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Thursday, July 2
8:00 a.m. Finals All Classes
1:00 p.m. Freestyle

Friday, July 3
RC Combat Begins

Saturday, July 4
RC Combat

Sunday, July 5
RC Combat
RC Pylon Begins
CL Aerobatics Begins

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Day Three was even cooler with a few brief rain showers, but the flying continued. The final cuts were made and the top contenders will fly in today's finals.

Final scores in Sportsman ranged from a low of 9,999.0 to a high of 14,346.6, a range of 4,347.6. Riley Kissenberth placed first with a score of 14,346.6. In second was Matt Scott scoring 14,281.1 and in third was Chris Woycke with 14,248.5.

Final scores in Intermediate ranged from a low of 8,270.1 to a high of 10,665.7, a range of 2,395.6. Ryan

Don Hamilton presented Kent Porter with the Perfect 10 Service Award.

Bruno Macedo received the Perfect 10 Service Award.

Petty who scored 14,403.4. Cody McLean placed third with a score of 14,225.2. Final scores in Advanced ranged from a low of 9,999.0 to a high of 14,413.6, a range of 4,414.6.

In Unlimited, Jason Noll placed first with 9,309.2. Second place went to David Moser who scored 9,051.5 and Kurt

Clark came in first place with a score of 10,665.7. Ryan was followed by Alex Porter and Matthew Stringer scoring 10,447.7 and 10,422.2 respectively.

The Advanced class saw Neil Westdrop finishing in first place with 14,413.6 followed closely by Bradley

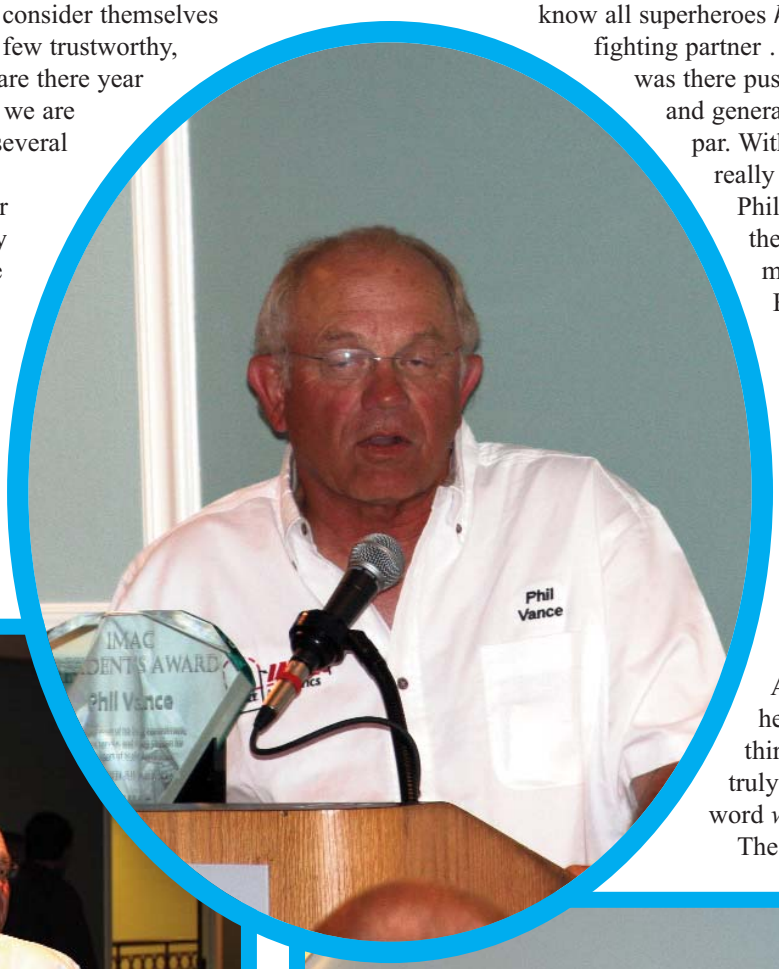
Koelling with a 9,017.5 placed third. Final scores in Unlimited ranged from a low of 5,301.1 to a high of 9,309.2, a range of 4,008.1.

