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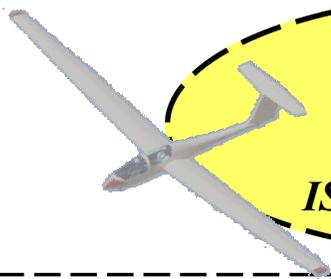
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From the Oval Office

ISS President, Mike Lee



Do you guys realize how long you have had me writing this rag? Wayyyy too long! You all must love torture or something! And being this is the New Year, torture is what you will get!

We have started out this year with a couple of Bangs! One of our pilots has renewed our relationship with the tall eucalyptus tree to the south. Now, I didn't think we would be doing that trick again, seeing that the original tall eucalyptus tree got cut down last year. Nonetheless, a motor powered glider hit it on January 17. Luckily, the tree wasn't in a mood for carbon reinforced balsa, and spit the plane out immediately, letting the plane take its' chances first with the pavement and then with any passing cars on the pavement. **John Dora** got caught in a bit of downwind turbulence with his new C-160 Transall. The wind was variable in direction and at the moment, it was a northerly wind coming towards the road. Well, as you know, there is a berm on the south, which supports the roadway and that can cause wind turbulence and shear....which **John** found out about the hard way. The result of this confrontation between the Transall and Mother Nature was that **John** was rolled up to turn when the air got pulled out from underneath the wings, and the plane was in the classic, "low, slow and no where to go" situation. KaWHAP! Sorry about that one, **John**.

Robert Cavazos has been cursed, it seems. And the curse is on him! Many of you have seen the tiny Multiplex Fox toy glider turned R/C electric powered plane that I bring to the field every so often. It is very docile, just about flies itself and by playing with different props, I have gotten this little foamie to perform quite well. But, before I managed to get it flying its' best, I let several people fly it for the fun of it, including **Robert**. Somehow, **Robert** got it to spin, which is kind of hard when you don't have a rudder control, but he did it, right into the ground! Not a problem, as it's a foamie, and

after putting on another prop, we were in the air again. Later in the history of the Fox, I got her to really perform well with a GWS 5-4 prop, and she was just zipping around the field nicely. I handed the transmitter to **Robert** to let him feel the difference, which he agreed was a lot better....right before he again got it to spin into the ground! So, now, he's feeling jinxed and paranoid about flying this little orange and white terror of the sky, but that's alright. We move on over to the ISS Annual Club Dinner on January 17, and there is no orange and white terror on hand. Only my son's Blade MCX micro helicopter. In showing several people just how stable it is, the transmitter got around to **Robert**, and while I wasn't watching, he managed to hit something, and pinged the upper rotor blade, taking it out of service. Yup!!...Jinxed, cursed, bad joo-joo, karma gone sour, dogma got run over by his karma, voodoo doll got pinned a few too many times... whatever it is, **Robert** has sworn off of flying anything with my name on it! **Steve Garland** has a ghost in the closet. His son, **Matt**, let it out at the ISS Annual Club Dinner....you might want to ask **Steve** about that. Manny Gomez spit out one of those true confessions items, mentioning that he used to forge his parents signature on permission slips to go on field trips in school. George, was notably alarmed, but a bit too late to do anything about that now! But you have ask yourself.... Just field trips? Yeah, right!



THANK YOU

Now, I have to do this part seriously, and for good reason. The ISS Annual Club Dinner was well done and I wish to give special thanks to George, Consuela and Manny Gomez for letting us gather at their house and spending the most part of Sunday there. The house is great with a beautiful backyard, decked out for a party and one big, hungry Amazon bird from the Parrot family. It was hungry for anything you brought within biting range of his beak, including human fingers! Now, we only had about 10 club members show up at the event, and thankfully they brought family members as well. Guys, this is a benefit for you to enjoy as a club member, so please keep this in mind. *Thanks, again, to the Gomez Family!*

We have seen a few new models at the field since the AMA Show. I mentioned John Dora with a C-160 Transall, but John and I also came out with new F-16 ducted fan jets as well! The jets fly great, with plenty of power and very nice handling. I did some minor changes to the looks of mine to get it a bit closer to scale than what the kit provided. Steve Garland didn't find this item at the show, but he came out with the new E-Flite Ultra-Mini 4-Site Bipe. This amazing little aerobat is a flat foamie bird that weighs just over an ounce, is fully capable of any aerobatic maneuver you can toss at it, and flies for almost 10-minutes on a single cell battery. Steve let me fly his and I will say that it is pretty honest, very pointy on the controls (which is good), and rolls awesome! (No, I don't have the same jinx that Robert C. has).



