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Dispatch

February 2020

Schedule of Flying
Events and Meetings

Date	Day	Location	Time	Notes
OUTDOOR EVENTS				
April 14	Tues	Olathe, KS	~6:30	**HAFFA Outdoor Champs - Practice**
April 28	Tues	Olathe, KS	~6:30	**HAFFA Outdoor Champs – Practice**
May 12	Tues	Olathe, KS	~6:30	**HAFFA Outdoor Champs**
May 26	Tues	Olathe, KS	~6:30	**HAFFA Outdoor Champs**
June 9	Tues	Olathe, KS	~6:30	**HAFFA Outdoor Champs**
June 23	Tues	Olathe, KS	~6:30	**HAFFA Outdoor Champs**
Sept. 5 – 7	Sat. – Mon.	Denver, CO	All Day	**MMM Rocky Mountain Champs**
Oct. 3 & 4	Sat & Sun	Marion, Kansas	All Day both Days	**HAFFA Annual Fall Contest**
INDOOR EVENTS				
February 18	Tues	Roeland Park, KS	7:00	**Club Meeting**
March 7	Sat	Osawatomie, KS	8:30 – 3:00	**Indoor Flying**
March 17	Tues	Roeland Park, KS	7:00	**Club Meeting**
April 4	Sat	Osawatomie, KS	8:30 – 3:00	**HAFFA Annual Indoor Contest**
April 21	Tues	Roeland Park, KS	7:00	**Club Meeting**
May 19	Tues	Roeland Park, KS	7:00	**Club Meeting**
June 16	Tues.	Roeland Park, KS	7:00	**Club Meeting**

HAFFA Indoor Flying Site Locations:

Ozanam Gymnasium
421 E. 137th St.
Kansas City, MO

Osawatomie City Auditorium
Main Street
Osawatomie, KS

HAFFA Club Meetings:

Southridge Presbyterian Church
425 Main St./5015 Buena Vista St.
Roeland Park, KS 66205

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Updates & Editorial – It has been s few months since a Dispatch has been published, and a number of things have happened and need to be reported on. First, elections were held in December, and we have a new board of officers

for 2020. Jeff Renz and Mike Basta have swapped roles, and Jeff Renz is the new HAFFA President for 2020. Mike Basta is continuing on the board as the Vice President. For the time being, Mike is continuing as the CD for the outdoor contest in October, with Jeff acting as CD for the April indoor contest, which is not sanctioned at this time. Roie Black is replacing Dana Field as the Secretary for 2020, with Dana continuing as the Newsletter Editor (glad to have shed one job!). Jack Vetter is continuing as Treasurer, and Jeff Nisley is continuing as Web Page Editor.

After months of delays and problems, the church is open again for services, and our meetings. However, with only 11 persons regularly attending services, we have been informed that the church will be closing in July due to lack of funds. Simply put, we have to find a new place for our monthly meetings. We can meet at any of the Johnson County Libraries that has a suitable meeting room, for free, but the libraries close at 8:00 pm which does not really give us enough time. Meetings would probably be changed from a 7:00pm start to a 6:00pm start. I guess this means the search is on for a better alternative, but previously we had trouble finding a site and were grateful when Wallie Freeburg arranged for us to meet at the Southridge Presbyterian Church, and provided a storage cabinet for the clubs rather extensive library. It is sad to have come to this, but nothing lasts forever.

There are at least 3 Kansas outdoor contests missing from the calendar above. The Tulsa Glue Dobbers are having one contest, sometime this spring I believe, at the Wellington Kansas Airport, and WHAM is having a Fall contest there as well. Additionally, WHAM is having a spring contest at Marion, Kansas, where our fall contest is held. That way there are four National Cup contests held semi-locally. Incidentally, Chuck Powell, our sometimes member and current WHAM President, won the 2019 National Cup in AMA Rubber, and Tom Bell, a Texan who comes to our contests, won the cup in Large Nostalgia Gas. I will put the dates for the missing contests on the calendar as soon as I have them.

