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**CAF MN Wing P-51C in 2009
In front of the Collings Foundation B-17
At the Anoka County Blaine Airport
(Janes Field)
1/1 Scale
Photo by Bob Arko**

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TCAH This Month

October Theme — modeling 'disasters' (you decide what that is for you)

The monthly meeting will be held Saturday October 12, at Fleming Field, South St. Paul, beginning at 1:00 pm. Come early.



President's Address
by Mark Copeland

I am still coming down from my high from **Nordic Con 2024** from a few weeks ago! What a tremendous success and a well-run event! The turnout of participants and model count was a little down from last year, but that certainly didn't defeat the quality of entrees on the tables. With the combination of "display only" and contest entrees, the tables were certainly full of excellent models!

Great vendors, a flawless registration process and a perfect video presentation showing all the winning entries! Bob Maderich, **Nordic Con** Chairperson and the entire teams should be warmly congratulated for a very success show! I can hardly wait until next year.

I'm sorry that I missed the August meeting; I was in Savannah, Georgia for work. Thank you to Steve Hustad for running the meeting and for presenting the agenda regarding upcoming annual officer elections. By a unanimous vote, the current slate of officers has been elected for another term in office. Thank you all for your confidence in our leadership abilities and your continued support of the club.

Our annual dues drive is on and you can pay our dedicated Treasurer, Mr. Dennis Strand the annual dues of **\$15.00** for your 2024/2025 dues. You can deliver it directly to Dennis at the meeting or drop a check in the mail to his address.

Duty calls once again and unfortunately I will be in England and France leading tours for the **National Museum of the Mighty**

Eighth Air Force. Our Vice President, Steve Hustad will once again lead the October and November meetings.

So, I will see you December when we will feature a fantastic presentation by Steve on his unbelievable 1/72nd scale aircraft diorama collection.

Stay well friends!



Treasurer's Report
by Dennis Strand

This month there was a \$179.50 web page hosting fee as our only expense. We have already received 3 membership renewals, which gave us a \$45.00 income. \$5993.17 is our current cash balance.

It is the time of year that we begin our TCAH membership drive. \$15.00 is still the annual membership cost. Please consider renewing earlier rather than later. This helps in organizing the updated TCAH Roster information. See me at the next meeting or send a check to: Dennis Strand, 833 Manomin Ave., St. Paul, MN 55107 and I will send you a brand new 2025 TCAH membership card by return mail.

Be well and see you at the October meeting.



Short Issue
by the Editor

We need article submissions to keep the Newsletter going. Please consider writing about your current project.



On The Table September 2024

Modeler	Kit	Manufacturer	Scale
Bob Maderich	P-39a	Eduard	1/48
	P-39a (racing version)	Eduard	1/48
	Harley military Motorcycle	Mini-Art	1/35
John Dunphy	Hawker Hurricane	Arma	1/48
	British Comet Tank	Tamiya	1/35
Steve Hustad	The Ghost Bomber of Cambridge	DML	1/72
Rick Koehne	Vanguard rocket	Renwal	1/48
	Scud -Patriot rocket	?	1/72
Harold Parsons	Lotus-Honda 99T	Tamiya	1/20
Dave Heffernan	A-1 Skyraider	Tamiya	1/48
Don Stauffer	Skylab		
	Titan 3 Launch Vehicle		
	Ariane LV		
	Explorer	?	?

Directions to the Club Meeting Location

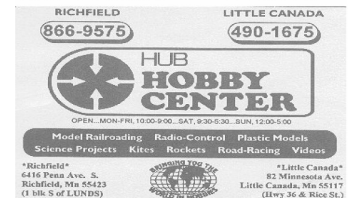
Where: South St. Paul Municipal Airport, a.k.a. Fleming Field, located on the southern extremity of South St. Paul, south of 1-494, west of Concord Street and East of Highway 52.

If coming from the western Twin Cities going east on 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn right (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left there will be a McDonald's; to your right front there will be a Walgreen's.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .6 miles. Along the way you will encounter three more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2

• miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building.
If coming from east Twin Cities on westbound 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
 - Turn left (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left front there will be a small strip mall; to your right there will be an Amoco station.
 - Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
 - South Street W and go approximately .4 miles. Along the way you will encounter two more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
 - Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building
- The terminal is on the right with parking available.



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The group is open to aviation enthusiasts from teenagers on up who are interested in aviation modeling, photography, collecting, art and writing.

The Twin Cities Aero Historians (TCAH) meet the second Saturday of every month at 1:00pm.

See above for the new meeting locations and directions.

Mail Newsletter material to the editor and address changes to the treasurer.

Monthly Themes 2024

January-TCAH Club Contest

February-Water subjects. (ships, floatplanes, etc)

March-Commonwealth subjects. (British, Aussie, Irish, etc.)

April-Club Auction. (Bring all your stuff you don't want anymore)

May-Ugly subjects (you are left to your own opinions here!)

June-The Golden Age (subjects between the wars) (1920-1940)

July-Modern Military subjects (1991-present)

August- World War One subjects

September- Sci fi and real space

October- modeling 'disasters' (again, you decide what that is for you)

November- A "Silk Purse" from a "Sows Ear" (a build from a notoriously bad kit)

December- our annual "White Elephant" kit exchange