SC-2 Info. & Changes

We were in attendance at the 2010 edition of the SC-2 organization. Being that ISS won the 2009 Team Title, we got to select the contest date first, and we opted to go for June 2010. This date will hopefully keep us clear of any soccer dates that conflict with us. We also want to have our 8th Annual Gene Hays RES Challenge in June, and that will be more fun. The month of July is being used as rain date month for the circuit, but the SC-2 would also like to have a man-on-man contest during July. Now, a man-on-man (MoM) event requires that a group of pilots are all launched into the same air at about the same time. That means that you must have a lot of winches available to launch all those pilots...like maybe 5 to 8 winches. The idea is to have the entire group of pilots all have an equal chance to fly in the same environmental conditions as each other, and that means that the element of chance is removed from the flight conditions. It is a more fair method of competition... and guess what? The ISS soccer field is the only field on the circuit that is large enough to host such an event...cool! Stay tuned for details on that.

Other SC-2 topics include some rule clarifications, like the shed parts rule. Under the AMA rules, you cannot shed any part of the plane on landing, and if you do, you lose any landing points. Under SC-2, you can lose rubber bands or the landing skag on landing. For you fans of the 2-meter class, sorry but this class was closed. In the 3 years this class was run, only two pilots ever flew enough contests each season to meet the season minimum. Only 7 pilots even participated this past year, and Mike Lee has won all three years. So, that class is gone. The SC-2 will continue to provide the awards for the events, but they will try to upgrade the quality of the awards this year. They have a new website at: www.sc2soaring.com, and they promise to upgrade the site more often.

The season will start early this year, like in February, so get ready ISS! We're going to defend our crown!

More ISS Club Info.

On more club info, the 2010 membership drive is still moving forward. If you haven't paid your club dues as yet, please do so as we need to send in our AMA charter club info, and that needs to have everybody listed. Our treasury is doing okay, and the club charter dues as well as listing our additionally insured fields will have a minor impact on the treasury. John Dora continues to make improvements on the club winches and retrievers, making one of the older winches come to new life. He reworked the motor and with some TLC, he got this winch to do some serious pulling! On the behalf of the club, thank you, John, for all you do for us! I really want to give thanks to Annette Dora who does our newsletter on-line and in print. She has been escorting John to the field, shooting photos and getting story lines for you all, so that you can have a newsletter brought to your computer on our website. (Actually, she is at the field to verify that John actually does address his planes in the female gender, and not talking about women at the field). (Use your imagination!)





2009 WAS THE YEAR OF THE TURKEYS!!!

Well, back in September, I had a whole new flock of turkeys to give out, and amazingly, they have been used up! That tells me that you people have not been as safe as you can be. We saw JR try to shoot down Keri Cavazos with an SE-5 versus a Slo-Stik with German markings. He couldn't shoot her down, so he rammed her plane! (Might have those photos on the website.) JR got his, however, when his flat foamie combat bird got literally cut in half by Denny during a combat match. I've actually forgotten who has received turkeys (now known as the Stewart Award), and so, let me remind you that the only way to get rid of a Stewart, is to have it with you at the field when someone commits a Stewart event. In other words, if you don't want to "own" the Stewart, get rid of it! (This was a paid commercial announcement brought to you by the Turkeys to Stewart Foundation of California. The Surgeon General has determined that getting a Stewart may be hazardous to your health...it certainly is hazardous to your planes!)