Outdoor – Not a lot to talk about right now. We were down to zero F a couple of days ago, and I don't think we have a lot of "Ice Flyers" in our club. Think that is reserved for younger persons who are certifiably crazy. However, April is not too far around the corner, and we attempt to have a couple of practice sessions for the outdoor championship during the month. So, we need to settle on events for this now to allow time for building a new fleet of flying creations. As the CD for this, I want to have FAC Embryo as a new event. There are plenty of kits and plans available for this, and it would be the right size for flying on our small field. Also tired of seeing people from Colorado and Oklahoma always winning this at our contest. Also planning on having combined HLG (javelin only, no discus) and CLG as an event. For the Thermic Trophy the model would have to be a SAM approved "Old Time" glider, which means kitted or plans published before 1950. This would be kept separately from the more modern gliders for the trophy, but the times would be combined with the other events for the all around. So Mike gets to fly his Sweepette. Jet Cat seems to be the most popular event. So we should keep that. For the fourth event we need to choose from ½ Wake ½ Gollywock combined, AMA Alpha, or something else. We have a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 18. So, bring your thoughts to help me make a decision.

Indoor – Indoor flying has been cranking along, with one more session in March, and our contest in April. As the season has progressed, times have improved and the competition has become more heated. The two Jeffs are tied for first place! Jeff Nisley seems to own Phantom Flash, but, fortunately for Jeff Renz, he seems to be lost when it comes to gliders. Two sessions to go for the big banana! Actually, two sessions left for the beautiful trophy Jeff Renz made starting with an Abe Gallas prop. Dana Field has a two point lead over Jeff Renz for the Tem Johnson Glider Award, this despite missing the Jan. session and getting zero points for the month. Dana had a new high tech glider, not trimmed, for the last session, and rumor has it, Jeff Renz is planning on having one for March. So, a couple of close contests coming down to the wire!

An additional item, Evan Guyett is on his way to Romania for the F1D World Championships in March. He won the Junior World Championship in the salt mines there the first year after joining HAFFA several years ago. We are all wishing him good luck for a repeat! There will be a lot of pissed off Europeans if he does!

Following are the current standings for the indoor season, the club records from 2012, and some pictures from recent sessions. As for the records, you will see some names of friends we have lost, and some big guns in free flight of the past. There are a number of events we fly for which there are no club records, notably indoor, and outdoor for that matter, Phantom Flash, ½ Wake, ½ Gollywock, and Comet ROG. We should discuss what to do about this at the meeting, and have some record trials sessions.

HAFFA 2019/2020 Indoor Club Contest Standings

HLG/CLG Comb.	Nov 2019	Dec 2019	Jan 2020	Feb 2020	Mar 2020	Apr 2020	
	Time/pts	Time/pts	Time/pts	Time/pts	Time/pts	Time/pts	to date tot
Jeff Renz	7/2	6/2	10/3	9/2			9
Jeff Nisley	4/1	3/1	2/1	2/1			4
Dana Field	10/3	8/4	-----	14/4			11
Jack Vetter	-----	7/3	5/2	11/3			8

Dime Scale							to date tot
Jeff Renz	-----	39/4	36/3	22/2			9
Jack Vetter	-----	35/3	8/2	25/3			8
Jeff Nisley	-----	3/1	6/1	8/1			3
Tim Pivonka	-----	19/2	-----	-----			2

Phantom Flash							to date tot
Jeff Renz	50/2	-----	60/2	42/2			6
Jeff Nisley	111/3	105/2	104/3	47/3			11
Dana Field	3/1	-----	-----	-----			1
Jack Vetter	-----	60/1	38/1	23/1			3

P-18							to date tot
Jeff Renz	62/1	74/4	74/2	66/2			9
Jeff Nisley	79/3	76/5	78/3	95/4			15
Dana Field	69/2	70/3	-----	71/3			8
Jack Vetter	-----	58/2	32/1	2/1			3
Tim Pivonka	-----	45/1	-----	-----			1
Roie Black	-----	-----	-----	98/5			5

Monthly pts/Total	Nov 2019	Dec 2019	Jan 2020	Feb 2020	Mar 2020	Apr 2020	Cur. Std.
Jeff Renz	5/5	10/15	9/24	9/33			1st
Jeff Nisley	7/7	9/16	8/24	9/33			1st
Dana Field	6/6	7/13	0/13	7/20			4th
Jack Vetter	-----	9/9	6/15	7/22			3rd
Tim Pivonka	-----	3/3	0/3	0/3			6th
Roie Black	-----	-----	-----	5/5			5th

