



The **SENIOR PATTERN ASSOCIATION** *News Letter*

OFFICERS and DIRECTORS

Bruce Underwood—President

Scott Sappington — Vice President

Steve Byrum—Sec/Treas

Ed Hartley — Webmaster

Jamie Strong—C S P

Keith Watson—Appointed

Mickey Walker — FOUNDER EMERITUS

Dedicated to the building, flying and competition of vintage Pattern aircraft

WEB SITE—<http://www.seniorpattern.com>

JULY-AUG 2005

Precision Aerobatics - like the “good-ole-days”

THE PRESIDENTS PERSPECTIVE



Photo at left by

RC UNIVERSE
at

Cave Spring, GA

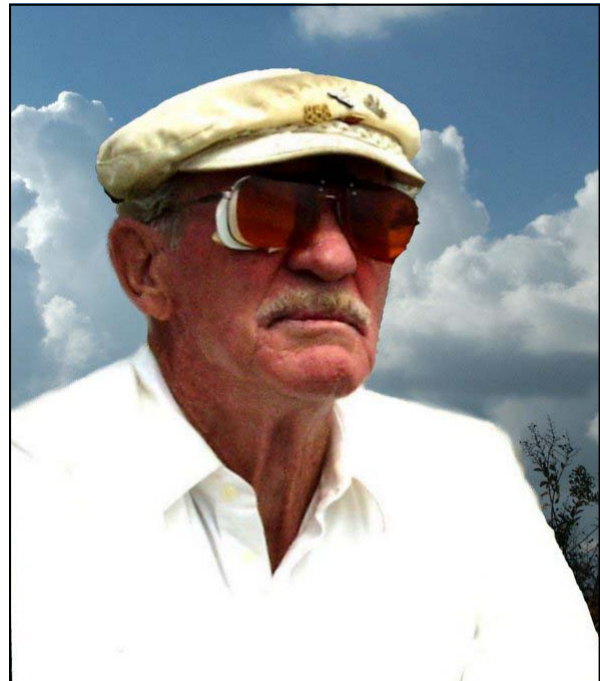
July 09, 2005

RC UNIVERSE Photo
June 9, 2005
Cave Spring, GA

IN THIS ISSUE

Huntsville, AL Contest Report	Pages 4 & 5
BANSHEE Original & later	Page 6
VEEP Sappington’s SPA “PR”	Page 6
Eulogy for DBK—Ralph Jones	Page 2

In MEMORIAM



This issue is especially dedicated to the memory of the late
Darrell B. Kampschorr—SPA # 23 who entered into rest July 1, 2005
(Photo by SPA Webmaster Ed Hartley)

DBK 11/26/29—07/01/2005

2005 SPA contest Schedule

July 23-24 Hotlanta, GA - John Baxter - CD

July 31—Lincoln, NE “Legacy” (SPA-like)

John Willmon—CD - Lincoln Sky Knights

August 27-28 Knoxville, TN - Dennis Hunt - CD

Sept. 17-18 Masters @ Auburn, AL-Rick Helmke - CD

Oct. 8 & 9 Cullman, AL - Steve Byrum - CD

Lots of activity ahead in the 2005 SPA contest season as evidenced by the above schedule. July being GEORGIA month with the COOSA VALLEY FLYERS of Rome, GA resuming the annual contest in Cave Spring at the nice site on the campus of the Georgia School for the Deaf. This years contest there will be the 3rd and should be a “charm”. Chances are this edition will reach your mailbox after the contest in Cave Spring.

John Baxter and PCMA will host the annual HOTLANTA meet on schedule and are gonna repeat the Saturday night gathering at the MEXICAN place. Yum-Yum.



Darrell preparing for flight with his TAURUS at Cullman, AL SPA contest in 2004.



Darrell and Ralph eye the action—Flyin' Buddies



No need for lawn chairs when we have the rear of the nice SUV to rest on between rounds.

Darrell B. Kampschorr, AMA 6878

If you knew Darrell, there is probably little I can tell you that you don't already know about what kind of person he was. If you never met him, then this probably is of little concern. Darrell and I traveled to contests and shared expenses for more than twenty years. First to the old pre-turnaround AMA pattern contests and then more recently, the SPA contests. A lot of hours on the highways that resulted in conversations about most any subject you can imagine. We shared several hobbies/ avocations: photography, coin collecting, and of course, model planes. We were both retired military and both had worked in communications in the service. His experiences were mostly as an officer, but he did serve as enlisted in the beginning.

