CENTRAL INDIANA AEROMODELLERS

INFORMER

FREE FLIGHT NEWS OF THE MIDWEST

** The Weather **

Scattered weather, this month!

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Hello, again! Seems that getting out the Informer has been an uphill battle for the past year, or so. Thanx for your patience! We'll get this issue underway by continuing the on-and-off series "How I Got Into Free Flight". The follow-ing story was submitted by long-time Agent **Elmer Jordan.**

"I was born during the Great Depression, and had a bit of a rough start in life."

"Until I was about 12 years old, I was sick much of the time – and didn't do very well in school. But I always liked airplanes!"

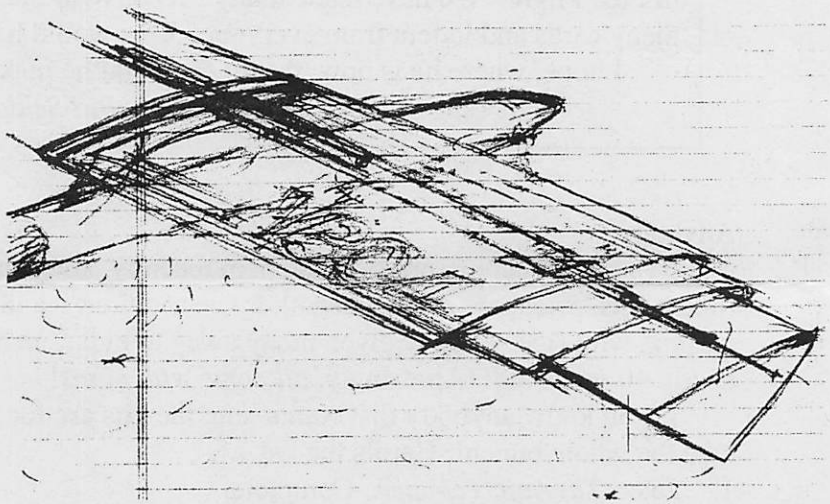
"Remember those Joe Ott and 10-cent Comet kits? That was my introduction to modeling. Since there were no other modelers around to help me, I learned building the hard way! And it seems that I also had developed an inferiority complex, having had very little faith in myself, then."

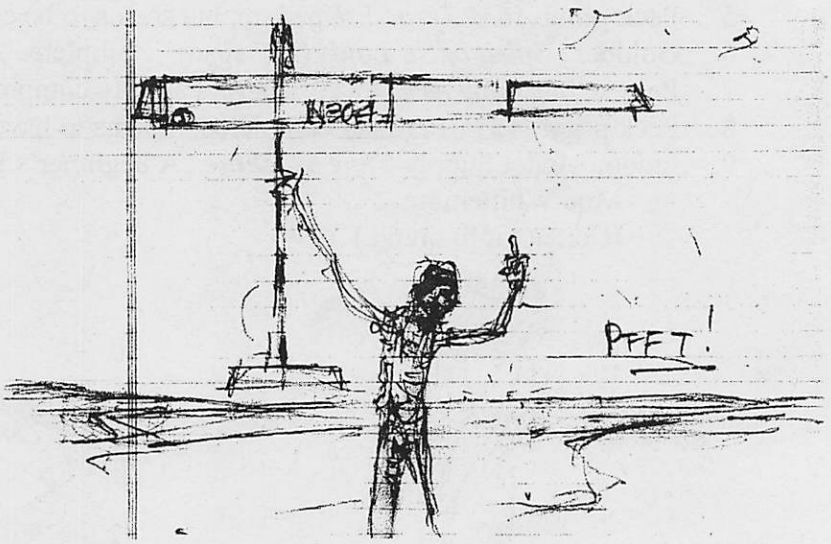
"I joined the Air Force when the Korean War started, and because of my skills and knowledge of aviation I was sent to the jet A&E school at Amarillo AFB, Texas. Since I wasn't eligible then for pilot training, A&E was just what I wanted!"

"In 1952, the Air Force World Wide Champs were held at Amarillo. I was there every day after school, and really got hooked on Free Flight! We had a really good model club on base – which I joined, and started building free flights."

"I finished school at the top of my class, and was asked to become an instructor! (Who, me? In front of a class? No way!) Sgt. Al St. Clair, our club president told me if I stayed, he could get me on the Air Training Command team. That did it! So I became an instructor. Boy, was I glad I did, because the rest of my class was stationed in Alaska! I taucht in the General Jet course, and later in the B-47 course. Apparently I was a good enough instructor, as I was promoted to S/Sgt – with minimum time in grade."

