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CHAIRMAN UPDATE

Hi Everyone,
We brought another outstanding Championship to a close on September 19 in Rosewood, IN. The Ohio River View R/C Flyers under the leadership of Mike Hunt did a tremendous job and made another GREAT Championship. A big Thank You to Mike and his committee, Dale Arvin the CD and Paul Cain Assistant CD for a job well done!

We also had two International pilots joining us this year: Chris White came up from Sydney, Australia bringing his Corby Starlet, and Eduardo Esteves from Belo Horizonte, HG Brazil came with his Fairchild PT-19.

Congratulations also to our new Grand Champion, Dave Johnson from Cham-

paign, IL who flew his Albatros DVa to capture First Place. Also in Expert, John Boyko from Franklin, OH with his Pitts Special took 2nd Place followed very closely by Mike Barbee from Delaware, OH with his Raytheon Beachcraft T-34C in 3rd Place.

In Team, we had Dennis Crooks, from Rockville, IN piloting an Albatros DVA built by Dave Semeraro taking 1st Place and Bernie Boland from Mesa, AZ piloting a Fokker D VII built by Dave Johnson in 2nd Place. Lee Rice and Ed Newman from Keller, TX took 3rd Place with the Fieseler Fi 156U "Storch".

Our 1st Place winner in the Advanced Class was Bernie Boland from Mesa, AZ flying an Albatros DV. Eduardo Esteves from Brazil flying a Fairchild PT-19 took 2nd

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West VP Report:

By Mike Peck, Vice-Chairman West

I want to start by thanking the Ohio River View R/C Flyers for an excellent Championships event this September in Rosewood, IN. Dale Arvin, contest director, Michael Hunt, contest manager, Mike Caldwell, chief flight judge, and Earl Dever, Sr. the chief static judge all did exceptional jobs in preparing their staff of workers and that resulted in one of the smoothest and best organized Championships I have flown in. Both the static and flight judges were fair and consistent in their scoring and I believe all the pilots and builders shared that view. I also want to relay a very special thank you to Bill Beech for being a gold sponsor of the event and for developing the exceptional flying site that we were privileged to use. The Ohio River View R/C Flyers have a beautiful, flat 800' paved runway and an immaculate grass runway to boot. The paved parking area is a great bonus and makes the facility just perfect. Thanks to all the workers for your friendliness, helpfulness, and hospitality. Oh yeah, the homemade biscuits & gravy in the morning were to die for.

Looking ahead to the future, the three-year election cycle is coming up next year and we will be electing a complete slate of officers for the US Scale Masters Association. These include the National Chairman, East Coast Vice-Chairman, West Coast Vice-Chairman, Director of Finance, and the Director of Administration. We are looking particularly hard for a qualified member who is a CPA to fill the position of Director of Finance, as Gary Norton will not be running next year. Any USSMA member in good standing may nominate a willing Scale Masters member to run for one of these offices. If you are a member and know of a member who wishes to run, please take the time to nominate them before March of next year. You may contact me or any other officer of the USSMA to make a nomination by phone, e-mail, or snail mail. If you have a desire to make a difference in this organization we all love; get involved and run yourself, or nominate another member who you can support.

We are still looking for a willing R/C club in the West to host the 2011 US Scale Master Championships. We have gotten close a couple of times, but circumstances intervened and those clubs we were working with had to withdraw their offers. I am open to help, suggestions or volunteers.

In our last issue of the newsletter I shared some suggestions I had received for rule changes. I thought for sure some of the folks who competed at the Championships would contact me to discuss their thoughts on those ideas, but that did not happen. Maybe pilots competing at that level are happy with the way things are. For those of you who have taken the time and discussed those suggestions with me on the SM forum, by e-

mail, or by phone, the overwhelming majority are not in favor of those changes. Thank you for your interest in our program and your efforts at letting me know how you feel.