He grew up in a farming family in Montana. Life wasn't easy, and I think this is what made him so determined in his attitude. Sometimes he seemed a little rough when he ran a contest because he pushed a little harder. I don't know anyone else who could get six rounds of flying in on a Saturday and Sunday contest with 45 contestants and get them on their way home by 3 PM.

He approached model building not so much with a scientific method, but just a desire to get it as close to perfect as he could. He would scratch-build a new plane and paint on a coat of clear to seal the wood from fuel. Then he would fly it a dozen flights and go home and cut the wing and change the dihedral or change the angle of attack on the stab, etc., then repaint the modified sections and go fly it again for another dozen flights. Only when the plane performed like he wanted, would he put the color coats on it. By the time he added his personal color scheme, the plane probably had 30 to 40 flights on it.

He worked hard for the club and whenever there was a need to repair something at the flying field, he was there, even if he was by himself.

He was a man worth knowing, and if we were still in uniform, I'd serve with him anywhere.

Ralph Jones

When Ralph notified me of Darrell's passing, I was just shocked and could only respond:

Most every active pattern flyer in the South (maybe the nation) has been befriended by Mr. Darrell B. Kampschorr of CSRA Flyers in Augusta, GA. Darrell was SPA # 23 and for many years directed the SPA and AMA contests in Augusta, GA.

To simply say "he will be missed" will be understated.....he was such a swell individual, always honest as the day was long with opinions resembling General Patton. I am given to tears of grief that sometime become smiles of recollections when remembering certain events associated with our mutual hobby/sport in years gone by.

One of the fondest memories of Darrell's benevolent make-up was an act of his, not many folks knew about.....at the Pan-AM (substitution for the RC Aerobatic NATS) the year in (was it the Nashville area of Tennessee).....anyway...Darrell presented the top NOVICE pilot with a crisp \$100 bill right out of his pocket. He was that kind of unselfish promoter of our sport/hobby. He would often time spend hours helping pattern pilots better themselves by judging them during practice sessions, before, after and even during National and Regional competitions. He was one of the very first USPJA members and contributors. He was a SUPER modeler.....many times just "scratch building" from wants and inputs demanded by progressing model designs. Many of us active pattern pilots, at one time or other, flew one of his ATLANTA or was it AUGUSTA designs. It is so heartbreaking to even imagine not associating with this good man at coming SPA events. He'll be judging our performance from a judges chair upstairs.....reserving his scores for our performance for presentation upon our re-association "up there".

We suggest a written condolence.....

Mrs. Jo Ann's address is:

Mrs. D. B. Kampschorr
3401 Santa Marie Cr
Augusta, GA 30906,

Bruce Underwood-SPA 15

TOP NOTCH TROPHIES

2044 O'Brig Avenue
Guntersville, AL 35976
(256) 582-0606

topnotchtrophies@bellsouth.net

Trophies for ALL events
Desk Plates – Name Badges
Screenprinting-Banners
Signs --- Embroidery

TNT

for all your awards & Engraving



Authentic 1970's foam and fiberglass kits made from the original molds and by the original fabricator _____

Tony Howard
Howard Engineering
14532 247th Dr SE
Monroe WA 98272-7627
Tony_Howard@comcast.net
360.794.6036

HUNTSVILLE, AL....May 14-15, 2005

Huntsville, AL.....May 14-15, 2005: 23 SPA Pilots spent the week-end Flyin', Funnin' and Fellowshipin' at the Capt. Trey Wilborn Field in Huntsville, AL this weekend.

The weatherman smiled on us for a little over 1/2 of the day on Saturday, then, the predicted thunderstorms curtailed flying for about 2 to 2 1/2 hours. Late Saturday afternoon following two full rounds of SPA contesting....the NSRCA conducted flying exhibitions by Lamar Blair, NSRCA President, and Jim Ivey, member of NSRCA and prominent SPA pilot. After actual demos, the group moved to the modern Chuck Facemire Memorial Clubhouse for "Classroom type" study of both AMA and SPA maneuvers. Blair explained that flyers planning on participating in the AMA Nats must be certified since most will be Contestant Judges there.

