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DRIZZLE CIRCUIT '81 -- A GLORIOUS START!

The 1981 Northwest Sport Race Drizzle Circuit started Dec. 14 in Portland Oregon in a fashion that left all the contestants -- 28 entries over four events -- with a warm glow of satisfaction.

It was a very encouraging start indeed. First of all there was no drizzle. Oh, it tried hard but a few sprinkles for about five minutes was the best Mother Nature could do.

And the racing!

The new Fox .35 - powered Northwest Sport Race was a smashing success. Ten entries in that event proved that the stunt .35s are not nearly as hard to deal with as some expected. In six preliminary heats and a feature race, not a single entry recorded a "did not finish!" Heats were close, many entrants showed consistency across both heats, all winning times were within

29 seconds of each other, there were no crashes, no beefs and much pleasure.

Dave Green won NWSR with a blistering 9:33 time, a Northwest record and one that should stand. John Thompson of Cottage Grove, Ore., followed Green (of Astoria, Ore.) with a second-place finish and the day's fast heat, a 5:10,

also a Northwest record.

The new Super Sport race event also had to be called a success. is an event where creativity will be exercised, and practice and preparation will be important. Mike hazel of Salem, Ore., set the standard by coming out with an entirely new airplane, designed from the ground up for ouper Sport, a very stable, clean and quick slow rat type plane with K&B .35. Hazel won over 10 other entries, turning a modest 9:20 time in the feature but streaking to a record 4:06 heat. Both those times should fall drastically as the event goes on. We predict fairly common sub-4-minute heats and some sub-8-minute features, slightly better than the old NWSR rules produced.

Super sport featured a lot of sorting out and many different engineplane combinations. There were a few DNFs but not an excessive number. Again few mishaps and other problems. The only bona fide crash of the race befell the old NWSR record-collector, John Thompson, whose venerable Ringmaster bit the concrete when another pilot's cap caught the down line on a glide to the pit stop. A backup plane was tossed up for the second prelim but without a needle setting Thompson over-ran the 70 laps for a disqualification and his first NW sport race loss in 10 contests.

Bright lights: Good participation from around the region. Stunt flier Paul Walker placing second in NWSR in his first try with a very competent and well-prepared entry. Dave Green emerging as a long-anticipated power, placing in both events for the big ones as well as both mouse race classes. Newcomer Greg Beers looking good in Super Sport with a quick Mongoose. Ralph Pastor of Seattle entering both sport classes, finishing all four heats in his first circuit try. Junior flier Bruce Guenzler winning one heat and looking good throughout in Super Sport.

Everyone flying the sport classes began their march toward the big

circuit trophies to be awarded after the five contests.

And there was more: two classes of 2A mouse race.

Bill Varner of Astoria, Ore., spun to first place in Class I mouse with a smart 5:59, preceded by a 2:41 prelim. The prelim time bettered a record he already holds in the Northwest. John Thompson captured the Class II mouser with a respectable 10:43 feature (no prelims flown). Class I was very close racing and looked expert aloft and in the pits. Feature times in that event

were only 11 seconds apart from first to third.

The action moves to Seattle, where the Skyraiders will host the an. 11 contest at Carkeek Park. Slow comoat is the secondary event, followed by the two sport racing classes as usual. Action must start on schedule, so

be on time! See contest calendar in this issue for details.

The Portland contest was the first chance for FL to use a new datagathering system that should allow much better reporting of engine-plane combinations from now on in all kinds of events. We've developed simple forms that we hand out to those placing in each event. Information on the forms goes into our contest reports.

Here are the complete results from Portland, plus circuit statistics. FL keeps a book of Drizzle Circuit data which goes beyond what is presented

here, and it's available for inspection at any of the contests.

FEATURE RACES

NCRTHWEST SPORT RACE (10 entries)

1. Dave Green, Astoria, Ore. -- 9:33, 10 championship points. Fox .35, Sterling Yak-9, Zinger 9x6W, K&B plug, Sheldon's 15% nitro fuel, Fox 2½-oz tank.

2. John Thompson, Cottage Grove, Ore. -- 10:04, 9 points. Fox .35, Sterling Ringmaster, Zinger 9x7, K&B plug, K&B 300 (12%) fuel, Fox 2-oz tank.

3. Dick Salter, Seattle, Wash. -- 10:36, 8 points. Fox .35, Sterling Ringmaster, Zinger 9x6, Skeldon's 15% nitro, adjustable leadouts, uniflow TKO Racing tank (2-oz.)

4. Paul Walker Kent, Wash. -- 10:59, 7 points. Fox .35, Goldberg Shoestring,

4. Paul Walker, Kent, Wash. -- 10:59, 7 points. Fox .35, Goldberg Shoestring, Tornado 8x8, Thunderbolt RC long plug, 10%nitro/25%castor homebrew fuel, 2-oz. uniflow tank.