Flying Safety Message

Did you know that there are over 10,000 reported bird strikes in the United States every year? Thankfully, 95% of those bird strikes do not cause damage to the aircraft nor any loss of life. The most well known recent bird strike was a double bird ingestion of geese by United Flight 1549 with Capt C.B. Sullenberger at the controls. He did a marvelous water landing in the Hudson River. Well, we in the R/C world are not immune to having collisions with birds. In fact, both John Dora and I have had mid-air collisions with feathered friends. In a very recent incident, an R/C pilot was piloting a large, F3J class aircraft on a speed run that was probably hitting about 70-MPH. That's not hard to do with today's modern designs. During that run, a large bird strayed into the flight path of the sailplane and was struck by the right wing panel of the model, doing major damage to the aircraft, and I'm sure some physical injury to the bird. This was evidenced by the presence of feathers and some blood on the leading edge of the wing panel. The right panel is a total write off and the plane is out of commission for at least 3-months. But my point here is that no matter if you are on the ground or in the air, safety is a paramount consideration. Not that there is anything wrong with flying fast, but we do stress that you keep an eye open for any objects, moving or stationary, which may be ahead of your plane during the flight. This pilot may not have been able to avoid the contact, but then again...maybe he could have!

Remember that although the rains have been pounding us, we need rain! We are truly lucky in that we get to fly year around. If we lived in the mid-west or east, we would be busy building planes because it's too freakin' cold to fly! Be safe, make a complete control check on every flight before take-off or launch, and always fly with a purpose. See you at the field!

Mike Lee

January 16, 2010



For Sale



A complete sailplane outfit - This is for a ready to fly Oly II sailplane with complete radio system, charger, manual and hi-start launch system. The Oly II is a 99-inch wingspan aircraft using two (2) channels of control for rudder and elevator. It's in great shape and flies great. The radio system is a Futaba T6EXAP PCM/PPM transmitter with a Futaba R148DP 8 channel receiver on channel 46, 72-mHz band. Inside the plane is two E-Flite LRS 60 servos and rechargeable nicad battery. A wall charger is included for overnight charging. A hi-start launch system is included with the deal capable of gaining 150-ft+ launches. This is a very complete outfit that can get you flying right away. Asking price is \$175.00 complete.

Contact: Mike Lee, (951) 733-8621

Remember: If you have an item for sale you would like posted in the ISS Newsletter, email the editor at:
jdora@roadrunner.com
(please include info., contact, photo, etc.)



2010 SC2 Contest dates and announcements:

- Contest #1 Feb. 28th Hosted by SWSA**
- Contest #2 Mar. 21st Hosted by SULA**
- Contest #3 Apr. 18th Hosted by VVRCF**
- Contest #4 May 16th Hosted by The Soarheads**
- Contest #5 Jun. 20th Hosted by ISS**
- Special MOM event July 17th held @ ISS**
- Contest #6 Aug. 29th Hosted by TOSS**
- Contest #7 Sept. 19th Hosted by HSS**
- Contest #8 Oct. 24th Hosted by TPG**
- Rain date Nov. 21st**

ISS 2010 Application & Membership Renewal Form



**Dues are \$24 per year for adults,
\$12 for juniors (under 18)**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **(cell)** _____

Email (to receive club newsletter) _____

AMA Number (required) _____

Mail completed form with check payable to “Bill Hensley” to:

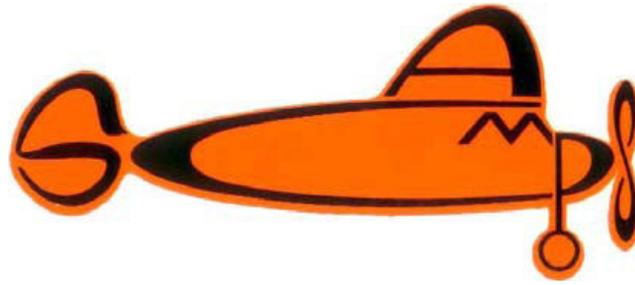
**Bill Hensley
1551 Orange Street
Riverside, CA 92501**

(or you can give to Bill at the field)

By applying for membership in the Inland Soaring Society (ISS), I hereby agree to provide proof of membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). The ISS is sanctioned by the AMA and members are covered by the liability insurance when operating model aircraft. I agree to comply with all flying site rules and observe safe flying practices at all times. Gliders and electric powered planes are equally welcome.

