

## Mather Site Cleanup Day

Usually New Years Day is our annual unofficial clean-up, but this year, at the suggestion of Dick Lydick, we have decided to designate clean-up days throughout the year so everyone has a chance to do their part, and so our site will get much needed attention all year long.

January 29th, 2000 will be the first official cleanup day for anyone who wants to help. Cleanup will start at 10:00 a.m., and we encourage people to bring their own trash bags. All we are asking for is about 30 minutes of your time to clean up and/or help with repairs or maintenance around the site.

A motion suggested at the January meeting was unanimously approved to reward all people helping to keep our site in tip top shape. For every cleanup you attend and participate in, you will receive (1) raffle ticket good towards prizes at the next month's meeting. After attending four or more cleanups, you will also receive (1) raffle ticket towards our annual Christmas party raffle. (This will be an extra chance at winning a prize in December.)

Upcoming cleanup dates will be announced in the newsletter, all of them the last Saturday of the month. Please, we need your help to keep our site clean and user friendly.

## Upcoming Events Calendar

<u>Events</u>	<u>Contest Director</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Electric	K. Christensen	April-May
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Bee (local)	?	?
4 Cycle	Dick Lydick	?
Bee (Clancy)	?	August
HELO	Tom Raczkowski	October
Cordova Parks & Rec Event (with Barnstormers?)	?	?

## Calling All Volunteers

As you can see, we are still in need of some volunteers for these upcoming events. The more people we have to volunteer, the less work for everyone involved. This is also a good way to get to know your fellow club members. No specific skills are needed, so call today to see how you can help! Contact Mr. President Dave Sullivan @ 452-2930.

## Safety Reminder


As the weather turns foggy and cloudy, we all tend to fly a little closer to the runway. MASM safety officers would like to remind everyone to fly at a safe distance from the runway and pit. Accidents do happen, and everyone needs to leave a little more margin for errors. Thank you for your cooperation and happy flying. :-)

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# Due yourself a favor – Keep those Dues coming!

If you haven't already done so, please send in your membership renewal dues for 2000.

Checks should be made payable to Mather Aerospace Modelers, Inc. and sent to:

MASM  
c/o Dean Raymond  
3378 Irish Mist Way  
Sacramento, CA 95826

## Welcome new members!

We have had three new members join since last November. Please welcome Charlie Dupree, Paul Moenning and Chris Rallens.

Thank you for joining our club and supporting Mather Aerospace Modelers.

Annual dues are \$25 plus \$5 for each immediate family member under the age of 23, living at the same residence. Please send a copy of your AMA card when renewing. Membership in AMA is required for renewal, unless you are a non-flying member.

Dues not received by March 15 will be considered overdue. If you have any questions, please call Dean Raymond at 363-3326.

Approximately 35% of members still have not sent in their dues. Next month's newsletter should have a treasurer's report accounting for all funds received and spent so far this year. We also are planning to send a final and revised membership roster with the March or April newsletter.

Thank you for your support!



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## T-Shirts For Sale

MASM has T-Shirts and hats available for purchase to members and non-members. Support your club and be a proud wearing member.

Dark Blue (old design, various sizes)	8.00
All Other Colors (new design, various sizes)	10.00
Hats	10.00

If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, contact Mr. President Dave Sullivan @ 452-2930.

## Misc. Business

Special guests attending our January meeting were Bob Dickey from Bend, Oregon, and Jim Kendall. New/first time meeting members were J.T. Wilson and Chris Rallens. We would like to extend a warm and hearty welcome to our new MASM members and as a reminder to everyone, feel free to bring a guest to the next meeting.

The president of SAM's flying club attended our January meeting and offered up their web site address for any on-line members who want to learn more about their club. The address is [www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org](http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org).

Speaking of web sites, we know all members of MASM are anxious to see the debut of our new web site. With many apologies, we are still working out some of the bugs, but have hope that by the next meeting we will have a new web address to announce.

At January's meeting another safety issue was expressed. The baskets at the field are in dire need of re-stringing. President Dave requested volunteer/s, and wanted to express many thanks for Rex Williams' help in the past. This job will be funded by MASM, we just need the manpower. Anyone we can recruit?

## Golden Eagle Pile-It Award

We would like to congratulate Ed Sutter who was this month's Golden Eagle Pile-It Award recipient. Ed's Double Trouble was the victim and because we may never get the chance again, we gave him the prize. Ed stated later that he had seen many worse crashes during December and wasn't sure that he was worthy of the honor. That just goes to show you what can happen if you're not at the meeting to defend yourself! We look forward to seeing Ed and his award at the flying site soon.

## Suggestions and Contributions

We would like to hear from you. If you have any comments, pictures or events to report for an upcoming issue, please call Dean or Andrea at 363-3326, or e-mail us at [dnonbsto@aol.com](mailto:dnonbsto@aol.com) with the reference MASM. This is your newsletter, too. Note: Please e-mail all files as uncompressed word or graphic files.