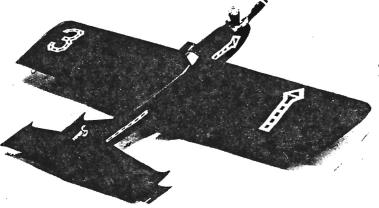
SUPER SPORT RACE (11 entries)
1. Mike Hazel, Salem, Ore. -- 9:20, ll points. K&B .35, Cro-Magnon (Hazel design), 36" span, 27-oz., Garner glass slow rat prop, K&B plug, 20% nitro home brew fuel, fastfill, shutoff, Veco 3.5-oz tank.
2. Greg Beers, Portland, Ore. -- 9:41, 10 points. Fox .35 (Loren Howard rework), M&P Mongoose, Grish prop, Fox plug, K&B 1000 (25% nitro) fuel.
3. Dave Green, Astoria, Ore. -- 96 laps, 9 points. K&B .35, Sterling Yak-9, 8x8 Tornado prop, K&B plug, Sheldon's 15 % nitro, Fox 4-oz tank.

HEAT WINNERS

NORTHWEST SPORT RACE
Round 1.-- John Thompson (5:10), Paul Walker (5:26), Dick Salter (5:12). Round 2 -- Salter (5:12), Thompson, 5:15), Dave Green (5:39).

SUPER SPORT RACE Round 1 -- Mike Hazel (4:06), Loren Howard (5:25), Bruce Guenzler (4:39), Dave Mullens (5:56). Round 2 -- Hazel (4:43), Dave Green (5:37), Greg Beers (5:00), Ralph Pastor (6:59).

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NORTHWEST SPORT RACE	
1. Dave Green 10	1. Mike Hazel 11
2. John Thompson 9	2. Greg Beers 10
3. Dick Salter 8	3. Dave Green 9
4. Paul Walker 7	4. Dick Salter 2
5. Ralph Pastor 2	Ralph Pastor 2
Dick McConnell 2	Bruce Guenzler 2
Dave Mullens 2	Dave Mullens 2
Mike Hazel 2	
Paul Wallace 2	9. Loren Howard 1
10. Bill Varner 1	10. John Thompson 0
	Dick McConnell 0

1. Bill Varner, Astoria, Ore. -- 5:59 (2:41 prelim). Cox Black Widow .049,
Little White Mouse (Frank Scott design), 14" span, Cox plug, 40% fuel, hot glove.

2. Loren Howard, Vancouver, Wash. -- 6:01 (3:08 prelim). Cox Black Widow .049 (Howard rework), Kustom Kraftsmanship Li'l Rodent, 14" span, 4.2 oz.,

Tornado prop, Cox plug, KK needle valve.

3. Dave Green, Astoria, Ore. -- 6:10 (3:07 prelim). Cox Black widow .049 (Green rework), Little White Mouse, Tornado 5x4, Cox TD plug, 40% home brew fuel, teflon reed, bored venturi, fastfill, hot glove.

¿A MOUSE RACE CLASS II (3 entries)

1. John Thompson, Cottage Grove, Ore. -- 10:43. Cox Tee Dee .049 (Klause rework), Nighthawk (Thompson design), 16½" span, 6 oz., Tornado 5x4, TD plug, Sheldon's 50 nitro, fine-thread needle, bored venturi, ball-check pressure valve, crankcase pressure, fastfill, shutoff, D. Green 1-oz. outboard tank.

2. Dave Green, Astoria, Ore. -- 14:34. Cox Tee Dee .049 (Green rework), Midwest Super Mouse, 17" span, 5x4 Tornado, Cox plug, 40 % nitro home

brew, crankcase pressure, bored venturi, fastfill, shutoff, hot glove, D. Green 1½-oz. outboard tank.

3. Paul Wallace, Cottage Grove, Ore. -- 163 laps. Cox Tee Dee .049, Org (Wallace design), 16" span, 4.75 oz., Tornado 5x4, GloBee sport plug, Sheldon's 40%, shutoff, suction uniflow Fox/Wallace 1-oz. tank.

COMPETITION **STANDINGS** NW

FLYING LINES' COMPILATION OF EVENT PLACINGS BY NORTHWEST MODELERS COMPETING IN NORTHWEST REGION CONTESTS

With the new year comes the end of the 1980 contest season, and the

compilation of final 1980 Northwest competition standings.

To review: At the beginning of the year, FL began keeping track of the performances of Northwest fliers in Northwest sanctioned contests. We recorded the top four placing entrants in each event in each contest, applying a score based on the number of entries. We also kept track of "overall" stand-

ings in each grouping.

As "Ridiculous" Rich Porter observed mid-season, the standings rewarded participation as well as winning -- and not entirely by accident, since it was

our idea that anything that rewarded participation was needed.

So we've come to the end of the experiment with the firm resolve to keep going in hopes that participation continues to grow. And, with year's end, we list below the final standings for all events, alono with an overall competition listing just for fun.

