

# NEWS LETTER

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SAN FERNANDO VALLEY R/C FLYERS, INC. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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TO

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Meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Encino Women's Club, 4924 Paso Robles Ave., Encino, California, at 8pm

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN.....Frank Casan

Have you ever thought how funny it is when you hear of someone forgetting to bring something very important to the field like maybe his, or as in some minute cases, her, transmitter? Or maybe two look alike models both in the air at the same time and all of a sudden one falls to earth like a stricken dove but both flyers are still looking up at their (?) plane. Or perhaps one model falls and suddenly both modelers meet out in the field and say simultaneously - thanks for coming out to help me pick up the mess. Or maybe someone forgot to pick the wing off the car before driving off. There are probably many chuckles to be had but would you believe this? I was in a bit of a hurry one day to run out to the field to help (?) Woody with his new scale patterns. I was rushing around and throwing things in the car that I needed or thought I needed. I had been having a problem with a water leak in one of the heater hoses and I thought I had fixed it (now you know why I got out of the auto business) but as it turned out it broke just as I started for the field. As a matter of fact right in front of the house. But aside from being extremely disgusted I felt kind of relieved. You want to know why? Okay I'll tell you, if you promise not to tell anyone else. I forgot to put the model in the car. I wondered why it felt like I had a whole lot of room in the car. Wouldn't that frost you? I'm glad you promised not to tell anyone. Sure hate to have people laughing at me all the time. Gee!

By the time you come to the next meeting, you will all be patting yourselves for all the unselfish help you gave to our annual pre-NATS warm up and also of course the ever popular chance of qualifying some lucky (figure of speech) trooper for the InterNats. Isn't that yummy yum?

How about that fabulous SC<sup>2</sup>RC<sup>2</sup> & RCM Scale contest being held at the Basin. The skies will be filled with real looking models for a change. And who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of man? The Groan Fighter may make an appearance. That should make you wince. Or whatever.

In answer to the many queries, I really built it because!

Only 7 more to go till the Christmas party and I'll have you all know that we (I) are (as) busy at work on all the arrangements. So keep all the end the coming folks, they are a great help. Thats it.....HELPPPPPPPP!

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# VALLEY R/C FLYERS

The featured speaker at the next meeting of the Valley Flyers will be —

MR. TONY LEVIER

Mr. Levier is the Director of Flight Operations at Lockheed and was formerly the Chief Test Pilot. He was the designer and pilot of the first Goodyear Racers.

The subject of Mr. Levier's talk has left entirely up to him so we can all be surprised together.

So plan on attending our next meeting —  
11 JUNE 1968, TUESDAY, 8<sup>PM</sup>, AT THE  
ENCINO WOMEN'S CLUB, ENCINO, CALIF.

Cal Western

The big Cal Western was 18-19 May. This year the meet lacked the bigness of previous years. One year I remember you were lucky to get your car on the field and not have to park on Victory Blvd. This year there was no Free Flight and little publicity which no doubt accounts for the few spectators.

From an R/C stand point everything was great. Our hats are off to the BIRDS and our model dealer friends (LAMIA) who sponsored the meet.

Only pattern was flown. There was no pylon and no Scale. Judges were a few good volunteers plus the flyers themselves who took turns. Results were as follows:

CLASS A (6 entries)

- 1. Randy Kempf VF 238
- 2. George Ogar VF 203
- 3. Larry Granda VF 196
- 4. Loretta Hall VF 183
- 5. Matt Tannison VF 146
- 6. Chuck Heberstreit BIRD -

CLASS B (13 entries)

- 1. Ed Keefe BIRD 322
- 2. Bob Smith VF 319
- 3. Dick Emerson BIRD 301
- 4. Joe Howard 298
- 5. Herb Inglove 297

CLASS C Novice (10 entries)

- 1. Fred Sage BIRD 609
- 2. Eror Faber BIRD 596
- 3. Geo. Killeen GR. GROVE 582
- 4. Harry Gould BIRD 569
- 5. Jim Symes 554

CLASS C Expert (14 entries)

- 1. Bill Salkowski VF 721 **PAI**
- 2. Larry Leonard VF 679
- 3. Jim Oddino VF 669
- 4. Al Bowman VF 655
- 5. Clarence Lee VF 639
- 6. Bob Upton VF 599

BIRDS - Please note the VF sweep of Class C Expert!

