

Wichita Historical Aircraft Modelers SAM 56



Newsletter for March 2019

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I am always interested in ideas for this newsletter! -Email suggestions to Phil at info@wichitafreeflight.org

Announcements: Next Meeting is Saturday, March 9, 2019 at The Mediterranean Grill.

--Dues for 2019 are due--

January 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: George Avila, Phil Burress, Jeff Englert, Kent Peters, Marty & Jim O'Reilly, Chuck Powell, Ed Salguero, Marilyn & Bill Schmidt.

President Powell called the meeting to order. The minutes were accepted. The treasurer's report was given, we remain positive.

Old Business: Chuck Powell reviewed the recent contest in Gainsville, TX. Sounds like it was a great time, attended by some free flight legends.

New Business: Chuck Powell is exploring our use of the Wellington, KS airport as a future flying site and discussing with the airport manager who is a model RC flyer. The site looks like it could be good if not ideal for free flight. View it on Google earth. Phil Burress suggested we hold a fun fly in the spring at our club field, and possibly using club funds for snacks and light refreshments, and expressed a desire to use our field more this year.

Show & Tell: Jim O'Reilly showed his new version of the Elite Skyrocket, a British Model Company design for next year's NFFS rubber event. There is a big write up in this month's issue of the NFFS Free Flight magazine. Join NFFS to keep informed! Jeff Englert displayed a Jimmie Allen BA Cabin, built from Jim O'Reilly plans and Holman short kit. Phil Burress showed an Earl Stahl design of the Albatross Dv in a yellow and red color scheme. Ed Salguero displayed an original semi-scale jet of his own design. Built to utilize a E-flite fan unit, the four channel RC really screams with the power applied. Chuck Powell displayed a Frank Reich Double Feature built for the upcoming Arizona contest. Bill Schmidt showed a Douglas A-26 built from the one dollar size Comet kit plans as the basis, finished in polyspan and silk. Bill noted that Cessna built some of the cowling and landing gear components of the original aircraft. (Pictures from the meeting on next page)

Below, Clockwise from upper right: Jim O'Reilly's build from his new Elite Skyrocket plans. Jeff Englert and his Jimmie Allen BA Cabin aka Skokie, from Jim O'Reilly plans. Ed Salguero with his original design 4ch r/c electric ducted fan job. Bill Schmidt's fine Douglas A-26. Chuck Powell shows his Double Feature. Phil Burress' Albatros Dv.



WHAM News, Views and Reviews: by Phil Burress

Our Spring contest will be held May 4-5 at either the Marion or Wellington airports. If you are on our mailing list we will update you on final plans, or you check our website at www.wichitafreeflight.org. Other upcoming contests are the Gainesville, TX contest April 5-7 and the Hamilton, TX Spring Cup May 18-19. We have a more detailed list on our website, and you can always check the calendar on the NFFS site at www.freeflight.org.

Yet another Hummingbird Model Products update! www.hummingbirdmodelproducts.com I know I've mentioned this site before, but Bernard Guest has continually enriched his product offerings, so if you haven't visited hummingbirdmodelproducts.com recently, do yourself a favor and check it out. They are up to eight scale kit offerings and a whole bunch of sport long and short kit offerings including the Carl Verdi Rocket which is a real looker as you can see from this pic:



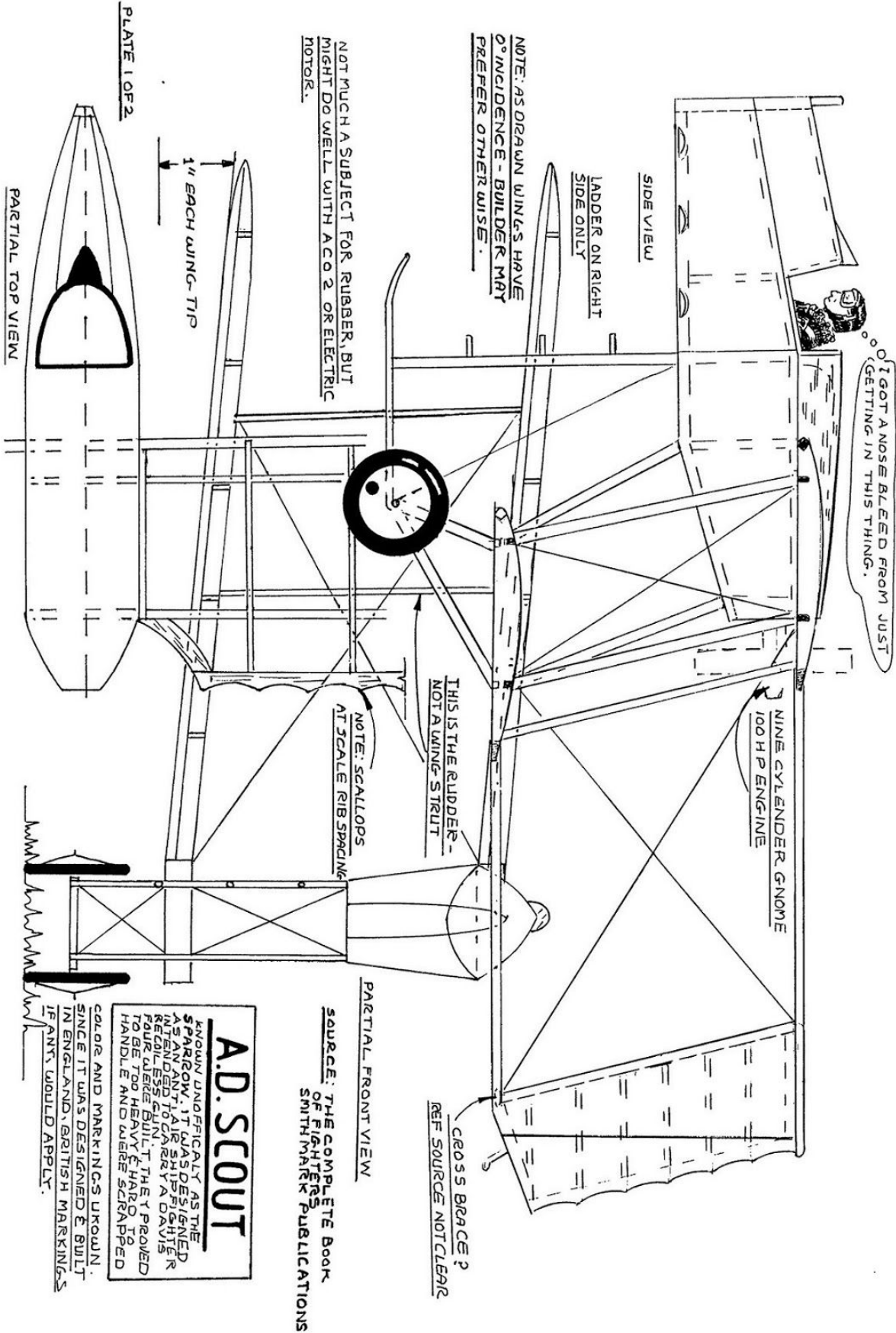
www.volaremodelproducts.com has been around for a while now but is well worth a visit if you haven't checked it out in a while. George Bredehoff is another avid modeler providing a wonderful service as a free flight vendor.

