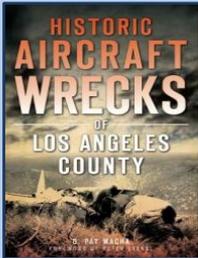


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G. Pat Macha



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Northrop Alpha 3A, Santa Susana Mtns 1934

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