



Scale Squadron of Southern California

# SCALE DIMENSION



**Save the Date!** Warbirds and Classics for 2025 is confirmed! **June 27 to 29, 2025** Event Details Coming Soon



Anand Patel Gets in some Stick Time with his Dragon Lady—Photo Posted by Brian Young

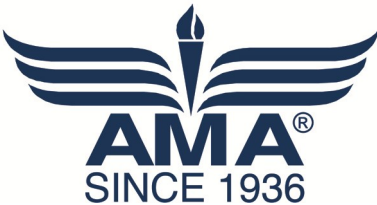


Tim Cardin Attends Winter Warbirds—More Pics and Details Page 3



OCMA Safety Meeting—Huge Turnout! - February Make-Up day for those still needing their Badge, Sticker, And/or Key is this weekend Feb 16. Same day as our Squadron Flying Day!

**OCMA PARTICIPATING CLUB    FOUNDERS/SUPPORTS US SCALE MASTERS    AMA CHARTER CLUB 1520**



## February Commander's Message

*Squadron Members, Friends,*

I'm happy to say we have a Newsletter again. We have some big shoes to fill. Eric P and Pano C had made some beautiful newsletters for the club over the last few years! Frankly, we were very very lucky to have them contribute so much! Today, we're back in the swing of a monthly newsletter and we'll build it together over the next few issues. If you have content, pics, suggestions, requests for the newsletter, please let me know!

2025 Renewals are strong and I'm hoping we can grow our membership this year. We have so much to offer, I'm sure there's other modelers who would enjoy Scale Modeling with us. Tell your modeling friends about what we're doing these days! For those who signed up for 2025, THANK YOU! I hope with the events this year your membership and participation feels worthy.

OCMA membership. We are a VERY active club at OCMA and most of our members fly there. If you haven't renewed your OCMA for 2025 or have but need to go to a safety meeting, now's your chance! This weekend the 16th is the "make up day". And I hope you do register so you can fly and participate in the Squadron Flying Days monthly.

Lastly—Warbirds and Classics date is set. We're working on a volunteer list and we'll be asking you to handle specific jobs at the event. Set aside June 27-29! We're hoping for an All Hands on Deck event, thus making it all easy to handle for everyone.

We'll see you at the meeting!

-Mike Greenshields

Commander

Commander@scalesquadron.com

## Squadron Event Schedule

General Meetings—2nd Monday of Each Month

Flying Day—Sunday following the Meeting

AZ Warbirds and Classics Sun Valley Flyers - March 13-16, 2025

[https://www.rcnation.com/event.cfm?event\\_id=8564](https://www.rcnation.com/event.cfm?event_id=8564)

OCMA Spring Swapmeet—March 29, 7am

California Super Show and Swap Shop, Pomona Fairplex—April 12-13—If you want to sell at the event, please contact Mike Amato 949-292-8027 urgently while there's still space.

Warbirds and Classics—June 27-29, 2025

Squadron OCMA UnContest—October 18, 2025 (We may move this, TBA)

USSMA 2025 Champs—Hemet, CA—October 23-26

OCMA Toy Drive—Dec 6

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### **2025 Squadron Board of Directors**

**Mike Greenshields—Commander**

**Randy Wilbur—Exec Officer**

**Tim Cardin—Treasurer**

**Joni Whitsitt—Secretary**

**Board Members At Large—**

**Joe Trama**

**Ed McCormick**

**Larry Wolfe**

**Contact: commander@scalesquadron.com**



## EVENTS

### Winter Warbirds—From Tim Cardin’s Facebook Post:

Just got home from Winter Warbirds in Phoenix hosted by the Sun Valley Flyers. What an amazing event, three days of incredible aircraft expertly flown by pilots getting down to business! This was the 14th WW event and I've only missed one, the first. This one topped them all. I hardly sat down for three days and only flew once because I was too busy checking everything out and watching the show. I only wish I took more pictures and video but too busy soaking it all in and visiting with my friends. Can't hardly wait for the Arizona Warbirds and Classics 2025 in March!

[https://www.rcnation.com/event.cfm?event\\_id=8564](https://www.rcnation.com/event.cfm?event_id=8564)



### Navigators at OCMA Bob Swenson Field! (OCMA Board)

Many thanks to Henry Smith & Joni Whitsitt for laying the groundwork for yesterday’s event! OCMA, with help from Harbor Soaring Society, OCRCC & Scale Squadron members hosted R/C flight introduction and flight training for 20+ Navigators and their parents. There were many flight demonstrations as our group organized everything from EDF’s in formation, big gassers to high speed EDF’ Jet giving a good representation of activities at the field.

Dave Kadonoff gave R/C flight introduction and basic flight instruction to the group. HSS set up a flight simulator under the canopies easily powered with our Solar Generator so the youngsters could get a basic feel for R/C flying and the fun commenced.

Thanks to many members there was no shortage of buddy box trainers and instructors. With as many as six trainers in the air everyone got as much time of the sticks as they wanted.

We finished off with BBQ Hamburgers and Hot Dogs for everyone.

It was a wonderful day thanks to the help of OCMA members from just about all the member clubs. Too many to name them all as I am certain I would leave someone out.

The Navigators were excited, well behaved and a pleasure to mentor on this scale. I am certain that a number of them, parents included have been bitten by the R/C bug. Good exposure is what our hobby needs and received this day.

Thank you everyone for your help and support, we presented a great hobby in a friendly and helpful environment at a beautiful air field. We look forward to another training session.

OCMA BoD



# MONTHLY MEETING NIGHT

**MONDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 10, 2025**  
**7:00pm**

## **THE FEBRUARY 2025 MEETING IS ON!**

Things are hopping with the Squadron and you don't want to miss this chance to get up to speed on the latest. We have local scale events coming up (including our own **Warbirds & Classics**), Squadron field trips planned, projects under way, and *new members!* If you've been looking for a reason to start coming to the meetings, look no farther. Come on out, bring a project, and bring a friend. You'll be glad you did.

