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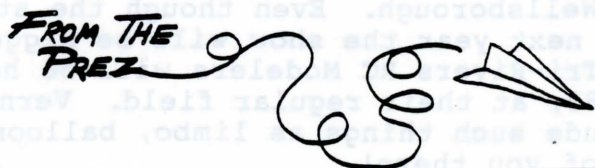
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STARS MEMBERS

STARS MEETING
JUNE 18, 1983

Time: 8pm Site: club field (weather permitting) or at the Oneida River Tavern
 Agenda: flying followed by discussion on Fun Fly



AS THE FLYING SEASON IS GETTING INTO FULL SWING, I THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT SAFETY IS THE BEST POLICY. WE ALL ENJOY THIS HOBBY OF FLYING AROUND OUR LITTLE AIRPLANES; THE HOBBY WILL BE AROUND FOR A VERY LONG TIME, AS LONG AS WE KEEP SAFETY ON OUR MIND. WE HAVE BEEN VERY FORTUNATE AT OUR FIELD, IN THAT WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY SERIOUS ACCIDENTS. LET'S KEEP IT THAT WAY. FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE FIELD, WHICH ARE POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE FIELD. I DON'T THINK WE CAN EMPHASIZE SAFETY TOO MANY TIMES. GOOD AND SAFE FLYING TO EVERYONE.

GARY ECKERT

THE PLANE PROP WASH IS THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE STARS CLUB; & AS SUCH, ALL PROCEEDS FROM ADVERTISEMENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS, ETC. GO TO FURTHER ENHANCE THE TREASURY OF THE STARS CLUB. THE PURPOSE OF THE PLANE PROP WASH IS TO KEEP THE MODELERS OF THE STARS CLUB & SUBSCRIBERS AWARE OF HAPPENINGS WHICH INFLUENCE OUR HOBBY. THERE IS NO INTENT TO SHOW FAVORITISM TOWARD ANY CLUB, HOBBY SHOP OR INDIVIDUAL. WE HOPE YOU ENJOY OUR NEWSLETTER.

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Friday the 13th wasn't lucky for Stan "ALPHABET" when it came to flying. Stan is like many flyers these days; he has one transmitter with extra flight packs (moving the radio gear from one plane to another can be such trouble). At the field with his yellow and black Kadet, Stan took off after checking to see that his radio worked. Yep! All the surfaces moved. But in which direction? Stan didn't think to check that. (Everything went in the right direction on the other plane) After an iffy take-off, Stan's Kadet suffered minor damage; it was however, repaired the same day...faster than Stan's ego.

News of the Airs from the Modelaires:
PENNY ABRAMS PUT HER THUMBS TO THE STICKS FOR THE 1ST TIME AT THE OVM FIELD MAY 21, 1983.

