



S.A.M. Antics

The Official "Fly" paper
of the
SACRAMENTO AREA
MODELERS
AMA Charter Club #1822
October 2025

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Presidents Message

Hello SAM flyers.

Well, fall has sort of arrived. We did have some hot days until the end of September with mild temps and variable winds. Looking forward to cold mornings and cool days.

We had our September meeting at the field and had nominations for the Board. We have the following nominees: Ryan, Sergio, Steve, Brent, Gary and Russ. We will be voting for the Board at our November meeting.

September was a busy month for the club. We had warbird race, a general meeting and a Precision Aerobatic Contest. Lots of fun was had at these events. In October we have our annual Swap Meet on the 18th and a General Meeting on the 19th. Plan to attend these events.

The field crew would like everyone to make sure the trash cans are moved away from the benches. The squirrels are using the benches to get into the trash and rip up all the bags which makes it hard to remove them.

As a reminder, make sure to put your AMA card on the board or your person before you begin flying. I haven't seen many hanging up or on your lapel.

Steve and I have clip on holders to make it easier for you. Thanks

That's all for now. See you at the field. Be safe and have fun.

Jeff Montrose



SAM September Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 16, 2025

Location: Mountain Mike's Pizza on Bradshaw

Time: 6:30 PM

Board Members

Present: ***President:*** Jeff Montrose, ***Treasurer:*** Steve Brown, ***Secretary:*** Jim Smith, ***Field Marshall:*** Brent Jensen, ***Safety:*** Sergio Varo, ***Membership:*** Steve Nickerson, ***Publicity:*** Robert Bell

Absent: ***Events:*** Gary Prosser, ***Vice President:*** Ryan Golden,

Officer Reports

President: Jeff opened the meeting at 6:30 PM. He then called for the board reports. Jeff asked the board about a member leasing the club field for a day of use for the standard event fee of \$300 for a week day. The board took a quick vote and agreed to the plan. Jeff will send out emails to the membership on the closure. It is scheduled for 9/30.

Vice President: Ryan was unable to attend.

Treasurer: Steve Brown, passed out the accounting summary for August.

Membership: Steve Nickerson, provided the current update that there are paid 119 memberships currently with a total of 137 active memberships in total. As a reminder the 2025 dues/budget was based upon 121 paid memberships for the 2025 calendar year.

Safety Officer: Sergio, had nothing to report for this meeting.

Events Director: Gary, was unable to attend.

Publicity Director: Robert, had nothing to report.

Field Marshall: Brent, brought up servicing the water pump/tank. It was decided that we will have someone come out and look over the pump. Brent also discussed the new garbage can that was made and the old one that was disposed of.

Secretary: Jim had nothing to report.

Motions: N/A

New Business:

The Board discussed and voted to endorse Greg Stone for AMA President.

Old Business:

Steve brought up that next month was our budget meeting and the club is for board nominations. Up for this year's term are Gary Prosser, Ryan Golden, Brent Jensen, Sergio Varo, and Steve Nickerson.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM

Jim Smith (Secretary)



SAM Club Meeting Sunday 09/21/25

Location: Club Field

New members or guests present

New Members: N/A

Guests Present: N/A

Board Reports

President: Jeff Montrose (via Steve Nickerson as Jeff's voice was still healing) opened the meeting at 11:02 AM and thanked everyone for attending then called for guests and new members (See above). As part of the President's notes, it was asked that garbage cans be kept away from the tables at the edge of the parking lot. The squirrels are getting in them and tearing up the plastic trash bags in search of food. Members were then informed that there is a pattern contest coming up on the weekend of 9/27-9/28. Today's meeting main topic was for board nominations (see below). Outgoing members are Gary Prosser, Ryan Golden, Brent Jensen, Sergio Varo, and Steve Nickerson.

Vice President: Ryan was unable to attend.

Membership: Steve N. let those present know that the membership count currently 119 paid memberships and 137 total memberships for 2025 so far. This year's budget is based upon 123 dues paying members.

Publicity: Robert Bell had nothing to report.

Safety: Sergio was unable to attend.

Treasurer: Steve B. shared that we have most bills paid for the year and he feels that we should meet budget this year. He shared some numbers with regards to bills and incoming money. If you have further questions regarding the clubs budget see Steve.

Events: Gary was unable to attend.

Field Marshall: Brent shared that the new garbage can is completed and electrical will be updated as the weather cools down.