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Eastern VP Report

By Mike Barbee, Vice-Chairman East

Hi everyone, I am sure by now some of you in the east are winding down your flying. I have a question for some of you that qualified for the Championships. Where the heck were you? Why the heck didn't you participate? What is wrong? What do we need to fix? Or was it just your lack of interest. Well, you missed it and if you are really not interested I probably shouldn't waste the ink or effort to comment on the event. For those who support the Masters and their events, the Champs were one of the finest run events I have attended. The field was and is one of the best in this great country. The weather was perfect. The Ohio River Valley RC Flyers did a commendable job in all aspects of the event. They had help and I must say a lot of help from two other clubs in the area. You have probably looked at the results on line so I won't bore you with them. There are a couple of people who should be recognized for their outstanding effort with the Champs. First, Mr. Bill Beech for building the field of dreams and unselfish support of the Scale-Masters Org. Secondly, Mr. Michael Hunt for filling the job of second in command and being a true ambassador for the site and the club. Third, Mr. Dale Arvin, the CD with years of experience. It was apparent he knows how to CD an event. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dever for the judges and setting up the ever popular Zap Tap Room. My thanks as East Coast Chairman and participant go to these individuals and everyone who made this a memorable event.

I am working on next year's project and would like some input on next year's organization. What and how should we build this group of passionate scale modelers? I am one of the nominating committee and would like some ideas on people you think will bring the organization back into the limelight of the scale community. After you read this why don't you take a couple of minutes to jot down some ideas and send them to me Mabarbee@aol.com ?

I know it may seem a long way off but I'll see you at Toledo.

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From the Director of Admin,



Well the 2010 Championships are in the books. And boy was it a great time. The folks down there have a great site, ran a top notch event and it seemed like everyone had a great time. Check out the web site, I took about 1500 pictures while there. Dale Arvin, Bill Beach and the rest of the Ohio River View R/C Flyer members and volunteers did a grand job.

As the new season approaches, I am adding more and more resources on the web site for CD's and want to add more for builders and contestants. The site is there for you, the members to use. Let me know what you would like to see there. For CD's there will soon be a new form for submitting contest results and qualified pilots. (Ed.Note Now live on web site www.scalemasters.org)

I am making a pledge to publish the list of qualified pilots from each qualifier in a timelier manner. With your help in using the new systems being put in place, we all can benefit. I will be sending out an e-mail to all the currently listed CD's in the near future explaining the new system and asking for suggestions in improving it. If you have any suggestions for the site, again, please let me know. I am still looking for a replacement for the Midwest regional coordinator. Someone in the Midwest, active in scale... had the ability to travel to several qualifiers, advice CD's and contestants, etc... If you have that desire, or know someone who does... please let me know... So what are you going to be building this year? Post it on the web site. Got some young people in your local clubs who might want to learn to build? Start a mentoring program. Invite them over to your shop once a week or so and work together on a scale project. Spreading the word and sharing our passion for scale building and competition is the only way to make USSMA and scale modeling in general to grow. Only you the members can make this organization grow...

Want to listen to some great interviews from scale modelers and vendors? Check out the RC Scale Builder show every Tuesday evening on WarBird radio. Fellow USSMA member and great scale modeler, Mike Chilson hosts the internet radio show where he interviews "those in the know" when it comes to scale modeling. Check it out. You can find out more details at www.rcscalebuilder.com or www.warbirdradio.com.

This issue should be dedicated to the 2010 Championships. There should be a complete list of the contestants, the sponsors and all the awards which were giving out.

I look forward to the upcoming season and I hope you are to.

Until next time... Happy building.

