



August 4

Soaring Wrap-Up  
F3J  
ALES



# NatsNews

## Soaring F3J



Saturday got off to a rocky start as thunder echoed across the F3J Soaring field. Pilots were unsure if or when they'd be able to get a few more rounds in and a bid for that champion plaque.

Rain stopped falling by early morning, and the sun finally peaked out, allowing competitors to get through four more rounds before packing up and heading home.

Competition was tight all day with pilots placing within points of each other. After 13 total rounds between Friday and Saturday, the winners of the 2014 Nats F3J event are:

First place: Neal Huffman  
Second place: Blayne Chastain  
Third place: Chris Lee  
Fourth place: Richard Burnosky  
Fifth place: Jim Monaco  
Sixth place: Tom Siler  
Seventh place: Adam Quennoz  
Eight place: Randall Everly  
Senior Flyer: Dominick Lewis

The team award went to Team One consisting of Jeff Carr, Jim Monaco, Blayne Chastain, and Neil Huffman.

Several competitors had just returned from a trip to the F3J World Championships in Martin, Slovakia, and the two days of flying proved why they were chosen to represent the US. Thanks to all the pilots, the contest director, and everyone else involved in making this year's Nats a success. We will see you next year!





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Team Award winners  
Neal Huffman, Blayne  
Chastain, Jim Monaco,  
and Jeff Carr.



F3J winners (L-R) Dominik Lewis,  
Neal Huffman, Blayne Chastain,  
Chris Lee, Richard Burnosky, Jim  
Monaco, Tom Siler, Adam Quennoz,  
and Randall Everly.



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Bob Burson  
about to walk  
out to the  
flightline.

Mike Cramer chats with Celie Cochrell,  
while Casper patiently listens.



Tom Kallevang and Jim Thomas  
waiting between rounds.



A garbage can became an  
impromptu sailplane rest.



Pilots woke up day two of the ALES contest to the sound of thunder and heavy rain. We all gathered at the scoring tent for our 8 a.m. pilots' meeting while it was still raining. Dave Beach wisely delayed the start of the day's contest until the rain had stopped and the radar looked promising.

The flightline at Site 4 was laid out at a northeasterly angle according to the prevailing wind to prevent landing approaches from coming over the pit area. The computer recording that announces the round and group and task start and end buzzers started with Round 5 Group D near at 9:30 a.m. (The contest was stopped the night before at 5 p.m. with Round 5, Group C because the AMA needed to cut the field.)

The first group went off into overcast, but dry skies with little or no wind. Once again, smooth flying was required to achieve the 10-minute task. Through Round 6 the scores were still tight at the top. As the morning wore on, we were happy to see the clouds go away and the blue skies return.

Then the Muncie weather changed again as the wind began to

pick up and lift became harder to find. There were many "hero-or-zero" flights as many pilots went far downwind in search of lift off of launch. Many pilots picked the wrong direction off of launch and paid with short flight times, yours truly included. There were also some very impressive low-level saves as pilots fought to get their times and make it back for a landing.

At the end of the day, Jim Thomas showed us how to do it, adding the Nats win to his earlier Polecat win in June. Congratulations to the top five pilots. They earned these places in a hard-fought contest in all types of conditions. Many thanks to Dave Beach who set the standard very high for CDs to follow.

All of the final results and ALES League scores can be found at [www.ales.org](http://www.ales.org). Thanks to all of the pilots who came from near and far and made this a very enjoyable two-day contest. Thanks for the *NatsNews* team who make our articles and photos look great in print. See you all next year!

—Ed and Kim Franz.

CD David Beach walking back from the flightline (note the coat!).



Kerry Cochrell walking back from the flightline with his Explorer.



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A timer launching for a pilot.



Don Richmond came well prepared for the early damp and cool conditions.



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Paul Perrett launching his homebuilt sailplane.



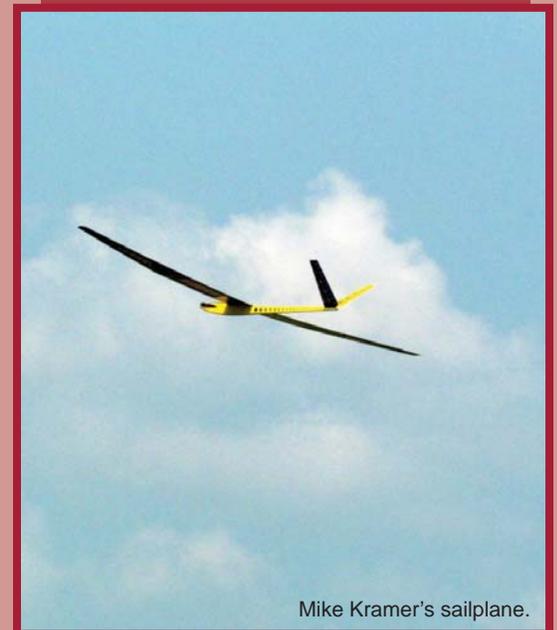
Tired legs get a lift out to the flightline.

A Radian about to land.



Ben Roberto landing his sailplane with Jack lafret timing.

Ken Bates launching his sailplane.



Mike Kramer's sailplane.

Jon Garber about to launch his Supra with CD David Beach looking on.



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Great mid-afternoon launch!

Arthur Markiewicz, Charles Thomas, and Poh Khaw walking back from the flightline.



Ed Franz holding his Sky Dancer.