Sunday brought a BEAUTIFUL day.....morning clouds allowed an early start which with the limited use of SUNSPOTS for the early part of the day allowed two good rounds in all classes and three for Novices. This brought the total to four rounds for all classes except NOVICES who flew 5 rounds. Incidentally, there were 7 NOVICES, 4 of which, flew in their FIRST SPA contest.

It was an almost unbelievable success story of "Hard LUCK" to WINNING for Novice Champ Julian Jaramillo of Marietta, GA.....1st time competitor and member of the "on the Ball" PCMA flyers from the Peach State. Julian, crashed his beautiful ARF on Saturday early for which he received the HARD LUCK trophy....then, thanks to the benevolence and courtesy of fellow PCMA clubbers (more reps from PCMA participated in the Huntsville contest than any other club on the circuit)...he was loaned an airplane by, Bob Bixby, (I think it was Bob's airplane)...and managed to WIN the hotly contested Novice Class. What a story.....there'll be lots of stories surrounding this victory relived on the circuit. When Julian was presented the HARD LUCK award early in the Ceremony, he was humbly grateful.....but, It isn't very often you see the sincere gratitude expressed like Julian did when he was announced the winner of the class. You could detect small tears of gratitude as he almost yelled out in broken English....."thank you, thank you Sir....I wish thank-you to Mr. Bob Bixby and wife". Its' times such as this.....that you folks in PCMA who coached and worked with Julian.....can swell with PRIDE....for your efforts in recruiting new participants in our Sport/ hobby.....Ya'll done GOOD !

Special thanks to three modelers who shared in judging chores allowing many of our pilots more freedom to fellowship. They were Ray Craig of Anniston, AL, Bill Collins of Guntersville, AL and Bill Harden of Decatur, AL.

Oh, in addition to the HARD LUCK trophy, another special award was the PRETTIEST BIRD award.....won by Berry Roper of the PCMA club. His handsome Daddy-Rabbit with the air-force markings was voted the prettiest.



Julian's "rekit" in Round One



Wendell Julian Dean Matthew First contest

These guys flew their FIRST SPA contest in Huntsville.



Witts' pain eased by nice ride from Art Azlin

HUNTSVILLE RESULTS

Senior Expert

1. Ed Hartley 2978
2. Keith Watson 2963
3. Jim Ivey 2897

Expert

1. Cass Underwood 3000
2. Jamie Strong 2901
3. Robbie Walker 1671
4. Steve Byrum 89

Sportsman

1. Bill Kite 3000
2. Jon Lowe 2868
3. Scott Sappington 2848
4. Joe Holton 2834
5. Phil Spelt 2791
6. Berry Roper 2638
7. Jim Slocum 2272
8. Bob Bixby 2233
9. Don Peck 694

Novice

1. Julian Jaramillo 3955
2. Tony Coberly 3932
3. Matthew Weaver 3888
4. Wendell Cornelius 3759
5. Warren Tomme 3729
6. Dean Siems 3697
7. Rhea Starnes 3012



Ken Nix at left shown calling flight order in Huntsville, AL.

Mrs. Nancy Nix made sure all contestants were fed well at lunch on Saturday at no cost to the contestants. Lunch was "on the house". Thanks Mrs. Nancy for the great job.

-0-

CD - Ken Nix

More photos from Huntsville, AL



Several of the above photos from Huntsville, AL were shot and submitted by Joe Holton of PCMA. Many thanks Joe.

RCRC's facilities, with that delightful Air Conditioned Club house is one of the best in the USA. GREAT CONTEST !

Built back in 1978— Banshee



This nice looking BANSHEE belongs to Ron Underwood SPA Pilot and member who resides in Amelia Island, FL. Ron says this beauty is powered by a Super Tiger Blue Head 60. Sparks many memories, doesn't it? Ron says it was built by Roger Kersey from a J & J kit. The finish is Aluminum Grip which is a two part aircraft paint and the white is just as white as it was in 1978.