"I gained confidence in myself, and it really changed my life. I owe it all to model airplanes! Free Flight Forever!! - EJ





My Dad and My Buddy

RALPH SCHLARB

1916 – 2001

How many of you have lost one of your flying buddies in the last few years? I lost mine. He was my flying buddy – and my Dad!

We started going to Free Flight contests in 1950. We continued until October, 2005. That was the Ted Dock Memorial contest, where he placed 1st in Catapult Glider. He went out a winner in more ways than one!

Catapult Glider was his specialty, having won many places at the indoor and outdoor Catapult Nationals. He won the first Indoor Catapult event at Johnson City, when it wasn't even an official event. He then won the first Outdoor Nationals at Vincennes, IN when it, also, wasn't an official event. He also won the Oldtimer Catapult Event at the 2005 Nationals. What an appropriate event to win at 89 years old! He had to be the oldest person to ever have won 1st place at the Nationals!!

It is too bad that a few other father and son teams couldn't have stayed with us longer. I think of the Docks, Mekinas, Murphys, Robbins and the Shailors: and these are just a few that stick in my mind.

I feel very fortunate to have had a buddy that encouraged me, helped me and kept me interested in Free Flight. We have made many friends over the years from all over the USA. I appreciate the many cards and letters from everyone. This would have pleased my "Buddy" very much!

I hope, where he is now, that every flight he makes is a Max!

Bill Schlarb

Kits!!

Anybody,

I've been cleaning out the basement recently, and came across this list of FF rubber kits. Most are estate items that I've acquired – and will probably do nothing with (I've already given many away to kids...). Some carry price tags nearly 40 years old! Amazingly, *all come with plans*!

If you know anybody that wants 'em, the kits are for free – but they need to take the whole bunch! Here's the list.....

1. Jetco ***Thermic Trooper***. Complete.
2. Jetco ***Lark***. Complete – but wood is kinda punky....
3. Peck p'nut ***Miles M-18***. Partially built, but seems to be complete.
4. Joe Ott ***Vought Kingfisher*** (27" span). Complete, but heavy wood....
5. Peck p'nut ***A6M Zero***. Framed up, but seems to be complete.
6. Goldberg ***Spirit of St. Louis*** (21" span). Complete. All balsa kit.
7. Peck w'nut ***Baby Ace*** (17 ½" span). Partially completed, but no wing spar.
8. Peck p'nut ***P-51***. Partially completed. Seems to have all parts.
9. Indoor Model Supply ***Time Machine***. A beginner's LPP. Complete.

Moe Whittemore

(Contact info on pg.1.)