Secretary: Jim had nothing to report.

Show and Tell: N/A

New Business:

A member addressed the need for pets to be on a leash at the site per the rules on the fence. It was agreed that this safety rule is not being followed and needs to be. For the safety of our furry friends please keep your pets on a leash if bringing them to the SAM site.

Next call of business was the board nominations:

<u>Board nomination</u>	<u>Nominated by</u>	<u>2nd by</u>
Steve Nickerson	JR Schiager	Joe Souza
Brent Jenson	Dave Sullivan	Steve Nickerson
Ryan Golden	Brent Jenson	Tom Gross
Sergio Varo	Steve Brown	Jim Smith
Gary Prosser	Jeff Montrose	Brent Jenson
Russ Nichols	JR Schiager	Tom Gross

Old Business:

N/A

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jim Smith - Secretary

****This Month's Safety Notes from Sergio****

- **Members needs to be wary of anyone who is not a member, but coming in to use our site and are doing things that could jeopardize it. Previously, a non-member launched a rocket at the field and caused a grass fire. *Per the SAM Board, none of the members should be granting permission for non-AMA members to use the site for any type of flight activity. Furthermore, if visitors have AMA, they should be paying day use and be signed in by a member for any flight activity.***
- **Basic Safety issues - *Be considerate and do not fly close to others who are not flying, but are working in the field, on the airfield and/or mowing.***
Please fly safely and accordingly.
- **Old batteries needing to be disposed are to be given to one of the Board members for proper disposal or you take them home and dispose properly. *Do not throw them away in the trash bins at the field.***
- **Please remember to put your AMA card up on the Board prior to flying. Fly with a friend...it's more fun and safer. Reminder: Make sure your AMA for 2025 is current and up to date.**
- **A friendly reminder, *No Flying Over the Pit Area.***
- **Those with Electric Planes, please arm your planes on the startup tables instead of the benches or on the starting line and NOT under the enclosure.**
- **Please note: There is an extreme need for communication on the flight line. *There have been a couple close calls due to lack of communication. Coming out, landing and crossing the runway should be called out anytime more than one pilot is on the flight line***

DO YOU HAVE A VALID AMA CARD?

Remember: Our By-Laws and the County of Sacramento require a current AMA Card to fly at the S.A.M. site. Also did you know that your current status as a **member requires a valid AMA card?** If you do not have a current AMA Card in your possession or proof in the form of a fax or e-mail from AMA, **do not fly.**

If you fly without AMA membership, you will be in violation of our rules and may be suspended from flying at the S.A.M. site.

Contact the AMA at 1-800-435-9262 for membership when paying via credit card.

S.A.M.-Antics SUBMITTALS

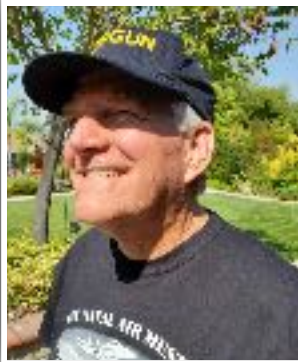
Deadline for submissions to the S.A.M. Antics is the 28th of each month. Please send articles as Word text or as text in an email to the Newsletter Editor, at specialkidsteacher@comcast.net. Submittals may be edited for content and length.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

Are you new to R/C flying? Or perhaps you need to brush up or even just want to talk with one of our "Pro's." S.A.M.'s corps of Flight Instructors stand ready to help you. You will usually find at least one of them at the flying site on Tuesdays or Fridays.

You may call **Jim Lichtenberg** our Flight Instructor Coordinator at **916-718-4979** [cell](mailto:rcflyer999@comcast.net) or e-mail at rcflyer999@comcast.net and he will arrange for the assistance you need. If **Jim** is not available, you can contact the Assistant Flight Instructor Coordinator, **Ron Davies** at **916-682-7902**. Or you can call our Flight Instructors directly.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Closed for General Flying During Events

