



# The Propwash

The Monthly Newsletter of the San Antonio Prop Busters  
Academy of Model Aeronautics, Chartered Club Number 1227

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**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday**  
**October 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**2015**

**7:00 PM IHOP**  
**14424 San Pedro Ave**  
Google Coordinates:  
29.57312, -98.47847

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OF 281**  
**Between Bitters and  
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Turnaround  
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**Scale Masters  
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**Monaville Tx** <sup>(182)</sup>  
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**Ice House Fly-In**  
**Rockdale Tx** <sup>(113)</sup>  
Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>  
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**WarBirds over  
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**Houston Tx** <sup>(197)</sup>  
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**Date:** 9/1/2015, 7:04 PM

The meeting of the Prop Busters was called to order by Charles Strang, at IHOP, 14424 San Pedro Ave, just north of Bitters on 281.

**Visitors:** **John Witteman**, a potential new member!

The August meeting minutes were approved without revision.

**President:** Charles welcomed everyone and reminded all to check their batteries and drink lots water.

**Vice President/Safety Officer:** Bob reminded all to fly safe and keep your fingers out of the prop.

**Secretary:** Terry no comment.

**Treasurer:** Jim reported the various expenses, income, and account balances for August. If you need details contact Jim. He presented a preliminary budget for next year. He will go over it again at the next meeting.

**Early Bird Raffle:**

**Lee Moore** – Fuel

**Don Gray**-\$10 Gift Card

**Membership:** Rick reported that all delinquent members voted out last meeting were in fact dropped because of non-payment. Rick introduced **John Witteman** as a possible new member. John explained that he had started flying small electrics on his own and had a few repairable crashes. He added gyro stability to his plane and it helped him not only in flight but with the landings. He was looking forward to getting some instruction so he could move on with confidence. He

had already become a AMA member. He has visited our Somerset field with Rick helping him out and chose to join Prop Busters. With application and dues in hand, John's membership was unanimously approved. We look forward to seeing him at the field.

**Newsletter:** Standing order for the newsletter is that free ads and articles of interest for the newsletter need to be submitted by members to **John Gardner** by the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Web Editor**

**Robert Jarzombek** has been updating the club website. The website includes the **Flying Regs, Procedures, FOR SALE items, Newsletters, and Events. Check it out!**

**Old Business:**

**Emergency Info Sign: Charles** assembled emergency information for **Somerset field** that includes field address, GPS coordinates, nearest emergency room/hospital (with directions/map), fire department, and police. He will post several copies at the field, so in the event it is needed; a copy can be taken along for directions to the nearest hospital. **Bob Severance can likely get info for San Geronimo Airport.)**

**Entry Road:** Gate-to-gate road work was tabled at the last meeting. At this meeting, Jim recommended that we hold off on pursuing road maintenance until 2016 because of the relatively low current balance in 2015 operating funds. He also mentioned that he had found a nearby source of recycled asphalt paving. This material is understood to be ground up roadway asphalt. It

is priced at \$260 for 20 tons. He still needs to find a trucking source to move the material.

**Equipment Access: It is important to keep the tractor shed locked.** At this time, mowing and the like will be carried out by selected members to better control use and maintenance of the equipment.

**New Business:**

**Field Maintenance: Jim** noted that the Sustala's water bill for the line that services the restroom was \$116 when it is normally around \$50. During the last month, one of our glue joints of the underground plumbing to the restroom let go and water ran unchecked until the supply was cut off and the plumbing repaired. On the basis of past bill Jim recommended that the club approve a payment \$60 to the Sustala's for the difference. The motion to that effect was approved.

