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THE BIG TURKEY SHOOT!

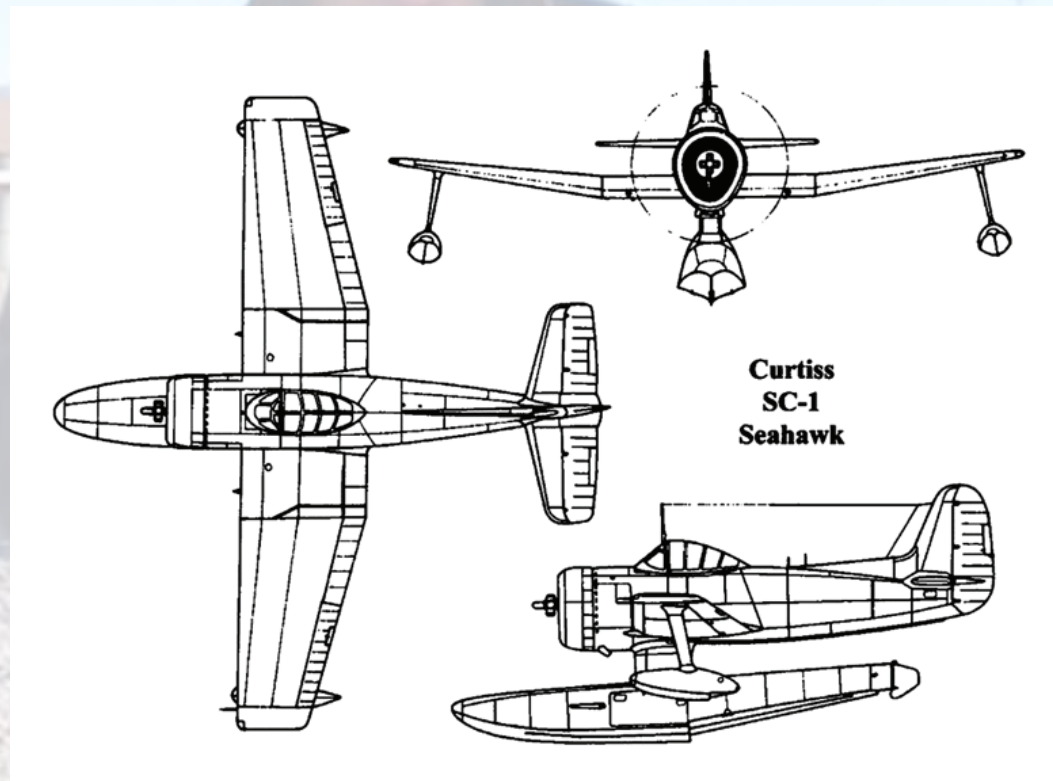
GET THOSE SKIS READY, WINTER IS ON THE WAY!

Its that time of year again, the days of turkey, stuffing, and pumpkin pie are upon us. Last weekend we were blessed with stunning weather and light winds for the Annual 'Turkey Shoot' hosted by Paul Ciotti, and what an event it was! Although my own aircraft and Paul's 'Shrek' were casualties of the action, it was one for the books, a great load of FUN! Let's all get out there as often as we can on the occasional days of good weather and be thankful for the outstanding year that 2017 has been for the HSRCC.

-Dave Triano

NAME THE MYSTERY PLANE-----

Did anyone have a guess as to last month's Mystery Plane? Well, it was clearly ship based, launched off of a rail, and carried many unusual features. If you guessed the Curtiss SC-1 Seahawk, you are correct!



The SC-1 was the last of the scout observation types and was also the last single-engine float plane built by Curtiss-Wright Corporation. It was also the most highly developed float plane with vastly improved performance over earlier types. Power, range and armament had doubled its usefulness. It was highly maneuverable, had two forward firing .50 cal. guns, large flaps and automatic leading edge slats for improved slow speed characteristics, and radar carried on the underside of the starboard wing proved highly successful during search missions. Space needed for stowage of the aircraft aboard ship was minimized by folding the wings back manually, making the overall width equal to the span of the horizontal tail surfaces.

THE TURKEY SHOOT!

The best things come to those who wait, and we waited through a week of cold and windy weather before the re-scheduled HSRCC Turkey Shoot became reality. Boy, was it worth the wait! There were about 70 enthusiastic fliers and bench pilots in attendance, with sunny skies and a gentle wind from the west. Dave Triano got things rolling by scoring five points for a popped balloon and then promptly wrecked his favorite plane! There were many fliers, but the one who really had his skills on display was David Becher, who tagged four out of five balloons to earn First Place and a Honeybaked ham- Check out the evidence, four balloons stuck to his wing and a big smile stuck on David's face!