Midstate Modelers Inc.
Cicero, New York

3rd Annual Helicopter Fun Fly

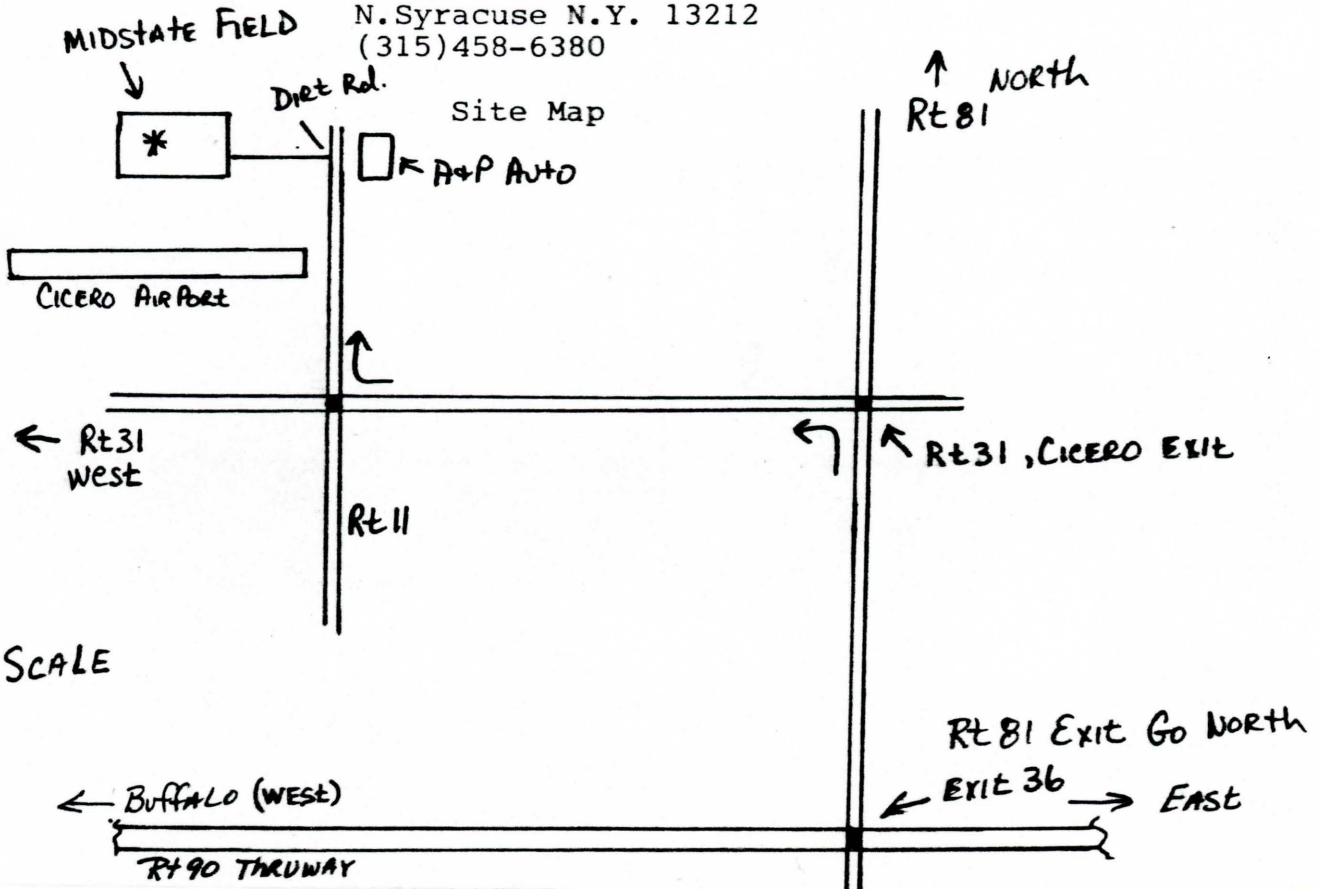
Date: June 18, 1983
Place: Midstate Modelers Field
Rt. 11 Cicero, New York
Fee: \$4.00 Includes family picnic dinner
Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm
4:00pm - Dark open flying

AMA Sanctioned event

The Midstate Modelers Club each year sponsors a Helicopter Fun Fly Day at the field. We do this to foster interest in helicopters. We also encourage all choper pilots no matter what your skill level to come. We are lucky to have some expert helicopter pilots here in central new york. This gives the novice pilot a chance to rub elbows with these guys. Helicopter flying is always a learning experience.

The contest will be talored to the experience of the pilots. There will be no formal prizes. What we are offering is a late afternoon family picnic for the helicopter pilot and thier family. Buffet style with hot dogs and hambergs, salad, chips and soda. Come one come all.....

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

June 18 - Midstate Modelers 3rd Annual Helicopter Fun Fly

June 18 - STARS MEETING

June 25 - STARS SPORT PYLON RACING

June 25 & 26 - OMAC 9th Annual Spring Sail at new field 2 day 2 meter and open sailplane contest CD: Dan Crownhart 458-2088

June 26 - Midstate Modelers RC Flyers 4 Cycle (only) Contest

July 9 & 10 - Midstate Modelers Fun Fly

July 9 & 10 - STARS scale rally, Olean, NY

July 16 & 17 - ARCS Pattern Meet

July 23 & 24 - VRCMC Annual Fun Fly at Nichols, NY

July 24 thru 31 - AMA NATS at Chicopee, Mass.