Wednesday night was the IMAC banquet. The finalists were announced and Perfect 10 Service Awards were presented to Bruno Macedo of Brazil and Kent Porter from North Carolina. Don Hamilton, IMAC president, presented the prestigeous President's Award to Mike Stoner and Phil Vance. Congratulations to all and thank you for your service to the organization!

Phil Vance

Most organizations would consider themselves lucky to have more than a few trustworthy, dedicated volunteers who are there year in and year out. In IMAC, we are indeed lucky to have had several of these individuals.

One person in particular has provided a consistently high level of service to the IMAC community for many years. While in his early years he may have walked on the dark side (Pattern), in the late 1990s he began to see the light that is IMAC. As a CD of some reputation in the Pattern community, he was "convinced" to pursue fame and fortune holding IMAC events instead. And so it began, an annual event that soon turned into two annual events and the pilots kept coming. Unfortunately he did have a few backsliding moments in these early years as he also continued to CD a few Pattern meets as well, but no one is perfect.



Here is a guy working a full-time job, running multiple contests each year (along with other club activities, and serving as secretary/treasurer of two very active, large RC clubs at the same time. That is more than enough for any mere mortal to handle … but breaking out the blue suit and the big red cape, in 2003 he answered the call to take on the reconstruction of the finances of IMAC which were in pretty bad shape. But you know all superheroes *have* to have a sidekick and crime-fighting partner … and did he ever! Rhonda Vance was there pushing, pulling, scoring, calculating, and generally keeping her superhero up to par. Without her, we would likely not really know the name Phil Vance.

Phil is in his third consecutive term as the national IMAC treasurer and a member of the board of directors. He also continues to serve in the same capacity for his home club, the Winston-Salem Radio Control Club in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. It speaks volumes about a man when his peers show total faith in his honesty and character by continuing to "elect" him to such a sensitive office for years and years.

In 2007, Phil retired from AT&T (Bellsouth) but only now as he serves as event director for his third National Championships, has he truly started to understand what the word *work* actually means.

The entire IMAC community owes Phil Vance and Rhonda a large debt of gratitude for their many years of tireless service to this organization in many capacities.

As president of IMAC, it is my distinct honor and pleasure to award our organization's highest recognition, the IMAC President's Award, to Phillip Vance.

—Don Hamilton

Scores and Standings

Please note: Scores are unofficial until tabulation is confirmed.

Sportsman

Final scores in Sportsman ranged from a low of 9,999.0 to a high of 14,346.6 (a range of 4,347.6)