The amazing thing was how many pilots skillfully flew BETWEEN the five balloons placed on sticks across the runway! That non-event happened more often than not, and kept the big crowd on the edge of their seats in anticipation. Paul Ciotti did a great job of hosting and running the event, with David Gregory and Steve Panter helping out with scoring, sign-ups, and much more. Vince Euse scored a few hits to bring in a well-earned second place, and win a boneless turkey breast for his skill.

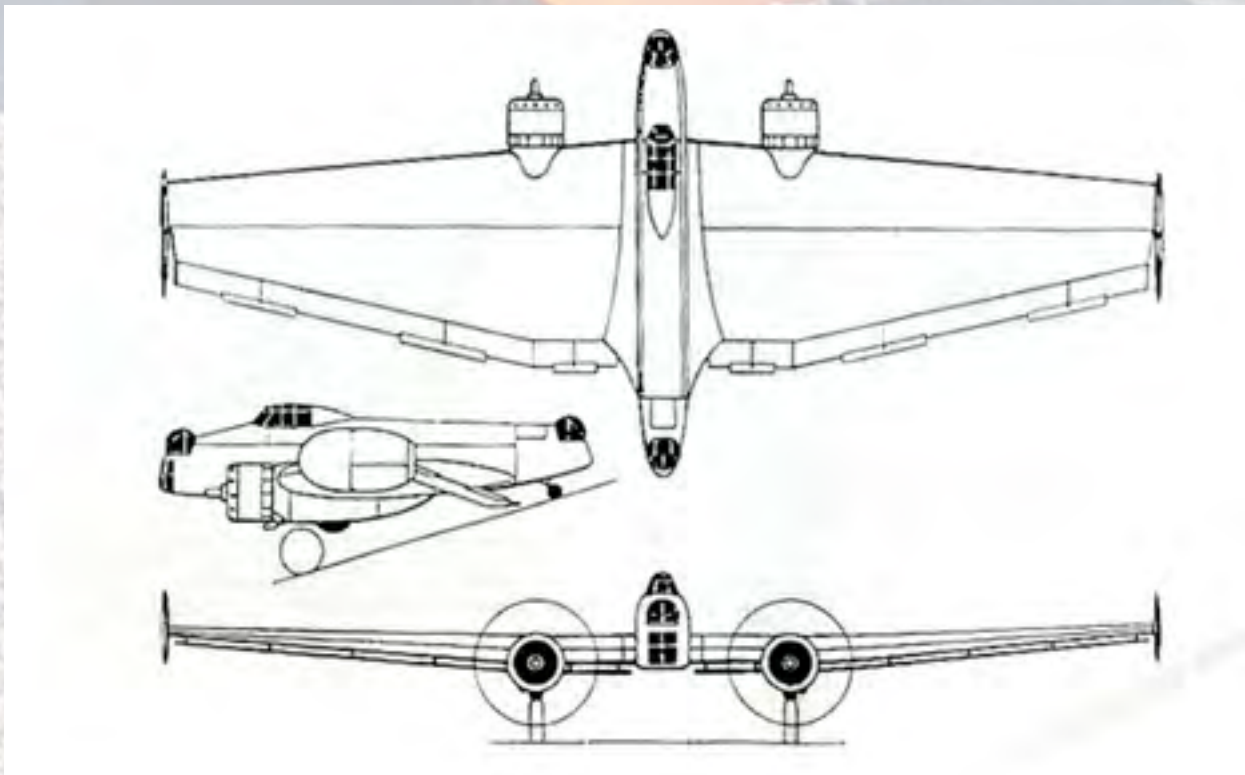
THE TURKEY SHOOT! -continued

There were many competitors, and the event was a great success for the club coffers. Dave Triano came in third, and got a big Butterball to smooth over his crash-stricken grief. Excellent fun was had by all!



NOVEMBER MYSTERY PLANE-

Here is our next brain-stretcher.... how about a Flying Wing mystery ship, from Russia with love?



LANCE'S LATEST VIDEO:

Here is the link to lance's latest video dated 10-28-2017 at the Hickey Field Fun Fly:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=HccU1SeZrF8>

Check out the new balloon tires on the official HSRCC BBQ - David Gregory put his wheel mounting skills to work, and now the cooking unit will roll across the gravel with ease, sure to make HSRCC Executive Chef Steve Panter very happy!



UPCOMING HSRCC EVENTS

December 12 - Christmas Party

January 1, 2018 - Frozen Finger Fun Fly

South of the Border food fest, TBA!

Freeze your keyster off and ring in the New Year!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

And of course.....

***HAVE
FUN!***