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BURT SMITH, our Newsletter Editor is in for a little "Down Time" he was in Northridge Hospital, he is home and wish you a speedy recovery. Send cards and Get Well' s to:

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We all hope Burt will be back very soon. In the mean time, Wayne McElrath will fill in at the Editors Desk with Dick Hager still doing a great job printing and collating the whole bundle. Contact either of them if you have an artical or item for next months publication.

Well, the first contest of the year, A Quarter Midget Race, was held at Mile Square on January 28th. From what I understand, it was a near DISASTER! It seems that after the first round of racing it started to rain. Airplanes were crashing through radio failure, left and right. One guy had two airplanes and both radios would not work in the rain. In one race all three planes crashed due to radio failure. After they dried out, (radios) they worked fine. A word to the wise...don't fly in the rain!

Speaking of racing, I will be Contest Director of our first race of the year. A Quickie 500 at the Basin on February 25th. I will not be flying in this race, as being Contest Director will demand my fullest attention. But I will need some HELP to run the race. Come on out and give me a hand. Not only is working the race fun, but you get a free lunch at a fancy restaurant of your choice...MacDonalds or Jack In The Box...Ha! See me at the February meeting if you are interested.

I know most of us don't, but wearing protective glasses when using "Hot Stuff" might be a good idea. Here's one guy who found out the hard way. You might have heard of him

Question - How can you spend four days in a hospital and the injury isn't considered serious? Ha! Ha!

Ron LeFlóre Injures Eye

DETROIT (UPI)—Star center fielder Ron Leflore of the Detroit tigers suffered an injury to his eyes during the weekend and was admitted to Henry Ford Hospital for treatment.

LeFlóre, 28, told doctors he had accidentally splashed some strong, quick-setting glue in his eyes while repairing a lamp at his home Sunday afternoon.

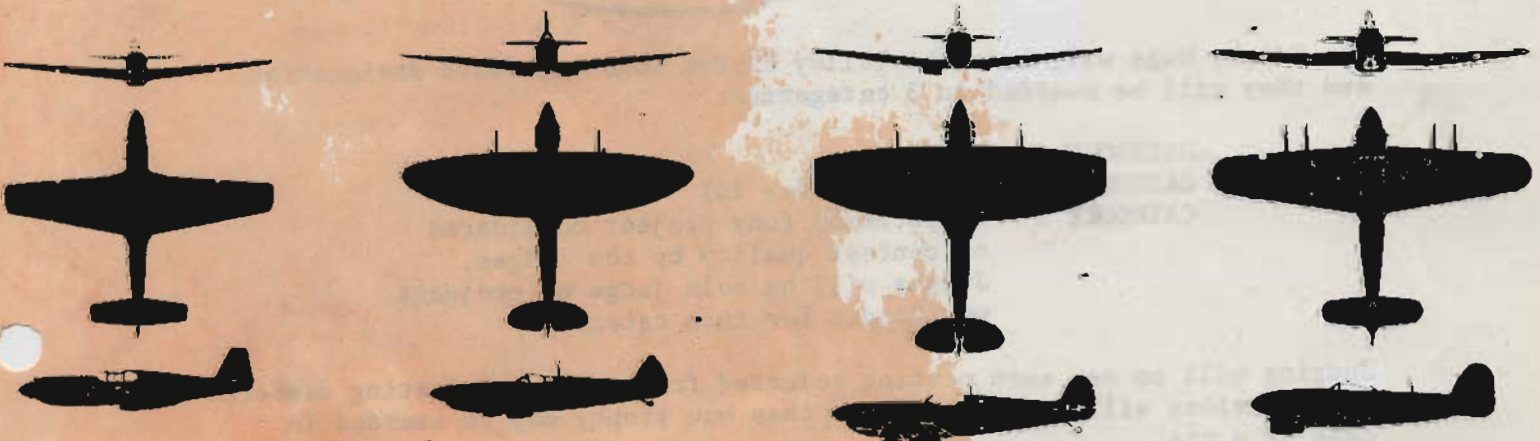
The glue caused burns to the surface of Leflore's cornea, a hospital spokesman said. The spokesman compared the affected portion to "the edge of a camera lens, not the middle."