			Known																Unknown[4]		
			Round 1		Round 2		Round 3		Round 4		Round 5		Round 6		Round 7		Round 8				
	Pilot	Final Score	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Round 1	Round 2	Points[1]
1	Riley Kissenberth	14,346.60	995.9	972.6	981.2	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~967.9~~ thrown	~~969.6~~ thrown	~~936~~ thrown	~~950.9~~ thrown	~~939.9~~ thrown	996.7	980.3	3,419.90	~~3,201.60~~ thrown	1,000
2	Matt Scott	14,281.10	~~883~~ thrown	~~855.1~~ thrown	~~742~~ thrown	~~888.1~~ thrown	925.3	921.3	952.4	990.4	915.6	~~879.2~~ thrown	977	932.4	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~3,011.80~~ thrown	3,666.70	995.4
3	Chris Woycke	14,248.50	957.9	1,000.00	~~834.2~~ thrown	~~790.5~~ thrown	~~884.3~~ thrown	~~909.5~~ thrown	915.6	~~914~~ thrown	923	1,000.00	979.6	955.3	956.5	964.2	950.7	979	3,666.70	~~3,220.90~~ thrown	993.2
4	Mariano Barrios	13,955.80	960.2	942.2	931.8	~~801.5~~ thrown	~~869.6~~ thrown	955.5	962.6	967	~~889.9~~ thrown	~~891.1~~ thrown	987.7	1,000.00	954.8	930.9	962	~~886.6~~ thrown	3,400.90	~~3,070.60~~ thrown	972.8
5	Garrett Westenburg	13,811.30	~~913.2~~ thrown	949.4	~~887.3~~ thrown	~~863.2~~ thrown	942.2	~~898.2~~ thrown	~~839.4~~ thrown	962	924.1	980.8	971.7	938.3	931.6	923.8	950.4	974	3,363.10	~~2,527.70~~ thrown	962.7
6	Jerry Stuckey	13,597.40	986.2	893.2	956.2	~~759.3~~ thrown	~~854.2~~ thrown	~~848.8~~ thrown	955.1	890.6	~~748.6~~ thrown	~~743.6~~ thrown	942.7	915.8	875.3	875	863.6	897.7	~~3,160.50~~ thrown	3,546.20	947.8
7	Michael Karnes	13,594.40	890.8	909.2	912.8	~~772.4~~ thrown	~~863.9~~ thrown	~~860.5~~ thrown	956.3	944.1	~~852.9~~ thrown	930.6	957.5	987.1	~~874~~ thrown	918.3	907.6	951.4	3,328.60	~~2,842.40~~ thrown	947.6
8	Christopher Haas	13,535.00	~~848.5~~ thrown	~~862.8~~ thrown	~~858.2~~ thrown	896	878	~~840.5~~ thrown	966.2	929	933.9	~~875.4~~ thrown	934.1	896	946.8	944	972.6	963.7	~~3,003.80~~ thrown	3,274.70	943.4
9	Parker Gilbert	13,518.10	~~903.7~~ thrown	~~809.7~~ thrown	1,000.00	915.2	~~780.7~~ thrown	~~905.3~~ thrown	966.8	905.5	~~865~~ thrown	913.2	956	978.6	919.3	931.3	947.4	973.7	3,111.10	~~2,912.60~~ thrown	942.3
10	Alexander Davis	13,299.10	926.4 [3]	948.8 [3]	964.3 [3]	913.8 [3]	~~829.5~~ [3] thrown	939.9 [3]	903.8	~~898.4~~ thrown	~~861~~ thrown	918.7	923.5	916.6	~~888.1~~ thrown	~~875.6~~ thrown	920.5	900.9	3,122.00	~~2,835.40~~ thrown	927
11	Michael Scilepti	13,050.00	962.3	909	~~837~~ thrown	853.2	~~810.2~~ thrown	~~826~~ thrown	859.6	843.5	~~831~~ thrown	895.1	1,000.00	~~806~~ thrown	844.9	877.5	977.1	964.2	~~2,150.40~~ thrown	3,063.60	909.6
12	Benjamin Battes	12,993.20	960.9	880.2	940.2	~~793.6~~ thrown	~~768~~ thrown	~~767.1~~ thrown	800.1	883.2	854.4	~~751~~ thrown	937.5	929.1	901.9	903.1	~~792.2~~ thrown	942.5	3,060.10	~~2,866.40~~ thrown	905.7
13	Mark Jorgenson	12,790.20	1,000.00	972.3	~~809.2~~ thrown	~~781.9~~ thrown	835	832.8	860.8	832.2	~~751.3~~ thrown	~~803~~ thrown	906.2	849.6	845.7	932	~~699.5~~ thrown	886	3,037.70	~~2,811.40~~ thrown	891.5
14	Gerald Price	12,714.40	884.4	905.1	807	837	~~752~~ thrown	804.7	910.7	890.2	~~796.3~~ thrown	~~784.5~~ thrown	~~718.5~~ thrown	~~549.6~~ thrown	808.7	868.1	853.6	874.8	3,270.10	~~2,564.60~~ thrown	886.2
15	George Davis	12,623.80	903.3	865.6	~~850.4~~ thrown	853.7	~~617.8~~ thrown	~~782.1~~ thrown	893.6	871.9	877.4	919.3	899.1	~~780.1~~ thrown	892.7	894.2	~~797.3~~ thrown	872	2,881.00	~~2,532.40~~ thrown	879.9
16	Donald Martin	11,786.90	868.2	867.7	923.2	750.8	~~690.2~~ thrown	767.3	885.7	813.8	~~656.1~~ thrown	~~744.6~~ thrown	~~728.6~~ thrown	~~744.1~~ thrown	856	787.7	841	773.5	2,652.00	~~2,257.40~~ thrown	821.6

[1] - "Points" (aka, regional points) are explained below

[3] - "Missing pilot/panel" penalty was assessed

[4] - Unknown rounds were scaled to ~3666 max points each. (25% of total score is for Unknowns.)

