

VALLEY FLYERS

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

NEWSLETTER



MODEL OF THE MONTH for October is Ron Schorr's beautiful Lil Toni which is powered by a Lee Custom K & B 6.5 cc rear exhaust engine. Ron keeps building better and faster Formula I racerslook out for this one! Congratulations.

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* PRESIDENT'S PAGE *
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This will be the last president's page I will write, as there will be no newsletter next month. As many of you know, our December meeting is not held at the Women's Club, but is held instead at our annual Christmas Party. And, it really can't be called a "meeting" in the normal sense of the word, as there is really no business held at that time. Just cocktails, dinner, a few presentations to some hard working club members, good company, conversation, and entertainment. In short, we're going to have a good time. Be sure and bring your wives (or girlfriends, if you're not married) and enjoy this annual evening with us. The price is very reasonable, \$6.50 per person, and we're going to give away \$300. worth of door prizes. You can get tickets from most of the local hobby shops, or any of the board members. Be sure to get your tickets soon, as there are only 120 available.

This year has been a year of change for the Valley Flyers. We've lost quite a few of the older members who have been around for many years, but they have been replaced by new members who haven't previously been involved in R/C. I think this is healthy, because new members bring fresh outlooks and ideas, and the world of R/C is constantly changing. In short, we need you new members to help guide the club in the future, and to work for the future of the Valley Flyers.

Our annual election of officers is coming up at the next meeting. Basically the way this works is: The board of Directors is comprised of six members, all elected by you. Each board member serves a two year term of office, but only three members are elected each year to the board, and three drop off whose terms have expired. This gives continuity of leadership, as there are three board members who have served for one year when the new people are elected. This year is a little unusual, in that we'll have four seats open for the board. Len Katz, who has worked so very hard for the past 2 years, has decided to resign for personal reasons. Now normally, the board would appoint someone to take Len's place and serve out the remainder of his term. But, since it is election time, we thought it better if the members would elect a replacement for Len. So, with four board seats up for grabs, the direction the club takes in the future is up to you, the club membership. Please make it a point to be at the next club meeting and nominate/vote for the person of your choice. It's important! The people who have been nominated so far are:

George Finch
John Swift
Gary McPike
John Elgin

The Valley Flyers and the BIRDS have a fun type contest scheduled this month- the events will be announced this meeting. It's currently scheduled for the 15th of Nov., but we're trying to have it on the 16th to get better attendance. The actual contest date will be decided before the next meeting, and announced at that time, but it'll be the 15th or the 16th of Nov. Last meeting of the year will be held at the usual place- Encino Women's Club, come early, and we'll start early. See y'all then.

Bob

A funny thing happened to me recently during my weekly noon-time visit to the hobby shop near where I work. One of the Formula I model race pilots with whom we did some competing this past season just happened to drop in. I said, "Hi there, Joe!" He looks me in the eye, hesitates a couple of moments then says, "Hi, you're Laird Owens father, aren't you". That really tore me up. Likewise to the rest of the customers and kibitzers. It's not everyone that has a famous kid.

While talking to Art Williams recently he advised me that he is arranging an AIAA Historical Aviation meeting for next January. He is calling this The Silver Age of Racing. It has now been 25 years since Goodyear (Formula I) was in it's infancy. There will be many designers and pilots of the Formula I planes to show pictures of and to discuss their racing activities. This will be followed up with a round table discussion and questions and answers. Reserve January 27, 1976 and plan to be at the Van Nuys National Guard Armory. Admission will be free. Remember you read it first in the Valley Flyers Newsletter!

I'll bet you all didn't realize that we have already started to have the Newsletter printed commercially. Until further notice Sherl Hopkins is doing the work for his cost. That's just great. I would like to thank Ron Clem, Jay Replogle, Mike Stecker, Reed Packard, and Laird Owens for their assistance for getting out the Newsletter on time every month in 1975. Thanks mucho. This will be the last issue for this year. THERE IS NO REGULAR MEETING IN DECEMBER.

By the way, the job of editor is up for grabs. If anyone would like to become more involved and get to know the club members better, this is a real good way to do it. You get to write about your kid, too.

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 VALLEY FLYERS R/C MODELERS
 TUESDAY NOVEMBER 11, 1975
 8:00 PM ENCINO WOMENS CLUB

- Entertainment (1) John Perry will be present to tell us about his new fuel pressure pump and pressure carb.
- (2) Another great raffle
- (3) Show and Tell Time and awarding of the Model of the month trophy.
- (4) Awarding of the Goof Bowl for the DUMBEST mistake.
- (5) ~~Railreading~~- Election of officers for 1976.

Contests for November

8-9	Pattern	San Gabriel RCL	Whittier Narrows
.....FLASH....16	Shoot Out	BIRDS VS Valley Flyers	Sepulveda Basin
-16-	Quickie-500	POSTPONED	BIRD-Club
23	Quickie 500	Simi Valley Flyers	Simi
28-29-30	1/4 Midget Nats	Chula Vista Aero.	Border Field
28-29-30	Pattern, etc Winter Nats	Tuscon	\$10,000cash prizes

Contests for December

7	Biplanes	BIRD Club	BIRD Field
7	WW I Fun Fly	Ventura Comets	Lake Casitas
14	1/2A Pylon (muffler req)	QMRC	Miles Sq.

New Member for November : Welcome from all of us.

Morten Rosenthal 19184 Liggett St. Northridge 91324 886-2737

History lesson: On the date of our next club meeting in 1956 the Convair B-58A Hustler, the first supersonic bomber, made it's first flight.

On the date of our Installation Dinner Dance in December 6, 1957 the Lockheed L-188A Electra, a turboprop transport, made it's first flight from Hollywood-Burbank Airport.

