



# 45<sup>th</sup> Annual 2025 Golden State Stunt Championships

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Folsom Lake in Granite Bay, California

AMA Sanction No: 18226



*Beautiful Folsom Lake Regional Park in Granite Bay – Photo by Joan Cox*

**The 45th Annual 2025 Golden State Stunt Championships** at Folsom Lake Regional Park in Granite Bay, California is in the books.

We had some pretty decent weather, with some light winds for the 3 days. Very few complaints, actually no complaints. Everyone that I talked to raved about the flying site. There were only a minor hiccups. Somehow the Outside Square Loops were left off the score sheets. The judges adapted to the error very well. Some of the pilots were confused by it. But it all worked out.

One of my main helpers, *James Dean*, had to spend Saturday night in the hospital due to an esophagus blockage. An endoscopy procedure took care of his situation. He is doing much better now.

The *Food Boat*, with owner *Ruby Shields* and her crew was a big hit, serving some of the best breakfast burritos, burgers and fries that anyone could ask for. The servings were huge. Thank you Ruby!

Many came from various parts of the country and Canada. We had entries from Arizona, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Florida, Utah, Washington, Oregon, California and Canada. Some of these individuals were here for the *U.S. Team Trials* that followed the GSSC. It was great to have such outstanding representation for all over.

## **THE BANQUET DINNER:**

Carmelita's Mexican Restaurant in Roseville hosted our Banquet Dinner. The outdoor patio had a great atmosphere and their staff was top notch. The Fajita Bar was outstanding and very delicious. Everyone raved about the dinner. It was a fantastic event!

The evening included an acknowledgement by Lanny Shorts of three individuals who had turned 80 years of age. These individuals are still flying and competing, or were flying when they were 80 years young. They were, Steve Harris, John Wright and Gordon Delaney. Gordon served as one of the Expert judges at this year's event. With 22 entries in the Expert Class alone, he had quite a task. Congratulations to all!

I had asked David Fitzgerald to share with us the history behind the Gilbert Rodriguez Memorial Cup, which most in attendance did not know. This beautiful trophy is given to the high score in the Expert Class on Sunday.

We also presented the award for Saturday events, Old Time Stunt, Classic and Profile Stunt (See the "Official Results" of all the events on the last page.)

It was a great time had by all and we hope to return to Carmelita's next year.

### **SUNDAY'S AWARDS:**

I handed out two Special Awards. One went to *Misty Shorts*, who volunteered (more like I shanghaied) and did 98% all of the score sheet tabulations for Saturday and Sunday.

The other individual that was honored was *Joan Cox*. Joan is used as a judge at just about all our West Coast events, the U.S. Nationals in Muncie, Indiana and has been selected as an international judge for the upcoming World Championships in Perth, Australia in May of 2026. THANK YOU to both of these great women. I couldn't have done it without you.

Awards were handed out for each of the PAMPA classes; starting with Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced and then Expert (See the "Official Results" of all the events on the last page).

The *Pilot's Choice Concours D'Elegance Award* winner this year is *Jim Aron*, who just happened to win the special award last year.

This year's recipient of the *Gilbert Rodriguez Memorial Cup* for 2025 for the high score in the Expert Class is *David Fitzgerald*.

### **THANK YOU'S:**

Thank you to everyone who lent a hand in setting up the flying site on Thursday. The Folsom Lake site is very large. We had the field ready to go, in fact some were able to put in several flights later that afternoon and early evening. Great job everyone!

Thanks to all the volunteers; judges, tabulators, pit bosses and everyone who helped out. I hate mentioning names because I seem to leave someone out. So please forgive me if I miss your name, it was a very busy weekend. But here goes: *James Dean, Brian Moore, Misty Shorts, Jim Hoffman, Ivan Murphy, Jim Aron, Tim Just, Robin Gearn, Tim Wescott and Joyce Shorts*.

To all the judges: *Joan Cox, Chris Cox, Brett Buck, David Fitzgerald, Paul Walker, Jeremy Schulz, and Gordon Delaney*. Appearance judges were *Jim Hoffman and Paul Walker* – YOU ALL DID FANTASTICLY WELL!

And to all the contestants who enter the GSSC – THANK YOU.

