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Cover photo Rich Adams with his self designed P30 **Carlos Rangel** photo



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NEXT CONTEST
Armed Forces Memorial
Nov 8, 2026 8:00 AM
Webster-West Field
AMA membership required for flyers
Visitors Welcome

South West Regionals January 17-19 2026 Eloy, Arizona

Rev D

2026 PMAC / TFFC Outdoor Contest Schedule Eloy AZ

Start Time
May, Sept: 7:30 am
All others: 8:00 am

	Nat'l Cup	Nat'l Cup	Nat'l Cup	Nat'l Cup	Nat'l Cup	Nat'l Cup	Nat'l Cup	America & National Cup		Round Valley Indoor Contest		
	President's Cup	St Patty's Bash	I-10 Challenge	Armed Forces Day	Fall Kick-off	Ghost Riders	Armed Forces Memorial	Arizona Free Flight Championships				
	Sun	Sat	Sun	Sat	Sun	Sat	Sun	Sat	Sun	Fri	Sat	Sun
	Feb 15	**Mar 14**	**Apr 12**	**May 16**	**Sep 20**	**Oct 17**	**Nov 8**	**Dec 5**	**Dec 6**	**Apr 24**	**Apr 25**	**Apr 26**
GAS/ELECTRIC EVENTS												
AMA ½ A GAS	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)*				
AMA A/B GAS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	B			
AMA C/D GAS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	D	C			
AMA Classic 1/2A Gas	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)		(Jr) (SA)*			
AMA Classic AB Combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	AB				
AMA Classic CD Combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		CD			
NOS ¼ A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
NOS ½ A GAS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
NOS A GAS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
NOS B/C GAS Combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	C	B			
NOS Early 1/2 A Gas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
OT .020 REPLICA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
OT GAS COMBO	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
ELECTRIC COMBO	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	E-36	Elect A & B			
Rubber Events												
P-30	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	X				
NOS RUB, Lg & Sm Combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Nos Rub Sm	Nos Rub Lg			
OT Fus Combo Rubber	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
OT Stick Combo Rubber	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
MULVIHILL	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
MOFFETT	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
FAI Events												
F1A/F1B/F1C/F1P/F1Q Combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	F1A,B,C,P,Q				
F1G/F1H/F1J/F1S Combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		F1G,H,J,S			
Vintage FAI Power	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
GLIDER EVENTS												
H. L. GLIDER	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)				
CAT GLIDER	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(JR)(SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)		(Jr) (SA)			
CLASSIC GLIDER	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)	(Jr) (SA)		(Jr) (SA)			
FAC Events												
Embryo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Jimmy Allen/2 Bit + 1 combo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
FAC OT rubber stick	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
FAC OT rubber fuselage	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
Contest Directors	G Morris	R. Adams	R. Donnelly	P. Brocks	R. Adams			Gaylor / Brocks		Gaylor		
Contest Classification	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	AA	AA	A		

Practice

Events Either Day
F1D, F1L, F1M, F1R
Open Penny Plane
Un Penny Plane, EZB,
A6, Ministick, HLG,
Cat Glider, Un Cat,
P-18, Dime Scale,
FAC Nocal Mass Launch

MONDAY 4/28/2025
Student Build and Fly
Mountain Lions

Note: All one day contests will be flown in combined categories. Anything you bring to the field can be flown in one of 7 categories

****For national cup points, junior AMA & Classic 1/2A Gas are combined*** ***Contest End times May & Sept = 2:00 pm***

Prez Speaks



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Due to a different weather pattern in the Pacific, fall has had many windy days. Luckily, the Fall Kick-off Contest and the Ghost Riders Contest fell in a lull between the windy days. Although the Ghost Riders Contest had a marginal forecast, four of our stalwart fliers showed up and the conditions were quite flyable. Don't believe a marginal forecast, come to the field! If you are worried, do what Jim Kruse does – bring a kite! Be sure to read Rich Adam's report.

Our next contest is the Armed Forces Memorial on Sunday November 8 th. See you there!

Our two biggest contests are coming up – the Arizona Free-flight Championships and the Southwest Regionals – please pre-register for these. See our newsletter and swregionals.org.

