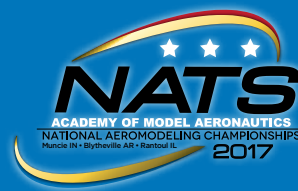


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July 25



William Wicks, "Want me to show you how to fly OT HLG?"

There was a bit of nervousness on Sunday with the entrants who showed up early to trim and test-fly. It rained quite a bit. The forecast for the rest of the week is mild and partly cloudy.

Monday morning on the field was nice and sunny and looked very promising with the exception of the wet grass. Two rather large wet spots were just south of the flightline. The AMA had posted, basically, a “retrieve at your own risk” sign at HQ with the caveat that they would not be responsible for having you towed out. Okay, we are Free Flighters and can deal with most anything when it comes to chasing and retrieving our models, right?

I didn’t count the number of models that landed in the ponds, but at least they were not deep. Jimmy Bukkenfusodi managed to get his model pretty wet—well sunk—and it lost its trim. I had two flights land within sopping distance from shore, too.

The wind was mild throughout the day and the temperature stayed in the low 80s. Lift was pretty good and the top placers put in a lot of maxes. Coincidentally, there were quite a few tied scores with flyoffs needed to determine final placings.

Of special note, Cade Fedor, a Junior, and Joel Yori, a Senior, tied for first in F1A with maxouts. Their tie will have a flyoff starting at 7 a.m. Tuesday with the winner being awarded the coveted Tulsa Glue Dobber F1A trophy. *Late note: Joel won the flyoff this morning!*

Ken Bauer came in second with 1,220 and tied for third were Andrew Barron and Bob Sifleet at 1,208. Now that’s some flying! Juniors Roman Stalick and Adelaide



The “workers.”

Ulm flew to 7th and 10th places respectively, of 14 fliers!

In D Gas, Charles Caton tied with Ronnie Thompson for first with 1,350 seconds, while Jimmy Bukkenfusodi followed with 1,200, and Gerald Brown with 1,157.

A/B Classic Gas was well contested with 16 entrants putting in official flights. Again, many maxes were needed to win. Simon Blake put in 899 seconds for 1st, Gerald Brown 2nd with 866, Denny Dock with 720 for 3rd, Ruth Bane at 710, and Joseph Mollendorf with 686 for 5th. Tight scores mean serious flying.

1/2A NOS had 15 fliers. Larry Davidson won the event with 451 seconds, Gene Smith at 360 for 2nd, and Bobby Hanford and Glen Schneider with yet another tie (!)

at 351. They discussed a flyoff where they both went over to the line by the CL circles, and when I went over to cover the action, they told me they were only discussing the “rules.” I guess they will fly head to head on Tuesday under their own rules.

The .020 Replica contest was won by Bill Schlarb with 348 seconds, flying a Strato Streak again. He’s been flying that same model for some five years or so and has won the event, I think, for the past three or four years. It’s time for him to get some challengers! The ones pushing him were John Oliver with 267 for 2nd and Gil Morris at 254 for 3rd.

Payload ... one of those events for which you bring out the model that you built a *looong* time ago and fly it. Dan Berry proudly acclaimed he hadn’t even started



CD Greg Simon.



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his engine since the Nats last year, but it still wasn't enough to beat Denny Dock, who bested him by 53 seconds. Denny then pulled out a 1/2A NOS payload to be the only flier to put in a respectable 319 seconds.

The "Pen" for OT HLG. The glider pen had its usual tenseness with the fliers all standing at the corners of the pen trying to psyche each other out. That didn't bother young William Wicks, a Junior flier who just kept tossing his glider outside of the pen until he got it right, and he flew officially with a respectable 44 seconds.

The "adults" did respectably too, with David Gerspacher edging out Don DeLoach 180 to 176, and Kyle Gerspacher (Senior) in 5th overall.

Moffet is a legacy event that has been flown for many years. This is indeed the Iron Man of rubber events and very challenging. You know they are going into the corn with the graduated max scoring. Herb Kothe has been the Nats champion numerous times and this year was no exception, scoring an impressive 1,054 seconds. Ed Sneed was on his heels with 1,014, and David Sechrist followed with 713 for 3rd. Some tough, but rewarding flying there.

Electric is gaining in popularity throughout the Free Flight community with so many good and reliable components becoming available. Electric B is the auto-surface event. Dale Elder (I believe this is his first time flying this event) won it with 673, followed by Drake Hooke, Dwight Scott, and Jack Murphy. Junior Hayden Ashworth flew for a score of 355, which would have put him in 7th when challenging the adults!