1. John Thompson	NORTHWEST SPORT RACE (Old rules) (9 contests, 83 entries) 1. John Thompson 80 2. Rich Schaper 39 3. Jim Cameron
	9. Mike Hazel

NORTHWEST SPORT RACE (Fox .35)	SUPER SPORT RACE
(2 contests, 13 entries)1. John Thompson	(2 contests, 14 entries) 1. Mike Hazel
SCALE RACING (GOODYEAR) (3 contests, 19 entries) 1. John Thompson	RAT RACE (2 contests, 12 entries) 1. Mike Hazel
6. Roger Simpson 3	SLOW RAT RACE (1 contest, 5 entries) 1. Dick Salter
(3 contests, 22 entries) 1. John Thompson	A MOUSE CLASS II (3 contests, ll entries) 1. John Thompson
COLBAT (20 contests, ll5 entries) 1. John Thompson 49 2. Bill Varner 43 3. Howard Rush 30 4. Gene Pape 28 5. Dick Salter 21 6. Jeff Young 17 Ken Burdick 17 8. Bob Carver 16 9. Buzz Wilson 15 10. Jim Cameron 14 Phil Granderson 14	AMA COMBAT (7 contests, 59 entries) 1. John Thompson

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FAI COMBAT (3 contests, 7 entries) 1. Howard Rush	Buzz Wilson
NAVY CARRIER	
(2 contests, 10 entries) 1. Marty Phillips 9	SCALE CARRIER (CLASS I & 11 COMBINED) (1 contests, 6 entries) 1. Loren Howard
SPEED (ALL CLASSES COMBINED) (7 contests, 18 entries) 1. Mike Hazel 4 Wallace-Young 4 3. John Thompson 3 4. Scott Newkirk 2 Bill Varner 2 6. Jim Cameron 1	(1 contest, 4 entries) 1. Marty Phillips 4 2. Jim Drury 3 3. Loren Howard 2
<u>AEROBATICS</u>	
OVERALL AEROBATICS (11 contests, 43 entries) 1. Rich Porter	PRECISION AEROBATICS (9 contests, 36 entries) 1. Rich Porter
3. Dave Helton 3	Don Anderson
AD RATES	•

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NW COMPETITION RECORDS

RECORD PERFORMANCES ESTABLISHED BETWEEN NORTHWEST MODELERS IN SANCTIONED COMPETITION

Four racing records tumbled in the opener of the 1981 Northwest oport Race Drizzle Circuit, three in the new sport racing classes and one in ZA mouse race.

Bill Varner of Astoria, Ore., nicked seven seconds off his own Class ${
m I}$ mouse race preliminary heat record, dropping the time from 2:48 to 2:41 for the 50 laps prescribed by AMA rules on 42' lines.

Dave Green of Astoria blew away the month-old Northwest Sport Race (Fox .35) record with a 9:33 feature race, beating John Thompson's old 10:08. Thompson dropped the preliminary heat record by one second, hitting the 5:10 mark.

Mike Hazel of Salem, Ore., brought the Northwest Super Sport Race heat record down to 4:06, erasing Thompson's month-old 4:25 mark.

The level of performance at the Portland, Ore., DC contest indicated

that both Super Sport records and the Sport Race prelim probably will soon be bettered, but Green's NWSR feature may stand for some time.

Flying Lines keeps track of best performances by Northwest modelers in

AMA-sanctioned competition. Some documentation is required for records claimed to have been set in out-of-region contests. All AMA events or those with

regional rules that can be compared by times or scores are recognized.

Here are the latest records, as of Jan. 1, 1981:

A MOUSE CLASS I 50-lap; 2:41 (Bill Varner) 100-lap; 5:50 (Bill Varner)

A MOUSE CLASS II 75-lap; 3:54 (John Thompson) 200-lap; 10:24 (John Thompson)

GOODYEAR 70-lap; 3:28 (Dave Green) 140-lap; 7:42 (John Thompson)

SLOW RAT 70-lap; -- 140-lap; 10:41 (Dick Salter)

RAT RACE 70-lap; 2:29 (Mike Hazel) 140-lap; 4:53 (Mike Hazel) FAI TEAM RACE 100-lap: 2:29 (Mike Hazel)

FAI TEAM RACE 100-lap: -- 200-lap: -- 200-lap: -- NW SPORT RACE 70-lap: 5:10 (John Thompson) 140-lap: 9:33 (Dave Green)

NW SUPER SPORT 70-lap: 4:06 (Mike Hazel) 140-lap: 9:05 (John Thompson)

A SPEED: 80.33 mph (Wallace-Young) FAI SPEED: 88.05 (Anonymous)

A PROTO: 71.97 (Jeff Bell) FORMULA 21: -- FORMULA 21: -- FORMULA 40: 144.75 (Scott Newking SPEED: 153 (Mike Hazel) JET SPEED: 165.83 (Mike Hazel)

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JET SPEED: 165.83 (Mike Hazel)

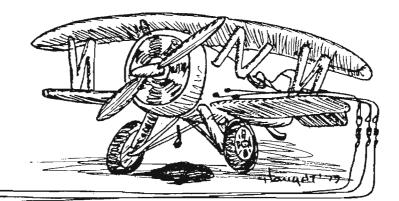
PROFILE NAVY CARRIER: 208.9 (Marty Phillips) D SPEED:

CLASS I NAVY CARRIER: 268.98 (Terry Miller) CLASS II NAVY CARRIER: 319.65 (Crin Humphries)

LONTROL LINE

SCALE

by orin humphries



(The scene: Basement workshop. As the curtain rises, the phone rings...) "Ring-Ring!"