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Bill DeVerna (L) being presented
the Harris Lee Award by Gary Norton
Photo courtesy Mitch Baker

Championships Results

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| Class | Name | From | Aircraft | Total | Avg Of Static Flight | Score Total | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------|
| <u>Advanced Class</u> | Bernie Boland | Phoenix, AZ | Albatros DV | 97.25 | 96.08 | 193.33 | |
| | Eduardo D. Esteves | Belo Horizonte, HG Brazil | Fairchild PT-19 | 97.00 | 93.33 | 190.33 | |
| | Jeremy Arvin | Jeffersonville, IN | B-25 | 90.00 | 94.67 | 184.67 | |
| | Mike Wartman | Gray, TN | Fokker EIV Eindecker | 91.00 | 91.33 | 182.33 | |
| | Michael Peck | Phoenix, AZ | P-51D Mustang | 90.50 | 88.00 | 178.50 | |
| <u>Expert Class</u> | David Johnson | Champaign, IL | Albatros Dva | 98.75 | 95.92 | 194.67 | |
| | John Boyko | Franklin, OH | Pitts Special | 97.50 | 96.25 | 193.75 | |
| | Mike Barbee | Delaware, OH | Raytheon Beachcraft T-34-C | 97.75 | 95.67 | 193.42 | |
| | Billy Thompson | Boggestown, IN | 1917 Fokker DVII | 98.25 | 95.08 | 193.33 | |
| | Roy Vaillancourt | Farmingville, NY | Typhon | 98.00 | 94.92 | 192.92 | |
| | David Wigley | Kings Park, NY | Westland Wyvern | 97.75 | 94.75 | 192.50 | |
| | Bob Patton | Saint Joseph, IL | Scottish Av. Bulldog | 99.25 | 93.17 | 192.42 | |
| | Robert Bush | Westerville, OH | F-100 Supersadre | 98.00 | 93.50 | 191.50 | |
| | Chris White | Sydney, N.S.W | Corby Starlet | 97.50 | 93.83 | 191.33 | |
| | Lee Rice | Keller, TX | F-4U 1D Corsair | 97.25 | 93.25 | 190.50 | |
| | Larry Botsford | Elizabeth City, NC | Lublin R-XIIID | 97.00 | 92.75 | 189.75 | |
| | Philip Soden | Pontypool, Ontario | Druine Turbulent | 96.75 | 92.58 | 189.33 | |
| | Larry Folk | Pickerington, OH | Cubcrafters "Top Cub" | 98.00 | 90.92 | 188.92 | |
| | Dick Hansen | Portland, OR | Albatros DVA | 97.25 | 89.75 | 187.00 | |
| | Olen Rutherford | Paris, AR | Fly Baby | 96.50 | 90.17 | 186.67 | |
| | Adam Gelbart | Los Angeles, CA | Spitfire MK XIV | 96.50 | 89.92 | 186.42 | |
| | Doug Crumley | Wichita, KS | Piper PA-18 Super Cub | 96.25 | 86.33 | 182.58 | |
| | William Zimmerman | Evansville, IN | P-47D Thunderbolt | 93.00 | 84.08 | 177.08 | |
| | Peter Hill | Chatham, Ontario | Spacewalker II | 95.25 | 81.08 | 176.33 | |
| | Tim Lovett | Hurst, TX | A6M5 Zero | 92.50 | 77.33 | 169.83 | |
| | Al Kretz | Toney, AL | Dauntless | 98.50 | 23.33 | 121.83 | |
| | Sepp Uberlacker | DelRay Beach, FL | Spitfire MK XVI | 98.50 | 14.08 | 112.58 | |
| | <u>Open Class</u> | Earl Dever, Jr | New Albany, IN | Clipped Wing Cub | 30.00 | 93.50 | 123.50 |
| | | Robert M Geiser Sr. | Lawrenceburg, KY | Cap232 | 30.00 | 86.25 | 116.25 |
| | | Steve Eagle | Walbash, IN | Stearman | 29.75 | 56.42 | 86.17 |
| | | John Sedletzeck | Terre Haute, IN | DR 109 | 29.75 | 0.00 | 29.75 |
| | <u>Team Scale Class</u> | Dennis Crooks | | | | | |
| Dave Semeraro | | Rockville, IN | Albatros Dva | 98.00 | 95.08 | 193.08 | |
| Bernie Boland | | Da- | | | | | |
| vid Johnson | | | Phoenix, AZ | Fokker D VII | 95.50 | 97.50 | 193.00 |
| Lee Rice | | | | | | | |
| Ed Newman | | Keller, TX | Fleseler Fi 156U "Storch" | 99.00 | 90.58 | 189.58 | |
| Curtis Kitteringham | | | | | | | |
| Ron Peterka | | Escondido, CA | Stinson SR-9 | 95.00 | 92.67 | 187.67 | |
| Dorin Luck | | | | | | | |
| Gary Allen | | Henderson, KY | Bucker Jungmann | 98.25 | 87.67 | 185.92 | |

