

EL TORBELLINO

NEWSLETTER OF SAN DIEGO ORBITEERS FREE FLIGHT CLUB

JANUARY 2011



Prez Corner - D.Bartick

Happy New Years everyone. Here we are looking forward to another promising year, hopefully looking forward to doing a free flight project long overdue. Having the prospect of a new plane fly right off the board. Or catching a thermal to take your plane to new heights. Yeah!

As I'm writing this blurb, I'm a day away from competing at the SW Regionals in Eloy, AZ. I'm close by in Surprise, AZ. Well sort of. The SW Regionals is a favorite contest for Arline & I. Aside from having a chance to visit with family, we're looking forward to visiting with old friends at the contest. Some that make the journey from far away cold places to join other snow birds that enjoy the warmth of the AZ valley for the winter. It is also one well run event with something for everyone.

With sadness comes the passing of Tom Carmen on New Years day. He made a gallant fight against cancer. Several years ago, he was pronounced terminally ill, but his sure love of free flight competition and the will for life kept him in the game up to now. Those of us who knew him and his family will dearly miss him. I'm sure if there are thermals in heaven; Tom's plane(s) are riding them.

By the time you read this, our awards banquet will be upon us. Larry Miller is making this another outstanding event. Sure hope you've made plans to be there on the 22nd.

Remember also that our January Record Trials was postponed till Sunday the 23rd. The weather should be ideal. See you there. This is a wrap for now. Need to get ready to go to Eloy.

Year-End Banquet - L.Miller

Mark your calendar for our year-end Club Banquet at Giovanni's at 9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd on Saturday January 22nd at 1:00 PM. SDO and Scale Staffel are co-hosting this event since a number of modelers are members of both clubs and have similar interests. A good turnout is expected and will enjoy an expanded buffet menu of salad, spaghetti, lasagna, pizza, garlic bread, and soda all for \$15. (Hint) Wives will appreciate lunch out. Both clubs will present their yearly awards followed by an annual raffle. There are slides to be viewed, pictures to be taken and a show and tell.

We hope to see you on the 22nd for a memorable Italian lunch buffet!

January Monthly Contest - L.Miller

While marking your calendar, circle Sun. the 23rd for P-30 / Power. Our 1st monthly contest of 2011 appears to be showing favorable signs of nice weather with dry field conditions. Now is the time to check your models over and get ready to start flying again. (Hint) Wives like to help and enjoy fresh air.

MONEY MATTERS - H.Haupt

Income:

Dues (1) \$ 40.00

Expenses:

B of A Account Fees \$ 3.00

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U.S. Jr. FAI FF Pgm. 500.00

Current Balance\$1,771.34

2011 ORBITEER FLYING SCHEDULE

- Jan 23 - P-30
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Feb 27 - Old Timer Rubber Stick (Small)
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Mar 13 - Coupe
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Apr 10 - P-30
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Apr 17 - Scale Staffel FAC Contest* (1ST of 3)
- May 14/15 Dual Club FF Bonanza, Lost Hills CA
- Rotation Skipped: (Old Timer Rubber Stick
"Small")
- June 12 - Coupe
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- July 4TH - Walt Mooney Memorial Scale Contest
- July 17 - P-30
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Aug ?? - Scale Staffel FAC Contest* (2ND of 3)
- Aug 21 - Old Timer Rubber Stick (Small)
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Sept 18 - Coupe
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Oct 16 - P-30
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Oct 29/30 SW FAI Champs*, Boulder City, NV
- Nov 13 - Scale Staffel FAC Contest* (3RD of 3)
- Nov 20 - Old Timer Rubber Stick (Small)
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG
- Dec 18 - Coupe
Power, P-20, HLG & CLG

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

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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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www.SanDiegoOrbiteers.com

DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES - H.Haupt

With (5) members present, President Don Bartick called the meeting to order at 7:26 pm. Venice Pizza was available and consumed as the meeting got under way.

Treasurers Report: Was approved as published in the Nov issue of the El Torbellino, it was noted, the increase in the balance, from the SW FAI Challenge Contest deposit.

Officers Reports: None

Contest Reports:
SW FAI Challenge contest was reviewed.

Old Business:

Election of club officers: The existing slate of officers from 2010 was reelected.

Banquet: Set for Saturday, January 22ND at Giovanni's. Motion was put forward and passed to go with the expanded pizza buffet which comes to \$15 with tax and gratuity.

The buffet will include: Pizza, Salad, Garlic Toast, Lasagna, Spaghetti, and Soda.

Contest Calendar: Dates submitted to master calendar reviewed, with only one date needing correction.

New Business:

With the large influx of money to the club treasury, a discussion of donating to the FAI Jr. Program was conducted. A motion was made and passed to send \$500 to the FAI Jr. Program. Check will be sent in December.

A reminder, that Indoor Events continue the 1ST Sunday of each month at Grossmont College. Large gym will be available 2 or 3 times in calendar year 2011.

Scale Staffel will again run 3 FAC Scale contests in 2011; new events will be Phantom Flash, Dime Scale (16"), and continuation of ROW.