MAFFA OPEN CLASS INDOOR RECORDS ~~as of September 2009~~ 1-2012

	Category I		Category II	
AMA Events	**Name**	**Time**	**Name**	**Time**
201 HL Stick	Schroeder	11:45	Schroeder	11:45
202 Intermediate Stick	Schroeder	11:45	Schroeder	11:45
203* F1D	Combs	9:20	Combs	9:20
204 Cabin	Open		open	
205 Manhattan	Schutzel	5:39	Schutzel	6:14
206 Easy B	Combs	11:09	Coslick	16:03
207 Pennyplane	Combs	7:32	Coslick	12:21
208 Limited Pennyplane	Combs	7:32	~~Coslick~~	~~7:34~~ JOHNSON 9:32
209 Helicopter	Combs	5:25	Combs	5:25
210 Ornithopter	Combs	2:01	Combs	2:01
211 Autogiro	Open		open	
212 HL Glider	Johnson	1:12.1	Johnson	1:18.4
213 Kit/Plan Scale	Schutzel	205.00	Schutzel	284.00
214 ROG Stick	Langley	2:45	Coslick	11:58
215 Bostonian	Schutzel	321.44	Stucky	364.00
216 Exp. Autogyro	Open		open	
217* F1L EZB	Schroeder	15:49	Schroeder	18:28
218 Standard Catapult Glider	Johnson	1:20.4	Johnson	1:21.0
219 Unlimited Catapult Glider	Johnson	1:22.9	Johnson	1:22.9
220 Mini Stick	Schutzel	7:39	Schutzel	7:54
221 Free Flight Electric Power	Open		open	
~~505 Peanut Scale~~	Perkins	154	Kruse	220.00
507 Rubber Scale	Open		open	
519 Power Scale	Open		open	
Non AMA Events				
Peck ROG	Beniya	1:24.1	Eberhardt	1:25.0
P-18	Stucky	3:41	Langley	4:35
P-24	Beniya	3:32	Wiley	3:51
5 gram ROG	Langley	1:19	Langley	1:19
A-6	Schutzel	6:32	~~Schutzel~~	~~6:32~~ HODSON 7:03
AW Profile Scale	Eberhardt	1:05.3	Eberhardt	1:29.0
USIC 6.2 gram NoCal	Kelley	3:06	Perkins	4:16
14 gram Bostonian	Kochersperger	2:42	Kruse	3:19
USIC 3.1 ROG (Fed ROG)	J. Koehler	3:03	Stucky	4:11
Psitachio Scale	Schutzel	2:47	Schutzel	2:47
Legal Eagle	Schutzel	9:21	Schutzel	9:31

* per FAI Sporting Code



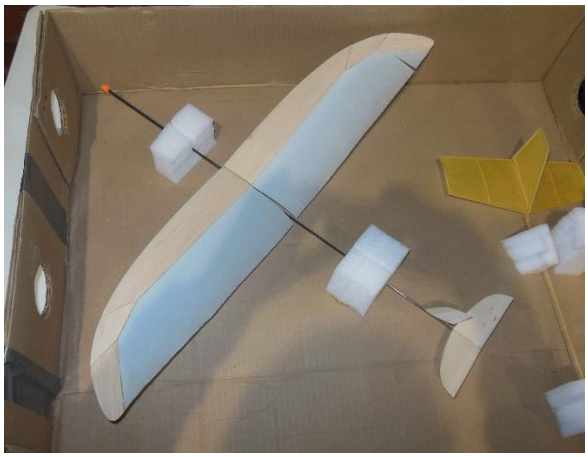
Wally Freeburg with P-18 in Feb. He had the day's best time!



Tim Pivonka in Jan. with a WW-1 peanut. He is a model building machine!



Evan Guyett at the Jan. flying session. F1D, around 20 min under 26 ft.



Dana Field's new Cat's Meow. Still needs much trimming.



HAFFA members at the annual dinner Feb. 9 at Conroy's in Fairway. Great food, and a great time was had by all!!



Jack Vetter with his MO-1 Dimer from a Volare Kit. Flies good!