Intermediate

Final scores in Intermediate ranged from a low of 8,270.1 to a high of 10,665.7 (a range of 2,395.6)

			Known												Unknown[4]		
		Final	Round 1		Round 2		Round 3		Round 4		Round 5		Round 6				
	Pilot	Score	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Round 1	Round 2	Points[1]
1	Ryan Clark	10,665.70	999	1,000.00	~~929.7~~ thrown	~~898.8~~ thrown	~~860.5~~ thrown	~~901.5~~ thrown	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~2,666.70~~ thrown	2,666.70	1,000
2	Alex Porter	10,447.70	990	976.9	989.9	~~821.7~~ thrown	994	958.2	~~935.4~~ thrown	974	~~954.1~~ thrown	971.4	~~958~~ thrown	966.4	~~2,600.60~~ thrown	2,626.90	979.6
3	Matthew Stringer	10,422.20	983.9	991.1	~~902.8~~ thrown	~~938.9~~ thrown	1,000.00	1,000.00	964.7	995.2	~~952.4~~ thrown	~~920.1~~ thrown	989.3	955.5	~~2,490.00~~ thrown	2,542.40	977.2
4	Jason Benson	10,328.70	951.8	961.4	~~881.1~~ thrown	949.8	998.2	~~910.1~~ thrown	~~860.6~~ thrown	921.9	956.6	~~890.1~~ thrown	992.6	971.9	~~2,493.00~~ thrown	2,624.60	968.4
5	Kyle Goodwine	9,973.30	908.4	935.1	961.8	944.3	~~842.1~~ thrown	~~906.5~~ thrown	914.4	940.3	~~838~~ thrown	~~756.3~~ thrown	981.5	932.4	~~2,337.90~~ thrown	2,455.10	935.1
6	Matt Balazs	9,887.60	893.4	889.3	970.4	1,000.00	895.6	~~866.8~~ thrown	~~801.1~~ thrown	901.4	951	894.4	~~840.4~~ thrown	~~850.9~~ thrown	~~1,926.30~~ thrown	2,492.30	927
7	Curtis Cozier	9,800.80	1,000.00	929.8	1,000.00	976.3	958.8	882.9	~~863.4~~ thrown	933.2	~~874.6~~ thrown	902.1	~~707.8~~ thrown	~~882.6~~ thrown	~~1,938.70~~ thrown	2,217.60	918.9
8	Kurtis Waites	9,315.10	885.4	879.2	934.6	974.8	~~808.5~~ thrown	~~803.7~~ thrown	~~820.4~~ thrown	865.2	903.8	833.9	869.3	~~815.7~~ thrown	2,169.00	~~1,989.20~~ thrown	873.4
9	Mike Chandley	9,130.40	872.7	892	~~812.5~~ thrown	849	~~628.6~~ thrown	~~836.4~~ thrown	858.9	845.3	899.3	907.4	~~840.6~~ thrown	899.3	2,106.60	~~2,074.00~~ thrown	856.1
10	Edward Bernaldez	8,982.60	793.5	864.9	941.9	927.4	805.6	~~716~~ thrown	848.2	802	~~755.9~~ thrown	818.6	~~754.9~~ thrown	~~768.8~~ thrown	2,180.30	~~1,941.00~~ thrown	842.2
11	Forrest Pilkenton	8,860.40	798	777.6	879.9	852.1	~~755~~ thrown	~~737~~ thrown	900.8	849.3	756.2	~~579~~ thrown	767.9	~~738.2~~ thrown	2,278.50	~~2,260.00~~ thrown	830.7
12	Ted Barrette	8,406.00	910.9	817.8	833.6	~~656.8~~ thrown	782.8	~~710.9~~ thrown	739.3	893.6	747.6	~~644.6~~ thrown	803.4	~~691.9~~ thrown	~~1,723.50~~ thrown	1,877.00	788.1
13	Russell Stohr	8,270.10	799.3	837.2	767.4	816.1	~~582.4~~ thrown	~~766.7~~ thrown	~~742.7~~ thrown	~~644~~ thrown	773.4	781.8	775.4	823.7	1,895.80	~~1,889.30~~ thrown	775.4

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The first-place pilot (in each class) gets 1,000 points. All other pilots get a prorated number of points, based on how they compare.