January 19, 2025	General Club Meeting 11:00am-12:00pm @ Flying Field - Completed
February	-----
March 8, 2025	Pylon Racing Workshop 9:00am - 12:00pm - Event Completed CD - Greg Lane (916) 201-7668
March 21- 23, 2025	2024 California Capitol Airshow - Event Completed
March 22, 2025	First SAM Work Day @ Flying Field Time TBD - Completed
March 29, 2025	First Ever RC STOL Competition - Event Completed Cash Prizes Contact Steve "Coach" Nickerson (snickerson3360@hotmail.com)
April 5 & 6, 2025	Big Kahunas Memorial Warbird Pylon Race - Event Completed (S.A.M. Warbird Series) CD - Steve Nickerson (916) 397-6831
April 20, 2025	General Club Meeting 11:00am-12:00pm @ Flying Field - Completed
May 17, 2025	Don Atwood Pattern Contest - Event Completed CD - Ron Davies (916) 682-7902 CD - Russ Nichols (916) 212-8867
June 21 & 22, 2025	Turn and Burn Warbird Pylon Race - Event Completed (S.A.M. Warbird Series) CD - Greg Lane (916) 201-7668
July 19, 2025	S.A.M Open House 9:00am to 12:00pm - Event Completed CD - Jeff Montrose and SAM Board (916) 897-4655
July 20, 2025	General Club Meeting 11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field - Completed
August 2, 2015	Fun Fly & BBQ 9:00am to 12:00pm - Event Completed CD - SAM Board
September 13 & 14, 2025	YS - Valley of Speed III Warbird Pylon Race - Event Completed (SAM Warbird Series) CD - Ollie Merrill (916) 947-6599
September 21, 2025	General Club Meeting 11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field - Completed
September 27 & 28, 2025	Bud Garric Pattern Contest - Event Completed CD - Russ Nicols (916) 212-8867

October 18, 2025

**S.A.M. Swap Meet 6:00am - 12:00pm
CD - JR Schiager (916) 705-7778**

October 19, 2025

**General Club Meeting (Events Meeting for 2026)
11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field**

November 1, 2025

**Bigwood Memorial Warbird Pylon Race
CD - Ollie Merrill (916) 947-6599**

November 16, 2025

**General Club Meeting @ Flying Field
(Elections for SAM Board) 11:00am - 12:00pm
Flying Field is Closed**

December 13, 2025

**S. A.M. Christmas Party
CD – Ryan Golden (916) 561-9606
Flying Field is Open**

Dates subject to change upon S.A.M. Board approval * Details for Events will be removed/marked as completed, however you can always refer to January's newsletter on the web site for the years schedule of events



Field Marshal Update

Join us Every 3rd Sunday at
Sacramento Area Modelers for
Outlaws Race Series
11000 Florin Rd; Sacramento, CA 95830

Thank you,
Brent Jensen / S.A.M. Field Marshal
brentlowelljensenjr@gmail.com.

Membership Update

New Members for September
Terry and Easton Prior

Dues Renewal Forms for 2025 are now available

Thank you,
Steve Nickerson & Steve Brown
S.A.M. Membership

Events Update for October

October 18th	S.A.M. Swap Meet 6:00am - 12:00pm CD - JR Schiager (916) 705-7778
October 19th	General Club Meeting (Events Meeting for 2026) 11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field

Thank you,
Gary Prosser / S.A.M. Events Director

Publicity Update

See Recent Board Notes

Thank You,
Robert Bell / Publicity

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS
P.O. BOX 292441
SACRAMENTO CA 95829

2025 ANNUAL DUES RENEWAL FORM

This up dated information is used for the Club Roster, also an E-mail mailing list for the SAM*Antics* (Newsletter). Please print your information clearly.

Thanks: Steve Nickerson

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____
Zip _____

Telephone _____ AMA Number _____ Open _____ Family/Junior _____

E mail Address _____

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Annual Dues are \$150.00 to be paid in the month of January 2025.

You May make your check to SAM and mail it to the address above.

Or:

Use the RED DAY USE mail box at the field.

Or:

Give the dues to Steve Brown (Treasurer) or Steve Nickerson (Membership Director) at the field.

2025 Annual stickers, once received, should be placed on your AMA card, The Gate Combination Sticker is to be placed on your wallet or a secure place for club members use only.

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS, INC.

Academy of Model Aeronautics

Charter Number 1822

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Through the joint effort of many local radio-controlled model airplane fliers, 30 acres of open land has been leased since 1982 from the County of Sacramento for our exclusive use of Model Aircraft, with the right to fly over the remaining 330 acres. The 40 by 400 foot runway and the covered 30 by 260 foot pit area are completed with a beautiful asphalt surface. The address is 11000 Florin Road, one mile east of Excelsior Road, and two miles west of Sunrise Blvd.