"Hello. This is Orin. Yes, I'll accept the charges (Bet it's that cheap editor guy again). Yeah, hi, John, what's up? ... What do I know about scale? Everything, man; I know more about scale than anyone in my entire basement! Sure, I'd be glad to do a column ... Hokay, see ya. ... Operator, reverse the charges."

Dear Readers: First you wrap a thousand feet of bell wire around the base of your hot water heater and hook up a battery. The magnetic field this makes prevents the buildup of scale in your tank.

"RING-RING!!"

"Hello? Hi, again, John, what's...huh? You said scale, fella, and I just read in Popular Mechanix ... Oh, that scale. Alright, never fear."

CL SCALE, continued

Dear Readers: My uncle Ferd had this Lizard Plane, you see, and it had the strangest skin. Little round scales that covered it and kept out the rain and..."

"RING-RING-RING!!!!"

"Yes? Geeezis, John, calm down! ... John? ... Listen, now take it easy, I think I get the picture, no need to get that insultin', awright!" Sheesh, Never met an editor yet that acted like he was breast-fed once.

Dear Readers: "Il seriousness aside, scale is my other area of interest. In case you haven't read one, I do the Carrier column also. Dave Haught, who was going to do the scale column, has gone back to school to become a youth counselor and will be tied up a couple years.

I would like to do this one for the average guy, instead of the guys on the US World Scale Team, so that everybody out there might even read it. Forgive my wierdness above. It helps keep my sane (no comment) all tucked in.

Scale in the Northwest, as far as contest entries go, has turned purple

and died. I hope to stir up a little interest on a more relaxed level through this column.

DOCUMENTATION

That can be a double-edged sword. Probably the grand, number one mistake a scale nut can make is to fall in love with particular airplane and then try to find documentation for it. I did that with my first, my A-26, and everybody I know does that the first time around. I didn't set out to build a competition bird, but a year after it was begun, the bug bit. And that happens over again. A guy wants to build the Polish Fighter from the Sterling kit and can't get a three-view. So he never finishes the model. Sterling kit and can't get a three-view. So he never finishes the model. See what documentation you can find first, and then pick one of those that

turns you on. No matter what, though, let your heart pick.

Listen, with the low turnouts at the contests the last five years, I guess you don't meed documentation. Just go there and fly your bird. You have at least an 80% chance of bringing home hardware. But why do we let the chances of trophying he our highest priority?

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SCALE REVOLUTION?

Awright, you guys, listen up. I just got the list of events for the 1981 Regionals, and once again, there are no scale events. Because you and I have said "no" to going in the direction taken nationally. Okay, so we don't want to spend two years on a project, take it to a contest, and have some gnome from the cathedral basement take us out with something he put together for the Smithsonian's display. On his lunch break. So, let's do something different.

Profile Scale is what's happening around here. A great example is the Beech Staggerwing by Clarence Haught of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, that appeared in the July, '80 Model Aviation. We can't set anything built up to come out at the ISB contest in August (more later), but we always get some

profiles.

So, why don't we do that for the Regionals? No rib stitching/taping, no skin panels/rivets, no working instruments/relief tubes, no sliding canopies.

Just a scale profile, with the wing sized to give a dreamy flier (no where shall it say you have to hate how if flies). Standoff scale rules, or, as Gil Horstman puts it, "Stand Way Off" scale rules.

How long would it take you to put together an .049 scale profile ship with a representative paint job? Let's agree: no three-views, one picture

would be nice, but not mandatory.

By the way, the Staggerwing does square loops without flaps, as if the maneuver was made for the plane...who says we shouldn't enjoy flying the plane, too?

See ya, guys. -- Crin Humphries, N. 5208 Elgin, Spokane, WA 99208 (509) 325-9773.

REGIONALS!!

Yes, it's 1981 and time to plan for another running of the Northwest Regional Controline Championships. Just when you think it's gone away forever, the Regionals comes back better than ever.

This year's Regionals will be a bit different than the past few in

several ways.

First, a new contest director, FL's editor John Thompson. Because of his admitted inexperience, "Stone Ax" is beginning planning for the Regionals a bit earlier. And, because he has more energy than brains, he is planning to do more promotion and publicity than in the past few years.

Already, initial contacts are being made with various persons who may become event directors and committee chairmen. In a continuing effort to make this championship a truly regional contest, contest workers are being recruited from around the entire region, though coordinated still by the

Eugene Propspinners.

There will be some changes in events too, primarily in the addition of four new events (two of which were run as informal events last year). FAI and slow combat will be elevated to double-elimination. New events will be Super Sport Race, $\frac{1}{2}A$ combat, and $\frac{1}{2}A$ Mouse Classes I and II. Because of the new events, efforts will be made to run the contest on a more rigid schedule than the past.

As usual, winners will receive excellent trophies and merchandise

prizes.

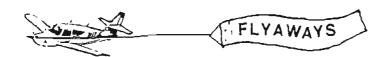
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to work in the following areas: Racing, combat,

carrier, aerobatics, speed, registration, field preparations, general support.