August 6 & 7 - STARS Annual Fun Fly

August 13 & 14 - Auburn Fun Fly at Farnsworth Airport

August 13 & 14 - Aeroguidance Society Pattern Contest at Blue Swan Airport, Sayre, PA

August 20 - STARS SPORT PYLON RACING

September 3 - STARS SPORT PYLON RACING

September 10 & 11 - Utica Firebirds 2nd Annual Classic Pattern Contest

September 10 & 11 - Auburn Fly for Fun



The May meeting was called to order at 8:20pm by President Gary Eckert. Roll call showed 12 Sr. and 2 Jr. members present. The secretarys report was read and accepted. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. The Association report was given by Lon Sauter. The bus trip has been tabled. There was not enough interest from the clubs. George Beers is storing the Associations equipment. If any club wishes to borrow it, they will sign an agreement of responsibility and return it in the same condition they got it. The Association is buying new stop watches. CNYMAA has agreed to put on an air show and a static display at OCC on September 25, 1983. No report on the Fun Fly. The dates were published in the Prop Wash for the Pylon Racing. Going to keep the rules the same as last year. Everythings is all set for the Family Day Picnic. Just pray for a nice day. **Gary Brown** wasn't at the meeting to report about the ditches and the run a crush for the road. There was a discussion about putting run a crush in the pavilion but it was reported that it would not work because of the water line. The subject of the T-shirts came up again. Marge Sauter will get the prices. Stan Staniszewski is going to call about garbage pick up. When weather permits, we'll have a work detail out to the field to paint the pavilion and other work. There was a discussion about an article in the AMA Magazine which stated that to be covered by the insurance, you have to have your name and address in your airplane or your AMA number on the airplane. Lon Sauter will get clarification on this. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Carol Eckert

Gary Eckert test flew Carol's brand new yellow and blue Kadet May 29, 1983. Between Carols building and Garys flying, they've got a real winner there.

Gary Eckert's new orange and blue flying saucer was given its 1st FCF (functional check flight) on May 30th. Who said there aren't flying saucers? This one flew!

A NEWLY ACQUIRED PITTS SPECIAL (from Dave Seiffert) NOW RESIDES AT STAN STANISZEWSKIS HANGAR. THE PITTS WAS TAKEN UP UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF ITS NEW PILOT ON MAY 30TH. IT LOOKS LIKE STAN HAS A NEW LOVE!

The weather wasn't too bad, but it wasn't too good either. But the company was terrific! The day of the family picnic brought out the new planes, plenty of champagne, lots of food (Ray Plaisted's meatballs are out of this world), and a good time for all. There were the flyers, non-flyers and flyers with no airplanes (that was something new). Some of the guys brought out their planes, but didn't fly. Everyone flew at the winter Fun Fly; but give the guys a little more warmth with their wind, and they go ultra conservative on you. Lon "wrongway" Sauter was out with his Superstar equipped with a new Webra rear exhaust speed engine that couldn't keep a glow plug in it. **Mike Graham** was out flying, and flying, and flying his new Swizzle Stick. He's definitely hooked. Jeff Wolsley's Champ made a "short" landing and ended up lost in the weeds. There was the Valleriani's quickie 500 making its turns and Ray Plaisted's Kaos doing its maneuvers. New and old planes were test flown, and planes were just admired in the pit area. Who says you can't have fun at the flying field!

The OVM field was bustling with activity on June 5th. There was the midair with Rusty Beers Kavalier (now just a memory) and **Mike Grahams** Swizzle Stick. Rusty Beers actually suffered two mishaps during the day; it just wasn't his day. Jim Thompson's Phaton Bipe (the infamous red plane) made a few landing rolls into the weeds. There are days, and there are days!