Coming Contests

- June 8-9 Valley Flyers PreNats Warmup Cl A, B, C-nov, C-exp. Sepulveda Basin
- June 16 SG<sup>2</sup>RC<sup>2</sup> & RGM Scale Meet Sepulveda Basin
- July 14 Valley Flyers Fun Type Contest Sepulveda Basin
- August 18 Valley Flyers Scale Contest WWI, Antique (prior to 1940), All Scale Biplanes (Not prior to 1930 as previously said)

FLASH \* FLASH \*\*\*\*\* Pat Leonard has soloed! Watch out you Class A Flyers!!

# VALLEY R/C FLYERS —

## BANQUET !!! BEST MEAL!

WHEN → SATURDAY NITE 8 JUNE  
COCKTAILS 8<sup>00</sup> PM  
DINNER 8<sup>30</sup> PM

WHERE → NOB HILL RESTURANT  
8229 VAN NUYS BLVD  
(CORNER VAN NUYS & ROSCOE)

WHAT → FUN & GAMES WITH  
SURPRISES FOR THE LADIES

HOW → ADVANCE RESERVATIONS

WHO → LORETTA HALL  
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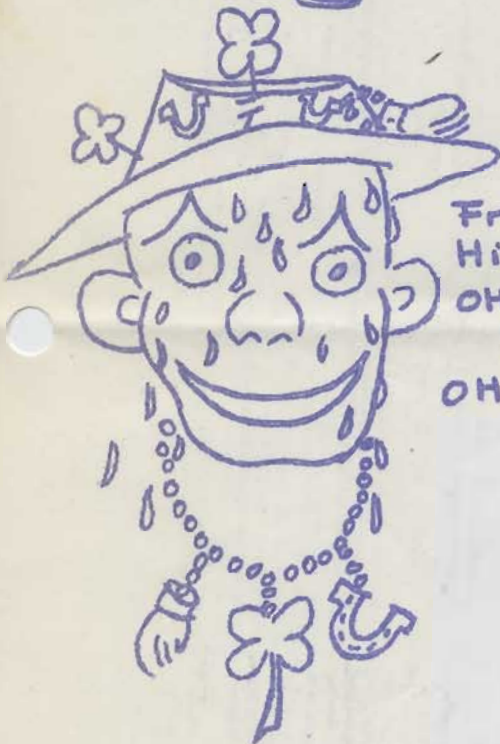
Lets have a party!

Stuff & Junk by Earl

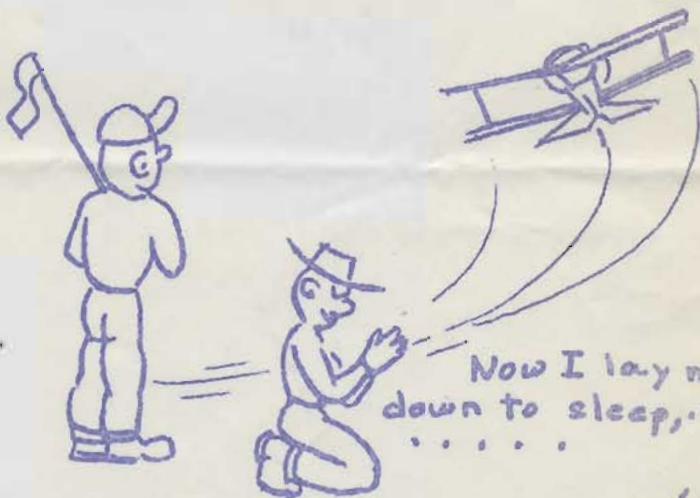
Don Butman FLYS AT LAST!

I guess I got every thing we need.  
I wish Frank would get here!

