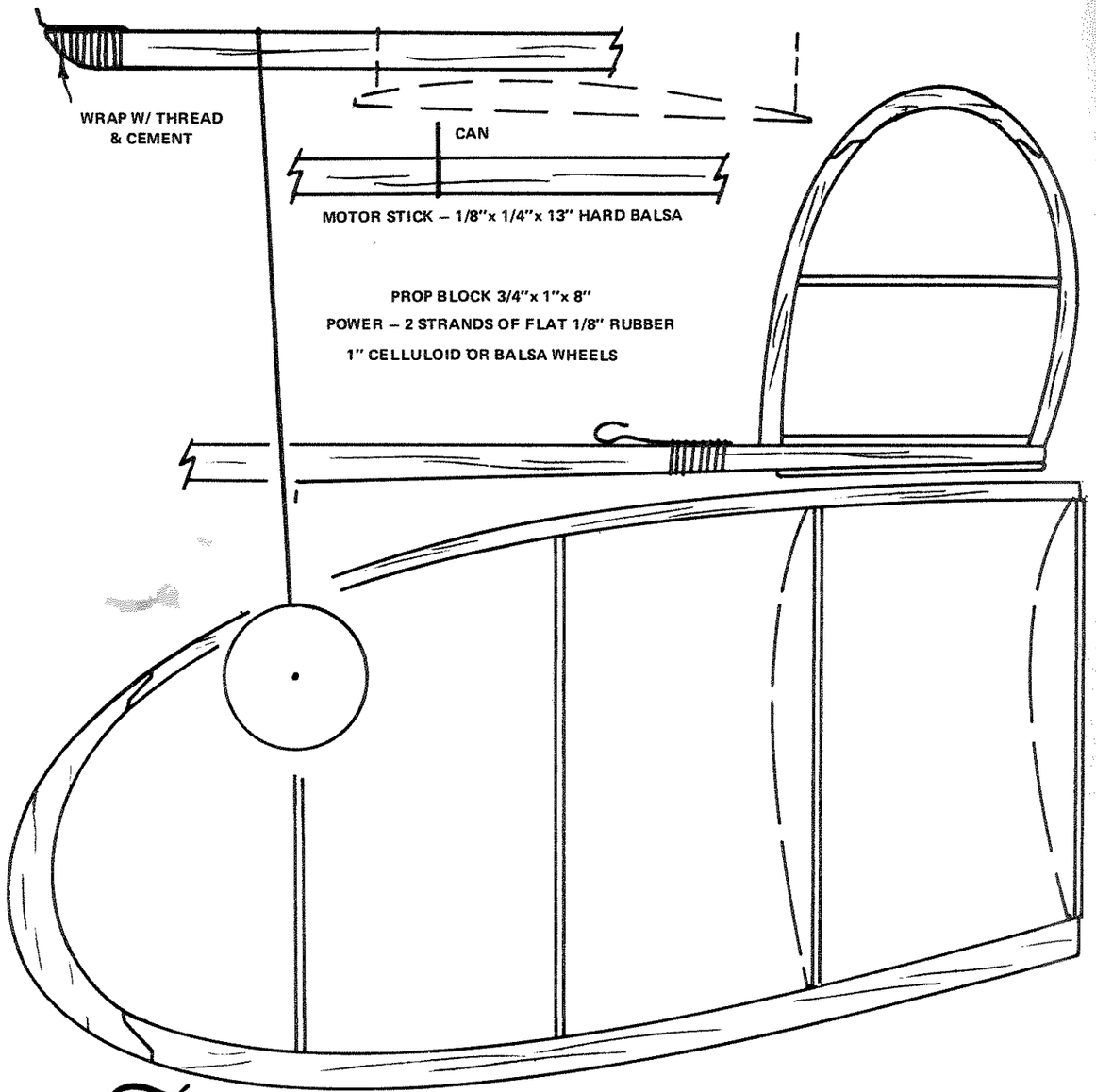


Zephyr

OLD TIMER Model of the Month

Designed by: Abe Bergman

Drawn by: Al Patterson

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• Have you ever noticed that **R/C MB** will publish a string of well-known or potentially competitive Old Timers, and then there'll be full-size plans for some obscure little R.O.G. rubber job that no one has ever heard of before, sometimes by an equally obscure designer? There's a reason for that. Sometimes our draftsman, Al Patterson, has to spend more than the usual amount of time on a project (this month it was Col. Thacker's Turner Special), and as a result doesn't have much time to spend on other projects. When that happens, there's usually a mad rush to find an O.T. model that's small, appealing, and won't take long to draw. More often than not, we find what we're looking for in an issue of *Flying Aces*, which probably published more of these little skeeters than all the other magazines combined.

That's what happened this month, and we came across the Zephyr in the December 1936 issue of *F.A.* It was designed by a fellow by the name of Abe Bergman, and while he may not rank on a par with such greats as Carl Goldberg or Sal Taibi, ol' Abe sure knew how to design an attractive little model. One of the problems with publishing a model like this is that you can't say for sure just how the thing is going to fly . . . unless you build one and find out. And since we had two weeks before the magazine was due at the printer, and since I was between projects and had nothing else to do, I decided to do just that. Besides, it's been a good six or seven years since I've built anything like this, and it would be a good change of pace from so many R/C projects.

I have to admit that I did change the construction, in the interest of having a stronger model. Take a look at the plan,

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