Note: Flights without a scale pilot and panel installed are assessed a penalty.

In this report, no pilots were assessed the missing pilot/panel penalty.

Advanced

Final scores in Advanced ranged from a low of 9,999.0 to a high of 14,413.6 (a range of 4,414.6)

			Known																Unknown[4]		
		Final	Round 1		Round 2		Round 3		Round 4		Round 5		Round 6		Round 7		Round 8				
	Pilot	Score	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Round 1	Round 2	Points[1]
1	Neil Westdrop	14,413.60	~~906.1~~ thrown	966.6	~~867.2~~ thrown	~~894~~ thrown	1,000.00	1,000.00	963.2	968.3	964.4	1,000.00	968.8	915.6	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~871.1~~ thrown	~~829.6~~ thrown	3,666.70	~~3,623.90~~ thrown	1,000
2	Bradley Petty	14,403.40	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~875.5~~ thrown	~~974.5~~ thrown	~~978.9~~ thrown	~~863~~ thrown	1,000.00	1,000.00	980.4	989.2	1,000.00	~~978~~ thrown	987.6	999.6	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~3,390.40~~ thrown	3,446.50	999.3
3	Cody McLean	14,225.20	964	~~904.7~~ thrown	979.5	1,000.00	955.6	926	986.7	995.5	1,000.00	992.1	921.8	~~776.9~~ thrown	977.5	~~898.9~~ thrown	~~904.7~~ thrown	~~849.6~~ thrown	3,526.60	~~3,459.00~~ thrown	986.9
4	Ben Selock	14,014.60	931.9	~~858.8~~ thrown	1,000.00	947.1	891.8	~~885.8~~ thrown	933.8	~~883.4~~ thrown	944.5	898.2	893.5	~~883.4~~ thrown	984	970.2	953	~~863.5~~ thrown	~~3,455.80~~ thrown	3,666.70	972.3
5	David Stewart	13,775.20	~~798.2~~ thrown	~~893.8~~ thrown	940.6	~~883.4~~ thrown	942.6	937	986.3	966.1	941.6	949.7	920.2	~~824.6~~ thrown	932.3	902.4	947.6	~~889.2~~ thrown	~~3,267.10~~ thrown	3,408.80	955.7
6	James Hicks	13,728.60	~~812.5~~ [3] thrown	884.1 [3]	948.5 [3]	966.4 [3]	~~860.2~~ [3] thrown	890.7 [3]	~~865.9~~ [3] thrown	875.3 [3]	917.1 [3]	912.8 [3]	892.4 [3]	1,000.0 [3]	890.0 [3]	~~832.9~~ [3] thrown	934.0 [3]	~~850.4~~ [3] thrown	3,617.2 [3]	~~3,513.0~~ [3] thrown	952.5
7	Matthew Laine	13,449.00	948.8	970.4	946.3	933.2	918.6	~~821.4~~ thrown	891.8	906	872.8	~~854.3~~ thrown	~~857.4~~ thrown	~~857.2~~ thrown	860.9	864.7	894.9	~~804.1~~ thrown	~~2,873.30~~ thrown	3,440.70	933.1
8	Troy Wallace	13,006.50	955.3	940.9	~~833.4~~ thrown	915.3	~~887.1~~ thrown	903.6	906.1	924.4	~~860.4~~ thrown	930.9	~~692.8~~ thrown	~~841.6~~ thrown	935.5	913	952.9	912.3	~~2,667.40~~ thrown	2,816.50	902.4
9	Louis Matustik	12,499.90	837	897.4	806.4	812.5	821	~~589.7~~ thrown	804	875.8	817.1	~~798.1~~ thrown	~~613.1~~ thrown	~~784.1~~ thrown	~~790~~ thrown	854.5	877.5	829.5	~~2,330.10~~ thrown	3,267.20	867.2
10	Ivan Pinzon	12,219.20	862.5	912.4	~~743.8~~ thrown	804.2	782.6	828.8	~~611.9~~ thrown	785.1	~~568.5~~ thrown	~~746~~ thrown	926.8	~~727.7~~ thrown	883.5	813.2	822.6	826.6	~~2,710.90~~ thrown	2,971.00	847.8
11	Mark Dennis	11,293.90	734.8	795.8	~~651~~ thrown	~~632.9~~ thrown	755.7	797.6	~~652.9~~ thrown	795.7	836.8	718.3	~~664.8~~ thrown	740.3	702.1	~~581.7~~ thrown	743.7	788.6	~~1,917.90~~ thrown	2,884.70	783.6
12	Andrew Thomas	11,124.20	705.2	837.9	699.4	813.7	~~619.8~~ thrown	701.1	793.4	716	682.1	~~662.6~~ thrown	~~656.4~~ thrown	~~584.7~~ thrown	735.2	~~675.6~~ thrown	836.6	751.5	2,852.30	~~2,201.00~~ thrown	771.8
13	Mike McMurtry	10,645.00	704.9	762.6	~~697.4~~ thrown	822.9	~~586.6~~ thrown	724	775.6	744.4	841.4	747.5	~~611.1~~ thrown	~~659.4~~ thrown	810.1	738.1	743.1	~~664.5~~ thrown	~~2,075.70~~ thrown	2,230.30	738.5
14	Allan Smith	10,428.00	714.7	831.9	~~353.7~~ thrown	~~646.9~~ thrown	775.1	770.6	698.8	770.8	768.8	814.5	~~628.3~~ thrown	691.5	685.1	~~682.3~~ thrown	~~588.3~~ thrown	694.9	2,211.30	~~1,996.50~~ thrown	723.5

