENT  
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**For Classes: F1A, F1B, F1C, F1G, F1H, F1J, F1P, F1Q, P-30 and Vintage FAI Power**

## **Saturday October 30th: F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, and F1Q**

(7) One hour rounds commencing at 8:00AM for all events

Round 1: F1A, 210 Seconds, F1B and F1C, 240 Seconds, Rounds 2-7: 180 Seconds

F1P, 180 Seconds, All Rounds

F1Q, 15 Second Motor Run, 180 Seconds, F1Q Flyoffs will use decreasing motor runs, 180 Second Maxes

Saturday Fly Offs will begin no earlier than 4:30PM

## **Sunday October 31st: F1G, F1H, F1J, P-30 and Vintage FAI Power**

Tie-Breaker "Espresso Fly-Off" (No Max): F1G 7:15-7:25; F1H 7:30-7:40; F1J 7:45-7:55, Vintage FAI Power 8:00-8:10

(5) 45 Minute rounds commencing at 8:30AM

F1G, F1H and F1J, 120 Seconds, All Rounds

Vintage FAI Power, 180 Seconds, All Rounds

P-30 8:00AM to 12:00PM, No Rounds, AMA Rules

### Sunday Flyoffs

No earlier than 12:45PM (30 minutes after close of Round 5) flyoffs will begin. For F1G, F1H and F1J, the first flyoff round Max will be 180 seconds, the second flyoff Max, if required, will be 240 seconds and the third flyoff Max, if required, will be 300 seconds.

Vintage FAI Flyoffs will use the same engine runs, with Maxes increasing by 60 seconds starting with 240 seconds. For all events, if a winner is not determined at the conclusion of three flyoff rounds, the Espresso Flyoff times will be used to determine final placing.

\*\*\*There will be NO timers provided. Please find someone to fly and time with you.\*\*\*

## Awards

Perpetual Trophies to winners in F1A, F1B, F1C, F1G, F1H and F1J

Glassware 1st through 3rd place for all events, including F1P, F1Q, Vintage FAI Power, P-30 and winners of Espresso Flyoffs

**Entry Fee:** \$30 for first event entry, \$10 for each additional event entry. \$10 for P-30. No entry fee for Juniors or Espresso Flyoff

### Contest Director:

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### Directions to El Dorado Dry Lake:

On Hwy 95 approximately 7 miles south of Hwy 93. Access through the Desert Tortoise fence is on the west side of Highway 95 on the north edge of where the power lines cross the highway. The flying area is to the west, approximately in the middle of the lake bed. In the early morning, the field is approximately 35 minutes drive time from the Las Vegas "Strip". Camping on the field is permitted.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING - OCTOBER / NOVEMBER 2010

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Oct 3 - Indoor Fun Fly, Grossmont College, 9:00 am.

Oct 8 - Orbiteer Monthly Meeting at Scripps Ranch Community Center,  
11885 Cypress Canyon Road, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm,  
Indoor Fun Fly featuring A-6 & HL Gliders follows the meeting.

Oct 9/10/11 40<sup>TH</sup> Annual Free Flight Championships, Lost Hills CA.

Oct 17 - Orbiteer Outdoor Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am,  
Non-Power: P-30, Power: All Classes,  
Other Classes: P-20, HLG & CLG

Oct 30/31 - **SW FAI Champs, Boulder City NV**, See enclosed flyer announcement

Nov 7 - Indoor Fun Fly, Grossmont College, 9:00 am.

Nov 7 - Scale Staffel Contest, 3<sup>RD</sup> of 3, Otay Mesa.

Nov 12 - Orbiteer Monthly meeting, Scripps', 7:00 pm.

Nov 21 - Orbiteer Outdoor Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am.