We hope to bring back the monthly swap listings, as well as new member updates, with photos if possible. Your ideas are welcome to facilitate communication within our club.

## Author Unknown

*Contribution by Charlie Dupree.*

During the course of World War II, many people gained fame in one way or another. One man was Butch O'Hare. He was a fighter pilot assigned to an aircraft carrier in the Pacific. One time his entire squadron was assigned to fly a particular mission. After he was airborne, he looked at his fuel gauge and realized that someone had forgotten to top off his fuel tank.

Because of this, he would not have enough fuel to complete his mission and get back to his ship. His flight leader told him to leave formation and return. As he was returning to the mothership, he could see a squadron of Japanese Zeros heading toward the fleet to attack. And with all the fighter planes gone, the fleet was almost defenseless. His was the only opportunity to distract and divert them.

Single-handedly, he dove into the formation of Japanese planes and attacked them. The American fighter planes were rigged with cameras, so that as they flew and fought, pictures were taken so pilots could learn more about the terrain, enemy maneuvers, etc.

Butch dove at them and shot until all his ammunition was gone, then he would dive and try to clip off a wing or tail or anything he could to keep them from reaching the American ships. Finally, the Japanese squadron took off in another direction and Butch O'Hare and his fighter, both badly shot up, limped back to the carrier. He told his story, but not until the film from the camera on his plane was developed did they realize the extent he really went to, to protect his fleet. He was recognized as a hero and given one of the nation's high-test military honors.

And, as you know, O'Hare Airport in Chicago was named after him.

(Stay tuned for a follow up story that will appear in our next newsletter.)

## Show-n-Tell for January

Fred Zealor started out show and tell with a Circa '76 standard box airplane he had hanging in his attic for 18 years, and had only recently flown. When he discovered this relic, he decided to convert it from fuel to electric, the only modification from the original plans was vent holes added front and back for air flow. It is a very unique orange, white and black design which Fred says developed from scraps he had laying around at the time it was built - and he had discovered it is highly visible up in the air. It flies for 6-8 minutes and does some tricks if you really push it. Sorry Fred, didn't catch the name of your fun flying electric.



Dick Lydick brought his one-front-wheel-bee to show to members attending the January MASM meeting. Some of the unique features of this plane (besides just one front wheel) is the very light microfilm covering on the wing. Dick weighed the wing before and after covering and found the difference was only one ounce! 2 lbs., 1 oz is the total weight of the plane topped off with fuel. The light weight and APC prop make this a great plane for flying unlimited vertical. President Dave agreed it was a very fun plane to fly.



Thanks very much for the great show-n-tell guys! You earned your free raffle ticket. We look forward to seeing what shows up in February.

## For Sale/Swap

If you have any items to list for sale or swap, please send or e-mail to:

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(reference MASM)

Deadlines for Sale/Swap listings are the 15th of each month for the next month's newsletter. We can also scan any photos to include with your listing.



Dave displays his 40% Raven



*There was only 1 person listing items for sale this month, Dave Sullivan. He has quite a few items.*

*If you are interested, Please contact Dave at (916) 452-2930.*

### Kits:

Morris hobbies GeeWhiz bee profile. NIB, \$50.

Lanier Double Trouble profile. NIB, \$60.

### Airplanes:

**UltraSport60 with retracts.**  
The plane is ready to fly with a Supertigre 90 w/ tuned pipe.

Radio gear includes a Hitec receiver and JR servos. This plane is fast, and is selling for \$450.00.

**FunBat combat plane,**  
ready for your radio and your OS 15. \$40.00  
Flies good.

### Aerodynamics 40% Raven.

This plane is a beauty! To see some specifics, log on to RC online.com. In the swap shop, look for Giant Scale. You will have to scan through the pages until you find it.

### Motor:

#### YS 61 pumper.

It has rear exhaust and comes with the header. Asking \$150.00 for the motor, which has had less than 1 gallon run thru it.

### Wanted:

Dave Sullivan is looking for a used .46FX. If you have any information please call him at (916) 452-2930.

## Notice Re: Stolen Property

Please be aware of an incident that happened on New Year's day.

I received a phone call, today (Jan 20) from a man named Jack Grant. Jack told me that someone had stolen some plane engines from his home in North Highlands. His landlord said that he had seen a white or tan corolla-type vehicle in front of Jack's house. *If you happen to run into someone who is selling motors matching Jack's description, please call Jack @ 331-5415.*

Jack said the thief/ thieves were kind enough to leave the boxes behind to appear that nothing had been taken. The thieves, didn't take any transmitters or other gear located near the motors. The motors are all out of the box.

- (2) YS 53 motors
- (4) YS 91 motors
- (1) ASP 91 "red head" motor
- (2) OS Gemini 160 motors

One of the boxes for the OS motors had a serial number on it ; (4673) this should be on the motor as well.

- (1) MDS 48 was taken also

This was an unfortunate incident and we should try to help Jack by keeping our eyes open.

Thank You,  
Wm. "D-no" Raymond  
MASM Club Secretary