Be sure to bring money to the next club meeting for your tickets to the Installation Dinner Dance at the Skytrails. REMINDER... THERE IS NO REGULAR MEETING IN DECEMBER!!!

NMPRA Championship Race Unofficial Results according to Jack Lee.

The Texas weather was cold, windy and wet. (Thats why I left there). The field runway was 300 ft long and the race course sorta' overlapped the nearby highway. All the Cal. flyers zero'd out the first round. Results: 1st Jim Maki, 2nd Terry Prather, 3rd John Mc Dermack, 4th Ed Allen, 5th Don Downey. Fast time Bob Violet 1:15.0; 2nd thru 5th were tied and settled by high times. Total of 69 entries. In 1976 Cal is Host.

CONTEST REPORTS
(Or Valley Flyers in Action in Competition)

Ron Clem is the only member that made it up to Sunnyvale to the 1/2 A Pylon Championships. He joined forces with several other So. Cal. flyers to "show 'em how it's done". Ron volunteered to co-ordinate the standardization of the rules for next year. The following is extracted from the Camarillo Flying Circus newsletter by Randy Wilson, who also attended the event.

"... In another heat Clem was coming around pylon #2, the ground jumped up and claimed damage to his plane. The next round Clem flew a one plane race and on the last leg to the flag he was riding the top rail of a fence next to the field. He got spooked, took the flag, came infield, gave rudder correction, snap rolled and crashed upside down on the runway. A real flashy was to finish a race, Clem".
And another direct quote from Randy.... "My plane was flying real good and I had some good calling....and then Ron Clem called. The only problem with Clem, being the Turkey he is, was instead of saying "TURN" at the pylon he would say "GOBBLE GOBBLE". I already had the fastest time but my caller wanted it faster. It was a 2 plane heat, but the other plane didn't get started so I'm by myself. Clem stood about 10 feet behind me to call (yell).."

Results:	1st	Don Dombrowski	So. Cal.
	2nd	Randy Wilson	So. Cal. (Fastest time 1:34)
	3rd	James Bronowski	
	4th	Wm. Von Guntan	
	5th	Scott Christensen	
	6th	Gary Acord	So. Cal.
	11th	Bozar Hammer	So. Cal.
	14th	Ron Clem	So. Cal.

On October 27 the Valencia Headwind Club hosted their final 1/2A pylon race of the year. VF members, Ron Clem, Laird Owens, and Nate Rambo were among the 28 entries. How's that for a turn out!:

Ron flamed out in heat 1 but flew a string of seconds and a first to tie for 9/10 place with his Tiger Cat. Laird also flew a new Tiger Cat and got off to a good start by winning the first heat. He began to cut, then dear ole Dad didn't heave hard enough with that quartering gusty tailwind in the 4th heat...crash! Nate wasn't real competitive with his Upstart. Then in the 4th round he flew thru the sun and lost it ...crash...right in Owens pit. When I questioned Nate about it here is what he said..."I categorically deny that I have ever been to Valencia". Just wait 'til next year when Ron fixes the rules.

Results:	1st	Fred Reese	Quickie 200
	2nd	Dene Jones	Tiger Cat
	3rd	Pat Joyner	Tiger Cat
	4th	Robt Janiger	Original
	5th	Art Riedel	
	6th	Gary Acord	

During this race one pilot was hit in the back by a real fast Tiger Cat which drew some blood. It appeared to me that only the wing hit him at that. There were several other near-misses which point out the need for safety considerations when laying out the race course. We can be real proud of the Basin and grateful for those who had the wisdom to do it RIGHT.

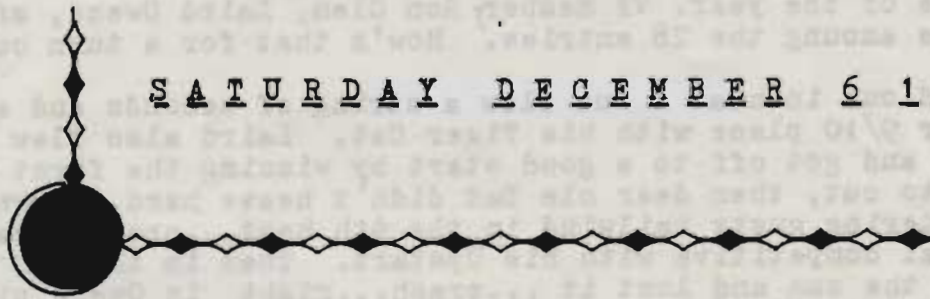
Bob Owens

VALLEY FLYERS



Club Annual Christmas Party

SATURDAY DECEMBER 6 1975



SKY TRAILS RESTAURANT

at Van Nuys Airport, Sherman Way at Hayvenhurst

Steak Dinner Complete \$6.50 per Person
Tax and Tip Included

Format courtesy BIRD Club

NOW IS THE TIME FOR AMA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL. This must be accomplished before your Valley Flyers membership can be renewed.

Right now...cut out the form, if you haven't received your notice from AMA, fill it out, and mail it in with payment.

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1976 Membership expires December 31, 1976

Reduced Rate for Partial Year Members. AMA membership ends each year on December 31, regardless of the date a membership application is received. Late-year membership policy is as follows: those who apply between August 1 and September 30 pay the full current rate, but will receive half-year credit of the dues paid for the current year toward the next year's membership—they must, however, use this credit by July 1 of the next year; those who apply between October 1 and December 31 pay full next year's rate and receive full membership for the following year, plus whatever days of membership remain in the year of application.

Then save the Valley Flyers renewal application below until you have your 1976 AMA card. Then bring it to the next club meeting or mail it to the treasurer, with money.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY FLYERS R.C. CLUB, Inc.
1976 Membership Application/Renewal

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