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The F1D World Champion, Kang Lee, will be in attendance and available for autographs.



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Indoor Free Flight



An Indoor Free Flight paradise.

This year's Indoor FF Nats is being run in conjunction with the Kibbie Dome Annual Indoor FF event in Moscow, Idaho. This is working very well as a last-minute substitution after last year's site in Champaign, Illinois, didn't pan out (despite a valiant effort, because it was such a beautiful location and building).

The Kibbie Dome is no compromise, though. It is truly a world-class venue—having hosted an F1D World Championship, several F1D team selection contests, countless international flyers, as well as one of the largest and most important recurring Indoor FF contests.

The dome has recently undergone several improvements including huge translucent windows in the end walls, which eliminate the need for the blinding lights along the sides. This improved what was already an excellent site.

The dome's main Indoor FF-friendly feature is a high point that runs the length of the floor, allowing light and heavy models to fly simultaneously at opposite ends, and negating the need for timeslots to separate incompatible

classes. You can come fly whatever you want, whenever you want, for five full days. The only events separated out are gliders, and even they get morning airtime on each of the five days.

We expect the usual Kibbie crowd, along with people drawn from farther away by the additional Nats status. If you are in the area, stop by and enjoy the fun.

For those who can't make it, I'll keep you up to date via *NatsNews*. Will new F1D World Champ Kang Lee take home a National Championship title, too? Who is going to test the waters with the new-rules F1D event—and what kinds of times will we see?

Can Leo Pilachowski repeat his F1L title? Will Bill Gowen trump the strong local A-6 crowd with his record-setting model? Which top names are going to throw down for the glider titles? What bizarre new one-off model is Rob Romash going to pull from his model box?

All this and more will be answered in the days ahead—stay tuned!

—John Kagan

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The new windows transform the building with abundant light.



Your trusty columnist, John Kagan (L), will be testing out the new rules for the F1D event.

Rob Romash has been up late building new models for the Nats.

