Dave Mosier - Balsa USA 1/4 Sopwith Pup



Figure 1 Dave Mosier's Sopwith Camel destroyed in a midair collision November 2020. War birds and 3D aerobatic planes do not mix.



Figure 2 Framing the wings of a 1/4 scale Balsa USA Pup



Figure 3 Bottom wing framing complete



Figure 4 Framing the fuselage



Figure 5 Framing the cabanes and wing struts.



Figure 6 Framing complete



Figure 7 Cowl and engine installation.

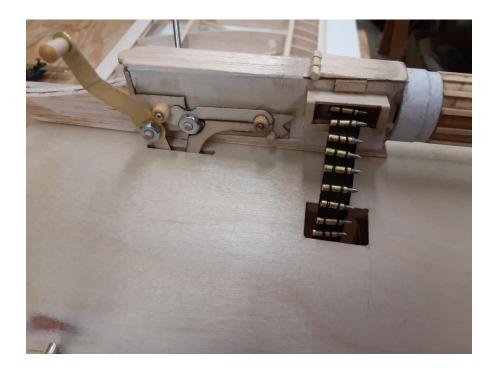


Figure 8 Vickers machine gun and ammo installation



Figure 9 Covering, painting and graphics complete.



Figure 10 Aces of Iron pilot painted and 450 rounds of .303 British ammo in the magazine.



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Airframe: Balsa USA ¼ scale Pup, 77" Wingspan

Engine: Valley View 40 cc Classic twin

Servos: Savox titanium gear

Weight complete: 23 pounds (5 pounds of lead added to 18 pound base aircraft)

Covering: Oratex polyester fabric

Cost: \$2,000

Construction time: 10 weeks