Tom

NEXT CONTEST

Armed Forces Memorial

Nov 8, 2026 8:00 AM

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Contest Results

There were four brave souls who flew. Weather was excellent with highs in the mid 80's and winds between 3 and 6 mph. A respectable number of flights were recorded by all. Ken Gibson flew his P-30 to a crazy altitude and I watched it DT. We both lost sight of it and spent an hour searching for it. Luckily, it landed in an open section of field way south of the launch area. Carlos made several valiant tries with his models but was plagued by bad rubber. Rich Adams lost his fourth P-30 as the last flight of the day. However, he and George met out at the field on Monday and searched till they recovered it in an unlikely spot..

Rich Adams, CD



Contest Results

max

*TopGun score may show zero if the event was not among the first four events flown of the applicable discipline. **Club FAI scores are at 60% for first five flights.**

4 Contestants 23 Flights		Flight Time (seconds)					Club Category Score	Club Topgun Score
Contestant Name	Event	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Total		
2 minute combo								
Ken Gibson	Embyro	119	120	120		359	2.99	2.99
Ken Gibson	Jimmie Allen	110	41	120		271	2.26	2.26
Ken Gibson	P-30	120	120			240	2.00	2.00
Rich Adams	P-30	120	120			240	2.00	2.00
Carlos Rangel	P-30	39	47	43		129	1.08	1.08
Ken Gibson	2 bit + 1	89				89	0.74	0.74
Catapult/ HL Glider Combo								
Rich Adams	CLG	24	90	54		168	1.87	1.87
Electric								
Carlos Rangel	E-36	39	47	43		129	1.08	1.08
Nostalga Gas / OT Gas Combo								
Jim Kruse	Early 1/2A Nos	120	125	55		300	1.67	1.67





Club Standings

2026 PMAC Category Champion Standings

no dropped contest	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Sep	Oct	Total
2 minute Combo							
Ken Gibson	6.98	5.72	5.12		6.48	7.99	32.29
Kevin McCue	5.41						5.41
Rich Adams			1.75			2.00	3.75
Carlos Rangel			0.95		0.63	1.08	2.66
Tom Gaylor	0.22	1.08					1.30
AMA/classic Gas							
Jim Kruse	2.50	1.87	1.96		3.00		9.33
Catapult/ HL Glider Combo							
Rich Adams		1.72				1.87	3.59
Robert Donnelly					2.16		2.16
Peter Brocks					1.06		1.06
3 min FAI Combo							
Peter Brocks				1.01	1.89		2.90
3 min Rubber/Glider Combo							
Ken Gibson	2.53	0.61	1.00				4.14
Rich Adams	1.47	0.51	2.09				4.07
Kevin McCue	0.34						0.34
Electric							
Charles Morris					3.34		3.34
Rich Adams					2.79		2.79
Carlos Rangel					1.00	1.08	2.08
Nostalga Gas / OT Gas Combo							
Jim Kruse			0.67		0.46	1.67	2.80

Club Standings

no dropped contest	2026 PMAC Topgun Champion Standings						
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Sep	Oct	Total
Ken Gibson	9.50	6.33	6.12		6.48	7.99	36.42
Rich Adams	1.47	2.23	3.84		2.79	3.87	14.20
Jim Kruse	2.50	1.87	2.63		3.46	1.67	12.13
Kevin McCue	5.75						5.75
Carlos Rangel			0.95		1.63	2.16	4.74
Peter Brocks				1.01	2.95		3.96
Charles Morris					3.34		3.34
Robert Donnelly					2.16		2.16
Tom Gaylor	0.22	1.08					1.30





Arizona FreeFlight Championships

December 5 & 6, 2026



Contestant Name _____ **AMA number** _____

Contestant email _____ **Age class** __J___S____A__

Mailing address: _____

2026 Arizona Free Flight Championships

December 5 and 6, 2026

Webster West, Eloy, Arizona

8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday and 8:00 AM to 3:00PM on Sunday

THIS IS A NATIONAL CUP CONTEST

This will be a Cat. II contest and you will be required to fly one / time one.

