

OWNER: Bud Caldwell, only shaper

FACTORY: San Diego, California, for locals only. started 1946. closed 1960

MODEL: "Alex Caldwell Autograph" **Figure 1**, only 2 made.. . . . s 1959. x 1959



Figure 1

BLANKS:

- Hoppy Swartz style. 1947. 1960
- Balsa/Redwood:. 1948. 1955
- Carefully selected warped planks, glued on site with 2x4 redwood. 1955. 1952
- Hollow with paper honey comb inserts, too heavy. 1958. 1959
- In-house blown with balsa stringers. 1959. 1960
- EPS. 1960. 1960

STRINGERS: Balsa, redwood or spruce-redwood-spruce T-bands. 1948. 1960

SHAPES: Hot Curl. 1960. 1960

LOGOS: none

FINS: 2" deep, 5" long, set with brass screws. 1947. 1960

GLASSING:

- Spar Varnish. 1946. 1950
- 8 oz boat cloth, just nose. 1950. 1958
- 8 oz boat cloth, deck & bottom, some 6 oz radar dome cloth. 1958. 1960
- Burlap with weldwood glue or rubber based paint (EPS). 1960. 1960

COLOR & ART: Pigment panels. 1958. 1960

FINISH: Hand polished sanding resin. 1958. 1960

NUMBERING: None reported to date.

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