Keep in mind that visitors are always welcome so don't be shy about bringing someone. And remember that anyone with *anything* for **Show & Tell** will receive a Christmas raffle ticket.

Meeting location is the **Green Valley Adult Clubhouse**. The address is:

**17250 Los Jardines West  
Fountain Valley,**

### **Directions from the South:**

- From I-405 North, exit at Euclid
- Turn **Left** onto Euclid at the offramp
- Turn **Left** onto Slater
- Go *past Los Jardines East*
- Turn **Right** at the light onto **Los Jardines West**

The Clubhouse is on the right about a half block past the school on the left.

### **Directions from the North:**

- From I-405 South, exit at Brookhurst North
- Merge onto Brookhurst and turn **Right** onto Slater
- Turn **Left** onto **Los Jardines West**

The Clubhouse is on the right about a half block past the school on the left.



# WHO WE ARE

## Advancing & Promoting the Hobby of Remotely Controlled Scale Miniature Aircraft

Many people from all walks of life find it fascinating to produce a miniature working replica of a full-size object, be it a doll house, sailing ship, or operating steam locomotive. In our case it is our passion for flying machines that motivates Scale Squadron members.

Today as scale modelers we pursue nearly every possible aviation subject with the confidence that not only will our project be successful, but that it may well outperform that of its full-scale counterpart.

Squadron members delight in the pursuit of authenticity for scale projects. This requires research and documentation of specific aircraft and their variants.

Many of the flying replicas thus created are of Museum Quality and our members take to the skies with these flying miniatures regularly and successfully.

On the other hand, not everyone wants to make a scale masterpiece. That's OK, too! Whatever pleases you is what counts. Whether you are kitbashing, volunteering at charity aviation events, or making molds from scratch for Scale Masters or AMA National Championship competition scale aircraft, Scale Squadron is a club that embraces all facets of scale aviation R/C modeling and the related community.

Scale Squadron Club Meetings are held on the

**second Monday of each month at:**

Green Valley Adult Clubhouse  
17215 Los Jardines West  
Fountain Valley, CA.

Meetings start at **7:00PM** and last about 2 hours.

Our meetings throughout the year include the usual club business as well as Member Show & Tell, Modeling How-Tos, Aviation and Industry presentations, and good ol' time social gathering to help enlighten and encourage our membership to push the boundaries in the art of Miniature Aircraft Replication. Visitors are always welcome. All members and visitors alike are encouraged to bring their latest scale models and projects!





# JOIN US!

## Membership Requirements

Membership in the Scale Squadron is open to all Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) members who are interested in safe formal and informal flying, including the research, building, and flying of Scale R/C Miniature Aircraft.

Membership Annual Dues are \$30.00 covering January 1 through December 31. Membership begins after verification of your current AMA membership card, your FAA Small UAS Certificate of Registration, and receipt of Scale Squadron membership dues.

The Scale Squadron Board reserves the right to deny or delay new membership approval.

## Membership Benefits

Membership in the Scale Squadron includes:

- ♦ A subscription to the *Scale Dimension* monthly online newsletter.
- ♦ Squadron membership card and name tag.
- ♦ Advance notice of scale aircraft events.
- ♦ Annual Holiday Banquet for members and one guest.

## Membership Meetings

Meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7:00pm. The December meeting includes the Annual Holiday Banquet and raffle drawings for anyone who presented a topic at any of the monthly meetings.

See the *Who We Are* section of this issue for details on the meeting location.

## How to Join

If all this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, you can join us in a couple ways:

1. See the last page of this issue for a membership application. Fill out the form and submit it along with the required supporting documents.
2. Use the [Online Form](#) on the Squadron's website to provide basic information and pay the membership dues. A copy of the online form will be sent to you via email. Print this out and submit it with the required supporting documents.

## How to Submit Your Application

All membership application submissions must include:

- ♦ A hard copy of the membership application form
- ♦ If the membership dues were not paid online then include a check for \$30.00 made payable to "Scale Squadron." Dues are not prorated if you join after January 1.
- ♦ A photocopy of your AMA membership card
- ♦ A photocopy of your FAA Small UAS Certificate of Registration

Mail these to:

**Scale Squadron Membership**  
PO Box 8074  
Fountain Valley, CA 92728

You will receive your membership card and instructions for how to obtain your key to the OCMA field by return mail in about a week.



# SCALE SQUADRON OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



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NEW  RENEWAL  Recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Ext \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_  
AMA# \_\_\_\_\_ FAA \_\_\_\_\_ USSMA \_\_\_\_\_ FCC/Ham \_\_\_\_\_ EAA \_\_\_\_\_

### MODELING INFORMATION

Years in R/C \_\_\_\_\_ Modeling Level: New  Intermediate  Expert  Need Help   
Interest Area: WW1  WWII  Golden Age  Civilian  Vintage  Jets   
Private or Commercial Pilots License & Type Rating \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you interested in Scale Competition? Yes  No  Would Require Assistance   
How did you hear about the Scale Squadron? \_\_\_\_\_

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Meeting Preferences. Check all areas that you would like to see at the monthly meetings

How To  Videos  Guest Speakers  Scale Techniques  Scale Contest Prep

Your Ideas \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be willing to assist at Scale Squadron Events? Yes  No  Maybe with Help

Registration  Gate  Flight Line  Judging  Scoring  Cooking

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: This information is only for the Scale Squadron Data Base and will not be shared or sold to any outside agencies. Your information may be used in a Scale Squadron Membership Guide available only to paid members.