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Unlimited

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			Known										Unknown[4]		
		Final	Round 1		Round 2		Round 3		Round 4		Round 5				
	Pilot	Score	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Seq #1	Seq #2	Round 1	Round 2	Points[1]
1	Jason Noll	9,309.20	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	976.1	~~939.9~~ thrown	999.8	1,000.00	~~958.9~~ thrown	~~967.2~~ thrown	~~2,248.40~~ thrown	2,333.30	1,000
2	David Moser	9,051.50	~~902.9~~ thrown	~~914.3~~ thrown	~~922.3~~ thrown	943.4	923.2	960.4	942.4	961.1	987.6	1,000.00	2,333.30	~~2,247.90~~ thrown	972.3
3	Kurt Koelling	9,017.50	949.1	966.9	932.5	944.9	~~912.3~~ thrown	~~919.9~~ thrown	971.2	967	~~929.7~~ thrown	960.4	2,325.40	~~2,316.90~~ thrown	968.7
4	Jeffery Szueber	8,933.80	~~901.8~~ thrown	926.1	~~881.2~~ thrown	976.1	1,000.00	1,000.00	~~917~~ thrown	955.9	959.4	958.6	~~2,019.60~~ thrown	2,157.60	959.7
5	Frank Noll	8,833.60	~~909.4~~ thrown	~~910.5~~ thrown	926.7	964.3	966.4	919.2	1,000.00	981.6	929.1	~~911.3~~ thrown	2,146.20	~~2,102.80~~ thrown	948.9
6	Seth Arnold	8,791.00	892.3	~~859.6~~ thrown	~~869.1~~ thrown	893.5	947.3	917.5	897.9	~~781.1~~ thrown	1,000.00	947	~~2,077.60~~ thrown	2,295.50	944.3
7	Adam Bry	8,740.50	~~874.3~~ thrown	~~856.9~~ thrown	951.6	941	967.6	930.6	939.3	923.7	~~906.4~~ thrown	931.4	~~2,060.00~~ thrown	2,155.30	938.9
8	Mike McConville	8,595.40	882.7	901.5	880.1	~~865.3~~ thrown	~~862.3~~ thrown	~~826.1~~ thrown	972	920.9	904.6	897.6	2,236.00	~~2,210.90~~ thrown	923.3
9	Nicholas Pinzon	8,484.80	~~848.5~~ thrown	868.1	876.7	972.1	~~858.2~~ thrown	~~838.7~~ thrown	882.3	915.7	893.7	896.2	2,180.00	~~2,130.90~~ thrown	911.4
10	Stephen Hamilton	8,440.00	859.9 [3]	~~826.4~~ [3] thrown	~~796.3~~ thrown	928	902.9	~~824.6~~ thrown	860.8	915.5	918	876	2,178.90	~~2,065.60~~ thrown	906.6
11	Sean McMurtry	8,363.70	932.7	~~838.3~~ thrown	876.9	868.2	890.3	~~861~~ thrown	871.5	~~792.8~~ thrown	887	883.1	~~2,124.20~~ thrown	2,154.10	898.4
12	Will Berninger	8,360.10	~~867.8~~ thrown	~~836.7~~ thrown	893.7	895.3	873.3	891	896.9	887	885.5	~~864.9~~ thrown	~~2,023.40~~ thrown	2,137.40	898
13	Brian Luckett	8,226.20	~~735.9~~ thrown	~~753.8~~ thrown	~~787.3~~ thrown	817.1	906.5	893.9	805.7	814.6	951.1	946.2	2,091.00	~~1,985.80~~ thrown	883.7
14	Lyndell Roe	8,087.60	~~751.6~~ thrown	782	~~746.8~~ thrown	~~772.5~~ thrown	859.4	818	846.3	877	942.1	903.6	2,059.10	~~1,846.50~~ thrown	868.8
15	Ryan Gonsoulin	8,044.20	824.7	848.4	842.1	862.5	~~797.5~~ thrown	852.4	893.3	~~785.9~~ thrown	855.2	~~813.3~~ thrown	2,065.70	~~1,871.90~~ thrown	864.1
16	Matthew Szueber	8,037.60	~~787.4~~ thrown	869	867.3	843.2	862.1	~~803.9~~ thrown	841.2	866.5	~~840.7~~ thrown	874.6	2,013.60	~~2,013.60~~ thrown	863.4
17	Ty Lyman	7,872.70	845.3	854.5	842.2	908.1	~~799.6~~ thrown	~~688~~ thrown	911.3	~~818.9~~ thrown	868.6	883.2	~~1,664.10~~ thrown	1,759.40	845.7
18	Brian Sanik	7,829.70	~~721.8~~ thrown	845.9	783.1	901.5	~~734~~ thrown	~~683.4~~ thrown	837.2	835.4	829.4	858.1	1,939.20	~~1,811.50~~ thrown	841.1