And the winners are:  
(L-R) Jim Thomas,  
first; Larry Jolly,  
second; Ken Nogoy,  
third; Don Cleveland,  
fourth; and Paul  
Perret, fifth. Jon  
Garber was Best  
Junior.

# Scores

F3J

Rank	Name	Score	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5	Rnd 6	Rnd 7	Rnd 8	Rnd 9	Rnd 10	Rnd 11	Rnd 12	Rnd 13
1	Neal Huffman	11996.53	1000.00	1000.00	999.91	997.35	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	998.90	999.91	1000.00	997.81
2	Blayne Chastain	11992.19	1000.00	999.96	1000.00	1000.00	663.01	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	996.09	1000.00	996.14
3	Chris Lee	11983.69	1000.00	994.92	1000.00	1000.00	998.52	995.03	999.97	999.74	996.31	987.99	1000.00	999.20	1000.00
4	Richard Burnoski	11983.39	991.33	1000.00	999.62	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	995.53	1000.00	943.10	1000.00	998.27	998.64	1000.00
5	Jim Monaco	11976.04	1000.00	989.32	994.35	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	997.07	996.94	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	998.36	1000.00
6	Tom Siler	11957.39	936.34	996.74	999.45	997.98	995.97	993.08	1000.00	992.74	998.43	999.81	989.02	998.02	996.15
7	Adam Quennoz	11947.38	991.53	1000.00	991.05	990.53	992.65	1000.00	1000.00	998.67	997.91	996.61	993.94	873.35	994.49
8	Randall Everly	11909.84	819.45	998.77	991.41	983.69	992.21	994.91	978.26	1000.00	987.64	997.05	996.67	997.19	992.04
9	Jeffrey Carr	11877.97	757.83	951.28	1000.00	993.14	992.21	974.53	984.02	988.38	1000.00	999.71	1000.00	997.26	997.44
10	James McCarthy	11860.84	1000.00	877.12	1000.00	999.97	1000.00	995.39	993.48	998.89	641.32	995.99	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00
11	Doug Pike	11838.60	888.82	1000.00	998.38	996.75	996.04	995.90	621.54	991.62	995.29	989.28	996.12	997.72	992.68
12	Dominick Lewis	11754.75	953.89	990.18	996.05	993.26	985.35	999.13	996.23	999.07	991.15	859.17	995.18	996.09	849.16
13	Brendan Miller	11595.85	851.36	989.72	974.97	989.42	981.32	985.75	998.91	936.88	996.29	998.73	923.76	968.74	0.00
14	Ray Munro	11480.22	732.11	936.84	986.23	969.64	991.17	978.23	810.13	860.56	971.68	1000.00	991.38	993.37	990.99
15	B. J. (Jack) Strother	11344.60	848.26	869.30	987.82	979.29	994.82	990.61	983.75	991.72	987.18	771.01	940.84	1000.00	0.00
16	Dennis Clingan	11253.97	827.13	903.88	734.04	993.06	914.86	0.00	987.98	981.65	979.04	978.96	976.66	993.06	983.65
17	Rick Johnston	10587.66	763.65	748.94	995.10	902.12	927.84	995.05	766.31	921.94	352.53	794.16	920.12	857.61	994.82
18	Mark Miller	10485.17	886.41	918.04	975.69	665.12	998.22	989.44	304.36	996.79	813.46	980.55	816.94	524.37	920.14
19	Rick Bothell	10052.09	760.94	759.46	962.53	984.17	771.91	600.61	955.50	854.10	976.98	954.39	539.35	655.65	815.85
20	Neville Newman	9521.37	603.46	981.13	972.19	588.43	994.57	984.03	984.26	985.59	550.54	937.69	939.48	0.00	0.00

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Plc	Contestant	Cum. Score
1	Thomas, Jim	9398.314
2	Jolly, Larry	9361.661
3	Nogy, Kent	9278.333
4	Cleveland, Don	9241.658
5	Trussell, Gavin	9228.328
6	Paul, Perret	9227.265
7	Iafret, John	9218.283
8	Andersen, Barry	9159.917
9	Cochrell, Kerry	9036.510
10	Garber, Jon	8963.520
11	Roberto, Ben	8878.637
12	Bates, Kenneth	8841.738
13	Burson, Robert	8786.667
14	Richmond, Don	8750.686
15	Thomas, Charles	8734.944
16	Groves, Mark	8634.177
17	Swanson, Stewart	8429.830
18	Franz, Ed	8424.483
19	Markiewicz, Arthur	8319.997
20	Kallevang, Thomas	8284.240
21	Khaw, Poh	7944.437
22	Berg-Sonne, Anker	7905.538
23	Cramer, Michael	7754.704
24	Malcolm, Skye	7573.382
25	Schlitzkus, Peter	7502.087
26	Reisinger, Dave	7442.312
27	Winder, Jeff	7309.201
28	Rondeau, Robert	6937.932
29	Hixon, Richard	6793.238
30	Hall, Alexander	6596.022
31	Shaw, Kenneth	5702.129
32	Adasczik, Walter	5476.950
33	Mong, Ron	5151.644
34	Shape, Jerry	5120.000
35	Goldsmith, Peter	5095.000
36	Pinnell, Chuck	4846.073
37	Stahl, Gordy	4549.480
38	Lueke, John	4400.595
39	Allen, Ronald	3941.600
40	Van Elsander, Roger	3887.352
41	Hill, George	3678.164
42	Broeski, Tom	3127.332
43	Wrinkle, David	2538.311

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Barry Andersen landing  
his Explorer with timer Ed  
Franz cheering him on.  
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