However, hospital officials said the injury was not serious and was expected "to heal nicely."

"He's going to be hospitalized for a few days," a spokeswoman said.

WOW, do we have some entertainment this month! Chuck Felton will make his presentation on "How to Build and Finish Stand-off Scale Cardboard Airplanes". YOU HEARD IT RIGHT, CARDBOARD!! From what I understand, you can't tell the difference between cardboard and balsa.

Well, that's it. See you Tuesday night. Don't forget the coffee pot, Jay.



For those who feel stand-off scale competition has become to tough, we are proposing a new class to be added to the AMA rules.

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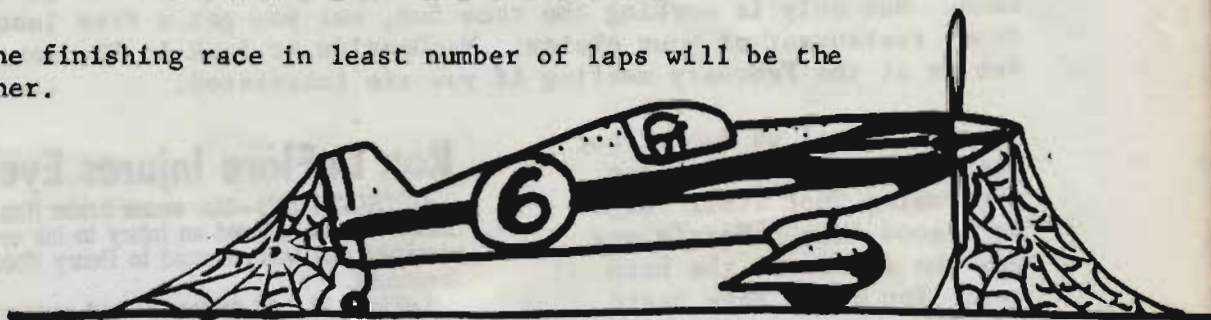
RULES: Model with least amount of realism and scale detail will be given the maximum of 100 points. Points will be taken away for any attempt to make the model look like and/or resemble, in any way, the airplane being modeled.

This should eliminate (at last) those who insist on doing more than the least amount required by the AMA rules. (reprinted from the Half Fast Flyer Newsletter June, 1978)

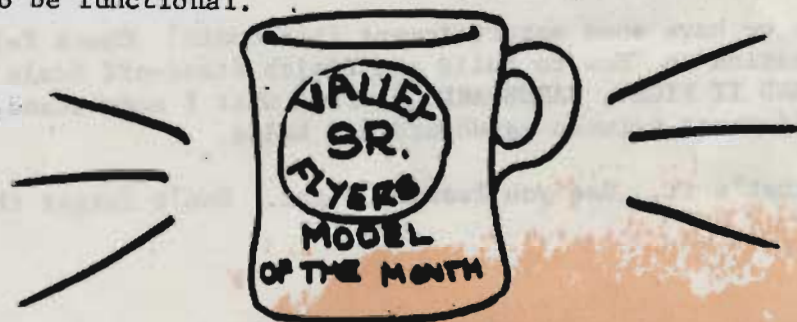
This could be an idea to carry over into formula racing a new class for those having trouble competing in current contest....

F O R M U L A M E D I O C R E

RULES: Plane finishing race in least number of laps will be the winner.



The thing that stimulates the new members at the Club are the things they can SEE. We are all interested in different solutions to problems...new ideas... What or How a particular kit goes together, etc. To get more projects into the meeting and by unanimous vote, the Club has approved a new type and larger quantity of trophies for "Show & Tell" or model of the month. Not only will they be a nice looking addition to your trophy shelf, they will also be functional.