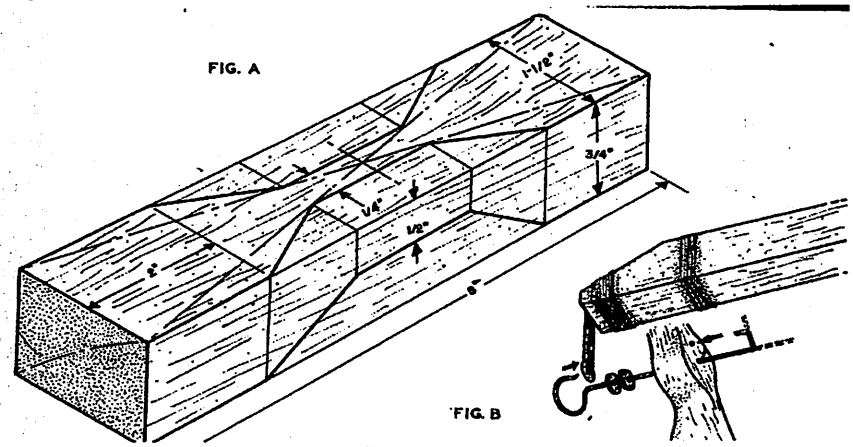
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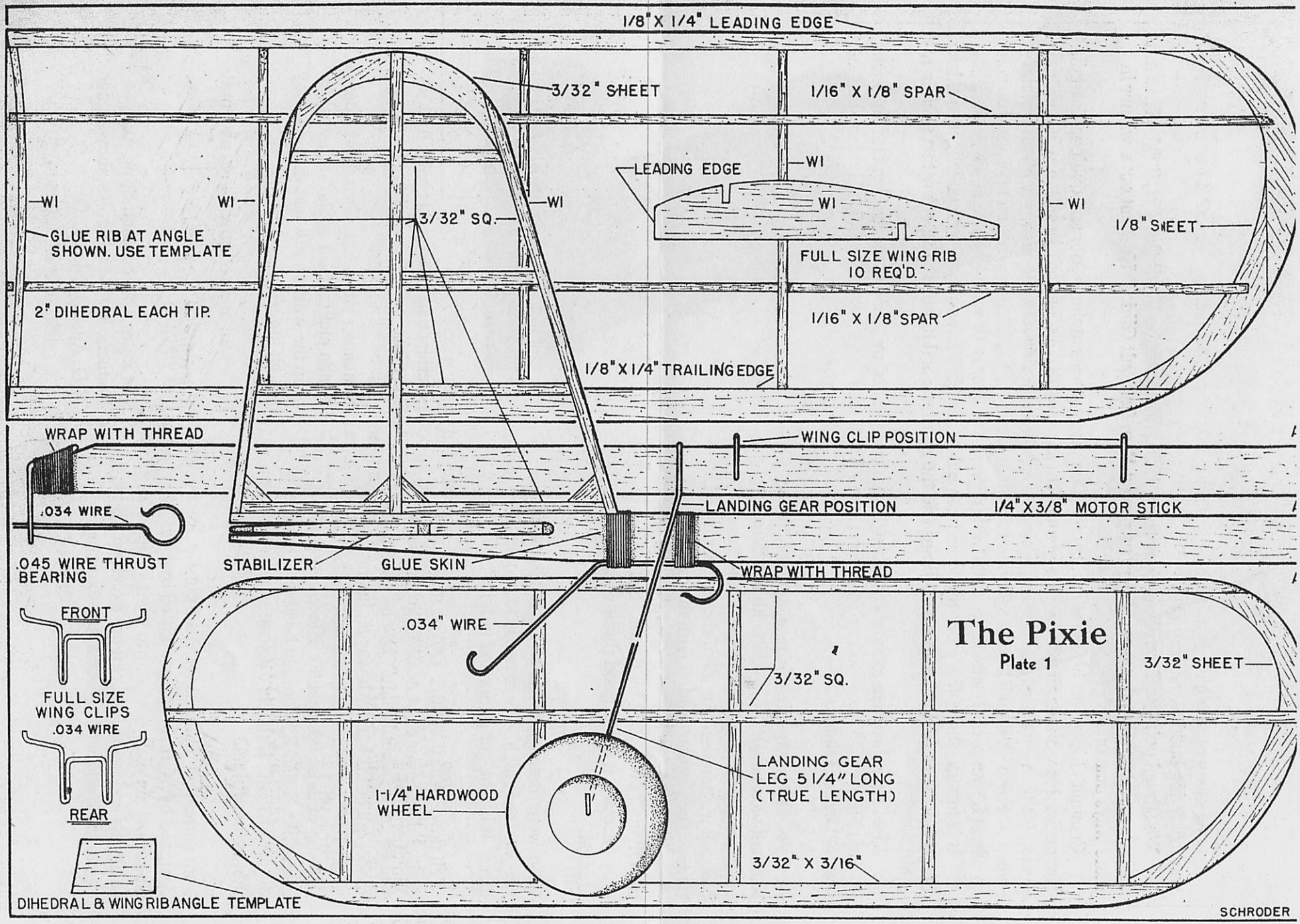
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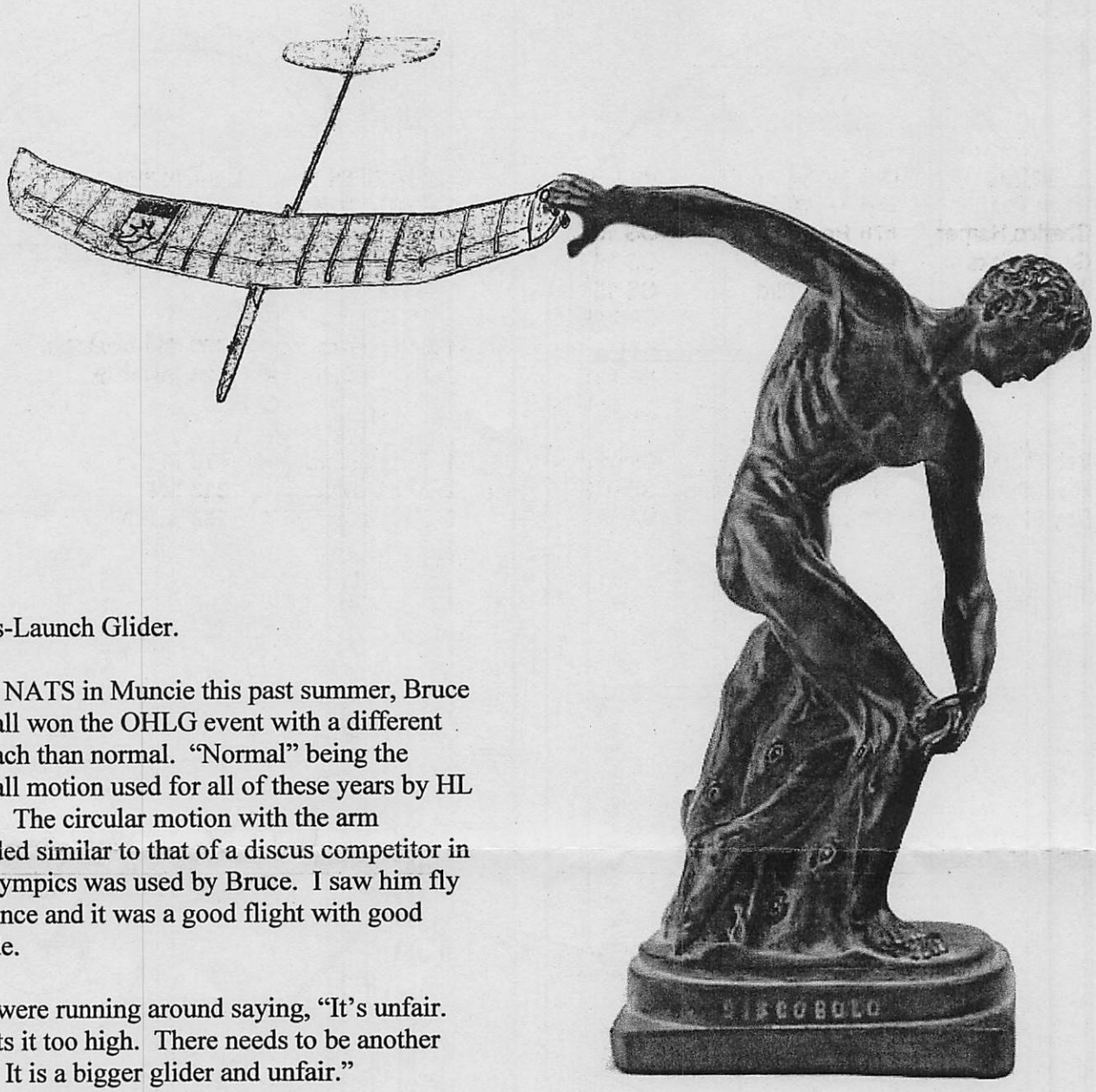
Add lightness, and risk losing it OOS!!