The contest will be May 23 and 24, remorial Day Weekend as usual, at
Mahlon Sweet Airport in Eugene, Ore. with events starting at 9 a.m. both days.
Camping will be allowed adjacent to the flying field, and rest room facilities will be provided. Restaurant speek has wording reaching and the contest will be provided. will be provided. Restaurant, snack bar, vending machines and other facilities are nearby (in walking distance), at the airport terminal.

Here are the events: AMA rat race, slow rat race, scale race (Goodyear), NW Sport Race, NW Super Sport Race, ½A mouse Class I & II, AMA combat, slow combat, FAI combat, ½A combat, profile Navy carrier, scale navy carrer (I&II), precision aerobatics (PAMPA beg-int and adv-exp), ½A speed, A speed, B speed, D-Jet speed, Form. 21 speed (Junior only), Form. 40 speed (senior-open), FAI speed. Junior-senior classes will be offered in Northwest port Race and slow applied to the speed of the speed of the speed. combat. Fast, slow and FAI combat will be double-elimination.

Persons interested in helping out, or needing information, should contact Thompson at 1411 Bryant Ave., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 (503) 942-7324.



RANDOM TIPS AND RIBS FROM THE FL WORKSHOP FLOOR

====Dave Mullens has been elected president of the Seattle Skyraiders. Dan Cronyn is vice president, Allyn Johnson secretary-treasurer and George Mickey safety officer. Skyraiders held a Northwest Sport Race (Fox .35) race Nov. 16 (unsanctioned) and Dan Burdick was the winner with a 12:13 final. Ralph Pastor was second with 16:07 and Dick McConnell third with 60 laps. Wax Thue won the mouse race event. The Skyraiders will host the Northwest Sport Race Drizzle Circuit Contest No. 2 Jan. 11. Skyraiders are discussing a two-day meet in June.

=====Anybody missing the December issue of Flying Lines? It seems that one copy came back to us, missing an address. Either the sailing label fell off in the mail, or it never was stack on. Any May, somebody may not have received their Lecember issue. If it was you, let us kno, and we'll send it

on.

====Combat fliers may be interested in taking another look at the miniature Aircraft Combat Association, which is making a comeback from a rather low participation point the past couple of years. Of particular interest is the MACA Newsletter, now edited by Frank McCune, which has offered excellent information on products, technical tips and other combat news on a fairly regular basis. We like to read the newsletter's ads for some combat specialty businesses and for engines, etc., being sold by individuals. Some good sources listed there. To join, send \$6 to Jordan Segal, 8314 %. Uak Ave., Niles, IL 60648.

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====FL occasionally receives requests for back issues. We do not keep back issues except for our own file copies. Mowever, we easily can provide photocopies of specific articles upon request. An index to the first 12 issues was published recently. Another index, of the second 12 issues, will be published in issue No. 25. For copies of the index, or any specific article, send FL a self-addressed, stamped envelope and 50¢ per article (to cover copying costs).

====Good news for Goodyear! Joe Klause of Kustom Kraftsmanship has announced the production of a new competition .15 engine in cooperation with team race master engine maker tenry Nelson. The new glow .15 will be called the Nelson Competition .15. It features front intake, rear-exhaust, ABC for good restarts, investment cast crankcase, bushed rod, 12mm rear bearing, 7mm front bearing. The first batch of 500 will be available by June 1. The price will be \$165 -- but the makers claim the engine will be competitive out of the box. For information or reservations, send a large SASE to Kustom Kraftsmanship, Box 2699, Laguna Hills, Calif., 92653. (Tell 'em FL sent you). This news gleaned from CL-RPM Racing News.

SCALE AT THE REGIONALS?

At this point, no scale competition has been listed as part of the 1981 Northwest Regional Controline Championships. Scale fliers could change that situation if they want to, however.

Because of declining entry, last year's Regionals did not include a scale competition. However, several months before the contest we indicated scale would be added if we received at least two advance entries. we did not

receive any response.

Orin Humphries has suggested a profile scale event (see CL Scale column, this issue). That could definitely be worth considering. However, at this

point, the contest director offers this compromise:

Once again, we will leave it up to the scale fliers. If we receive firm commitments from at least two persons to enter a scale event at the Regionals, we will put it on the schedule. As in the past, it will simply be called "scale." But there is no requirement whatsoever that every entry be a full-blown museum scale plane. Profiles, carrier planes and whatever can enter. If there's enough interest, perhaps the profile scale idea could be pursued in the future.

Because of our desire to sanction the Regionals by Feb. 1, along with the need to arrange a scale judge, get trophies, etc., the commitment from two scale entrants must be received by the contest director by Feb. 1. See

the article on the Regionals in this issue for the address.

LAST CHANCE FOR COMBAT SPECIAL RAFFLE

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STUNT

SCENE

paul bу walker

ALL YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT TRIM, BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK!

Being able to trim a stunt plane will make or break a prospective stunt pilot. How many times have you built a stunt plane and had it fly properly right off the workbench, without changing a thing? I did! It was about 12 years ago, before \bar{I} know what a good flying plane was supposed to fly like. But \bar{I} thought it was in trim. Was \bar{I} ever wrong!

