

2015 FAI Southwest Regional Model Airplane Championships

We had a great 65th SWR on Jan. 17 and 18 which was flown from the new Webster West field. Saturday the temperature started out just under 40°, but as the sun came up it warmed up nicely to 72° with clear blue skies. In the morning the wind was out of the ESE at 7mph. At around 10 am the wind slowed considerably and the direction was variable. In the later afternoon the wind came out of WNW at up to 5mph. On Sunday it was warmer at the start of the first round with 44° but with the wind coming from the ESE at 6mph. It calmed before noon and warmed up to 76° in the shade. In the afternoon the wind again was out of the WNW at up to 5mph.

We had a total of 32 sportsmen flying in the 8 FAI classes. The contestants were from AZ, CA, CO, CT, MI, NV, OH, OR and UT. We had Peter Allnut here flying for Canada. Enes and Jasminka Pecenkovic were flying for their homeland Bosnia-Herzegovina. We had 3 ladies flying FAI events, Jasminka Pecenkovic (F1A), Geralyn Jones (F1G) and Tiffany O'Dell (F1G) – and also 2 FAI Juniors, Jace Pivonka (F1B,F1G), and Austin Van Nest (F1A, F1H).

On Saturday F1Q was won by Matt Gewain with Mike Pykelny coming in 2nd and Jack Murphy in 3rd. The F1A field had 2 flyers clean after 7 rounds. The F1A fly-off was won by Shlomi Rosenzweig who made the 5 min max while Jim Parker missed it by 10 seconds and came in 2nd. Brian Van Nest was 3rd while his grandson Austin was 4th overall and the 1st Junior in F1A. In F1B four contestants had maxed all 7 rounds. Two F1B sportsmen did 3 flyoff flights where Walt Ghio came in first while Jack Emery came in 2nd crashing in the last fly-off flight. Jace Pivonka came in 3rd overall and also received a certificate for being the 1st Junior in F1B. There were no entries in F1C or F1P.

On Sunday we flew F1G, F1H and F1J. Glenn Schneider won the F1J Bear followed by Rick Pangell in 2nd place and Ray Boyd in 3rd place. F1H required a 4-man fly-off which was cleanly won by Jim Parker with Brian Van Nest in 2nd and Shlomi Rosenzweig in 3rd place. F1G or Coupe d'Hiver had 6 flyers clean after 5 rounds. The F1G Bear was won by Alan Petersen with Walt Ghio in 2nd place in the 2nd fly-off. After this fly-off Tiffany O'Dell and Peter Brocks were tied for 3rd and they flew again in a tie-breaker which Tiffany won by 4 seconds for 3rd place putting Peter in 4th.

A big thank you to all participants and to Elmer Nelson, Hermann Andresen, Tom Gaylor and my wife Brigitte who all made this FAI SWR again a great contest to be remembered.

Peter Brocks, CD

F1A		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	F/ O	Total
		18							30	
1	Shlomi Rosenzweig	0	180	180	180	180	180	180	0	1560
		180							29	
2	Jim Parker	180		180	180	180	180	180	0	1550
		18								
3	Brian Van Nest	0	180	180	160	180	180	180		1240
		18								
4	Austin Van Nest JR	0	169	180	180	180	180	169		1238
		18								
5	Enes Pecenkovic BIH	0	180	128	180	180	180	180		1208
		18								
6	Peter Barron	0	180	180	180	180	180	123		1203
		18								
7	Don Zink	0	180	180	180	127	180	174		1201
		18								
8	Pierre Brun	0	180	80	118	180	180	180		1098
		18								
9	Peter Allnut CAN	0	180	180	180	180	100	62		1062
		14								
10	Jasminka Pecenk.BIH	5	125	96	168	180	180	128		1022
		18								
11	Peter Brocks	0	180	106	180	96	140	79		961

F1B		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	F/ O	F/ O	F/ O	Total
		18							30	42	16	
1	Walt Ghio	0	180	180	180	180	180	180	0	0	7	2147
		18							30	42		
2	Jack Emery	0	180	180	180	180	180	180	0	0	3	1983
		18							22			
3	Jace Pivonka JR	0	180	180	180	180	180	180	8			1488
		18							17			
4	Paul Crowley	0	180	180	180	180	180	180	7			1437
		18										
5	Blake Jensen	0	180	168	180	180	180	180				1248
		18										
6	Bill Booth	0	180	180	161	180	180	180				1241
		18										
7	Charlie Jones	0	180	180	180	160	180	180				1240
		18										
8	Mike Richardson	0	138	180	131	180	180	132				1121
		15										
9	Allen Ulm	3	176	127	180	180	180	76				1072
		18										
10	Dick Wood	0	DN F	DN F	DN F	DN F	DN F	DN F				180

F1C/P		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
1	No Entries								840

F1Q		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
		18							
1	Matt Gewain	0	175	127	180	180	180	180	1202
2	Mike Pykely	18	140	180	135	180	180	180	1175

			0							
			16							
3	Jack Murphy		2	180	180	180	92	180	180	1154

F1G			1	2	3	4	5	F/O	F/ O	T/ B	Total
			12						24		
1	Alan Petersen		0	120	120	120	120	180	0		1020
			12						21		
2	Walt Ghio		0	120	120	120	120	180	3		993
			12						20	21	
3	Tiffany O'Dell		0	120	120	120	120	180	4	8	984
			12						20	21	
4	Peter Brocks		0	120	120	120	120	180	4	4	984
			12								
5	Mike Richardson		0	120	120	120	120	137			737
			12						DN		
6	Mike Pykelny		0	120	120	120	120		F		600
			12								
7	Geralyn Jones		0	120	120	108	120				588
			10								
8	Charlie Jones		2	100	111	120	120				553
			11								
9	Mike Jester		8	105	120	60	120				523
10	Jace Pivonka	JR	88	120	61	55	0				324

F1H			1	2	3	4	5	F/O			Total
			12								
1	Jim Parker		0	120	120	120	120	240			840
			12								
2	Brian Van Nest		0	120	120	120	120	222			822
			12								
3	Shlomi Rosenzweig		0	120	120	120	120	163			763
			12								
4	Blake Jensen		0	120	120	120	120	101			701
	Peter Allnut	CAN	12								
5	82		0	120	66	51	120				439
			12								
6	Austin Van Nest	JR	0	120	107	0	0				347

F1J			1	2	3	4	5			Total
1	Glenn Schneider		23	120	120	120	120			503
2	Rick Pangell		90	75	73	90	76			404
3	Ray Boyd		70	62	90	76	38			336