AMA DISTRICT II AVP REPORT

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Sorry I missed writing an article last month. I have some interesting items from the AMA. First of all, I will quote from the Executive Council meeting of January 29, 1983, held in Anaheim, California, item #8 dealing with the Omahawks noise pollution suit. "Mr. O.L. Olson appeared before the council to explain the suit filed against their club for noise pollution. Olson stated that if the opposition wins the case against them it will set a legal precedent extremely detrimental to the modeling hobby. The Omahawks are seeking official AMA support by council resolution and editorial comments in Model Aviation. They are also asking that the Academy establish and administer a "National Legal Defense Fund" to assist clubs in similar situations in the future. It was pointed out in discussion that if the Omahawks had been chartered with AMA their legal fees would have been covered by the Academy's insurance. The council was sympathetic to their plight, but felt that they could only support the cause as individuals, and not as collective official council action, due to the fact the Omahawks have not been and are not now chartered with AMA. Mr. Olson was asked to keep the council apprised of the situation as it develops. In the meantime it was MOVED by D. Brown, seconded by T. McGinnis that the council go on record as giving total moral support to the Omahawks. And due to the possible legal precedence that they be given additional support as recommended by our insurance company and legal counsel. The motion passed: 12 for, 1 against."

At the last Association meeting there was a discussion about this subject and a copy of a flyer from the Omahawks requesting financial aid was circulated. The AMA's position is quite clear in that the Omahawks were not, and as of the meeting had still not elected to become chartered with the AMA. I leave it to you and your clubs to decide how to handle your letter.

There are other interesting topics in the copies of executive council meetings that I have received from the AMA. Upon request I will supply your club a copy of these minutes for your perusal.

I've just received a letter from Carl Maroney, Special Services Director, which outlines a very attractive homeowners package offered by Alexander and Alexander, which provides up to \$5,000 of "all-risk" insurance coverage. This coverage applies to your models and equipment, if you should elect to transfer your homeowners to Alexander and Alexander (at the same price you are presently paying). Watch Model Aviation for more details. Sounds like a great deal to me.

Remember, if you have any questions about the AMA, I'm available for club presentations or individual problem solving.



SOMETIMES WHEN YOU GO SHOPPING AT THE
A&P (AUTO PARTS) STORE YOU HAVE TROU-
BLE FINDING A GOOD PARKING SPOT.

SUCH WASN'T THE CASE FOR A SHOESTRING
ON JUNE 6TH. THE RACER MIGHT HAVE
MADE A LOT OF NOISE, BUT WHEN IT
DECIDED TO PARK BETWEEN TWO CARS, IT
PARKED BETWEEN TWO CARS.

"FIFI"
A GHOST FROM THE PAST

by John A. Sadler

The B-29 Superfortress looked ready for a Wartime Bombing Mission. Her four 2,200 hp, Wright Cyclone engines were ready to roar to life. The gun turrets pointed to the sky over the Syracuse Airfield.

That's how she looked as we, Bill Brooks & I walked towards her Wednesday night May 18th. She belongs to the Confederate Air Force & was on tour of major cities & towns across the country. She flew from home base Harlingen, Texas.

"Fifi" is the only flying B-29 bomber left of nearly 4,000 produced. It's a big aircraft even by today's standards. Wing span 141', length 99'. The tail stands 29' high. She had a range of 3,700 miles & carried 6,900 gal. of gas. Service ceiling 33,000', 325 mph, T.A.S.

As we climbed the steps to view the cockpit, Bill began to talk about the B-29. He was a gunner & flew with the 19th Bomb Group, 20th Air Force, in the Pacific. He flew from airfields on Guam, Tinian, & Saipan. As we looked down through the clear nose turret, where the bombardier sat over the Norden bomb sight, you could almost imagine the targets, far away sounding names, Yokohama, Kobe, & Tokio, & the long hours the crew flew together to the target & hopefully back.

Back down on the ground we talked to a crew member of a B-29, who flew in the Korean conflict. The B-29 flew from June 1944 (World War II) to Korea. An impressive record.

The B-29 was the 1st production aircraft with pressurized interior. This technology is still used in today's airliners. "Fifi" is not an original aircraft. She was put together from various B-29's lying in the desert, & flown to Harlingen, Texas in 1971.