There are four types of paid membership available:

OPEN MEMBER: Any member, age 18 or over not listed under one of the below categories. Only open Members have voting privileges. **Membership in the AMA is required.**

COST: \$100.00 New Member Fee, First year annual dues are \$150.00. We would appreciate payment in full for the New Member Fee. However **First Time Members:** Dues will be prorated at a rate of \$12.50 per month after February 28. Dues period is January 31st through January 31st the following year.

FAMILY MEMBER/JUNIOR MEMBER: Spouse of an OPEN MEMBER and/or children under the age of 19. COSTS: Spouse, \$10.00 annual dues, and No New Member Fee. FAMILY MEMBERS OR JUNIOR MEMBERS under 19 years of age, Initiation fee is deferred until member reaches 19 years of age. No annual dues until member reaches 19 years of age, then the initiation fee is the same as OPEN MEMBER. Dues **will not** be prorated. No Voting Privileges.

BUSINESS MEMBER: A Member who's Business may pose a conflict of interest with SAM activities.

Business members have no voting privileges and may not hold elected Office. Dues and Fees are same as Open member.

Fees are non-refundable. To qualify for Membership, you must have a current **Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) card in your possession.** Membership in AMA provides both you and the site with liability insurance, which is a requirement of The County of Sacramento and the by-laws of the Sacramento Area Modelers, a "Dispute Resolution Agreement Form" must be submitted with your Membership application.

S.A.M. meetings are held with place, time and posted. The news letters is available on the Sacramento Area Modelers (www.sacramentoareamodelers.com) website monthly to all current members. Flight Instruction and training are available for fliers from beginners to expert.

CUT OFF AND MAIL TO S.A.M., P.O. BOX 292441, SACRAMENTO, CA. 95829

Please make checks payable to: Sacramento Area Modelers.

NAME _____ DATE OF BIRTH(Jr. Member) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ AMA NUMBER _____ (must have valid AMA Number before membership is granted.)

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S.A.M. WARBIRD RACING

For more information, email us:

racing@sacramentosomeamodelers.com

2025 Season, Race Dates:

INTERESTED, BUT NEW TO RACING? **TRY IT OUT!** ATTEND OUR FREE

MARCH 8 RACING WORKSHOP

SAM POINT-SERIES RACES:

APRIL 5 & 6 BIG KAHUNA MEMORIAL

JUNE 21 & 22 TURN & BURN

SEPT. 13 & 14 YS - VALLEY OF SPEED

1-DAY RACE:

NOV. 1 BIGWOOD MEMORIAL

Marvel, and enjoy RC aircraft recreating the thrill and excitement of
the Reno National Championship Air Races, in miniature;
with aircraft racing at speeds often in excess of 160 m.p.h.!

LOCATION:
S.A.M. FLYING SITE
11000 FLORIN ROAD
SACRAMENTO, CA

Overnight RV
Parking with
electricity, available

Racing begins
each morning, at
9:00 AM

All Race Events are **FREE** to the public.
Spectators are invited & welcome —
Please join us for the excitement!



2025 SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS

OUTLAWS

RACE SERIES



RACING STARTS AT NOON!

**VISIT
RC COUNTRY
HOBBIES**

COME IN AND PICK UP YOUR

***E-flite* T-28 TROJAN 1.2m**

DON'T FORGET SOME PAINT TO MAKE IT YOUR OWN COLOR AND DESIGN

**JOIN US EVERY 3RD SUNDAY AT
SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS FOR RACES
11000 FLORIN RD, SACRAMENTO, CA 95830**

SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS

16th ANNUAL SWAP MEET

October 18, 2025

All RC Items Welcomed



Gates Open @ 6:00AM, Ends around Noon
Contact: JR Schiager (916) 705-7778

www.sacramentoareamodelers.com

11000 Florin Rd, Sacramento, CA 95830

No Sellers Fee, Donations Welcomed for Sacramento Area Modelers



Sacramento Area Modelers
& RUSS DEEDON present the

3RD ANNUAL, 2025

BIGWOOD WINTERFEST

WARBIRD PYLON RACE

Entry fees:
Bronze \$30
Silver \$50
Gold \$70

AMA Sanction # 17893

*Sponsored by
RUSS DEEDON*

On November 1, 2025

JOIN US FOR OUR LAST RACE OF THE 2025 SEASON

Location:

Sacramento Area Modelers
Flying Site
11000 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA 95830

**For more information &
registration details, visit:**

[www.sacramentoareamodelers.com/
warbird-racing.html](http://www.sacramentoareamodelers.com/warbird-racing.html); or, email us at:
racing@sacramentoareamodelers.com

Contest Director: Ollie Merrill
Assistant CD: Steve Nickerson

Enjoy one last hurrah of exiting racing competition with good friends, before Winter & the Building Season take over.