19	Luis Tiago Racanicchi	7,750.80	~~774.5~~ thrown	821.8	790.1	780.3	793.7	~~758.1~~ thrown	844.7	~~615.6~~ thrown	783	802.2	2,134.90	~~1,896.90~~ thrown	832.6
20	Wayne Matthews	7,514.30	~~655.1~~ thrown	705.5	~~692.6~~ thrown	733.8	857	~~575.2~~ thrown	761.5	856.2	817.9	792.4	1,990.10	~~1,797.30~~ thrown	807.2
21	Steve Nelson	7,474.30	~~718~~ thrown	816.2	759.2	880	~~734.8~~ thrown	736.7	752.1	~~717~~ thrown	756.1	789.9	1,984.10	~~1,511.40~~ thrown	802.9
22	Bruno Macedo	7,382.10	~~625~~ thrown	~~690.9~~ thrown	759.8	814.2	758.2	~~694.6~~ thrown	750.7	771.8	830.5	838.2	1,858.70	~~1,472.00~~ thrown	793
23	Bernie Boland	7,062.70	~~733~~ thrown	772.4	785.2	779.1	~~612.4~~ thrown	777.5	797	838.1	770.2	~~736.5~~ thrown	~~1,011.80~~ thrown	1,543.00	758.7
24	John Schroder	6,540.10	~~491.4~~ thrown	687	732.3	~~654.4~~ thrown	~~625~~ thrown	664.6	687	706.7	763.2	688.2	1,611.10	~~147.7~~ thrown	702.5
25	Deryck Taylor	5,301.10	~~327.3~~ thrown	~~424.1~~ thrown	594.5	695.4	~~423.4~~ thrown	525	566.5	512.8	666.5	667	~~1,017.00~~ thrown	1,073.40	569.4

[1] - "Points" (aka, regional points) are explained below

[3] - "Missing pilot/panel" penalty was assessed

[4] - Unknown rounds were scaled to ~2333 max points each. (25% of total score is for Unknowns.)

