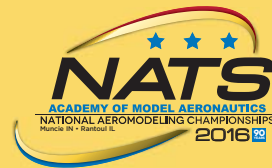


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# SOARING

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# RES Round 4 Combined - 07/24/2016

Plc	Pilot	1	2	3	4	Total
1	GOLDSMITH, PETER	1085.00	1090.00	1095.00	1058.33	<b>4328.33</b>
2	EVERLY, RANDALL	1049.33	1088.00	1059.33	1008.67	<b>4205.33</b>
3	GLAAB, JOSH	1053.00	1008.33	1060.00	1083.00	<b>4204.33</b>
4	CARR, JEFFREY	1053.33	996.66	1078.00	1047.00	<b>4174.99</b>
5	SHAPE, J	1052.66	1062.00	1028.00	993.32	<b>4135.98</b>
6	BEACH, DAVID	1066.33	1031.00	1083.00	895.00	<b>4075.33</b>
7	ADASCZIK, WALTER	995.00	996.67	1000.00	1045.00	<b>4036.67</b>
8	ROPKE, LANCE	1036.82	900.44	1073.67	1000.00	<b>4010.92</b>
9	MCGOWAN, MICHAEL	1059.99	789.65	909.15	1010.33	<b>3769.13</b>
10	POTI, NORM	1073.66	1006.67	1095.00	582.19	<b>3757.52</b>
11	BAGGS, BRADY	1065.99	1037.32	560.00	1061.32	<b>3724.64</b>
12	ANDERSEN, BARRY	842.81	1040.00	821.67	1013.67	<b>3718.14</b>
13	PIKE, DOUGLAS	1010.33	1041.33	1023.00	627.71	<b>3702.38</b>
14	BROESKI, TOM	1015.33	1054.67	959.87	656.67	<b>3686.53</b>
15	BOTHELL, RICHARD	1082.00	993.33	997.33	541.56	<b>3614.23</b>
16	ROBINSON, ROBERT	996.67	1040.00	427.11	991.67	<b>3455.44</b>
17	JOHNSTON, RICK	998.33	1017.67	364.51	1059.00	<b>3439.50</b>
18	NOGY, KENT	1060.00	567.00	733.33	1074.00	<b>3434.33</b>
19	BURNOSKI, RICHARD	1043.33	998.33	382.04	1000.00	<b>3423.70</b>
20	RUSSO, GUY	1081.00	375.63	898.33	1043.33	<b>3398.29</b>
21	RICHMOND, DONALD	1084.33	734.67	566.67	1000.00	<b>3385.66</b>
22	SHAW, SCOTT	1077.33	959.93	1063.33	237.86	<b>3338.46</b>
23	MALCOLM, SKYE	1027.00	1000.00	1055.00	256.28	<b>3338.28</b>
24	WYATT, RONALD	918.20	1075.00	751.67	584.31	<b>3329.17</b>
25	GROVES, MARK	1000.00	403.33	833.33	992.33	<b>3229.00</b>
26	SCHLITZKUS, PETER	914.67	1079.33	591.67	591.98	<b>3177.65</b>
27	CLEVELAND, DON	1083.00	1043.65	1048.67	0.00	<b>3175.32</b>