The Trophy Mugs will have the Valley Flyers Logo and award designation and they will be awarded in 3 categories:

- CATEGORY 1 Senior
- CATEGORY 2 Junior (Under 16)
- CATEGORY 3 Competition (any project considered of contest quality by the judges. Judges will be sole judge of projects worthiness for this category.

Judging will be new each meeting selected from non-participating members. All decisions will be final. More than one trophy may be awarded in case of a tie.

MORE AWARDS.....MORE PLANES!!!

Let's see them at the meeting.

CONTEST CALENDAR 1979 - SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

January 27-28 Valley of the Sun Pattern Contest, Phoenix, AZ.
28 1/4 Midget, QMRC, Mile Square

February 10 Quickie 500, Chula Vista
11 Fun Fly, Chula Vista
18 1/2A Race, BIRD Club, BIRD Field
25 Quickie 500, Valley Flyers, Sepulveda Basin

March 4 1/4 Midget, QMRC, Sepulveda Basin
10-11 Pattern & Scale, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
17-18 Formula I, NMPRA, Sepulveda Basin
25 Quickie 500, BIRD Club, BIRD Field

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April 1 Western States Regional Championships Pattern and Scale, Eagles,
SGVRCL, BIRD Club, Mile Square
8 Quickie 500, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
21-22 Model Expo, OCRCC, Mile Square
21-22 Formula I, Valley Flyers, Sepulveda Basin
28-29 MACS, Long Beach Convention Center

May 6 Gathering of Scale Uncontest, Scale Squadron, Mile Square
19-20 Formula I, Bakersfield
19-20 War Birds West, Scale, Morgan Hill
26-27 Pattern and Scale, Fresno RC Club, Madera
27 Open Fun Fly, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows

June 2-3 BIRDS Open Pattern and Scale, Mile Square
9-10 Formula I, Pop White Memorial, BIRDS/SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
16-17 Aeronuts Border Classic, Pattern and Scale, Chula Vista
24 Quickie 500, Valley Flyers, Sepulveda Basin

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July 1 Formula I, Chula Vista (Tentative)
7-8 Pattern and Scale, OCRCC, Mile Square
14-15 Golden Age of Scale, Morgan Hill
15 Helicopter, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
22 1/4 Scale, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
29 Fun Fly, Anaheim RC Club, Mile Square

JULY 29 -AUGUST 5 - NATIONALS, LINCOLN NEBRASKA

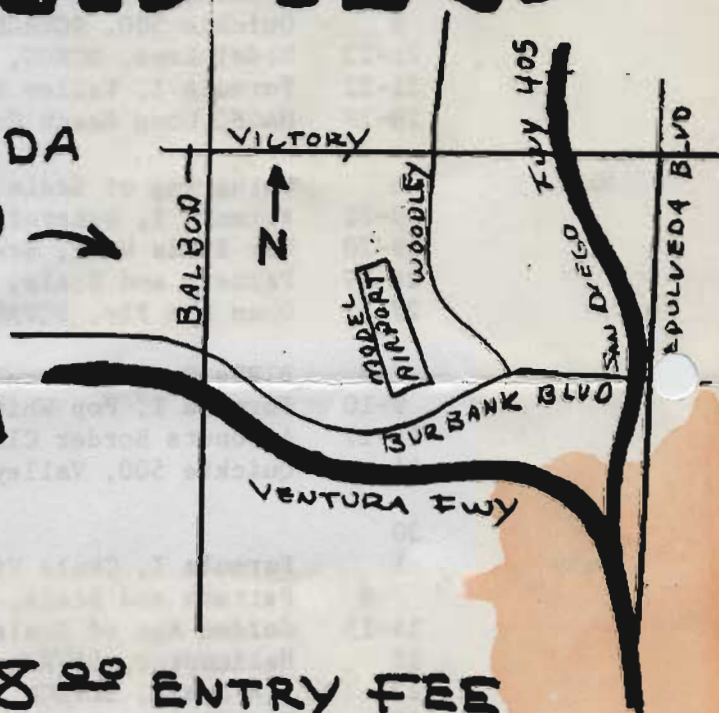
August 11-12 Mammoth Scale Flyin, Morgan Hill
12 1/4 Midget, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
18-19 5th Annual Scale Meet, Scale Squadron, Mile Square
25-26 Formula I, NMPRA, Sepulveda Basin