With entries limited to **Silver** and **Bronze** classes (**No Gold**), pilots have a rare opportunity to test their skills against many of the best pilots often found outside of their "usual" competitive group.

Prove you have what it takes to take home the cash, the awards, & earn *major* bragging rights, in our only *Elimination-style*, 1-day race event of the season.



2025 S.A.M. CHRISTMAS DINNER

December 13, 2025, GPM @ Old Spaghetti Factory 12401 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

If you have any questions, please text or call Ryan Golden @ 1-916-561-9606

NAME:

Please put an "X" next to the meal you would like and next to the selection for Dressing/ Ice Cream. If accompanied with guest please make their selection as well.

Chicken Marsala

A seasoned breast of chicken with a Mushroom and Marsala Wine Sauce. Served alongside spaghetti with Maitre Cheese & Browned Butter

Meat Lovers Treat

Sicilian Meatballs, Italian Sausage and Spaghetti with Rich Meat Sauce

Breast of Chicken Fettuccine

Fettuccine topped with tender diced chicken breast, fresh broccoli, sautéed mushrooms, Alfredo Sauce, and shredded Romano cheese

Salad Dressing: Blue Cheese or Creamy Pesto

Ice Cream: Spumoni or Vanilla

Christmas Dinner Flyers are available in the Auger Inn
\$35 per person; 3 food options, 2 salad dressing options
and 2 options of ice cream.
See, text or call Ryan Golden @ 1-916-561-9606

Recent Bud Garrick Pattern Contest

For many years, SAM has supported precision aerobatics in Northern California. On October 18 and 19, SAM hosted the Sacramento Memorial Patter Contest (formerly the Bud Garric Memorial). This was the last regular season contest of the year in this pattern district.

This contest was run for years by Frank Capone and Bob Obregon. It honored a number of our D7 competitors we've lost over the years. With the loss of Frank at the end of 2024, we elected to change the name to honor Frank as well. There is a memorial plaque at the SAM field that will be updated with Frank's name soon.

The contest was smaller than normal. We had a few regulars that were unable to attend and a couple of other folks that had conflicts, but we were joined by Jerry Stinson from Oregon as the longest traveling competitor. Ultimately, 8 pilots flew in the AMA classes. The competition was strong with the margin of victory in Masters being less than 1 tenth of 1 percent. After the AMA classes, we ran our "happy hour" event and flew EDF jets. We had 6 pilots in EDF and we had a great time. EDF featured a couple of our SAM pilots, Charlie and Robert, trying the EDF pattern for the first time. EDF

It was a beautiful fall weekend for the contest. Saturday we had a building breeze through the day, but manageable with temps that were only in the 80s. Sunday was overcast and cooler with almost no wind. The cloudy skies did make orientation a bit challenging in the flat light, but all pilots handled it well.

RESULTS

Club

1st - Aaron Ammons

FAI

1st - Jon Soda

Intermediate

1st - Steve Nickerson

2nd - Ron Davies

EDF

1st - Russ "the Grizz" Nichols

2nd - Steve "Coach" Nickerson

3rd - Charlie "K.A." Conners

4th - Jerry Stinson

5th - Robert Sykes

6th - Jeff "Pickles" Montrose

Advanced

1st - Russ Nichols

2nd - Dan Lipton

Masters

1st - Like Peng

2nd - Jerry Stinson

Thanks to the Sacramento Area Modelers for hosting us and to Jonathan Carter and Lawrence Tougas for coming to judge even though they couldn't fly with us.

Come join us next year. Any EDF is legal and any plane that will loop and roll can fly Club class. We look forward to seeing you!us and to Jonathan Carter and Lawrence Tougas for coming to judge even though they couldn't fly with us.