Have fun!






1/8" X 1/4" LEADING EDGE
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1/16" X 1/8" SPAR
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GLUE RIB AT ANGLE SHOWN. USE TEMPLATE
1/8" SHEET
FULL SIZE WING RIB 10 REQ'D.
2" DIHEDRAL EACH TIP.
1/16" X 1/8" SPAR
1/8" X 1/4" TRAILING EDGE
WRAP WITH THREAD
WING CLIP POSITION
.034 WIRE
LANDING GEAR POSITION
1/4" X 3/8" MOTOR STICK
.045 WIRE THRUST BEARING
STABILIZER
GLUE SKIN
WRAP WITH THREAD
FRONT
.034" WIRE
The Pixie
Plate 1
3/32" SHEET
FULL SIZE WING CLIPS
.034 WIRE
3/32" SQ.
REAR
LANDING GEAR LEG 5 1/4" LONG (TRUE LENGTH)
1-1/4" HARDWOOD WHEEL
3/32" X 3/16"
DIHEDRAL & WING RIB ANGLE TEMPLATE
SCHRODER



Discus-Launch Glider.

At the NATS in Muncie this past summer, Bruce Kimball won the OHLG event with a different approach than normal. "Normal" being the baseball motion used for all of these years by HL flyers. The circular motion with the arm extended similar to that of a discus competitor in the Olympics was used by Bruce. I saw him fly only once and it was a good flight with good altitude.

Guys were running around saying, "It's unfair. He gets it too high. There needs to be another class. It is a bigger glider and unfair."

Well now. Was it unfair? Did he max out easily? Did he max out at all? (No, to this one.) Did he get greater altitude? Did he launch the model out of his hand? It was an interesting day to say the least. I looks to me that the physical makeup of those who cannot effectively throw a glider like Nolan Ryan might be able to use the discus method. If that is true, we will have some more competitors.

I am currently building a DLG a Spin-Up 36, designed by Mark Benns and kitted by Len Surtees. I am really anxious to try it. The materials and wood in his kit are excellent. It is fun to build and will be a new and exciting experience launching this baby for the first time.

Remember when Lou Groza and George Blanda kicked field goals? Remember when the western roll was the only way to high jump?

Let's wait and see how things play out!