The new event on the block is Andrade Rubber. This event started as Small Wakefield sponsored by Paul Andrade, and the event was aptly named Andrade Rubber for the future. The event placings were pretty close too. Franks Perkins (1st), Chuck Powell (2nd), and Jim O'Reilly (3rd) were separated by only 14 seconds!

For the first day of the Nats this year there was a lot of flying, and Tuesday promises to have more ... 🚀



Joe Mollendorf, 60 years of Nats!



Davi and Jennifer Jones, fifth year!



Bob Sowder, NFFS vice president.



Tommy Bell in D Gas.



Clark Darling's first Nats was in 1984.



Larry Davidson, NOS winner.



William Wicks with the look of "yes, I can fly OT Hand Launch."



Andrade Rubber: Frank Perkins and Chuck Powell.



F1Q and F1C Event Director Jerry Murphy launching his .020 Interceptor.



Gerry Brown finished 2nd in A/B Classic Gas.



Junior competitor William Wicks showing us how to fly OT HLG.



Moffet Trophy: Bud Romak, Herb Kothe, and Bill Vanderbeek.



The .020 Replica winners.



Payload winners.



D Gas winners.



A/B Classic Gas.



The 1/2A NOS winners.



"B" Electric winners.



Kyle Gerspacher (Senior), OTHLG winner.



Denny Dock, NOS Payload winner.



OT HLG winners.



Junior F1A winners.



Joel Yori, Senior F1A winner.



Andrade Rubber winners.



Moffet Team Trophy: Bud Romak, Herb Kothe, and Bill Vanderbeek.



Lee Hines presenting his OT Hervat to David Gerspacher.







RES and NOS Scores

NOS

Round 3 Combined - 07/22/2017

Plc	Pilot	1	2	3	Total
1	JOLLY, LARRY	1025.00	1021.67	1025.00	3071.67
2	BEACH, DAVID	1025.00	998.33	1000.00	3023.33
3	SCHLITZKUS, PETER	1023.33	1000.00	1000.00	3023.33
4	CARR, JEFFREY	1000.00	1025.00	969.85	2994.85
5	POTI, NORM	825.00	1000.00	1025.00	2850.00
6	GOLDSMITH, PETER	1025.00	995.00	774.25	2794.25
7	WOMACK, JACKIE	700.60	981.67	989.95	2672.22
8	GLAAB, LOUIS	1025.00	564.27	1025.00	2614.27
9	PIKE, DOUG	1000.00	509.18	1025.00	2534.18
10	EVERLY, RANDALL	1000.00	996.67	503.33	2500.00
11	BLACK, SCOTT	814.38	810.00	848.41	2472.79
12	HILL, ARTHUR	896.32	1000.00	483.28	2379.60
13	RUSSO, GUY	710.00	1025.00	561.79	2296.79
14	SHAW, KENNETH	320.30	978.19	986.67	2285.16
15	HESELIOUS, DENNIS	274.68	1000.00	1000.00	2274.68
16	GOLDSMITH, CAROLINE	998.33	795.00	475.00	2268.33
17	STROTHER, BERNARD	802.48	1023.33	393.53	2219.34
18	BROESKI, THOMAS	412.37	1000.00	719.38	2131.75
19	MCCARTHY, JAMES	0.00	1025.00	1023.33	2048.33
20	GLAAB, LUKE	695.00	317.20	985.88	1998.08
21	ANDERSEN, BARRY	264.60	945.00	555.18	1764.79
22	RICHMOND, DONALD	359.06	761.11	627.16	1747.33
23	SCULLY, THOMAS	1023.33	490.00	198.61	1711.94
24	ADASCZIK, WALTER	340.48	636.11	731.71	1708.30
25	BERLIN, JOHNNY	625.00	233.72	826.41	1685.13
26	MARTIN, JAMES	317.87	965.28	400.00	1683.15
27	LUEKE, JOHN	306.79	989.93	306.62	1603.34
28	GAUGER, GILBERT	345.36	1000.00	196.99	1542.36
29	WALLNER, JACK	1000.00	337.23	158.60	1495.83
30	BOICE, THOMAS	0.00	495.00	994.97	1489.97
31	SHAPE, J	368.35	1009.97	0.00	1378.32
32	ROBINSON, ROBERT	359.25	250.00	409.48	1018.73
33	MALCOLM, SKYE	336.91	255.00	0.00	591.91
34	ROBINSON, BARBARA	224.08	156.67	0.00	380.75
35	WHYTE, DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	GRIFFITH, DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	EARL, DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	WINSTANLEY, DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	TRUSSELL, GAVIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