I got the airplane from my wife's cousin, Curtis Mees in Atlanta. He thought it would be perfect for Senior pattern being flown by a Senior flier. Haven't flown it yet, but I have the engine running pretty well so will be airborne soon. Regards to all.....**Ron Underwood**



Jim Martin, Bloomfield, N.J., has been a finalist in the past five National Contests, winning 3rd place in 1971. For the RC Masters he'll be entering his own design "Banshee" having a wingspan of 63".

**Jersey Jim & BANSHEE
1972 USA TEAM SELECTION
in Huntsville, ALABAMA**

This Black and white photo I "scanned" and lifted from my Souvenir Program of the 1972 MASTERS Team Selection during which I was doing the audio bit of the film being shot by AMA and Jay Gerber in Huntsville. (Ed)

SPA VP Scott CD's "Fun-Fly"



Scott firing up his OS 91 4 Stroke before demonstration of SPA pattern maneuvers for Cartersville, GA RC Flyers.



Scott obtained a CD's license from AMA to Direct this Fun-Fly event in Cartersville, GA on May 21st. Excellent PR for SPA very near the birthplace of our organization.

I had a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate our "sport" to a group of flyers near Cartersville GA. The event was the Taildraggers RC Club first AMA sanctioned event with 14 participants and was a Fun Fly. The field has incredible pattern possibilities with a wide open area associated with a 600' grass strip. I demonstrated the Novice and Sportsmen patterns as well as one-on-one discussions with those in attendance and seemed to spark some interest. Copies of our call sheets were left with the club. Future plans are to get back together prior to the Cave Springs event in July for a more focused training session allowing the pilots to work through the patterns with SPA members from the Paulding County Modelers Association. It was a great time sharing the fun. Looking forward to the July events!!!!

Scott

Shades of Ed Kazmirski



Good looking pair of Taurus models. One in foreground built and owned by new SPA member Duane Wilson, Pharmacist at the VA Medical Center in Ashville, North Carolina. Rear one owned by Jeff Petroski of Home and Hobby Solutions, Inc. Jeff is introducing a new Taurus replica kit he calls the PRIMUS. The kit sells for \$165 and comes with major hardware, hollowed-out top block, canopy, etc. All parts are laser-cut and plans are included. You can reach Jeff at: jjpetro@comporium.net <mailto:jjpetro@comporium.net>



This shot of the Taurus on landing approach was made by a “Pro” model magazine photographer on the model’s initial “trim” flight during the May VR/CS “fly-in” which was held near Raleigh. Good camera work, indeed.

There are currently 3 very informative Taurus threads online, (especially one three pages long that discuss the Taurus, mods to the Taurus and Kazmirski’s later designs taking proportional radio into account. See the SILMA on P 3—84” span) under the R/C UNIVERSE “forum” section—listed under Vintage and Antique.

Thanks and I hope to meet SPA folks in July.

Duane Wilson



Screen printed Poly-Cotton shirts in a light weight denim material with SPA emblem.
S-M-L-XL \$25 XXL +\$5
topnotchtrophies@bellsouth.net

NEWPORT NEWS, VA CONTEST

June 11, 2005

Yes we were able to hold the contest on the 11th. The weather was fine, albeit a bit hot and of course the winds played their typical tricks on us as it was contest day. (About half way through the contest we had to switch the direction of the pattern as the winds shifted about). We flew both the Novice and Sportsman patterns and everyone got to fly 4 rounds each. The competition was quite intense I must say. I have included a picture of the winners of the day. As you are looking at the picture, their names (left to right) are: Joe Mitchell, 3rd in Novice; Phil Goodwin, 2nd in Novice; Dave Fisk, 1st in Novice; Owen Dwire, 1st in Sportsman; and John Backes 2nd in Sportsman. John Backes is the president of a neighboring club (Colonial Virginia Aeromodelers in Williamsburg) and we have had many fine competitions over the years. I must say John has won most of them so it was quite satisfying to come out on top this time.

We are continuing to generate more and more interest in the SPA event. I believe one of the main attractions is that the cost of the airplanes is within the reach the average flier.

Owen Dwire—CD



Senior Pattern Association Membership Application

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Phone () _____

City-State-Zip _____

AMA Number _____ Club affiliation _____

Membership Dues \$20.00 Make Check payable to Senior Pattern Association. Mail to:

Steve Byrum
1326 3rd St. SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

Bruce Underwood
1412 Patterson Street
Guntersville, AL 35976