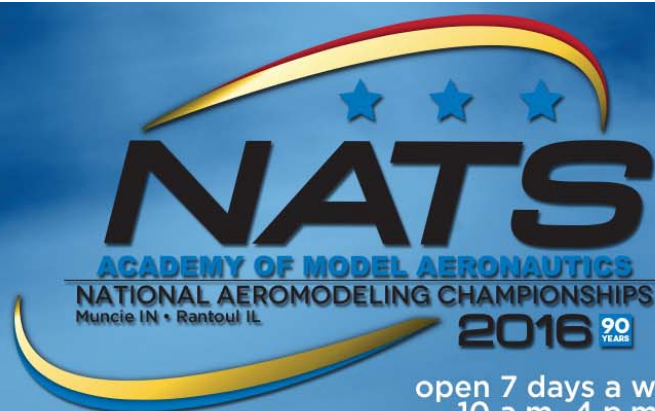
# Nostalgia Thermal

# Round 4 Combined - 07/25/2016

Plc	Pilot	1	2	3	4	Total
1	JOLLY, LARRY	1014.97	1023.33	1025.00	1021.67	4084.96
2	GLAAB, LOUIS	1025.00	1025.00	744.53	1025.00	3819.53
3	WINSTANLEY, JOHN	1015.00	1000.00	634.39	1000.00	3649.39
4	MCCARTHY, JAMES	991.67	1025.00	550.92	1004.90	3572.48
5	BEACH, DAVID	424.75	1000.00	1025.00	1019.99	3469.74
6	BURNOSKI, RICHARD	995.00	360.75	1025.00	1025.00	3405.75
7	BAGGS, BRADY	993.33	565.44	818.03	1025.00	3401.80
8	GOLDSMITH, PETER	1021.67	0.00	1025.00	1021.67	3068.33
9	COCHRELL, KERRY	1025.00	0.00	1014.98	1016.67	3056.65
10	SCHLITZKUS, PETER	986.67	499.14	553.33	983.31	3022.44
11	GROVES, MARK	872.91	416.82	955.00	722.87	2967.60
12	CARR, JEFFREY	991.67	0.00	1023.33	819.70	2834.70
13	BROESKI, TOM	366.67	988.31	344.54	1000.00	2699.52
14	RICHMOND, DONALD	1025.00	366.36	1000.00	213.69	2605.04
15	SMITH, JACK	265.89	427.68	985.00	859.77	2538.34
16	GOLDSMITH, CAROLINE	405.00	456.07	585.00	973.33	2419.41
17	SHAPE, J	1025.00	0.00	348.51	1023.33	2396.85
18	EVERLY, RANDALL	991.67	1000.00	347.25	0.00	2338.91
19	ANDERSEN, BARRY	985.00	330.54	225.38	762.94	2303.85
20	SCULLY, THOMAS	990.00	649.16	258.61	225.38	2123.15
21	GLAAB, LUKE	387.88	210.31	993.33	368.51	1960.03
22	ROBINSON, ROBERT	411.29	221.48	289.11	1025.00	1946.87
23	MALCOLM, SKYE	1025.00	0.00	675.25	217.03	1917.28
24	D-WHYTE, NELSON	985.00	233.22	270.59	0.00	1488.81
25	LUEKE, JOHN	0.00	375.70	317.20	739.52	1432.42
26	BLACK, SCOTT	389.55	321.98	307.56	297.12	1316.21
27	D-POTI, NORM	1000.00	50.34	0.00	0.00	1050.34

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Friday, July 22, was the fifth and last day of CL Speed for 2016. It was 95+ degrees, feeling like 105°!

The last day of CL Speed is reserved for the big block engines and the Fast Jets. All fly on 70-foot lines.

Right after the pilots' meeting, everyone started to prepare for another strange day of weather. Chris Montagino was first to fly his Nelson/O.S. Max D and posted 181.56 mph, followed by Bill Hughes at 182.29 mph with his OPS 65. Glen VanSant was next and slipped by both with 182.85 mph.

Early afternoon saw Bill Hughes put up his second attempt, but the aircraft suffered severe engine damage. He started changing internal engine parts as the weather got sticky. Around 2 p.m., with

repaired engine in hand, Bill was ready for another assault. For the second year in a row, Bill Hughes became our D Speed National Champion with an excellent showing with 189.97 mph, followed by Chris Montagino at 183.03 mph in second place. Third was Glen VanSant at 182.85 mph.

Meanwhile, the jet guys were making noise. Patrick Hempel from the Dallas area posted a great 188.60 mph. Many were having trouble with the Transi-Trace system.

Mid-afternoon, Steve Perkins put up a great flight of 189.02 mph. He became the National Champion, and received the Doc Davis Award for the fastest jet flight.

The new C Speed is now six years old and is very popular. Bill Hughes and

James VanSant were first to fly, and Bill posted 169.25 mph and James became the leader with a fine 179.61 mph. Your reporter slipped by with a flight of 181.26 mph and became the National Champion again this year.