RES

Round 4 Combined - 07/24/2017

Plc	Pilot	1	2	3	4	Total
1	NOGY, L KENT	1031.00	1069.33	1079.33	1091.33	4270.99
2	GOLDSMITH, PETER	1071.00	1073.00	1089.00	1026.83	4259.83
3	SCHLITZKUS, PETER	1038.00	1089.00	1046.67	1037.66	4211.33
4	ADASCZIK, WALTER	1058.00	1058.00	1086.00	988.29	4190.29
5	RUSSO, GUY	1057.67	1010.00	1015.00	1081.66	4164.32
6	BEACH, DAVID	1045.67	1075.00	1000.00	1043.00	4163.67
7	SHAPE, J	998.99	1048.00	1023.00	1013.66	4083.65
8	BROESKI, THOMAS	1066.00	1002.33	1048.33	935.93	4052.59
9	GAUGER, GILBERT	1000.00	985.67	927.42	1058.00	3971.09
10	POTI, NORM	1070.32	1050.67	1064.33	689.39	3874.72
11	JOHNSTON, RICK	1000.00	839.72	1000.00	1015.00	3854.72
12	SHAW, KENNETH	1066.00	1019.00	1000.00	722.87	3807.87
13	WALLNER, JACK	989.98	998.33	822.25	780.30	3590.87
14	GLAAB, LOUIS	1085.00	345.00	1090.00	1056.00	3576.00
15	CARR, JEFFREY	998.33	516.30	998.33	1039.33	3552.30
16	POOL, AMY	1058.33	952.00	470.00	1031.33	3511.66
17	CLEVELAND, DON	550.92	815.22	994.98	1047.33	3408.45
18	WYATT, RONALD	900.21	583.88	1050.00	790.00	3324.09
19	ANDERSEN, BARRY	590.00	803.92	1045.33	859.63	3298.88
20	THOMAS, CHARLES	864.09	548.22	1000.00	876.26	3288.58
21	ANDERSON, TODD	978.33	606.67	904.20	747.37	3236.58
22	WOMACK, JACKIE	953.29	875.63	983.28	423.58	3235.78
23	EVERLY, RANDALL	682.89	350.00	1082.67	1077.00	3192.55
24	GARBER, JONATHAN	0.00	1028.00	1064.33	1089.99	3182.32
25	WIMBISH, WAYNE	418.33	1000.00	998.32	751.67	3168.32
26	HESELIOUS, ELTON	457.43	705.58	878.99	983.28	3025.28
27	SCULLY, THOMAS	893.33	990.00	0.00	1067.00	2950.33
28	BOICE, THOMAS	990.00	446.62	770.53	631.31	2838.46
29	STROTHER, BERNARD	813.03	0.00	1000.00	1000.00	2813.03
30	MCGOWAN, MICHAEL	1000.00	0.00	1065.00	724.81	2789.81
31	RENNECAMP, RICHARD	993.32	619.57	690.67	440.73	2744.29
32	MALCOLM, SKYE	994.99	435.01	984.87	0.00	2414.88
33	HILL, ARTHUR	984.97	299.33	587.05	476.59	2347.94
34	PIKE, DOUG	681.21	0.00	481.85	1056.66	2219.72
35	ROBINSON, ROBERT	651.09	441.62	732.00	376.04	2200.75
36	JOLLY, LARRY	1058.33	0.00	0.00	1092.00	2150.33
37	TRUSSELL, ALEX	0.00	1008.67	0.00	991.67	2000.33
38	CUNNINGHAM, WILLIAM	1000.00	80.00	314.29	594.32	1988.61
39	KENNEDY, BARRY	525.17	305.01	978.15	146.91	1955.24
40	RICHMOND, DONALD	993.32	0.00	853.33	0.00	1846.66
41	THOMAS, CHARLESTON	382.17	601.67	327.33	501.39	1812.56
42	HESELIOUS, DENNIS	420.38	291.67	688.33	277.13	1677.51
43	BLACK, SCOTT	560.51	339.46	175.59	546.82	1622.38
44	MAIER, FREDERICK	331.21	0.00	977.82	0.00	1309.03
45	TRUSSELL, GAVIN DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
45	MCCARTHY, JAMES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
45	KUKRAL, DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
45	GRIFFITH, DROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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