Phil Sullivan

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Results of the 2006 CIA Regional FF Meet

A NosGas	Time	Model	Eng.
1 Norm Poti	584	T-Bird	K&B 19
2 Charles Harper	578	RamRod 432	OS 15
3 Gene Wicks	460	T-Bird	OS 15
4 Jack Marsh	442	Jays Bird	OS 15
5 Dick Covalt	317	Zeek	K&B 19
6 Bob Edelstein	276	Hi-Fly	K&B 19
7 Elmer Jordan	48	Phoenix	K&B 15

1/2A Gas			
1 Bob Hanford	600	P-Pearl	Cyclon
2 Hank Sperzel	319	Mini Prime Time	CS 049
3 Roy Stewart	146	Astro Star	VA

Catapult		
1 JBM Griner	215	Straight Up
2 Rudy Kluiber	213	Straight Up
3 Bill Schlarb	179	Original
4 Dan Belief	164	Original
5 Bill Reuter	133	Tom Cat
6 Guy Scott	126	Original

Classic Towline		
1 John Seymour	439	Dragmaster
2 Bill Schlarb	408	Original
3 Guy Scott	277	Dragmaster
4 Paul Masterman	120	Original

OHLG		
1 Bill Schlarb	199	Polly
2 Bob Larsh	198	Bunker Hill
3 Bill Reuter	197	Huglet C
4 John Seymour	126	Sey. Slarmi
5 Jason Poti	65	Lil Piglet
6 JBM Griner	15	Original

Electric AB		
1 Charles Groth	360	Original
2 Rudy Kluiber	277	Original
3 Jim Jennings	251	Unknown

Jr OHLG		
1 Kyle Steinbach	68	
2 Zach Seymour	60	

1/4A NosGas		
1 Rudy Kluiber	438	Frisco Kiddie
2 Gene Wicks	418	T-Bird
3 Keith Fulmer	324	Swat
4 Bob Watson	253	
5 Bob Hanford	210	
6 Bob Edelstein	206	Civv Bov 31
7 John Seymour	201	Lucky Lindy
8 Elmer Jordan	129	Unknown

B NosGas	Time	Model	Eng.
1 Keith Fulmer	740	Swat	OS 29
2 Dick Covalt	453	Zeek 465	K&B 201
3 Bob Edelstein	276	HI-Fly	K&B 23

CD Classic			
1 Bob Mattes	900	Classical Gas	GMS 32
2 Jack Marsh	626	Maverick	Nel 41

Mini Pearl			
1 Bob Hanford	475	M P	TD 049
2 Dick Covalt	313	M P	AME
3 Bill Reuter	178	M P	TD 049

CD Gas			
1 Bob Hanford	315	P-Pearl	K&B 7.5

Mulvihill		
1 John Seymour	382	Seymour Simplx

P-30		
1 John Seymour	270	Pizazz 30

Nos Rubber		
1 Paul Masterman	371	Bazooka

OT Gas ABC			
1 Elmer Jordan	127	Zipper	OHL 23
2 Bob Edelstein	94	Alert	For 29

F1H		
1 Bill Schlarb	550	Huglet C
2 Rudy Kluiber	418	Mini Master
3 John Seymour	363	Glide Star
4 Bill Reuter	326	
5 Lee Campbell	179	Jessie James

Moffett		
1 Ed Konefes	360	Unknown

Jr P-30		
1 Kyle Steinbach	152	Unknown

AB Gas			
1 Bob Hanford	750	Pearl 450	K&B 3.25
2 Gary Oakins	587	Rotator	Ros 201
3 Dick Covalt	477	B ta D	Nel 29
4 Charles Harper	464	Satellite	OS 25 DF
5 Hank Sperzel	464	Astro Star 600	K&B 3.25
6 Guy Scott	341	B Sun bird	Ros 201

1/2A NosGas

1	Gene Wicks	693	T-Bird	
2	Bob Edelstein	468	T-Bird	Atwood
3	Gil Morris	396	T-Bird	Med
4	Keith Fulmer	346	Swat	Med
5	Bob Watson	336	Swat	Med
6	Elmer Jordan	128	Ram Rod	Fox

1/2A Classic

1	Bob Hanford	750	P-Pearl 310	Cyc
2	Jack Marsh	691	Maverick	Cyc
3	Bob Mattes	475	Classical Gas	Cyc
4	Roy Stewart	360	Astro Star	
5	John Seymour	302		
6	Chris Steinbach	266		
7	Charles Harper	265	Satellite 226	VA
8	Hank Sperzel	102	Astro Star	Cyc

C NosGas

1	Gene Wicks	578	T-Bird	OS 35
2	Keith Fulmer	483	Swat	OS 35
3	Dick Covalt	452	Zeek 727	K&B 35
4	Bob Watson	445	Ram Rod 750	Vec 35
5	Dan Belief	343	Jays Bird	K&B 35
6	Gary Oakins	120	Ram Rod	John 35

020 Replica

1	Rudy Kluiber	342	Strato-Streak
2	Bill Schlarb	330	Strato-Streak
3	Bob Edelstein	169	

AB Classic

1	Bob Mattes	1050	Classical Gas
2	Bob Hanford	1018	
3	Hank Sperzel	892	
4	Jack Marsh	840	
5	Charles Harper	470	
6	Gary Oakins	465	
7	Roy Stewart	318	
8	John Seymour	266	

Hi-Point Power, Bob Hanford

Hi-Point Rubber, John Seymour

Hi-Point Glider, Bill Schlarb

Steve Frazier "Howlin Engines Perpetual Trophy" for high time in 1/2A Gas, Bob Hanford.