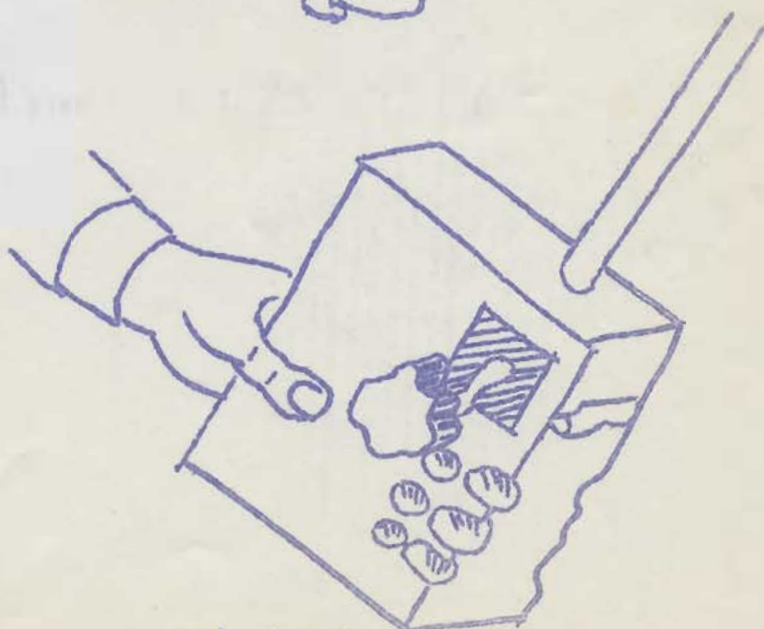
Better have a cup to  
relax with. Wish Frank  
would get here!



Fri OH, Frank!  
Hi Ho, Frank!  
OH Hi, Krank!  
(Nuts)  
OH HI, Frank!



Now I lay me  
down to sleep,  
.....



you'd better land it  
Frank!



I think a drink and a hot bath would do his hands a lot of good, Doc!

Technical Topics

Bob Upton

#### FOAM WING LANDING GEAR MOUNTING METHOD

Anchoring a landing gear in a foam wing has been a problem in the past. Foam seems to provide plenty of support for vertical shocks, however, there seems to be a weakness in the fore and aft direction.

The following system has worked well for me in a variety of models.

Mount the landing gear blocks so that the inboard ends extend in the fuselage area. Most models naturally come out this way so there probably won't be a problem. Now, if the vertical support leg of the landing gear is not long enough to extend above the top skin of the wing, bend a new gear and install as follows.

Figure 1 is a bottom view of the gear block. Drill a hole where indicated. Figure 2 is a cross section taken through the landing gear block, the foam and the top and bottom wing skin. You will notice the reason why the gear support leg extends above the top skin. The thicker the wing root, the more support you will have. Use five ply plywood (1/8) for the top support and be sure to nest the plywood in the top skin for added support. Use one-fourth ply for thin wings such as found on Goodyears to make up for the thin section. If you have ever tried to remove a main gear for straightening on a conventional installation, you know how difficult this can be. When the support leg extends above the top skin, all it takes is a tap to drive the gear out.

The foregoing method is simple and very strong -- give it a try.