Being able to trim a plane is essential. Pon't let the flow chart scare you off. It isn't difficult to follow, and it will get your plane into "basic" trim. Basic trim for the time being will be defined as the following: wings parallel to the ground at 4-5' altitude, has the right sensitivity for your own feel, stays tight on the lines at all attitudes, turns equally well

both ways, trácks and does not hunt.

Before we get into this flow chart, we need to discuss several aspects of the plane. First, I know that most everybody knows this, has been told this, and is sick of hearing this, but the plane <u>must</u> be free of all warps and <u>must</u> be aligned properly. Otherwise, this exercise is futile. It will just frustrate you. Second, the vertical center of gravity <u>must</u> line up with the leadouts at the wing tip. Figure 2 shows an example of one that does not. The solution to that problem is to put dihedral into the wing so does not. The solution to that problem is to put dihedral into the wing so that they line up. To check your plane for vertical CG to leadout position, hang your plane by the leadouts from the ceiling and also hang a string with a weight on the bottom in front of the plane. If the string is parallel to the wing center line (assuming a wing with no dihedral or anhedral), the vertical CG is in line with the leadouts. Third, the plane must have several adjustable features on it. These should include: tip weight box, adjustable leadouts, adjustable rudder and quicklink or similar type of adjustment on the elevator. Also, the flaps should be able to be adjusted relative to each other. Some kits have a plywood doubler that attaches flap to flap through the fuselage (usually a profile). Don't use this. Use a 3/32" piano wire bent into the form of a long U (Fig. 3). This type of attachment can be bent and is adjustable.

Now, on to the flow chart.

1. Are your wings level upright and inverted? This will require the help of a second person. With your plane flying at four feet altitude, your help of a second person. With your plane flying at four feet altitude, your hand at four feet, your lines will be parallel to the ground. In this configuration, the wings should be parallel to the ground also: have your helper check for this as the plane is headed directly at him, Note that four feet is just a reference height; fly at whatever height is comfortable for you, just as long as the lines are parallel to the ground. Once your helper has checked it upright, turn it inverted (this may not be possible if it is flying too outboard tip low). Check it inverted. If it is level (parallel to the ground), go on to step 2. If not, lA.

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1A. If your outboard tip was low in upright and high inverted,
bend the flaps (inboard up, outboard down) so that there is about 1 to
2 degrees difference from the original setting. Repeat this until the

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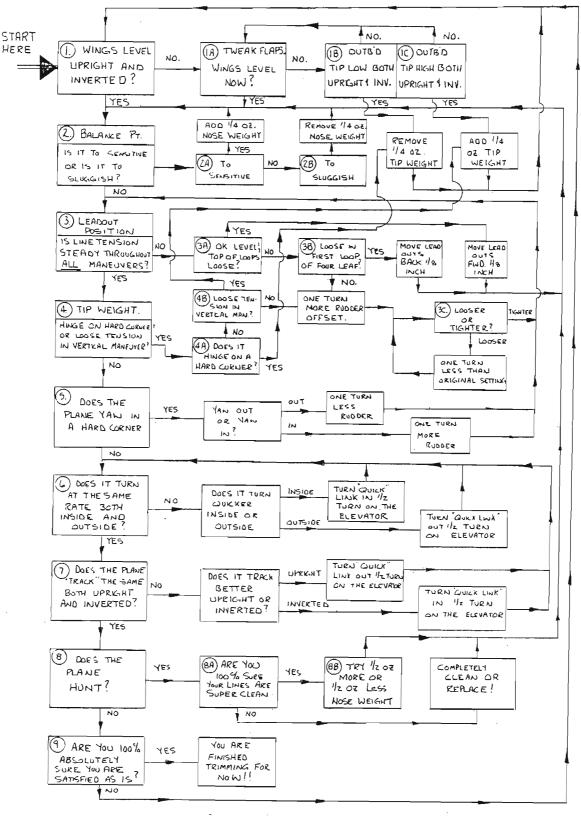
or constantly high, go on to step 1B and 1C.

1B, 1C. If your outboard tip is low both ways, remove ‡ ounce tip weight and try again. If it is high both ways, add ‡ ounce tip weight and check again. Once you have determined that your wings are level, proceed on to step 2.

2. When a corner of a square maneuver is done, does it seem that it requires too much force to move it through that corner? The plane should turn easily, yet not jump as soon as you touch the controls. If it is too sluggish, remove $\frac{1}{4}$ ounce of nose weight and see how it feels. If it jumps too quickly, add $\frac{1}{4}$ ounce nose weight. Add or subtract weights until it feels comfortable.

3. When your plane flies through loops, does the line tension remain constant all through the loop? If not, suspect the leadout position. If it is tight in level flight but gets loose at the top of the loop, try moving the leadouts forward 1/8" and try again. After you are happy with this step, go back and check your balance point again (2). After moving the leadouts very far forward or aft, the plane might feel as if the balance has changed; if so, change to your liking.

4. Wing tip weight. To check for wing tip weight, put your plane in a dive (such as a wingover) and at about 35° elevation, hit full up. If the outboard tip drops relative to the inboard (roll), there is too much tip weight (4A). Remove to ounce tip and try again. Keep doing this until the situation



STUNT SCENE, continued

is cured. Then go back to step 1. If on the other hand, the plane continues to come loose in vertical maneuvers (4b), add # ounce tip weight. Keep adding weight until it hinges (outboard tip dropping) then back off # ounce. In all cases, go back to step I when finished with this one.