South Central RM Report

by Lawrence Harville



In this area we are coming to the end of another good year of scale competitions. The Texas Scale Championship for 2010 had one of the largest turnouts in a couple of years. But the thing I am proudest of is the number of first time competitors. This year we divided Fun Scale into Military and Civilian classes with the goal of giving out more trophies to hopefully new pilots—and it worked. Some of those guys went home with trophies and vowed to be back next year to get another one. Put the Texas Scale Championships on your schedule for next summer—June 18-19, 2011—I think we have a trophy with your name on it, come pick it up.

The highlight of the year for Scale Competition, The USSM Championships, is now over and the returning competitors in this area were in amazement of the flying site. The Scale Masters committee that picked the site deserves all the accolades they are getting. Let's top that site for 2011. Great contest well done. This year a total of five pilots who had attended the Texas Championships Scale competed in the Masters Championship. My goal for next year is to have an even dozen come from the Texas Championships. The pilots were, Tim Lovett, Olen Rutherford, Ed Neuman, Lee Rice, and Doug Crumley.

John Ostmeyer ran another fun contest this past year Mid State Scale Classic/Kansas Scale Championships, as soon as he has his event for 2011, I'll let you know. That is another scale contest you should put on your list of travel plans for 2011.

The United States Scale Masters is home to the country's most dedicated modelers, ever wonder just where scale would be without the SM—not a pretty thought, is it? Here is a challenge to all of you (us): see if you can recruit just one scale pilot to join the USSM, we are not going to grow if we don't spread the word. Go to any field, the majority of planes are scale planes, when one of ours goes to fly, the field is watching, they don't do that with other types. Fly Scale and Compete.

Ernie Harwood, long time scale builder and flyer, passed away in August. He was one of the giants in scale competition and he will be truly

missed by those who knew him. You could always count on Ernie for advice and a friendly face. He was a fixture at all our scale meets for many years. He competed in the AMA Nats, Scale Master Qualifiers and Championships as well as many scale meets through out the country. He was a member of the Scale Masters and the Fort Worth Thunderbirds. Well, now we are in our Scale fly-in season and there a many to choose from so hope to see you at some time during the year.

Gear up and locked!

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Place and Jeremy Arvin from Jeffersonville, IN flying a B-25 took 3rd Place.

In Open Class, Earl Dever, Jr from New Albany, IN with his Clipped Wing Cub was the 1st Place winner. Robert Geiser, Sr. from Lawrenceburg, KY flying a Cap232 took 2nd Place and Steve Eagle from Walbath, IN took 3rd Place with his Stearman.

The following Pilots are pre-Qualified for next year's Championships due to their success this year.

Expert:

Dave Johnson
John Boyko
Mike Barbee
Billy Thompson
Roy Vaillancourt
David Wigley
Bob Patton

Team:

Dennis Crooks (Pilot) Dave Semeraro (Builder)
Bernie Boland (Pilot) Dave Johnson (Builder)

At the Saturday night Banquet, we honored Bill DeVerna from Toledo, Ohio as our newest recipient of the Harris Lee Award. Bill was part of the very first Masters at Mile Square Park in Southern California. He helped judge that event then gave valuable input to the original 5 founders of the US Scale Masters; much of which we are still practicing today. Due to Bill's quiet nature, he is often overlooked for his many contributions to USSMA over the years. He has attended all but 3 Masters Championships and for 10 plus years, he was the sole source of sending out the hundreds of qualification notices for each Championship contest. This was not any easy task as many of the 23 regional Contest Directors would forget to send in their results. In one case, the CD mailed in a napkin with only the first names of the top 30% as if Bill would know how to send them their packet. Bill tirelessly spent hours hunting down the contact information so the winner would have

enough advance time to make plans to attend. His very good friend, Ole Van Jorgensen flew over from Denmark and was joined by Josie and Earl Aune to help us surprise Bill with this honor.