Bob Larsh Perpetual Trophy for high time by a Jr/Sr in OHLG, Kyle Steinbach

From Mike Woodhouse come these words of Rubber Wisdom.....

1. To begin winding, pull out as far as possible! This will depend upon what you are trying to achieve. Normal flying: pull to a comfortable position, i.e. don't bust a gut. Contest flying: hold at this maximum for a minute or so, then pull again, as there will be a bit of extra give.
2. Wind 50% of the turns you intend to apply from this position. Then move in. The balance should be loaded on a steady move-in. Keep the tension the same all the way. Relaxation caused by fear, panic or wrist ache should be ignored! If you reduce the load, the knots already in place will slip out of position, and give lumps, bumps and whiskers – and you are on the way to failure.
3. Keep watching and make sure that the knots are piling in steadily. Speed? Fast or slow doesn't matter. What *does* matter is a smooth, steady, easy pace that suits you. Don't stop! Keep going! Once you fight the rubber, you have a problem. This means a winder that is man enough for the job.
4. Stretching is better than winding to break in. Winding causes wear – stretching does not. I don't believe the newer rubber needs running-in, as it is soft and wears readily. Therefore, any 'running-in' gain is lost in other ways. I make up fresh motors, stick them in, then go for it! One contest flight per motor! After the flight I examine the motors for damage, then stick them in the trimming box.....

Michael Woodhouse, Norwich, UK (website; www.freeflightsupplies.co.uk/)

Central Ohio Free Flight Club Annual Meet August 26-27 2006
Muncie Ind. 31 Contestants

Nostalgia 1/4 A (3)
1 Rudy Kluiber 439
2 Keith Fulmer 317
3 Elmer Jordan 197

Nostalgia A (5)
1 Keith Fulmer 826
2 Charlie Harper 458
3 Bob Watson 360
3 Bob Edelstein 360
5 Dick Covalt 326

Nostalgia C (4)
1 Dick Covalt 933
2 Keith Fulmer 360
3 Gene Wicks 316
4 Jake Noble (2) 204

Classic Towline Glider (4)
1 John Seymour 333
2 Guy Scott 323
3 Lee Campbell 291
4 Rudy Kluiber 100

OT B/C Gas Pyl/Cab (3)
1 Elmer Jordan 333
2 Bob Edelstein 309
3 Dan Harshman 116

Pee Wee 30 (2)
1 Rudy Kluiber 2172
2 Elmer Jordan 1806

AMA A/B Gas (2)
1 Jack Marsh (A) 600
2 Hank Sperzel (B) 538

AMA C/D Gas (1)
1 Hank Sperzel (C) 254

AMA A/B Classic Gas (3)
1 Jack Marsh 480
2 Hank Sperzel 477
3 Roy Stewart (1) 120

AMA Mulvihill (3)
1 Walt Tomasch 1116
2 Joe Williams 1106
3 John Seymour 488

Nosttalgia 1/2 A (4)
1 Elmer Jordan 308
2 Keith Fulmer 302
3 Gene Wicks 293
4 Bob Edelstein 284

Nostalgia B (4)
1 Gene Wicks 590
2 Charlie Harper 468
3 Dick Covalt 389
4 Bob Edelstein 275

Nostalgia Ignition (1)
1 Elmer Jordan 103

Nostalgia Rubber (1)
1 Joe Williams 540

OT A Gas Pyl/Cab (2)
1 Gil Morris 357
2 Bob Edelstein 223

OT Rubber Cabin (2)
1 John Seymour 360
2 Bill Jackson 161

.020 Replica (1)
1 Elmer Jordan 45

AMA 1/2 A Gas (6)
1 Norm Poti 1200
2 Jack Marsh 1026
3 Jason Poti 329
4 Hank Sperzel 305
5 Jake Noble (2) 140
6 Charlie Harper (1) 92

AMA 1/2 Classic Gas (2)
1 Jack Marsh 455
2 Hank Sperzel (2) 216

AMA C/D Classic Gas (2)
1 Jack Marsh 600
2 Hank Sperzel 534

AMA P-30 (4)
1 John Seymour 629
2 Steve Sova 490
3 Bill Jackson 358
4 Vicki Wicks 279