[1] - Points are computed as follows:

The first-place pilot (in each class) gets 1,000 points. All other pilots get a prorated number of points, based on how they compare.

Note: Flights without a scale pilot and panel installed are assessed a penalty.

Classified Ads

We're trying something new this year in *NatsNews*: classified ads. You can purchase a 1-inch, 2-inch, or 3-inch ad to wish someone good luck, say congratulations, or just say sorry about your luck.

The cost is $5 per inch, and the maximum size is 3 inches. Sizes are shown below. Commercial advertising is not permitted.

If you are interested in purchasing a classified ad or have any questions, contact Liz Helms at AMA Headquarters, (765) 287-1256, ext. 213 or lhelms@modelaircraft.org.

Insertion requests must be received by 9 a.m. the day you wish the ad to appear.

Good Luck John Smith. We love you, Daddy!
Love, Molly, Shawn and Jeffery
1"

Congratulations Eric! That's the best flight you've ever made! We're proud of you and good luck today!
—The Red Mountain Flyers
2"

Sorry about your luck, Jack Hartman.

We told you the ground was just as hard this year as is was last year. Hope you can get the plane repaired in time for next year's Nats! Hope to see you then!
—Gene, Bob, and the Liars Club
3"

Tom Wheeler

While his early years are somewhat hidden in obscurity, this gentleman is one of the most important figures in IMAC history. It is easy to lead an organization when you have a quality team around you, but during times when you feel a little like Tom Hanks and start talking to soccer balls, it can be a bit of a rough road. During these lean years, as IMAC was really evolving into the organization that it is today, it took a strong personality and a true love of the sport to keep things rolling. For more than five years in office, this individual gave everything … and continues to give today as a key member of the IMAC Sequence

Committee and the AMA Scale Aerobatics Contest Board.

It would be difficult to imaging where we would be today as an organization without the leadership and strong work ethic of this former IMAC president, Mr. Tom Wheeler.

As president of IMAC, it is my distinct honor and pleasure to award our organization's highest recognition, the IMAC President's Award, to Tom Wheeler.

—Don Hamilton

Mike Stoner

Mike Stoner flew in his first IMAC contest in 1995, although back then it was called Novice rather than Basic. His inspirations then to join IMAC and compete were Glenn Carter, Bill Eich, and Allan Young—some of the real IMAC pioneers.

Around 1999, IMAC adopted the strict FAI/Aresti construction rules for sequences and the resulting K factors made keeping score more complicated. We used to multiply the simple K factors in our heads and the scores were added up with hand calculators. It was still pretty fast, all things considered. I remember that it was a simple Excel file that would fit on the floppy disks we had then.

Around the year 2000, IMAC adopted normalized scoring and at first Mike says he wasn't a real fan. Soon he became convinced of the merit of the system (he saw the light) and put together another Excel program that would do the normalizing. It wasn't perfect by any means, but it still worked – well, most of the time.

Many times there were problems with PCs giving up in the middle of contests. Thankfully that's rare these days. Mike kept making changes to IMAC's scorekeeping program between 2000 and 2008. It was always free to whoever needed it and eventually Mike was getting e-mail requests for it from all around the globe.

Besides the scoring program, Mike worked on the first IMAC Judging Course material with Fred Johnson and gained knowledge and experience in sequence writing by creating Unknowns for many contests and CDs, and eventually a few of the national Unknowns.

Wayne Matthews asked him to be one of the original ISC members and he has been making contributions to Knowns and Unknowns flown globally since the team was founded in 2006.

At last night's banquet, Mike Stoner was awarded IMAC's President's Award. Tom Wheeler accepted it on Mike's behalf and read the following:

"Mike wishes he could be here in person but he wanted to thank Tom Wheeler for many years of friendship and consultation – okay, commiserating – as well as Wayne Matthews for his leadership, and friendship, and guidance. Mike says he never expected any sort of recognition and just wanted to contribute as an IMAC member and fan, and he's flattered by this award, but mostly the word is grateful. Mike says he's very grateful for his experience with IMAC but especially the friendships across the nation. He wishes everyone a great Nats experience and safe travels."

IMAC president and last night's emcee, Don Hamilton.

Carlos Paez received a pilot made in his image!