September 1-2 Pattern and Scale, Chula Vista
9 Fun Fly, OCRCC, Mile Square
9 AMA Scale/StandOff Scale/ Team Scale, Canyon Crosswinds
15-16 Pattern, San Diego Drones
22-23 Formula I, SLO Flyers, San Luis Obispo
29-30 Pattern and Scale, SGVRCL, Whittier Narrows
29-30 WWI Western Front Scale, Morgan Hill
29-30 West Coast 1/2 A Championships, Sepulveda Basin
23 1/4 Midget, QMRC, Mile Square

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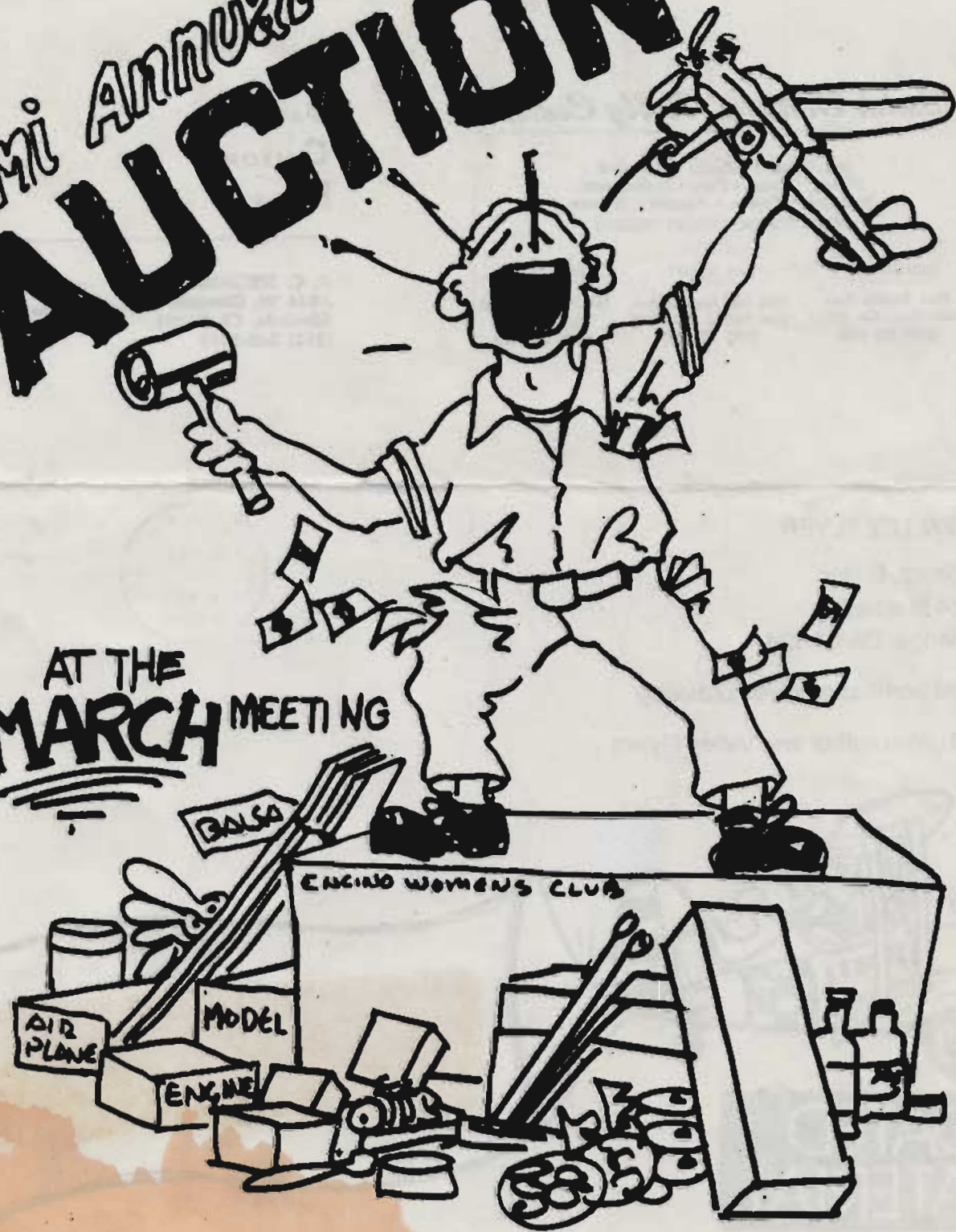
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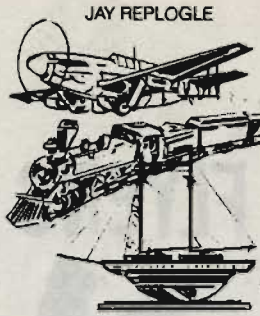


