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Helicopter



Welcome to *NatsNews* Day 1. The Helicopter Nats got underway Monday with only a slight delay for fog. As it turns out, if you can't see the model it is really hard to fly!

The new F3N class started the day off. All of these pilots are now part of the first-ever official F3N Nats competition in the US. With this being the first time, everyone is learning how the judging works and how demanding this format is. It's very entertaining to watch! With two rounds complete, Jamie Roberston and Nick Maxwell are in commanding leads.

In F3C the competition is fierce. With this event being used to decide who represents the US in next year's World Championship, many of the top

F3C guys are here. The new schedule of maneuvers is challenging everyone. Nick Maxwell, doing double duty in F3C and F3N, is out to an early lead. But after only two of seven scheduled rounds, it is far from locked up.

The Expert class and Advanced class only have two entries each, but that doesn't take away from the superb flying by all of the pilots.

Finally, in the Sportsman class we have five entries—three that competed in past Nats and two new pilots, Vincent Drouillon and Dan Brickman, joining us this year. Welcome new guys!

We are always happy to get new people into the sport, and after two rounds it looks like they are both doing a

great job.

Last but not least is the Scale class. It is only made up of two entries, but so far the competition is pretty tight.

For those of you who want to know what the trends in equipment are, I can say there is a wide array of equipment being used in all of the classes. There are a number of SAB Goblins at the Nats this year, but almost all of the major brands are also represented. We even have Don Miller flying a nitro flybarred heli competing in the Expert class, again proving it's all about the loose nut behind the sticks rather than the machine.

We will be on Site 5 today and Wednesday. Feel free to come out and watch! 🚁





Sportsman

1	Bernard Shaw	2000
2	Vincent Drouillon	1883.45
3	Dan Brickman	1854.83
4	Peter Bisbal	1848.23
5	Michael Unger	1760.29

Advanced

1	Robert Montee	2000
2	Eaton Bryce	1759.41

Expert

1	Dennis Purduski	1979.87
2	Don Miller	1875.86

F3C

1	Nicholas Maxwell	1998.960
2	Daniel Hiatt	1981.614
3	Cliff Hiatt	1926.076
4	Dwight Shilling	1903.814
5	Nob Muraki	1796.572
6	Mike Goza	1622.431
7	Tim Diperi	1621.337

F3N

1	Jamie Robertson	2000
2	Nicholas Maxwell	1845.42
3	Greg Jackson	891.922
4	Devin Hammond	750.613
5	Robert Montee	693.873

Scale

1	Mike Zaborowski	1879.25
2	Bernard Shaw	1865.34

One round of static; one round of flying





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