Mitch now has the Judge application on the web site and is planning to add the Color Blind test shortly as well. If you are interested in becoming a Certified Judge either as a Static or Flight judge, be sure to check the web site for directions on receiving and then submitting your test. ((Ed.Note Now live on web site www.scalemasters.org) The 2011 Championships are being held on the West Coast, and we are still working on the location. It will be announced on the web site as soon as we have the date set up and all the paperwork has been signed.

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Awards



| Award | Donatedby | Aircraft | Recipient |
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| Harris Lee Lifetime Achievement Award | USSMA Team | | Bill DeVerna |
| Best Multi Engine | Curtis Kitteringham | B-25 | Jeremy Arvin |
| Best Golden Age | TEAM. | Stinson SR-9 | Curtis Kitteringham |
| Best Civilian | Nelson Hobby Direct | Corby Starlet | Chris White |
| Best Military | Scale Reproductions Hobby Shop | Storch | Ed Newman |
| Best Jet | Vogelsang Aeroscale | F-100 Super Sabre | Robert Bush |
| Best Markings | Assn | 1917 Fokker DVII | Billy Thompson |
| Best Documentation | Chuck & Ann Adams | Scottish Av. Bulldog | Bob Patton |
| Best WWI | Proctor Enterprises | Albatros DVA | Dick Hansen |
| Best WWII | One Eighth Air Force | Dauntless | Al Kretz |
| Best Built Up Kit | River City Radio Controllers | Cubcrafters "Top Cub" | Larry Folk |
| Best Scratch Built Aircraft | Gary and Gloria Norton | Westland Wyvern | David Wigley |
| Engineering Achievement | Jensen Designs, Inc. | Westland Wyvern | David Wigley |
| Best Biplane | River City Radio Controllers | Bucker Jungmann | Dorin Luck |
| Pilots Choice | Griffin & Co. | Westland Wyvern | David Wigley |
| High Flight Open | THRCC/BWM/Mitch Baker | Clipped Wing Cub | Earl Dever, Jr |
| High Flight Expert | Kent Walters | Raytheon Beachcraft T-34-C | Mike Barbee |
| Most Realistic Flight Team | Hobby People/Airtronics Radios | Fokker D VIII | Bernie Boland-Dave Johnson |
| Most Realistic Flight Expert | Hobby People/Airtronics Radios | Westland Wyvern | David Wigley |
| Best Mission Award Team | Hobby People/Airtronics Radios | Fokker D VIII | Bernie Boland-Dave Johnson |
| Best Mission Award Expert | Hobby People/Airtronics Radios | Pitts Special | John Boyko |
| Most Realistic Flight Advanced | Western Scale Rally Group | Fairchild PT-19 | Eduardo D. Esteves |
| High Flight Team | One Eighth Air Force | Fokker D VIII | Bernie Boland-Dave Johnson |
| High Flight Advanced | One Eighth Air Force | Albatros DV | Bernie Boland |
| Best Mission Award Advanced | Hemet Model Masters | Fairchild PT-19 | Eduardo D. Esteves |
| Best Mechanical Landing Gear | Barbee Concrete Construction | Typhon | Roy Vaillancourt |
| Best Radial Engine | Barbee Concrete Construction | Lublin R-XIID | Larry Botsford |
| Best Mission Open | Dubro Products Inc | Clipped Wing Cub | Earl Dever, Jr |
| High Static | S & A Tooling | Scottish Av. Bulldog | Bob Patton |



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