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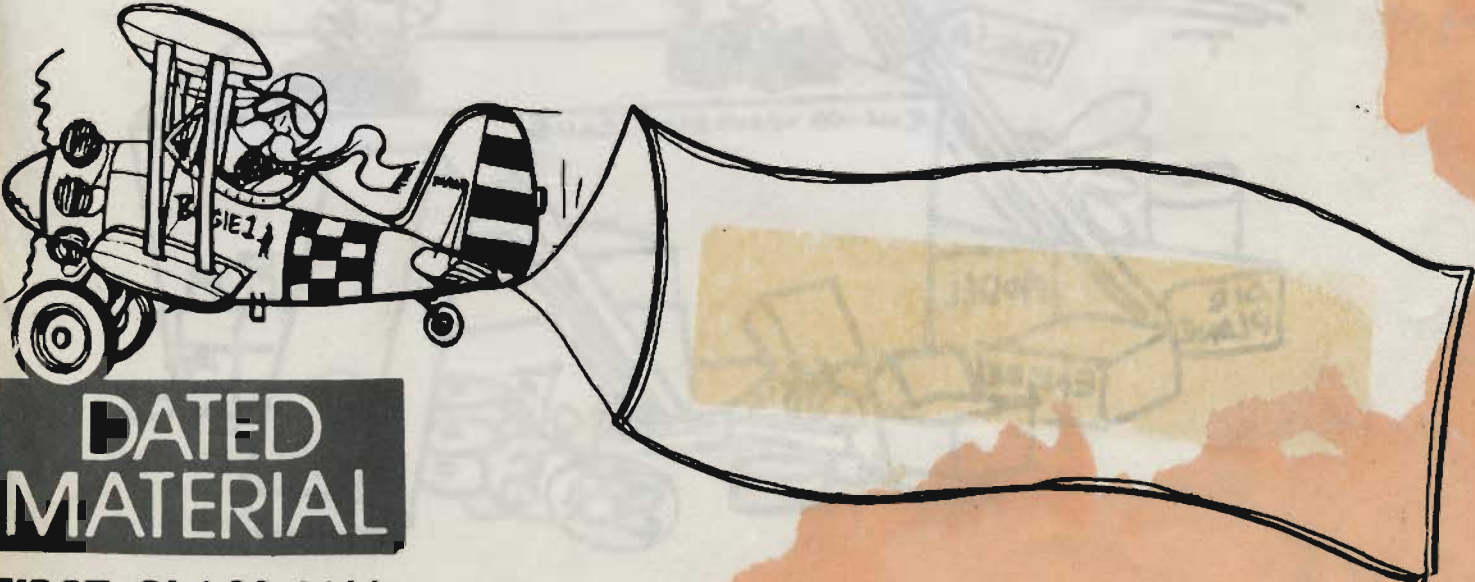
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