Gas/Electric Events

AMA Power

Saturday		Sunday	
____	1/2 A Gas (J)(SA)	1/2 A Classic Gas	____
____	AB Classic AMA Gas	A AMA Gas	____
____	B AMA Gas	C AMA Gas	____
____	E-36 (J)(SA)	CD Classic AMA Gas	____
____	Electric A	Electric B	____

NFFS Power

____	1/2 A Nostalgia	A NOS	____
____	C NOS	B NOS	____
____	E-20		
____	EP-30		

Rubber Events

AMA Rubber

____	Mulvihill	Moffett	____
____	P-30 (J)(SA)		
____	Andrade		

NFFS / FAC Rubber

____	FAC Embryo	FAC Jimmy Allen	____
____	FAC Peanut	Greve Thompson Mass Launch	____
____	WW I Mass Launch	Modern Civilian Mass Launch	____
____	WW II Mass Launch	Large Nos Rubber	____
____	Small Nos Rubber		

Glider Events

____	Hand Launch Glider (J)(SA)	Catapult Glider (J)(SA)	____
		FAC Jet Catapult	____
		NFFS Hi Start	____
		Classic Towline Glider (J)(SA)	____

please checkmark the desired prergistered events.

FAI EVENTS: There is also an America's Cup FAI contest on the same field. See separate flier "Arizona FAI FF Championships".

FEES: **AMA / NFFS / FAC**

$40.00 all events if pre-registered

$50.00 first senior / open event for on-field registration $5.00 additional events for on-field registration

Mail pre-registrations to: Tom Gaylor, 662 E Washington Ave, Gilbert, AZ 85234.
Be sure to include copy of your AMA card and make the check payable to PMAC.

QUESTIONS:
Contact Tom Gaylor if you have any questions about events or participation, 602 510-9898 or email wtgaylor1@gmail.com

Contestant name: _____ AMA # _____

Contestant email _____ Age Class __ J__S__A__

Mailing address: _____

2026 Arizona FAI Free Flight Championships

December 5 and 6, 2026 at Eloy, Arizona

AN AMERICA'S CUP CONTEST

Schedule

Saturday Dec. 5 2026
F1A, F1B, F1C/F1P, F1Q
Five 1 hr. Rounds,
3 min. Max
1st Round starts at 9:00 AM
Fly-off schedule after Round 5

Sunday Dec. 6 2026
F1G, F1H, F1J, F1S
Five 1 hr. Rounds,
2 min. Max
1st Round starts at 9:00 AM
Fly-off schedule after Round 5

Entry Fees
$25.00 first FAI event if pre-registered
$30.00 first FAI S/A event for on-field registration
$10.00 additional FAI events for on-field registration
FAI Juniors (under 19) fly for free , if pre-registered

Individual Awards to 3rd Place

Please note that timers are not provided. It is the responsibility of the flyer to have a timer for all rounds and for the fly-off timer pool. F1C and F1P are combined for awards but will be reported separately for America's Cup points. Motorcycle flapping or circling with a motorcycle under a model will not be tolerated. AMA membership is required.

DIRECTIONS TO FIELD: from I-10 Exit #200 go South on Sunland Gin Rd. 6.1 miles to W. Phillips road and turn left (east). Go 1 mile on W. Philips road to Overlfield road and turn right. Go south about 3/4 mile and the flying field is on your right.

Accommodations: Camping on the field is possible
Motels Exit 200: Motel 6 (520.836.3323), Days Inn (520.426.9240), Travelodge (520.836.5000)
Restaurants & Fuel Services at Exits 200, 203, 194

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There will also be a full slate of AMA, Nostalgia, and SAM events flown at the ARIZONA FF CHAMPIONSHIPS (a National Cup Contest) Saturday and Sunday on the same field.
See separate flier for events flown.

Southwest Regionals



Details at
https://swregionals.org/

Webster West flying site



Note: Motor homes and other long wheelbase vehicles should turn left (east) onto W. Phillips Road then right (south) onto Overfield Road. Please limit speed on these dirt roads to minimize dust impact to our field neighbors.

FF supplies drawdown

I have decided that I no longer can handle the drive to Eloy for the contests anymore... I still fly locally but I have an abundance of FF kits, contest grade balsa, FAI Tan Rubber, prop blanks, lots of authentic Esaki tissue, and misc. FF building accessories.

I would like to sell these items as we are thinking of moving to Santa Fe next year and I need to downsize. Can you let the club members know in case anyone is interested before I have to go to the Internet to sell to strangers. If anyone is ever down here in Tucson, I'm happy to have them come over and check this stuff out. Emails are okay if anyone has a question.

Kent Prescott RCNMT@aol.com







November 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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