**DONATIONS:**

There were many who made monetary donations to this year's event. Thank you, thank you, and thank you! We are trying to maintain high standards for the GSSC and make it a first-class event, but doing that take a considerable sum of money.

As of 10/15/2025, we are about \$400 in the red. If you would like to make a donation, you still can. You can send a check directly to me or make a donation through PayPal. Email me for further information and/or instructions. Again, thank you to everyone!

Well that wraps up another year. I hope that everyone had a great time. Hopefully, we will see everyone again next year. Until then, may the wind be at your back and may your flying lines be tight!

Sincerely,

Dennis S. Nunes – Contest Director

# OFFICIAL RESULTS:

<b>45th Annual 2025 Golden State Stunt Championships</b>			
<b>Old Time Stunt</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>1st Round</b>	<b>2nd Round</b>	<b>Finish</b>
Jim Aron	<b>325</b>	287.25	1st
Jim Hoffman	321	<b>322.25</b>	2nd
John Wright	<b>303</b>	296.5	3rd
David Shorts	<b>161.5</b>	99.25	4th
Tim Wescott	<b>147.25</b>	120.75	5th

<b>Classic</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>1st Round</b>	<b>2nd Round</b>	<b>Finish</b>
Dennis Nunes	<b>545.5</b>	535.5	1st
Page Peterson	<b>527.5</b>	203.5	2nd
James Dean	<b>509.5</b>	480	3rd
David Shorts	<b>482.5</b>	327.5	4th
Mark Schluter	459	<b>460.5</b>	5th
Lanny Shorts	373.5	<b>401</b>	6th

<b>Profile</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>1st Round</b>	<b>2nd Round</b>	<b>Finish</b>
Dennis Nunes	495	<b>500</b>	1st
Page Peterson	435	<b>464</b>	2nd
Tim Wescott	<b>461.5</b>	458.5	3rd
Mark Schluter	423.5	<b>434</b>	4th
James Dean	<b>421.5</b>	-	5th

<b>45th Annual 2025 Golden State Stunt Championships</b>	
<b>Special Awards</b>	
<b>Award</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
Pilot's Choice Concours Award	Jim Aron
Gilbert Rodriguez Memorial Cup	David Fitzgerald

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### Beginner

Name	1st Round	2nd Round	Finish
Robin Gearn	<b>77</b>	42.5	1st

### Intermediate

Name	1st Round	2nd Round	Finish
Colin McRae	292.5	<b>349.5</b>	1st
Todd Stimpson	91.5	<b>170.5</b>	2nd

### Advanced

Name	1st Round	2nd Round	Finish
Angstrom Eberenz	522.5	<b>528.5</b>	1st
Michael Alimov	494	<b>497</b>	2nd
Jeremy Schulz	484.5	<b>490</b>	3rd
David Shorts	0	<b>489.5</b>	4th
Zachary Schulz	467.5	<b>471.5</b>	5th
Mark Schluter	<b>457.5</b>	412	6th
Lanny Shorts	<b>409</b>	119	7th

### Expert

Name	1st Round	2nd Round	Finish
David Fitzgerald	<b>613.5</b>	610.5	1st
Paul Walker	<b>605.5</b>	601.5	2nd
Brett Buck	583	<b>605.5</b>	3rd
Orestes Hernandez	601	<b>604</b>	4th
Chris Cox	590	<b>592</b>	5th
Howard Rush	<b>590.5</b>	588	6th
Tim Just	<b>586</b>	568.5	7th
Kestiutis Dvarvydis	509	<b>579</b>	8th
Joe Daly	553.5	<b>568.5</b>	9th
Gabriel Alimov	551.5	<b>567</b>	10th
Steve Harris	<b>564.5</b>	555.5	11th
Jim Hoffman	547	<b>562</b>	12th
Page Peterson	525	<b>548</b>	13th
Jim Aron	533	<b>545</b>	14th
Paul Pomposo	523.5	<b>535</b>	15th
Jose Modesto	516.5	<b>531</b>	16th
Marshall Palmer	<b>515</b>	0	17th
David Eyskens	<b>495.5</b>	491.5	18th
Tim Wescott	483	<b>493.5</b>	19th
John Wright	<b>488</b>	-	20th