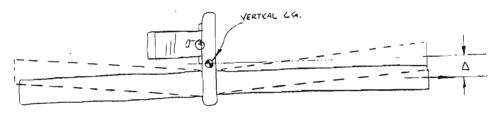


FIGURE 2

But instead of hinging, does 5. Take the same situation as in (4). the plane yaw? Yaw is the inboard, outboard motion of the nose in relation to the center of the plane. If the plane yaws out on inside corners, try one turn less rudder. If it yaws in on an outside corner, try one turn more

rudder. In all cases, go back to step 3.

6. When flying through corners, does it turn better one way than another?
This assumes that if your handle spacing is adjustable, that is spaced evenly now. If the plane turns easier inside than outside, turn the quick link (or other adjusting device) in ½ turn on the elevator. Test again. Adjust until insides and outsides are the same. If the outsides are easier, turn quick link out ½ turn on the elevator. Again, adjust until it turns the same both

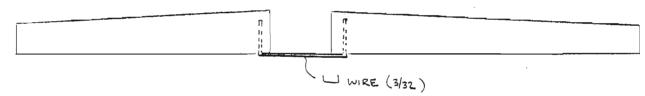


FIGURE 3

7. Does the plane track the same both upright and inverted? Track is defined as the ability that a plane placed at a certain flight altitude (usually 4 to 6 feet high) will stay there without "flying" needed to keep it there. If it tracks well upright but not well inverted, turn the quick link on the elevator out ½ turn and check again. In all cases, go back to step 6. It should be noted here that you may have reached an impossible situation here and may have to compromise between turning the same both ways. Solution: If you find for instance that to get tracking both ways, the inside corners are slower than the ourside corners, and if you adjust the corners the same, tracking one way goes to pot, adjust so that it tracks the same both ways and move the handle spacing so it speeds up the slow corner. This assumes that the line spacing on your handle is adjustable.

that the line spacing on your handle is adjustable.
8. Does the plane hunt? Hunt is different from track. A hunting plane is one that will fly at a given altitude but will do a series of climbs and dives to stay at that altitude. Another name is porpoise, like the animal,

doing a series of climbs and dive but the mean line is a level one.

8A. When was the last time you cleaned your limes? Any dirt on them can cause this, so run a clean rag past them several times, and be amazed at how dirty they are! Another trick is to soak a rag with laquer thinner and pass it over them. Now that they are clean, check again. If it still does it, try adding ½ ounce nose weight and see if it improves. If not, remove ½ ounce from original setting and check again. In all cases, go back to step 2.

9. The heading may be a little misleading. It should say, "are you satisfied with the trim under the previous 8 categories?" This exercise is not intended to put your plane into perfect trim, but should get you close. This is the point where trimming the plane gets fun. After you are sure you are

satisfied with the trim in all categories, some experimentation can go on.

Further trim changes will be discussed in another article.

One final note: If you are a beginner to stunt, don't let this chart snow you. If you don't understand something (such as too sensitive or sluggish) try a trim change (add some nose weight) and see what happens. You will get a feel for what is meant. In all cases, this chart is not meant as an absolute but as a general guide. Keep trying little changes until you feel you have it right. Your plane should ultimately be trimmed for one person only -- you! right. Your plane should ultimately be trimmed for one person only -- you! You are the one who has to fly it. Be scored for the performance, and it is the score that counts! So, be comfortable with it. Until next time, any questions or comments, give me a buzz.

--Paul Walker, 25900 127 Ave SE, Kent, WA 98031 (206) 630-2848.





UPCOMING ORGANIZED EVENTS

Listed below are the modeling events known to be upcoming in the North-

west at FL's press time.

If you know of a contest or informal event not listed here, remind the contest director to send details to FL for inclusion in the next edition. No need to wait until the flyer is done to send the information. Give us the outline now so people can start planning. FL will publish flyers free of charge and report results. All events listed here are AMA-sanctioned unless

otherwise noted.

January 11....SEATTLE, Wash. -- Northwest Sport Race Drizzle Circuit Contest No. 2. 9 a.m. slow combat. 11 a.m. Northwest Sport Race. Northwest Super Sport Race immediately follows NWSR. Be on time -all events will start on schedule! Placings in NWSR and NWSS count for circuit trophies. Site: Carkeek Park. Entry fee, \$2 per event. Trophies. Contest Director Mike Hazel. Contact Flying Lines or Seattle Skyraiders for details.

February 8...ASTORIA, Ore. -- Northwest Sport Race Drizzle Circuit Contest
No. 3. 9 a.m. 2A combat. 11 a.m. NWSR, followed by NWSS. Site: Camp Rilea. Contest Director: Dave Green, 200 W. Franklin Ave., Astoria, OR 97103 (503) 325-7005.