Club meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at 9:00am at the club flying field. Visitors are always welcome.

Visit our website at: www.glideiss.us for our current location and for more information.



SCAMPS Haggart/Bowden

Sunday, February 14, 2010 - Perris, CA

AMA Sanctioned Contest

*****Flying Starts at 7:00 A.M. and Contest Closes at 1:00 P.M.**

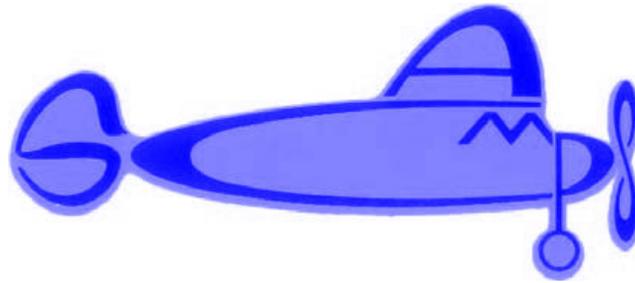
EVENTS:

Haggart-Bowden 2-minute precision

- ◆ **ABC Pylon** – Combined (20 Second engine run)
- ◆ **ABC Fuselage** – Combined (20 Second engine run)
- ◆ **Small O.T. Rubber** - Combined - (Stick & Fuselage)
- ◆ **Large O.T. Rubber** - Combined - (Stick & Fuselage)
- ◆ **Perris Special** (15 Second engine run - Glow & Ignition)
- ◆ **1/2A Nostalgia** (9 Second Hand Launch, 12 Second VTO or ROG)
- ◆ **ABC Nostalgia** (9 Second Hand Launch, 12 Second VTO or ROG)
- ◆ **Nostalgia Rubber**
 - 3 minute Max
 - SAM rules for standard SAM events
 - Entry fee is \$5 per event
 - Merchandise Prizes

CD Allen Heinrich
(760) 956-2949

Haggart-Bowden (2-minute Precision RULES: Aircraft must be a NON-Pylon type, conforming to the 8 oz./sq. ft, 80 oz./cu. Inch and L2/100 rules. The power shall be spark ignition engine(s). All flights shall be rise off ground. The time target for each flight is 120 seconds (2 minutes). Each flight will be scored as the difference between actual flight time and the target time. Each contestant will make 3 flights. On any flight, a D/T action at less than 4 minutes will result in a ZERO flight time (120 score for that flight). The winner will be the flyer that accumulates the total nearest 3 perfect 2-minute flights. <http://www.lhffmaa.com/events%202010/SCAMPS%20HAGGARD%202010.doc>



SCAMPS 6th Annual Taibi Contest

Sunday, March 21, 2010 - Perris, CA

AMA Sanctioned Contest

*****Flying Starts at 8:00 A.M. and Contest Closes at 1:00 P.M.**

EVENTS:

- ◆ **Powerhouse Only** – (Combined 20 Sec. Eng. run, SAM legal diesel & Spark Ign. only)
- ◆ **Brooklyn Dodger Only** – (Combined 20 Sec. Eng. run, SAM legal diesel & Spark Ign. only)
- ◆ **Small O.T. Rubber** - Combined - (Stick & Fuselage)
- ◆ **Large O.T. Rubber** - Combined - (Stick & Fuselage)
- ◆ **Perris Special** (15 Second engine run - Glow & Ignition)
- ◆ **1/2 A Nostalgia** (9 Second Hand Launch, 12 Second VTO no ROG)
- ◆ **ABC Nostalgia** (9 Second Hand Launch, 12 Second VTO no ROG)
- ◆ **Nostalgia Rubber** (All Nostalgia rubber including Wakefield)
- ◆ **ABC Old Timer** (Fuselage & Pylon combined 20 sec. Eng. Run)

- 3 minute Max
- SAM rules for standard SAM events
- Entry fee is \$5 per event
- Merchandise Prizes & Certificate Awards

CD Hal Wightman (714) 528-1850 & Kevin Sherman (951) 737-7943

For more information and location:

<http://www.scamps.homestead.com>



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