Unfortunately I didn't get a group shot.
Here are the winners... except for
Jon Soda
48 is Aaron
51 is Steve
47 is Russ
58 is Luke

The other Award winners

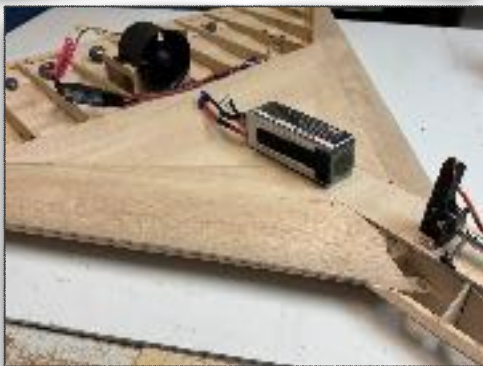
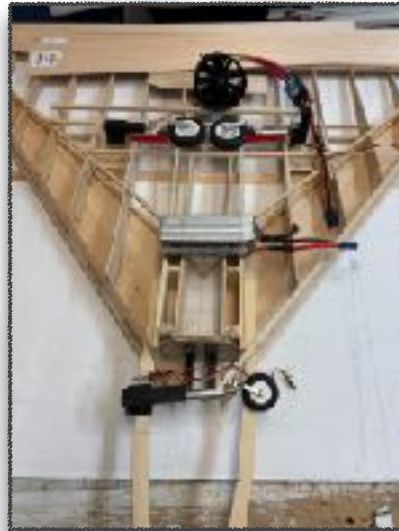
50 is Ron Davies
54 is Dan Lipton
57 is Jerry Stinson
61 is Charlie Conners
65 is Russ Nichols





Andy's Latest is an XQ-58 Drone Re-cap from September Newsletter

It all began by drawing the wing plan for XQ





Continuation Andy's XQ-58 Drone

A QuickLook of a Jem in the rough. This could be the first pic of next month with a couple of construction pics of the nacelle.





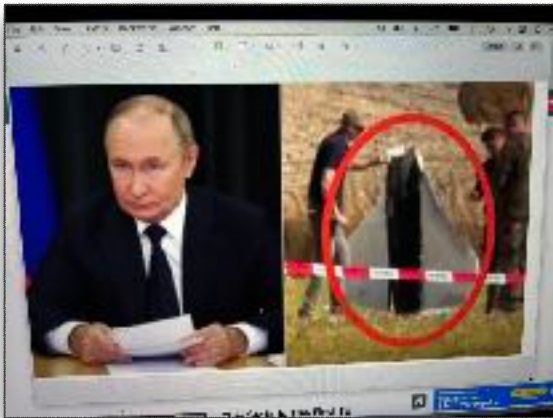
Part two should probably begin with last photo of wood mockup of the XQ-58-A.

MLG and wheel wells. Wheels down open a cheater air flow to the EDF to compensate for lack of ram air in the nacelle inlet.

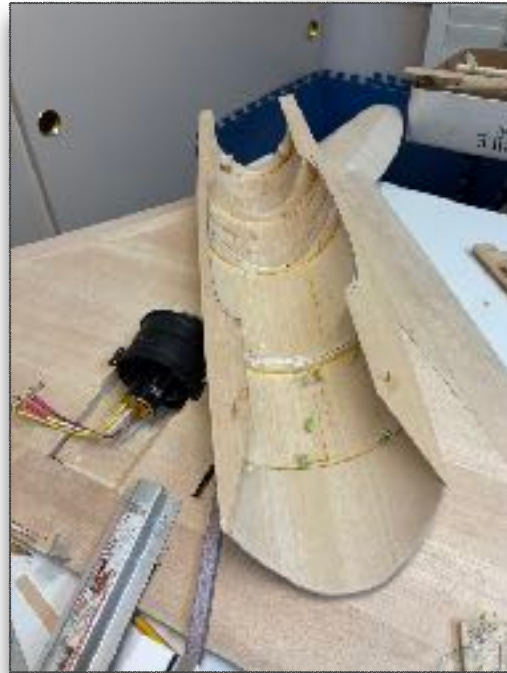


Wood framed up plane is 6 pounds. All equipment, 7 servos, 80 mm EDF, 100 A ESC, and 6S LiPo included.

Just have to stop and look at all that prep before it is covered up.
I'm sitting back looking at the inlet scoop, one of the unique characteristics of the XQ. The nose, the wing tips, and the vertical stabilizers are also unique to this plane.



Russian drone in Poland about my size. Will definitely have Star and Bar on mine.



Inlet has additional sheeting inside for airflow inside nacelle.



First look at back end.



