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Can you believe it! Here we are at the end of summer and you are reading the September issue of the Warbird Newsletter. In a little while all you WW 1 guys will be heading to the Rhinebeck Jamboree and hopefully, we'll be seeing some new pix from some of you to show off those great



biplanes and triplanes! I really enjoy going to the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, it is like the final act for the warbird season! At least it feels that way here in New England with all the great Autumn colors exploding from the tree branches. I am sure many of you have already heard that the French Nieuport 11 Bebe crashed during a show this past summer, so I won't dwell

on the subject. Let's just hope the pilots heals up fast and that the aircraft gets rebuilt!

And talking about WW 1 biplanes, let start this issue of TWN with a great looking Sopwith Pup sent in by Kevin Shaw.

A Pup in the Grass

Kevin, that talented guy behind those great hand-painted pilot figures available from ZombiPilots, did a great job turning the Balsa USA 1/4-scale Sopwith Pup into a really nice competition machine. Here's what Kevin has to say. "I was very disappointed with



Coming **Events**

Sept. 11-12, 2005 Rhinbeck RC Jamboree

TRIPLE TREE AERODROME Doug Imes, 864-268-8745 dougimes@yahoo.com

Sept. 15-17, 2005 2nd Annual WARBIRDS OVER **CAROLINA**

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WARBIRDS OVER MONTGOMERY GIANT SCALE FLY-IN

RAMMs Club Field Gene Hannah, (334)215-7450 gmhannah2@charter.net

October 14-15 WARBIRDS OVER VIRGINIA **GIANT SCALE FLY-IN**

Gretna, VA Rod Jaeger (434)384-5552 rocketman368@msn.com

Oct. 28-29 WARBIRDS OVER NORTH CAROLINA **GIANT SCALE FLY-IN**

> the West Hickory Aero Club Steve Parsons SParsons@ethanalleninc.com

> > October 29th:

2nd annual Fighter Town U.S.A.

Bay City Flyers field Land O' Lakes, Fl. Jim Slaughter jim@slaughter.org

Nov 18-19

WARBIRDS OVER FLORIDA **GIANT SCALE FLY-IN**

This great shot was sent in by Kevin Shaw and it was taken this past July at the WOD event! It's a great takeoff moment of Kevin's Me-163 Komet as its booster rocket lit off and the wheels are falling away! The 1/4-scale Me-163 has an 82" wingspan and is all built up balsa and ply from Jim Kheil plans. It has a Magnum 1.08 XL up front and a ACA G-40 rocket in the back supplying up to 28lbs. of thrust! Great **Shot Kevin!**



Blasting Off at the 2005 Warbirds over Delaware

the kit's outline and attention to detail. I made extensive modifications and kit bashed it to get it's outline more satisfying. Since building it I have been adding some details while keeping it flying. It has a Zenoah G-38 swinging a 20x8

scimitar prop with Futaba gear working the pullpull control linkages. It has a B&B smoke system and independent bungee

undercarriage. It has a Mick Reeves aluminum cowl and fin decal with accessories from Williams Bros. I think that's it. I hope you like it." Kevin, you

did a great job indeed!

Rich's LC-126

Our good buddy from that sunny state of Florida Rich Uravitch sent in a nice shot of his newest project, an LC-126

Cessna done up in a colorful military C-195 scheme. Here's what Rich as to report. Although I did design a .40 powered C-195, this one is an all-composite giant made in limited numbers, available through 3W Motoren in



Germany. I "built" it and chose the LC-126 Air Force scheme thinking I might fly it at some of the Warbird meets but I've decided that it's really not my idea of of what I want in a Warbird--not enough fire and brimstone! It is, however, a rather impressive model with excellent quality moldings. Specs are: 118" span, 91" long, and 39 lbs. I used PPG

basecoat color but got rid of the model before I did the subtle weathering I had planned which would have been followed with a satin clear coat. It's equipped with a 3W 140i twin. It is now with Frankie T. and can be seen on his web site for sale--at a bargain price too!! Best regards, Rich

Turbine Jet 4-Sale

DISCOVERY Jet and FTE T-500, ready to fly. \$2580 Includes: \$2300 FTE T-500 Brand new, never run, \$60 BVM air trap, \$60 3300mah battery, \$50 fuel container & pumper, \$35propane filler \$75 electric brake with electronic switch. The Discovery Jet is completely built, MonoKoted, flight tested with 40 flights. Has very minor damage already repaired, air-





frame, all hardware, tank, wheels, turbine installed, hooked up, all wired. Without servos.

This is the airplane featured in the April 2005 issue of *Model Airplane News*.

Specs: Fuselage 15.5 lbs.

Wing 6.5 lbs. Total 22 lbs.
1370 sq. ins. wing area 37 ozs/sq ft. wing loading.

Servos, 5 Hitec digital

HS5625MG, on ailerons, elevators, and rudder. 3 Hitec

HS475HB, on flaps and nose wheel. and y-harness extension cables in wing. Leave them in

the airplane, if desired, \$350. Can't ship, but will deliver anywhere in New Jersey. Dick Sarpolus 732-747-9190 rsarpolus2@comcast.net Email me for more pictures.

Full-size Mitchells

And to wrap things up, we have some more great full-size warbird pictures from Norman Feltwell of the UK. Norm sent in these great shots of the B-25 mitchell medium bomber. According to him, if they inspire any of our readers to get hot on a lingering project, then he's pleased to share them with us. Please enjoy them and, if you have any info on full-size aircraft or a modeling project, of course let me know!

So, until next time, enjoy the rest of the summer and please, fly safe!

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