One of the highlights today was the appearance of Charlie Serie and his fellow jet friend, Harry Latshaw, both in their 80s. Charlie brought his 40-plus-year-old model, complete with a compressed-air tank starter. With the help of Patrick Hempel and Chris Montagino, they put his upright Fast Jet into the air and Charlie got his wish, which was, "I want to see if I can make it go again!"

We hope to see Charlie and Harry again next year, along with the rest of you who could not make it. 🚀

## 303 B SPEED

1	VANSANT,GLEN	176.55
2	HUGHES,WILLIAM	168.58
3	MONTAGINO,CHRISTOPHER	159.57
4	VANSANT,JAMES	156.35
5	DOERING,HOWARD	152.74

## 21 Sport Speed **CORRECT RESULTS**

1	CHRISTOPHER MONTAGINO	147.69
2	HOWARD DOERING	146.47
3	WILLIAM HUGHES	145.91
4	JAMES VANSANT	142.76
5	CARL DODGE	128.83

## 309 JET

1	PERKINS,STEVE	189.02
2	HEMPEL,PATRICK	188.6
3	DOERING,HOWARD	175.49

## C Speed

1	GREGORY, WARREN	181.26
2	VANSANT, JAMES	179.61
3	MONTAGINO, CHRISTOPHER	173.99
4	HUGHES, WILLIAM	169.25

## 304 D SPEED

1	HUGHES,WILLIAM	189.97
2	MONTAGINO,CHRISTOPHER	183.03
3	VANSANT,GLEN	182.85
4	VANSANT,JAMES	177.83
5	DOERING,HOWARD	172.85









This is my first Nats as a competitor and only the second that I have attended, the first being the 1973 Nats in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, as a teenager. I have built and flown a wide variety of model airplane types with more recent experience in RC Soaring. Still, I feel that the Free Flight portion of the Nats is the most interesting because of the huge variety of models flown and the competition categories.

If I had larger flying sites close to where I live in Winona, Minnesota, I would be more active in Free Flight. It is a huge thrill to fly from a large site such as the AMA's International Aeromodeling Center in Muncie.

Writing contest reports is rather new to me, also. I was recruited at the last second, but I will try to make this as interesting as possible. I arrived in Muncie on Saturday evening, July 23, but started flying for the first time on Sunday morning. My first event isn't until Wednesday, but I

competed in the Beat the Vartarian event Monday evening. Most of the day Monday was spent taking pictures and going around and talking with competitors.

Some of the people knew me from corresponding through the internet or I had seen them in videos created of previous Nats. Some people knew of me from reading about the simple rubber-powered models I build using foam plates. (I lost one of those in a thermal on the third flight.) Everyone was happy to share a little bit about themselves and the models they were flying.

Although it almost looked like it could rain when I arrived, it turned out to be a good flying day with less heat and wind than on the practice day Sunday. There were a fair number of people at the field on Sunday, but it really came alive on Monday morning. Some of the first models flying were the large D-Gas powered Free Flight aircraft. I was really impressed by how fast they could climb

and then transition into a smooth glide. I took lots of pictures of the launches. I timed for Dave Edmundson, whom, I rode with from Minnesota, and he put up easy maxes with his Hustler 750. It appeared that others were maxing just as easily.

Equally interesting to me were all of the nostalgia types of models, with the small Cox engines screaming. Interspersed with the gas models were the electric Free Flights and some rubber models. It was fun watching the slower, almost silent climb of the larger rubber models, also. I am planning on entering in P-30 later in the week, along with a few other events.

In the late afternoon, I took pictures of the award ceremonies. Some of the same people were winning many of the events, but there were also a lot of different people winning too, including some youngsters. On Wednesday, I plan to better describe the highlights of the categories flown as I talk with more people. 📷

Morning flightline.



Hank Sperzel.



Drake Hooke, Newfoundland PA, and his .020 Replica Zipper.





Elvin Buchley, Toledo OH, with his .020 Replica.



Denny Dock of Michigan.



Dwight Scott, Eaton Rapids MI.



Ruth Bane and her A/B Classic Astro Whip with an O.S. Max 25 ducted-fan motor.



Charles Carton, Montgomery AL, with his Sunbird D power model.



Jack Murphy.



Dan Berry.



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