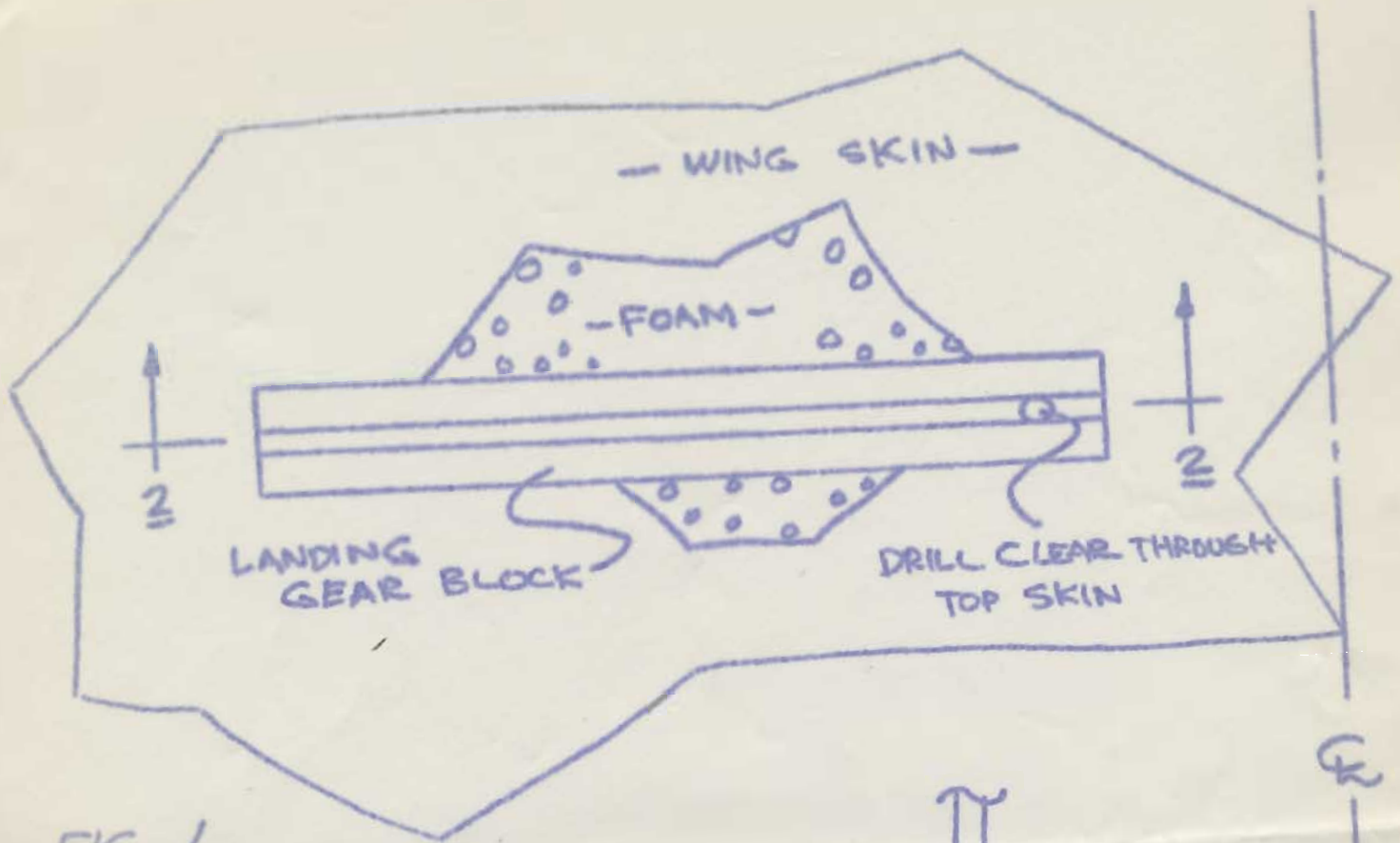


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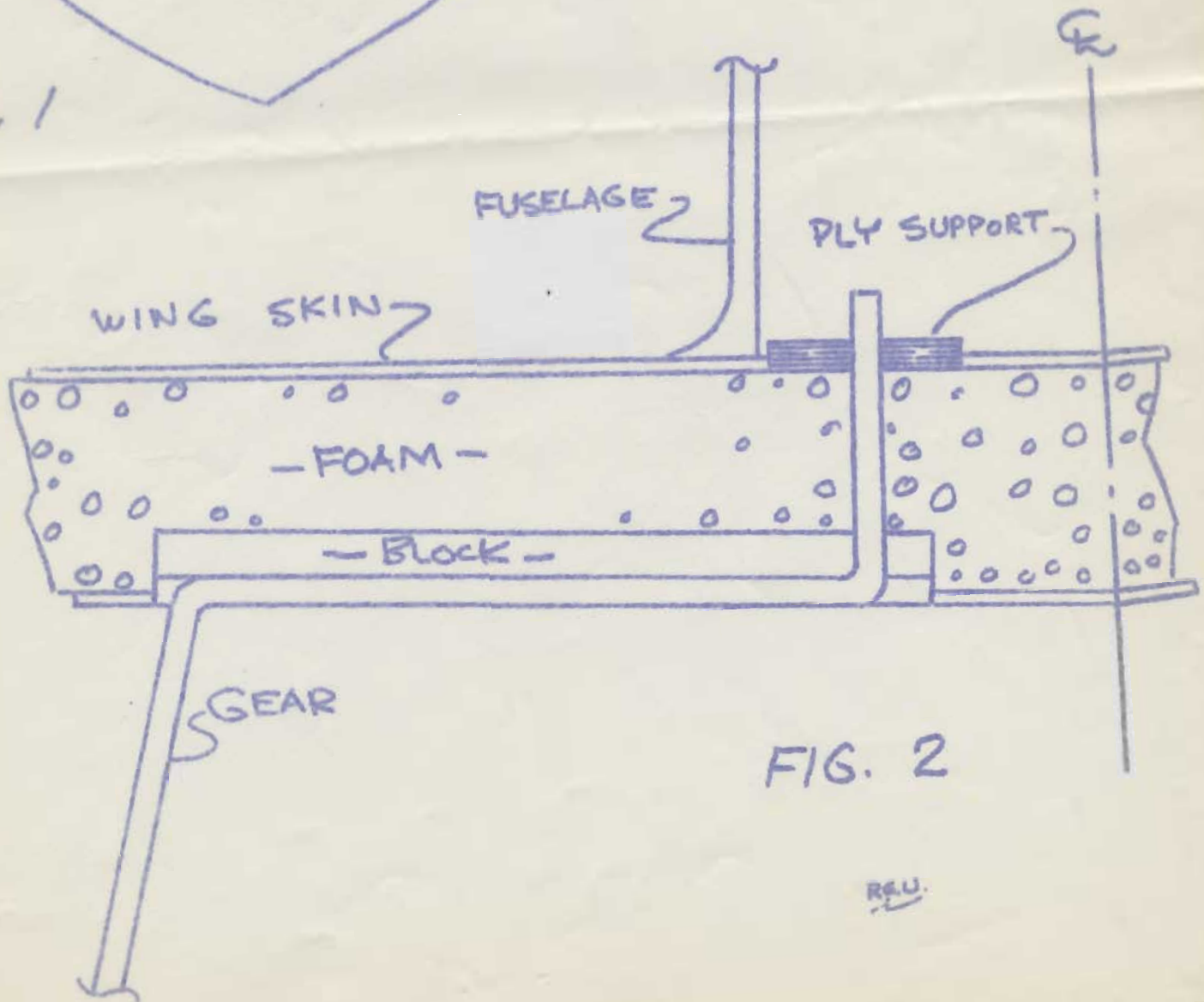


FIG. 2

# VALLEY R/C FLYERS

PRESENTING → PRE NATS WARM-UP

ON → 8-9 JUNE 1968

AT → SEPULVEDA BASIN

FEATURING → FAI QUALIFICATION  
AMA PATTERN

FOR → CLASS A, B, C-NOVICE, C-EXPERT

NEED → FCC & AMA LICENSES

TIME → 8 AM - 4 PM SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup>  
9 AM - 3 PM SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup>

ENTRY FEE → \$ 2.00

WIN → TROPHIES TO 3<sup>RD</sup>  
MERCHANDISE TO 5<sup>th</sup>

See you there !

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL RADIO CONTROL CLUBS RADIO CONTROL MODELER MAGAZINE

## ANNOUNCE

### Fourth Annual Radio Control SCALE MODEL AIRPLANE CHAMPIONSHIPS

To Be Held JUNE 16, 1968

9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

*SEPULVEDA BASIN*  
at MILE SQUARE

~~U.S. MARINE CORPS HELICOPTER OUTLYING FIELD, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF.~~

★ **AMA SCALE EVENT**

- 1968 AMA SCALE RULES (MODIFIED)
- CONTESTANTS MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF SCALE (RULES 25.2 & 25.3)

★ **FLYING SCALE EVENT**

- GENERAL APPEARANCE GROUND JUDGING
- TOTAL SCORE WILL BE THE SUM OF GROUND AND FLIGHT SCORES
- AMA STUNT PATTERN PLUS OPTIONAL MANEUVERS

★ **BIPLANE BARNSTORMING EVENT**

- NO GROUND JUDGING
- SCORES FOR SPECTACULAR MANEUVERS
- SCORE FOR IN-FLIGHT OPERATIONS  
(Bomb Drop, Smoke Trails, etc.)

**ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 PER EVENT**

**TROPHIES**

**and**

**PRIZES**

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