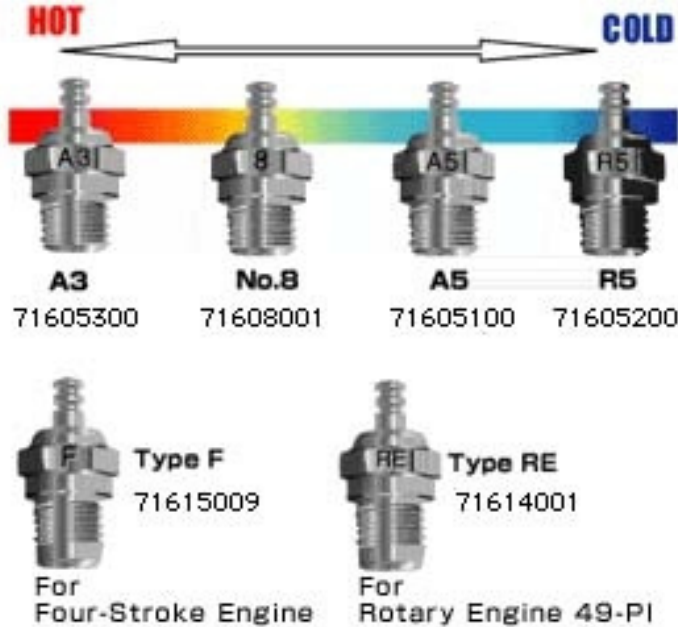
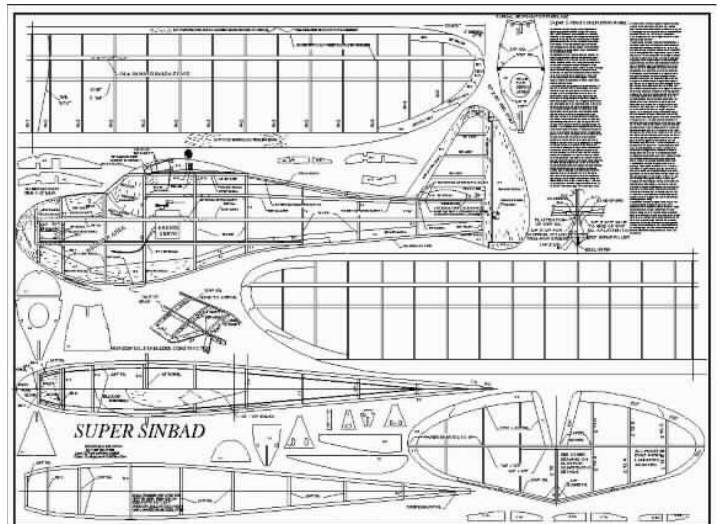


done that.” Their experience can save you time and money; and most are glad to help.



Received the following e-mail/article from the great Ken “I love airplanes” McDaniel. Thanks Ken. CB WELL, HELLO CHUCK.. I WILL GET THE PHOTO THAT GOES WITH THIS ARTICLE TO YOU AT THE FIELD. USE AS YOU SEE FIT. THE PHOTO IS OVER 60 YEARS OLD BUT THEN SO IS THE HANDSOME LAD HOLDING THE AIRPLANE (A LOT OLDER) I'LL TYPE THE ARTICLE IN BLACK. O.K. HERE GOES.

"CIRCA EARLY 1947" THE AIRPLANE BEING DISPLAYED IS A "SINBAD" TOW LINE GLIDER. I BELIEVE IT WAS A KIT BY A COMPANY CALLED SOMETHING LIKE "JASCO".



WW2 HAD ENDED SOME MONTHS EARLIER. A NEW (TO KIDS THAT AGE) WOOD WAS AGAIN AVAILABLE. YES Balsa wood. IT WAS UNAVAILABLE DURING THE WAR YEARS AS IT ALL WENT INTO LIFE RAFTS. THIS WAS A FIRST.

A REAL Balsa model kit (TO ME) OF COURSE RIBS, FORMERS ETC WERE ALL ON PRINTED WOOD. DADS DOUBLE EDGED RAZOR BLADES WHEN BROKEN IN TWO, FILLED IN AS XACTO KNIVES. OUR HOBBY SHOP WAS A SMALL CORNER OF A WOMAN'S SEWING, CERAMICS SHOP. KNOWLEDGEABLE HELP WAS NO WHERE TO BE FOUND. (SORT OF LIKE AT THE FIELD.) IT WAS CALLED THE TRIAL AND CRASH METHOD. THIS GLIDER HAD A TON OF POSITIVE INCIDENCE IN THE ELEVATOR. DON'T ASK WHY, A MISTAKE IN THE PRODUCTION. IT TOOK A LOT OF NOSE WEIGHT TO GET IT TO KIND OF GLIDE FROM HEAD HIGH. LAUNCH FROM PORCH IT'D START DOWN, PICK UP SPEED AND SLIP IN FOR A NICE LANDING. (WHEN IT DIDN'T HIT THE CURB.) NOTHING TO DO BUT TAKE IT TO A BALL FIELD THAT HAD A ROOF ABOUT 30 FT HIGH. (GATES, FENCES, WERE NO PROBLEM TO US KIDS). UP ON THAT ROOF, A HAND LAUNCH LOOKED GOOD..... SPEED BUILT UP, ELEVATOR TOOK OVER. OH NOOOOOOOO!!!! THE DREADED STALL. A COUPLE OF WHOOP TEE DOS ENDING IN A HARD NOSE LANDING. "CRASH CITY". PROBABLE JUST AS WELL.



A LOT OF TEN CENT MODELS ENDED UP BEING "FLOWN" WITH A FIRECRACKER CARGO BURNING AWAY. (MY GENERATION NEEDED NO LAWS TO PROTECT OUR FINGERS. WE WERE BORN KNOWING FIREWORKS COULD HURT".) YES, I KNOW IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE THAT I WAS ONCE THAT YOUNG. "ABOUT 13, I THINK. KEN "A REALLY SENIOR PILOT" McDaniel. *Yes, that is the "young" 13 year old Ken and his Sinbad glider. On the back of the photo it is dated 1948. Thanks Ken.*

In addition, Russ Davis built a GIANT Sinbad glider from scratch. He still has it, guess we are going to have to get it out and see if it still flies. CB