



S.A.M. *Antics*

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

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Presidents Message

Hello fellow flyers.

Our weather has been hit and miss for June. Some great days, some windy and some too hot/cold.

It makes it a fine time to get your crosswind skills honed up.

On July 19, we are hosting our annual Open House at the field. The fun starts at 9:00 and I am looking for volunteers to help me put on a great event. I'm looking for instructors with training aircraft and buddy boxes, flight simulators and general help. I am also looking for members to work the snack shack as we are providing lunch. I will get the necessary food items beforehand. If you can help, you can text me at 916-897-4655. Thanks a bunch!!

FYI the field will be closed until the event is over.

Our field looks fantastic!! I would remind everyone to pick up after yourselves to keep it that way. A lot of work has gone into making our field one of the best I have ever been to and I would like to see it stay that way.

If you haven't renewed your membership yet, now is the time to do so. The weather is getting better and the flying season is starting up. See Steve Brown to get the information you need.

Again, remember with the new gravel you should drive slowly in the parking lot. Those little rocks need some time to settle in and compact. Also, they are loose and could be kicked up into a fellow flyer's windshield.

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

Jeff Montrose



****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** 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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Ron Davies



Jeff Montrose



Donnie Prince



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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 CD - Jeff Montrose and SAM Board (916) 897-4655
July 20, 2025	General Club Meeting 11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field
August 17, 2015	Fun Fly & BBQ 9:00am to 12:00pm CD - SAM Board
September 13 & 14, 2025	YS - Valley of Speed III Warbird Pylon Race (SAM Warbird Series) CD - Ollie Merrill (916) 947-6599
September 21, 2025	General Club Meeting 11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field
September 27 & 28, 2025	Bud Garric Pattern Contest CD - Russ Nicols (916) 212-8867
October 18, 2025	S.A.M. Swap Meet 6:00am - 12:00pm CD - JR Schiager (916) 705-7778

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| 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

See Recent Board Notes

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

Membership Update

No New Members for June

Returning Members

Noel Howell

John Kozusko

Dues Renewal Forms for 2025 are now available.

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

Events Update for July

July 19th	S.A.M. Annual Open House at the field. 9am - 12pm
July 20th	General Club Meeting 11:00am - 12:00pm @ Flying Field
August 2	Fun Fly with Food Afterwards (Flyer to be posted at Field Soon)

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.)

SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT S.A.M.!!!

**R/C Country Hobbies
The Hobby Shop
9500 Micron Ave,
Sacramento, CA 95827,
1-916-306-5171**

See *website* for more sponsors

**SACRAMENTO AREA MODELERS
(SAM)**

**P.O. BOX 292441
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Email: info.sacramentoareamodelers.com

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Like SAM on Facebook Stay current on news and events**

Sacramento Area Modelers



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!

THE
Sacramento Area Modelers
& YS ENGINES PROUDLY PRESENT



YS - VALLEY OF SPEED III

S.A.M. SERIES WARBIRD PYLON RACE

SEPTEMBER 13 & 14, 2025

Location:

S.A.M. Flying Site
11000 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA



Join us for our
biggest race
of the season!

Compete in the
2-day race event.

Have you got what
it takes to set the
APC Fast Time &
add even more \$\$
to your winnings?

Will **you** take home
a new **YS Warbird**
Special 2?

2025 Season, **SAM**
Series Champions
will be crowned!

Entry Fees:

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



Spectators are encouraged
to come out & watch the
Fast & Furious RC Airplane
Warbird Pylon Racing, with
speeds up to 165 mph! *(No charge)*
Bring your lawn chairs & the family.

Raffle available to everyone.
(Raffle prizes will be distributed
Sunday afternoon, during
the awards ceremony.)

For more information & registration details, visit:
www.sacramentoareamodelers.com/warbird-racing.html

Still have questions? Email us:
racing@sacramentoareamodelers.com

Contest Director: Ollie Merrill
Assistant CD: Russ Nichols

AMA Sanction # 17689

Sponsors include:



36th Sacramento Memorial Pattern Contest

Honoring Bud Garric and Frank Capone

September 27-28, 2025

Saturday and Sunday

AMA Classes:

Sportsman, Intermediate,
Advanced, Masters,
FAI

Happy Hour

Club Class
EDF
Classic



AMA in the morning and **Happy Hour** in the afternoon. If you are new to pattern or just want to have a some fun without the rigor of a normal pattern contest, **Happy Hour** is for you.

AMA Classes:

Register at NSRCA.us or on-site at 7am
Wheel up 8:30am
\$20 for Sportsman, \$50 for other classes
Any AMA legal planes allowed in sportsman

Field Location:
11000 Florin Rd
Sacramento CA

Happy Hour:

Register on site after noon Saturday
Wheels up at the completion of AMA
About 2pm each day
\$20 for each class

No lunch is planned, so bring your favorite brown bag.

For more information, contact:
Russ Nichols, 916-212-8867



Music & BBQ
at field on
Friday night

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.

Some Recent Photos from the Turn and Burn Races
Thank you Ryan for sharing.



(More to come at a later date)



The Back Page



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.

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

martintheaircraftmech@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.