February 22... (tentative) EUGENE, Ore. -- Second Annual Eugene LA Day. LA

mouse race I & II, ½A stunt, ½A speed, ½A combat. ½A merchandise prizes. Site: Pahlon Sweet Airport. Contest Director Mike Hazel, 1040 Windemere Dr. N.W., Salem, OR 97304 (503) 364-0128. Hazel, 1040 Windemere Dr. N.W., Salem, UK 9/304 (503) 504-0120. Entry fee \$3 for 1 event, \$2 each additional (juniors half price).

March 8 YAKIMA, Wash. -- Northwest Sport Race Drizzle Circuit Contest 9 a.m. precision aerobatics, 2 PAMPA classes.

NWSR, followed by NWSS. (Stunt fliers note: Racing events will not wait, due to time constraints, in case you're doing both.) Site: Valley Mall. Entry fee \$5. Contact Flying Lines for details.

April 12.....EUGENE, Ore. -- Northwest Sport Race Drizzle Circuit Contest
No. 5. 9 a.m. Goodyear. 11 a.m. NwSR, followed by NwSS. Site:
Mahlon Sweet Airport. Entry fee \$3 for 1 event, \$2 for each
additional. Merchandise prizes. Circuit championship trophies
awarded. Contest Director: Mike Hazel, 1040 Windemere Drive N.W., Salem, Ore., 97304 (503) 364-8593.

May 23-24.... EUGENE, Ore. -- Northwest Regional Controline Championships.

AMA rat race, slow rat race, scale race (Goodyear), NWSR (J-S) (O), NWSS, ½A mouse I & II, slow compat (J-S) (O -- double elim.), FAI combat (double-elim.), AMA combat (double-elim), ½A combat (single-elim), profile carrier, Class I-II carrier (combined), aerobatics (PAMPA beg-int & adv-exp), ½A, A, B, D-Jet and FAI speed, Formula 21 speed (J only) Formula 40 speed (S-O). Site: Mahlon Sweet Airport. Contest Director John Thompson, 1411 Bryant Ave., Cottage Grove, Ore., 97424 (503) 942-7324.

June ?.....SEATTLE, Wash. -- Seattle Skyraiders 2-day contest. More details later.

later.

Wash. -- Boeing Management Association Scholarship July 11 & 12..KENT, Contest. Scholarship events: Scale race (Goodyear), precision aerobatics, profile Navy carrier, slow combat, and profile proto speed. Open events: Precision aerobatics (beg, int, adv-exp), profile Navy carrier, NWSR, AMA and FAI combat. Also indoor and outdoor FF events, RC glider, rocketry events. Boeing Aerospace Center, Kent, Wash. Entry fees: per event, max for scholarship events (under 19), open 2 per event, max. Contact Ted Caputo, BMA, P.O. Box 3707, Seattle, WA 98124.

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DEAR FL:

Just a note to say I enjoyed my first issue of FL. Please send t rules for NWSR and NWSS (Sent! Copies always available from FL -- Ed.). Please send the

We have a similar event here called Shoestring 140, which is growing in popularity. It is designed to give everyone a shot at winning, even the newer modelers. The rules are quite strict, and I'll just touch them briefly now. You will fly a stock Goldberg Shoestring kit, use a Fox stunt .35 with a lt-ox. Fox profile tank, 2" balloon tires, 1 3/4" spinner as shown on the plans for Shoestrings, fuel will be furnished by the club, which is Duke's 10%. The only option to the contestant is choice of plug and choice of any commercial nylon or wood prop. We fly three-up for 140 laps and have had very close times. At our last contest in September we ran this and the first three places were within 20 seconds. As I recall, the winning time was in the 10:30s. 10:30s.

The new fliers in the area were not afraid to try this event, and the "big boys" had fun also. Most everyone has built new planes for this event,

but many of them are used for sport flying also...

...Also, do you have any programs to teach flying to juniors and promote modeling? Thanks for sending the rules mentioned above...

--Gary Vreeland, president, Wichihawks MAC, 1920 S. Santa Fe, Wichita,

Kansas, 67211.

(Editor's note: Anybody who has information on junior programs should pass it on to Gary...also send an article to FL about it!)

Enclosed is my check for 12 issues of Flying Lines. Wy daughter and I are newcomers to control line. She is flying a Sterling Cherokee powered by a Cox .049. I currently am flying a modified Skyshark powered by a Fox .35. On the building board is a Guillows SBD-3 (.09 powered). This is my first

scale project (difficult, but enjoyable).

This winter a Top Flite Tutor and Sterling Guardian. My daughter (age ll) will be building an unspecified .35 powered trainer this winter. By the way, my age is 36. I work for the 3M Company as a senior technical instructor. We both are looking forward to the spring anf flying!! Navy darrier and stunt

are the activities of choice for both of us.

We would like to correspond with other Navy carrier and stunt fliers. My daughter (her name is "Tammy") asks to correspond with other junior fliers. We hope to be moving out west in about three years and hopefully we will

meet you in person.

There is some control line club activity here but because we live in

the country, not much contest flying.
We are looking forward to the next issue of Flying Lines.
Best regards and happy landings.

-- David and Tammy Babulski, 2110 Quarry Ave. South, Lakelang, MN 55043

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Technical problems prevent us from presenting photographs in this issue but several good pages of photographs will be in coming issues. Watch this space. (By the way, club photos are gladly accepted!)