It cost us \$2 to view & enjoy "Fifi", plus we received a C.A.F. Button & information brochure. "That's where I got all these Spec's." Some specifications are Air Force, others are "Fifi's".

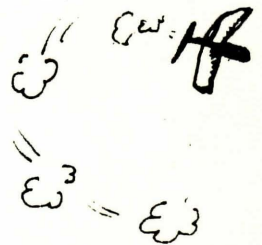
"Fifi" is not subsidized by any agency, or foundation. The sale of hats, t-shirts, buttons, & picture prints help to defray costs. If "Fifi" returns to Syracuse, go out & see her. I'm sure you won't be disappointed, & you will witness an important part of Aviation History.

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RC FLYERS



4 CYCLE ONLY CONTEST

DATE : 6/26/83

TIME : 8:00 AM Till ...

PLACE : MIDSTATE MODELERS FIELD, CICERCO N.Y.

◀ STATIC JUDGING ▶

- STANDOFF SCALE
- FUN/SPORTS SCALE
- MOST INNOVATIVE APPLICATION
- OVERALL FAVORITE

◀ FLYING ▶ / JUDGED ON

- TAKE OFF
- THREE GO AROUNDS
- THREE LOOPS
- THREE ROLLS
- THREE SPOT T/G and SPOT LANDING

◀ SPECIAL EVENTS ▶

- LIMBO
- BOMB DROP
- PANTY PICK-UP



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MIDSTATE MODELERS



1983 FUN FLY AMA - SANCTIONED

JULY 9 & 10

9³⁰ AM - 5⁰⁰ PM BOTH DAYS

MIDSTATE MODELERS FIELD - RT 11 1/2 MI N. OF CICERO

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CENTRAL NEW YORK MODEL AIRCRAFT ASSOC.

May 19, 1983

At 7:50 PM, the C.N.Y.M.A.A. meeting was called to order by President Lon Sauter.

Roll call was taken and most clubs were represented.

Old Business

Minutes of last meeting (April 21) were read and approved.

Treasurer's report read with almost no changes since last meeting.

NATS - Club reps reported almost no interest in members taking a chartered bus to Westover, Mass. for the NATS. One more attempt will be made to stir up interest before dropping the matter. Bob Elkovich contacted several bus companies to obtain cost of bus for the trip, and found the Onondaga Coach to be lowest. A 47 seater for one day @ \$800.00 or two days @ \$950.00.

Mr. King Simkins addressed the Association in regard to a static show and flying demonstration at Onondaga Community College, Sunday, September 25, 1983 from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Any monies made from this festival will be given to the Ray Cushman Scholarship Fund. A prize will be given for the overall best-of-show. Flying time will be about 15 minutes each hour.

Roy Catholdi made the motion we accept the invitation. Seconded by Ron Leopardi and past unanimously.

Representatives to contact their clubs and recruit participants.

Lon Sauter reported that he now has all the questionnaires returned that he sent to each club president.

Lon reported that he met with the Utica M.V.R.C.C., and they wish to remain active members of the CNYMAA. They will send reps to four meetings per year. Welcome back Guys & Gals.

A question has risen from our ranks as to whether the CNYMA Association has the authority to spend in excess of two hundred (\$200.00) dollars without club members approval. Club reps feel that the association does have this authority PROVIDED that it is for normal association business. (Symposium expenses, stationery, etc.). However, club members would control expenditures in this price range were it for non-operating expenses such as campaign funds, scholarships, equipment, etc. If an emergency precludes obtaining club's vote, the association will exercise its own judgement. Proposal made by Bill Cummings and seconded by Roy Catholdi. Past unanimously.

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Lon Sauter, wearing his Electronics expert hat, reported on the state of the Associations four (4) digital stop watches. Three are functional and one has no digital display. A considerable amount of discussion ensued and due to the heavy demands for these watches, it was proposed by Bill Cummings and seconded by Ron Leopaldi that we purchase four (4) new watches @ about fourteen dollars (\$14) each. Past unanimously.

As the Association continues to increase its inventory of equipment available for clubs use, an accurate inventory list and storage area is required. When you want something done, ask a busy man! George Beers volunteered to assume this responsibility.