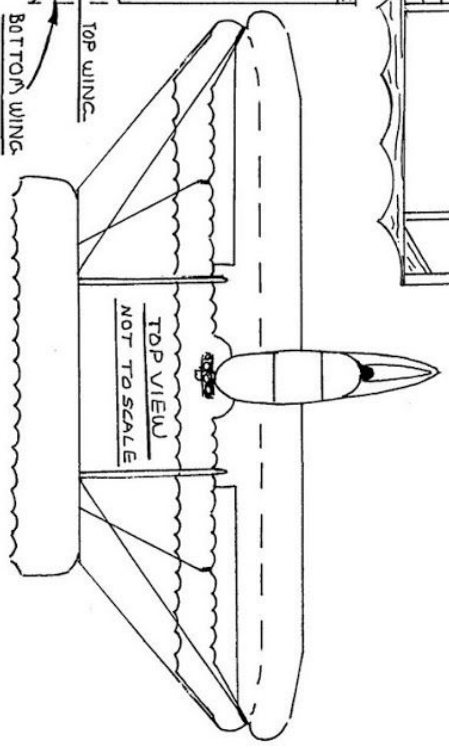
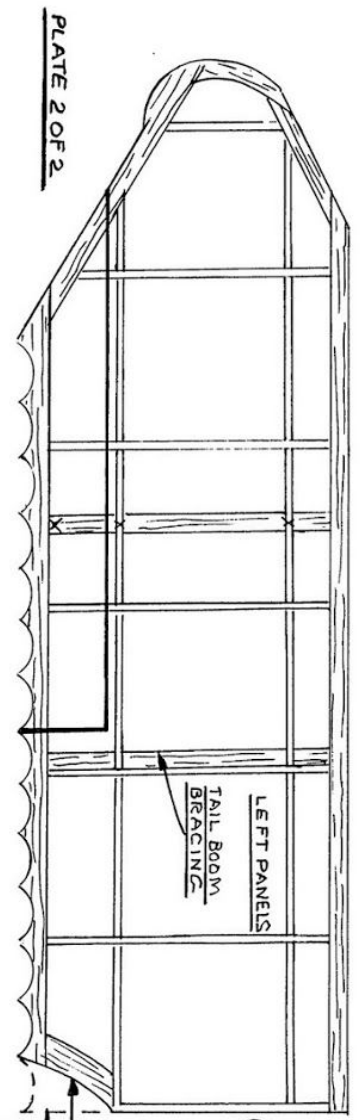
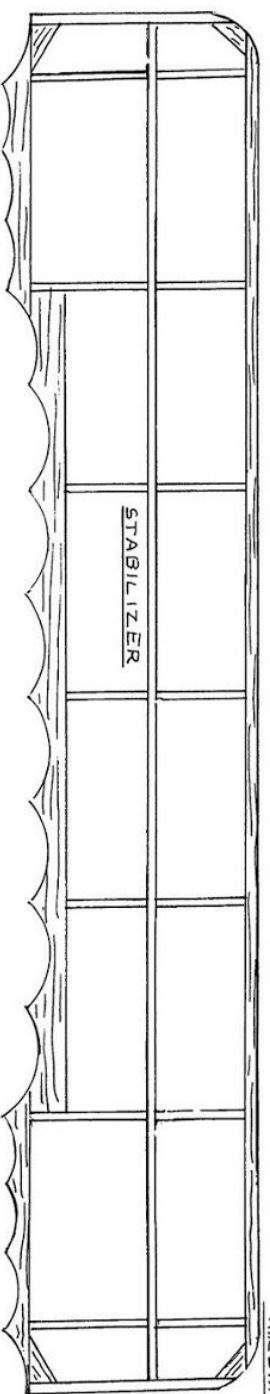
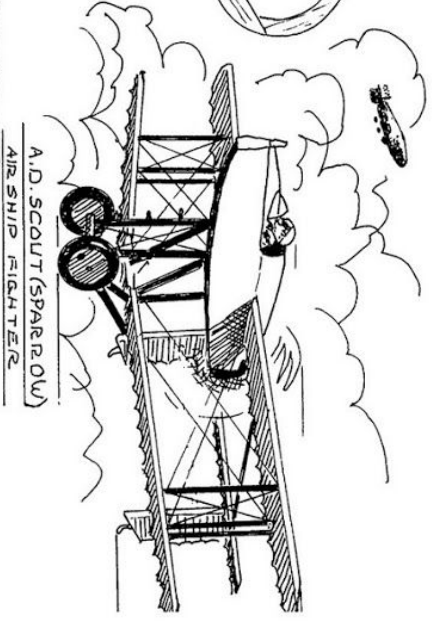
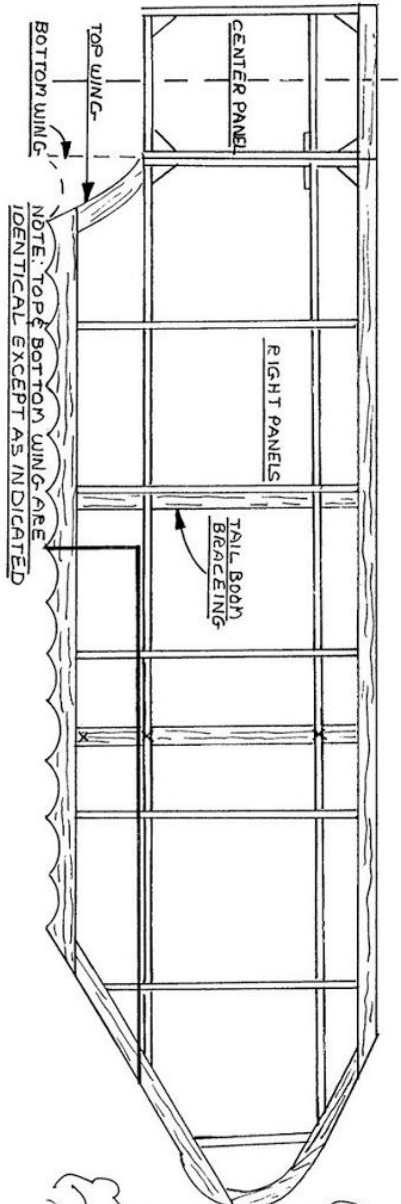
His kit selection is large the the quality is top notch. Volare is also a source for Superior props and hardware. Among his newer offerings are some 3D printed items including a Boehm freewheel clutch and stuffer stick ends that are perfect for your smaller models. Here's a pic of one of his embro offerings, the Durham Air Limousine:



Small Field Ideas: Our club field is a wonderful hay field but it is a little small by free flight standards. We used it less than ever in 2018 but I propose we try to change that for 2019. Off the top of my head, here are some models that are suited for a smaller field: Jet Cat: This category is perfect for our field. It's also very rewarding to get decent times (30+ seconds is quite good) from these models. Peanut or Dime Scale: these scale models are well suited to a small field as well. Finally there's no reason we can't come up with another category and add a handicap that would in effect lower performance, such as motor mass limits or minimum weight.

Here's a Plan: Have a go at this funky little A.D Scout, suitable for CO2 or Electric power





The next WHAM/SAM 56 Dinner meeting will be held this Saturday at The Mediterranean Grill 335 S. Towne East Mall Dr., Wichita, KS 67207 (316) 651-5599. Social Hour @ 6pm, Dinner at 6:30pm.

Club Events: 1/2a Texaco, Jimmy Allen, FAC Moth, C/HLG, or as arranged.

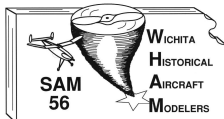
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***Meeting is this Saturday, March 9!**

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