AMA Moffett (2)
1 Joe Williams 540
2 Walt Tomasch 240

AMA Catapult Glider (5)
1 Rudy Kluiber 215
2 Guy Scott 205
3 John Lorbiecki 165
4 Lee Campbell 155
5 Phil Sullivan 151



AMA HL Glider(2)
1 Phil Sullivan 160
2 Lee Campbell 84

OT Rubber Stick (1)
1 Steve Sova 360

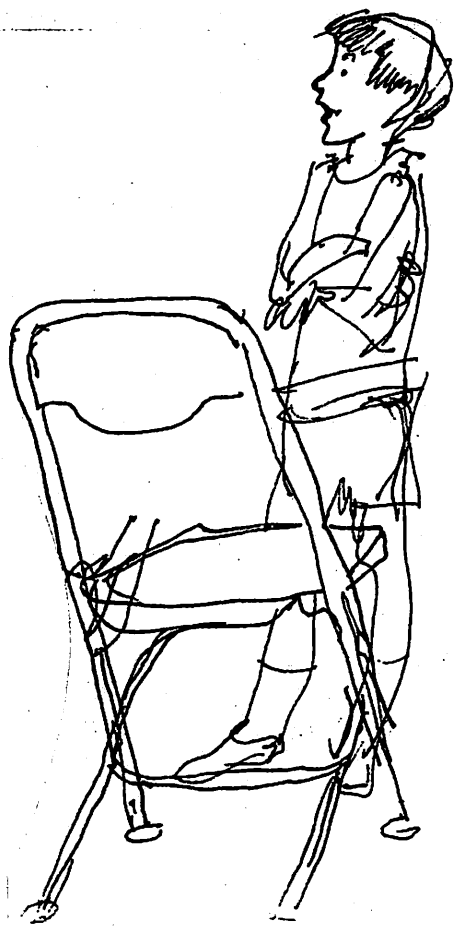
FAI F1J (3)
1 Norm Poti 780
2 John Lorbieki 769
3 Gil Morris 360

Floyd Miller High Time Award- Norm Poti 1200 seconds

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				Totals
020 OT/NOSGAS				
Bill Hale	120	99	120	339
Gene Wicks	58	120	78	256
Elmer Jordan	57	62	70	189
ABC O.T. Pylon				
Bob Edelstein	120	103	96	319
Elmer Jordan	50	120	120	290
Don Boyer	75	109	89	273
H.L Glider				
Lee Campbell	20	18	119	157
"A" Nostalgia				
Bob Edelstein	120	120	120	360
Dick Covalt	120	120	90	330
Charlie Harper	93	120	77	290
1/2 A Classic				
Hank Sperzel	120	120	68	308
Charlie Harper	75	107	120	302
P-30				
Bill Jackson	116	120	--	236
Old Time Rubber				
Bill Jackson	74	120	83	277
Ed Knoefes	120	120	--	240
1/2A Gas				
Hank Sperzel	120	120	64	304
"B" Nostalgia				
Gene Wicks	120	120	120	360
Charlie Harper	120	120	84	324
Bob Edelstein	105	43	101	249
1/2A Nostalgia				
Gene Wicks	120	39	41	200
Don Boyer	43	--	--	43
Elmer Jordan	22	--	--	22
Catapult				
Bill Reuter	39	75	51	165
Chuck Marcos	44	35	43	122
Peter Barron	46	40	34	120
"B" Gas				
Bob Placier	58	--	--	58

The Weather: Friday thru Sunday: Some early AM drizzle, some early calm, some midday thermals, some very strong west winds, some cool northerly breezes – situation--- normal.



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AB Classic

Elmer Jordan	61	120	--	181
Bob Placier	66	--	--	66
Charlie Harper	51	--	--	51

ABC O.T. Fuselage

Bob Edelstein	109	106	97	312
Elmer Jordan	59	--	--	59

Mulvihill

Chuck Marcos	180	240	300	336	1056
Walt Tomasch	180	240	300	200	920
Ed Konefes	180	218	300		698