Indoor flying followed the meeting, with the gathered group leaving the building at 9:55 PM.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE - H.Haupt

At the conclusion of the December meeting, indoor planes again took to the air. Larry Miller showed the way, again, with the "Wart" A-6.

L.Miller	A-6	107 secs
H.Haupt	Butterfly	87
D.Bartick	A-6	Test flights only.

ANNUAL MONEY MATTERS - H.Haupt

Calendar Year 2010

Income:

Dues (37)	\$ 530
Monthly Contests	12
T'Shirt Sales	90
Decals	5
Auction Item	4
Donation	4
Dual Club Annual	179
SW FAI Challenge	673

	\$1,473

Expenses:

Club Newsletter	\$ 152
B of A Account Fees	50
Web Site Capacity Upgrade	105
Web Site Domain Name	20
Scripps Ranch Meeting Room	225
AMA Contest Sanctions	55
St of CA Non-Profit Registration	20
Annual Awards	129
Annual Banquet	44
Porta Potty Service (2)	108
July 4 TH Food Donation	6
USFF Prize Donation	100
US FAI Jr. Free Flight Pgm.	500

	\$1,564

Net for year: \$1,473 - \$1,564 = **(\$91)**

In keeping with the non-profit status of our Club, we finished the calendar year spending \$91 more dollars than we took in.

The club is currently supported by 36 dues paying Members.

San Diego Orbiteers

c/o Howard Haupt

Howard,

On behalf of the United States Junior Free Flight Team I would like to thank you and the Orbiteers for your very generous donation of \$500 to our fund. This donation comes at a time when money is very scarce, and I can assure you that it will be put to good use. I have forwarded your check to AMA with instructions to deposit it in the Jr. fund.

Thanks again,

George Batiuk



AWARDS BANQUET 2011

This year we will have a joint banquet between the Orbiteers and the Scale Staffel clubs.

Date: Saturday, January 22, 2011, 1 pm.

Location: Giovanni's in Kearny Mesa
9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd
San Diego, CA 92123

What: Pizza, Salad, Garlic Bread, Spaghetti, Lasagna & Soda @ \$15 per person.

Also: Door Prizes that could make a difference in your life.

Who: The whole family is invited, see you there.

Friday Club Meeting Date	Sunday CONTEST Date	2011 ORBITEER CLUB CONTEST SCHEDULE + Scale Staffel, Perris, US FF Champs, SW FAI, NV Events
Sat. 22nd		Annual Banquet & Awards 1:00 Combined Clubs: SDO and Scale Staffel Giovanni's Restaurant 9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd Buffet: (Salad, Spaghetti, Lasagna, Pizza, Garlic Bread, and Soda) <i>Your Total Cost: \$15.</i>
	** Jan 23	R/T P-30, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
	Feb 20	Perris- Scamps- Haggart/Bowden
Feb 11	** Feb 27	R/T OT Rub Sm Stk, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
	** Mar 13	R/T Coupe, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
Mar 11	Mar 20	Perris - Scamps Talbi Annual
	** Apr 10	R/T P-30, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
Apr 8	Apr 17	San Diego - Scale Staffel WW I & WW II Combat S.
	May 14 & 15	Lost Hills- Dual Clubs FF Bonanza
May 13	** June 12	R/T Coupe, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
	June 19	Perris -Scamps-Lotto/Twin Pusher
June 10	June 22-25	Colorado WestFAC III, Denver
	July 4th	Walt Mooney Scale
July 08	July 17	R/T P-30, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
	Aug 14	San Diego - Scale Staffel WW I & WW II Combat S.
Aug 12	Aug 21	R/T OT Rub Sm Stk, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
	Sept 18	R/T Coupe, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
Sep 09	Sept 23 - 25	Lost Hills - US FF Championships
	Oct 16	R/T P-30, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
Oct 14	Oct 29-30	Nevada - Boulder City / Booth - SW FAI Champs .
	Nov 13	San Diego - Scale Staffel WW I & WW II Combat S.
Nov 11	Nov 20	R/T OT Rub Sm Stk, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
	Dec 18	R/T Coupe, Power, P-20, (HLG, CLG)
Dec 09		Otay Field Weather (619) 661-8292
** Note- Club Contests are not always the third Sunday due to scheduling conflicts.		
Revised: Jan 03, 2011 By: L. Miller Excel file: SDO Club Flying Schedule 2011 grey space lines		

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WHAT'S HAPPENING - JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2011

Jan 2 - Indoor Fun Fly, Grossmont College, 9:00 am.

Jan 22 - ANNUAL ORBITEER CLUB BANQUET, Giovanni's (Kearny Mesa), 1:00 pm.

Jan 23 - Orbiteer Outdoor Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am,
Non-Power: P-30, Power: All Classes,
Other Classes: P-20, HLG & CLG

Feb 6 - Indoor Fun Fly, Grossmont College, 9:00 am.

Feb 11 - Orbiteer Monthly Meeting, Scripps' Ranch, 7:00 pm.

Feb 12 - 150 Naval Plane fly over of San Diego Bay

Feb 27 - Orbiteer Outdoor Monthly, Otay Mesa, 8:00 am.