About a year ago, a plaque was purchased to give to John Franke in appreciation for his help with the Association. We wanted to present this to him in person, but circumstances have not made this possible since he moved out of state. Guy Czuzans will mail this to him.

It has been brought vividly to my attention that the HOT LINE number shown in last month's minutes is sponsored by the ARCS, not CNYMAA. Sorry folks, I didn't mean to imply otherwise.

New Business

OBITUARY -- OMAHAWKS R/C INC., NEB.

A flyer received from the above club indicated it was being sued for \$50,000 due to excessive noise caused by their aircraft engines. They are asking for contributions to help fight the case. The A.M.A. has helped them to the apparent limit of their jurisdiction. Discussion ensued and no action was taken.

Walt Throne reported that as of April 26, 1983, F.C.C. license NOT required to operate R.C. model airplanes.

A suggestion was made that the association sponsor someone to videotape the NATS. Association to provide equipment and tapes if some qualified person willing to do so. Pit passes also furnished.

Next meeting June 16, 1983 at 7:30 P.M. at STARS Field.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn A. Cady

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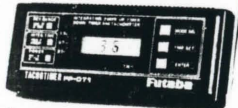
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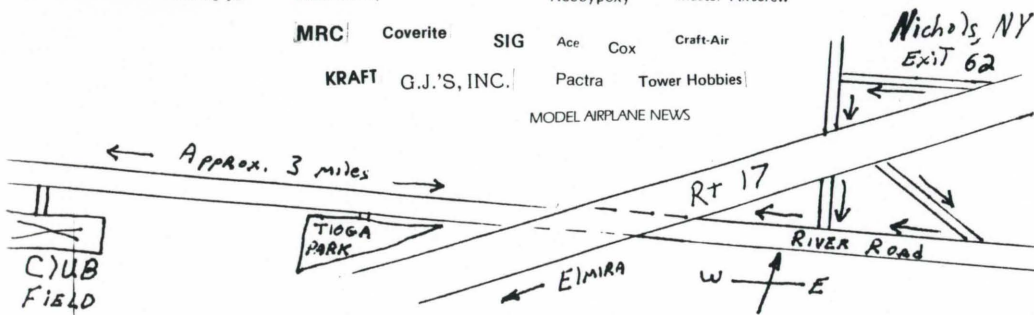
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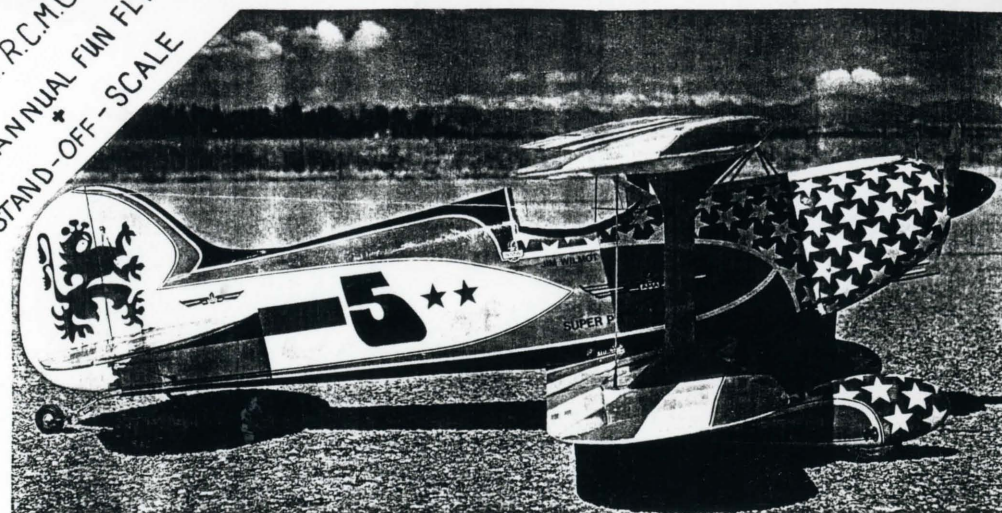
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