**MODEL OF THE MONTH:**

**Ray Murry** described his swap meet purchase of plans and foam board for an electric plane. He showed his foam board plane that he cut out and assembled with epoxy and foam glue. He plans to add some carbon fiber elements to stiffen the wings. It was almost ready for installation of all the necessary hardware to make it air-worthy. **Ray won model of the month.**

**SHOW AND TELL: Lee Moore**

brought in his 1/16 scale model of a Sopwith Camel. The model is a scale skeleton with most all the intricate components of the full scale plane. Lee spent 3 month of dedicated effort to build the plane. Lee carved

the propeller himself. The nine cylinder engine alone had over 100 parts, many internal. The nine cylinder engine literally rotates around the crankshaft fixed to the firewall, same as the actual plane.



**CRASH DUMMY:** None.

**The Raffle:**

- Bob Severance**-Fuel, \$20 gift card
- Lloyd Roecker**-MonoKote, epoxy
- Ray Murry**-Sanding bar, straight edge
- Robert Jarzombek**- Sticks, canopy
- Charles Strang**-CA thk, CA thin
- Rick Storm**-Wheels
- Terry Ullman**-Fuel tubing
- Dave Gell**-Foam
- Don Gray**-CA
- Gary Sustala**-Canopy

Adjourned 8:05 PM  
Submitted by Secretary: Terry Ullman

**Membership Notes**

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*Need a membership list?  
e-mail me and I'll send you a fresh one.*

**NEED AN INSTRUCTOR? Call Me,**

We have two new members.

John C (JACK) Witteman joined SAPB at the September meeting. Jack is and has chosen to reengage with RC flying electrics. He is a little rusty after having not flown for many years. His aircraft are using pilot assist technology and it seems to be working quite well for him most of the time.

Dany Realpe will be officially voted in at the October Meeting as the newest member of San Antonio Propbusters. Dany is quite an international flyer. The US is the 4<sup>th</sup> country he has flown in. His comment about Somerset was that it is just like every other country he has flown in. The same pole shade structure, the same rules, the same layout, the same camaraderie. It just goes to show that model aviation is the same regardless of international boundaries.

The following SAPB members have birthdays in October.

<u>Day of Birth</u>	<u>Member Name</u>
4	Matt D. Mathison
18	Brian Caples
21	Romeo Gutierrez-Batista
24	Chad Skeeters
24	Emiliano J Escalante
28	Lloyd L. Roecker
28	Clifton Alton Stewart III
31	Leland A Moore

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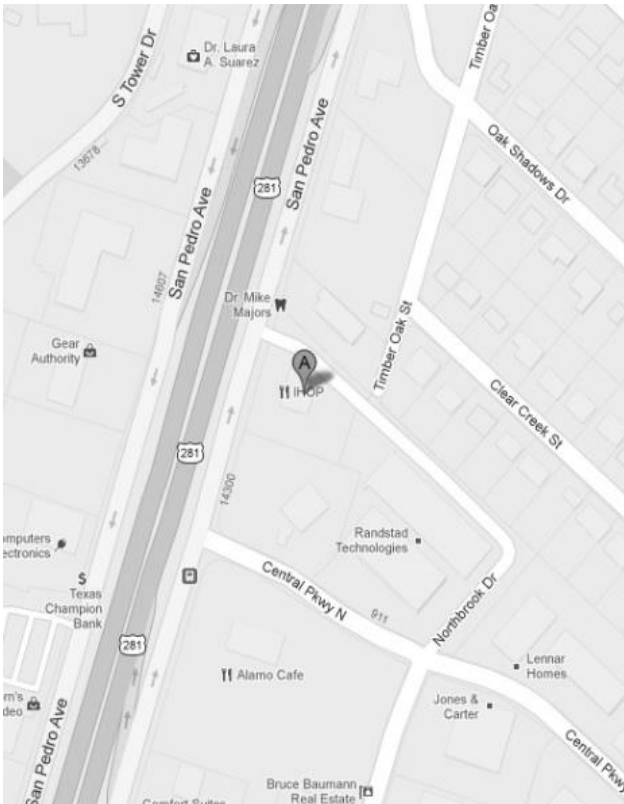
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**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**7:00 PM at IHOP on San Pedro**  
**See Map at Left**



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**Von Ormy, Tx 78073**  
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