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# **November-December 2023**



Beautiful day and fantastic looking models. Beware of, it's one of those days!

I'm getting discouraged/pissed. Tried to fly the airplanes in the photo. From the top and clockwise: The Eaglebrick Mailbox flew a few times but needs more oomph from the Mills .75. The Standard J-1 ended up in the waste bin.

The Aeronca-Ryan SportWing refused to start as did the Curtiss Calamity. Last AND least, the DC Dart in Don's old Dakota wouldn't run either.

## Message from the oval work bench

#### Greetings Fellow Fliers!!!

Looks like our three contests will be about like last year in that the FAC is of course the focus of club. The contests, first one in April and the second one in August'

As you well know, the AMA/NFFS meet was an unbridled flop. Bad weather Saturday and a bad choice of weekend in general. This year we're trying something new, that meet will be, " The South Jersey Free Flight Champs"!! How's that sound? Jerry and I thought a bit more added importance and "status" if you will. There will be a good selection of NFFS events plus an equally good selection of events from SAM. I think it will be a great event as long as those who fly the offered events come on down and fly!!

Jerry informs me that the membership renewal letters will go out after the new year. We figured that people are busy enough with the holidays, you don't need one more thing to worry about.

We're probably going to go ahead and make the first and third weekends as dedicated flying times. Doesn't mean you can't fly whenever you want, you absolutely can!! We just hope that on those days you can assume someone else may be there. It's no fun flying alone. I can guess that among the regulars who live relatively nearby, someone will be there.

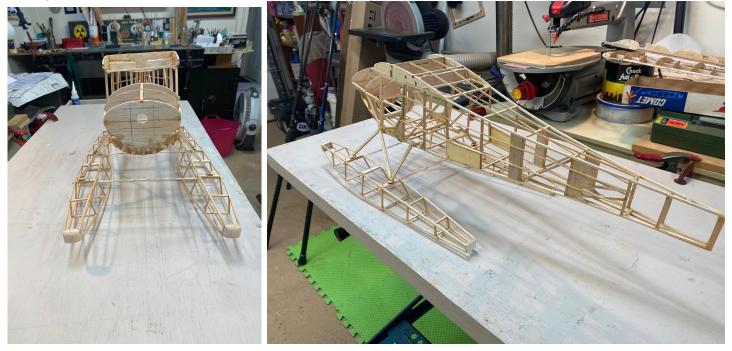
On a personal note, my sciatica seems to have mostly abated, however I just found out I have a slight tear in the meniscus of my right knee. Had an MRI last week that showed the tear, tomorrow the doctor will give me the bottom line.

At this point I'd like to say what a great job Jerry has done over the past years. He really makes my job a piece of cake. I could not have captained this ship without him being my first mate!!! So next time you see him, let him know what a great job he's done.!!

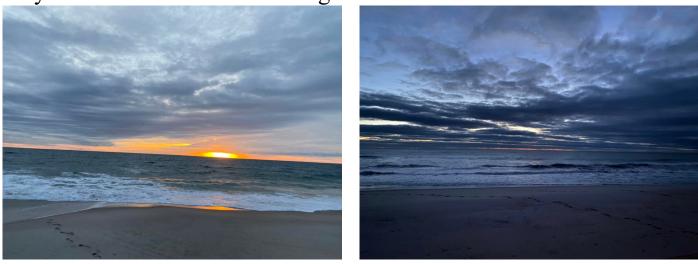
And now let me wish everyone a merry Christmas and Happy New Year!! May Santa bring lots of kits and plans and all those other bits and bobs you've wished for!! Da Prez

# **Out of the Hilltown Hanger**

The contest dates have been decided. The spring and summer FAC contests will remain the same as last year. The South Jersey Flying Circus -April 13-14, 2024 - The Don Myers Memorial will be August 3-4, 2024, The South Jersey Free Flight Champs (AKA The dead horse gathering) will be June 1-2, 2024. The flyers are enclosed in this Newsletter. Merry Christmas to all! Tony Perrotta has been knocking away on a 54 inch "Taylorcraft on floats.



Tony's other Passion: Surf Fishing









## Our FAI Member Ron Felix



Ron (on left) and DP Fly (FB Handle)

Arizona Championships. Fantastic weather. First round had little breeze with the chase ending in the field down wind. Second round the breeze dropped off with thermal activity but easy picking. The third and subsequent rounds became dicey. In F1B we only had Ron Felix and myself and I managed to drop the fourth round and Ron stayed afloat DT-ing 12 feet of the ground making the max. The fifth and final round was a monster thermal ending the day for us with a nice high flight.



From the Inter-Sanctum of FS (Gibbs) Gilbert Beardmore Nieuport 12. Did 3 bedroom glide. No weight added! Perfect!



SOUTH JERSEY FLYING CIRCUS



Tuckahoe Turf Farm 401 Myrtle Ave Hammonton. NJ

<u>April 13-14, 2024</u>

Saturday 9AM to Dusk <u>Mass Launches</u> 11am WW I Combat 1pm Blue Ridge Special 3pm Race Planes Combined

#### **TOTF Scale**

Golden Age Combined Modern Military <u>Non-Scale</u> ½ Wakefield \* Jimmy Allen \* Dime Scale Embryo Endurance \*

Scale Glider #

AMA

P - -30 @ CAT. III Rules

# AMA Sanctioned AA event

Sunday 9AM to 5PM

11am WW II Combat

1pm Flying Horde

Low Wing Military Trainer Modern Civilian

Old Time Rubber Combined No – Cal Profile Simplified Scale Jet Catapult # Phantom Flash \* #

Outdoor Catapult Glider #@

#### Notes:

\*Unassisted ROG # Bes

**#** Best 3 of 6 flights

*a* National Cup Event

Fly any event on any day. Please finish an event the same day Entrance Fee: \$10.00. Awards will be mailed post- contest.

There are no formal judged scale events.

PPLC compliance checks on field, Previous PPLC welcomed.

#### **<u>Field Rules</u>** These are important.

Do not drive on the sod with any type of vehicle including bicycles! There are roads along the fields. Please use these to cut down your walk. Park on the road parallel to the field. No camping on the field. Canopies permitted at edge of field next to the road. AMA Membership required to fly More information at www.oldwakefields.com/113221.html

Contest Director:Jerry Litschi wakefieldnut@gmail.comFor more info :wakefieldnut@gmail.com



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## **SAM Events**

<u>A-B-C Cabin and Pylon</u> This is 6 separate events.

20 second Antique

Large and small Rubber Fuselage/ Rubber Stick 4 separate events. Commercial Rubber, OT Replica (.020 and Eclectic), OT Catapult, Rubber Scale, Jimmy Allen, Twin Pusher Mass Launch Saturday 1pm

### **NFFS Events**

1/4A Nostalgia, 1/2A Nostalgia, A Nostalgia, BC Nostalgia

P-30 Rubber, Mulvihill, Andrade, Large and Small Nostalgia Rubber &Vintage Coupe,

E-20, E-36, A Electric Nos., B Electric Nos., Catapult Glider, Classic Towline <u>Field Rules</u> <u>THESE ARE IMPORTANT</u>.

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For more information:Jerry Litschiwakefieldnut@gmail.comENTRY FEE \$10.Awards Certificates will be mailed post contest.

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