1/2 A Mini Pearl

Hank Sperzel	120	97	120	337
Gene Wicks	120	--	--	120

CD Classic

Hank Sperzel	120	120	120	360
Elmer Jordan	103	90	73	266

"C" Nostalgia

Gene Wicks	120	120	120	120	120	91	691
Elmer Jordan	81	93	120				294

Classic Towline

Chuck Marcos	123	77	180	380
Lee Campbell	50	52	46	148
Hank Sperzel	38	41	61	140

020 Payload

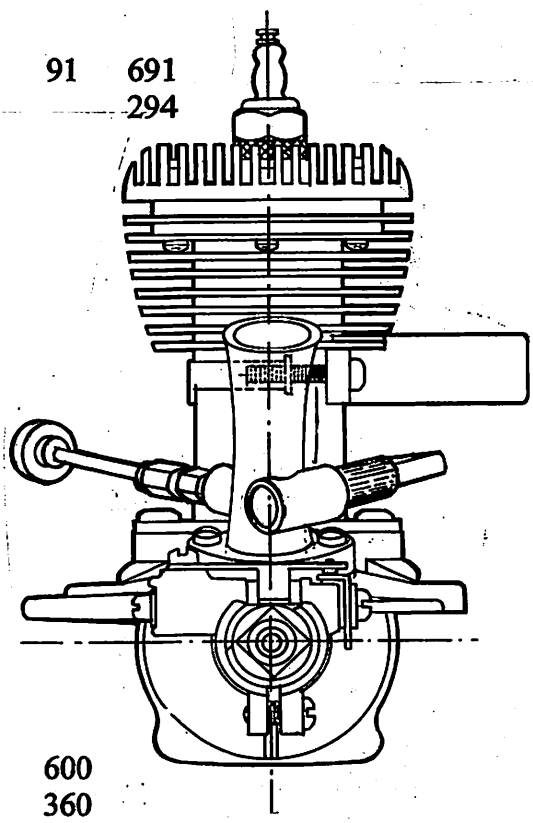
Gene Bowers	63	71	116	250
Elmer Jordan	60	72	35	167
Lee Campbell	42	40	49	131

Nos Rubber/Wakefield

Joe Williams	120	180	240	540
Bill Jackson	120	149	209	478
Ed Konefes	120	180	119	419

"A" Gas

Big Robbins	120	120	120	120	120	600
Gil Morris	120	120	120			360
Hank Sperzel	120	102	120			342



C.I.A. ANNUAL HI-POINT AWARD SYSTEM

The C.I.A. shall provide an Annual Overall Hi-Point Award to the deserving Open and Jr./Sr. member at the Annual Banquet each year as well as awards in six categories of free flight competition. These categories are; Power, Non-Gas, O.T. Gas, O.T. Non-Gas, Nostalgia Gas, and Indoor. These awards are to be presented to the members who accumulate the most points based on the following point system:

A. Fifty (50) points shall be given for each National Record confirmed by the AMA. (Points to be applied to the Overall Hi-Point Awards only.)

B. Points shall be given for performance in individual events at contests per the following:

AA, C, or AAA Sanctions	AAAA or AAAAA Sanctions
*Sanctioned Area Contests *Unofficial AMA/NFFS/SAM Events at: U.S. Indoor Champs U.S. Outdoor Champs AMA FF NATS (Indoor & Outdoor) SAM Champs * Area FAI Semi-Finals	*Official AMA/NFFS Events at: U.S. Indoor Champs U.S. Outdoor Champs AMA FF NATS (Indoor & Outdoor) SAM Champs *FAI Finals *World Champs = Points x 2.5 (i.e., 100 x 2.5 = 250 points)
Generally "Official Events" are basic rule book events	
1st Place - 50 Points 2nd Place - 30 Points 3rd Place - 20 Points	1st Place - 100 Points 2nd Place - 60 Points 3rd Place - 40 Points

C. Point Claims:

1. The Secretary/Treasurer shall make available to all members ample C.I.A. Club Point Claim Sheets on which he may claim appropriate points.

2. C.I.A. Club Point Claim Sheets are to be completed as to; Date, Contest Name, Contest Location, Contest Class, Event, Model Design, Place, and Points claimed.

3. All Claim Sheets shall be returned to the Secretary/Treasurer by December 31 of each year and any claims received after this date shall be declared null and void. (All points accrued after December 31 shall be valid for the ensuing year.)

D. Eligibility:

1. Award eligibility shall require points accumulated from a minimum of (4) AA, C, or larger sanctioned free flight contests at WPAFB-Dayton, OH, Lawrenceville, IL; Sturgis, MI; or the AMA Muncie site. Points accrued from any other contests are invalid for these purposes unless the contest is officially designated as USIC, USOC, AMA FF NATS, FAI Semi-Finals, FAI Team Selection Finals, SAM Champs, NFFS Nos Gas National Champs, or the FAI World Champs.

CIA Point Claim Sheet

Submission deadline:
Feb. 15 of banquet year.

Send to: Meredith Chamberlain, 5810 S. Madison Ave, Anderson, IN 46013.
Or, email to ciasilk@aol.com.

Member_____ Open____ or Jr/Sr____ (under 19 by 7/1

Date	Contest	Location	Class	Events	Model Design	Place	Points

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