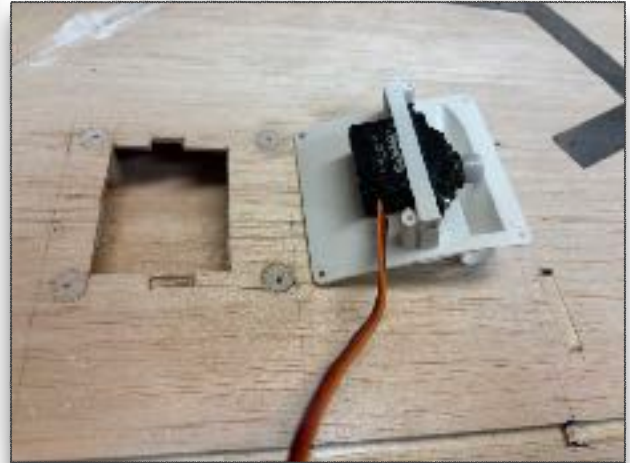
EDF and duct fitting.



Beefy but light EDF mount and wingtip which will be red simulating antenna enclosure and for vis-



Nacelles fit over duct on the first try.



Four times, grunt work.
Servo mount for ailerons and
elevators. Plus two more for
rudders.



Use a hole stretcher, not a drill, to
prep for dowel. Glue dowel, cut off,
and sand flush. Measure twice, cut
once.

Use a sander for a nonslip guide.
Use a saw blade for cross
cut. Also use balsa dowels and
hardened the screw holes with
thin CA.

Balsa dowels easier to saw off
and sand flush.





First time on its legs.
Build complete, transitioning to
finishing steps. 8/8 to 9/19.

Skunk Works Unveils Vectris Air Combat Drone That Puts A Premium On Stealth Yahoo News

Joseph Trevithick

Sat, September 20, 2025, 9:01 PM PDT

20 min read

Another inspiration.

Think I will keep the vertical fin.



The photo article, at the Beginning has a photo without vertical fins.

You may want to mix in a real photo to show a modeler can build
whatever they dream up.

All of a sudden it is sand, sand. Servo mounts. Wires everywhere. Tweaks to make smooth. No visual progress.

More photos soon, but visual progress is. Slow now.



Started covering. Tools are trim iron, Ove' Glove, cuticle scissors, sharp scissors, a single edge razor, and a tack cloth.



Hide a joint.
Foam cushion keeps mysterious damage goblins away.



Oh yeah. A breakaway knife so you always have a sharp blade, a flexible straight edge, a metal ruler straight edge, and a very sharp pin.

The pin can poke a bubble under film, and can be an extra finger.

One more tool.
Worst first, then it gets easier.
Modular, unassembled model
easier to cover.

If you build something with a curve
you make a curved sanding block.

Then wire brush the dust out of the
sand paper.

Brush up the area, and repeat.
Stop when bored or tired.
Come back later.





The finished nacelle weighs 7 ounces.



**Covered. No electronics yet.
Resting.**

Plan to go to SAM on Saturday for static look, but no XQ-58 A flight because innards not complete.



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If you are doing anything (constructing a plane, have recent photos you've taken from Events, just out practicing or have found photos and/or information historically interesting), I encourage you to forward it to my email below, the Event CD or any Board Member. I'd love to put it in the newsletter. Thank you to those who do share so others can enjoy.

specialkidsteacher@comcast.net

For those who don't know, JR Shiager keeps the S.A.M. website updated with photos, events, past newsletters, etc.

sacramentoareamodelers.com.

If you are looking for (i.e., airplane parts, websites to make purchases, etc. or have a plane or parts to sell), please let Steve Brown know at our S.A.M. Club and I would be glad to include in our newsletter. You may also email me at specialkidsteacher@comcast.net and I will add to this section.

WANTED to Purchase

I would like to purchase another one of those F2G Super Corsairs from Roc Hobbies. If anyone has one or knows someone who is interested in selling one, **please call or text Martin at 916-204-4128 or email at martintheaircraft-mech@ymail.com**

WTB: FMS ROC HOBBIES F2G SUPER CORSAIR 1.1 MM. ANY CONDITION, NEW IN THE BOX TO A CRASH. WILL CONSIDER ANY MODEL.
Thanks very much. Martin



LOST and FOUND.....

If you have lost something at the SAM field or found something that may belong to someone else, please give it to Steve Brown or any other board member and it can be posted in this section.