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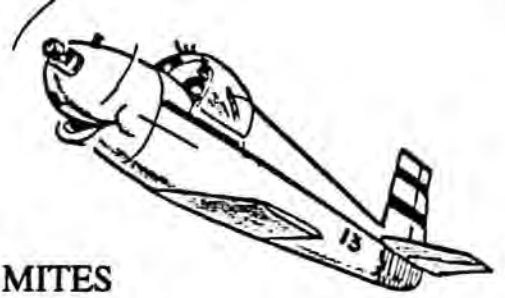


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Late summer at Columbia Calif. was our 21st annual Mooney Mite flyin for the three days of 22, 23, & 24 August this year. We had two long distant runners fly in to the event from the state of Washington, Mal Gross and Gil Gilbert. Gil, usually attends every year, rarely misses. Mal Gross is an EAA director (we are priviledged to have him in WAMM) of which he has been a great contributor of his talents since joining! Others in attendance were myself, Ben Favrholt, Gerald Jerry, Tim Lucero, (also a regular attendee), Pat Moran, Garry Gramman (a regular), Red Farmer, Robert Katz and Bill Vandersande. As always the group had fun with camping as well as hangar flying. We had pizza & beer /wine bust one night, and a very nice dinner at a mining town of Columbia restaurant the last nite. Great clean fun for all!!! We tried to keep the mites flying during the event.....

The spring get-together will be held in Porterville, Calif. as always on the following dates....14th, 15th, & 16th of May 1999. Recall that the event takes place the week-end after mother's day. The late summer yearly flyin will probably be held at Benton airport near Redding Calif. Details on this sometime later. The EAA chapter there may help wth needed information for accommodations. The dates for that gathering will be the week-end before the labor day holiday; 27th, 28th, & 29th of August 1999.

The Golden West EAA flyin held at the closed Castle Air Force base near Merced Calif. was a great success for the first session. However, the attempt to have numerous mites showup did not pan out due to personal commitments by those that were to attend. We shall try again next year.

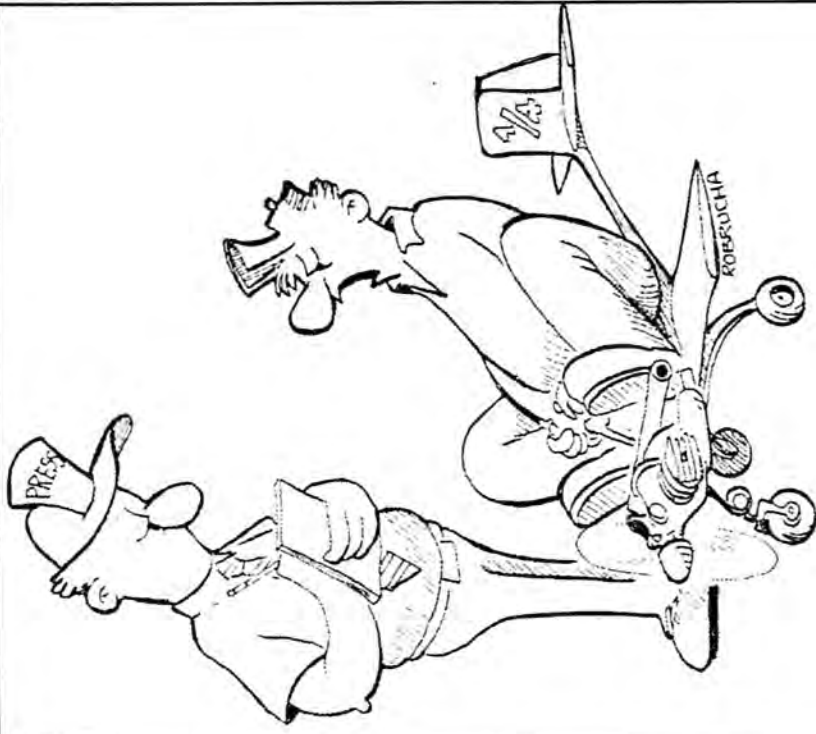
Remember mite owners, Fred Schmidt of Camden Ohio has miscellaneous parts for our great planes. The phone numbers is 937-452-3230! Give him a call.

Ted Teach of Ohio lead a great eastern WAMM flyin last May.....so eastern mite owners, call Ted at 937-233-7257 at home to work with him or others to possibly have another gathering this year with someone else running the event responsibilities.

Mal Gross sent me an internet copy of the Bryce Boylan mite accident of 9 July 1996. The problems related by NTSB reports add up to either carb heat or a fuel transfer problem. Bryce was seriously injured but survived the incident in the mite that day. He was flying in VFR conditions at 2000 ft when the engine problems caused lost power, so the pilot attempted a landing on a road, his only option! The message here is to monitor carb icing potential during flight at all times. It happened to me on a warm day when one is not thinking of carb icing. Be alert!!! Fly safely!!!

Another great year draws to a close to reflect upon our past of the great times we had together. These years go by rather rapidly, I'm afraid. However, so the world turns and tempis fugit (time flies)....another holiday season is upon us; whereby Wamm extends a warm healthy holiday greeting to all and may Santa Claus bring you great goodies for you and your mooney mite! Also the best to your FAMILIES. This newsletter may arrive after Christmas, if so, WAMM hopes all went well for the holiday..... Happy New Year with many, many safe flights in your 'mighty mite' for 1999! Remmember to keep the mites flying.

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