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Schedule of Flying Events and Meetings

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Date	Day	Location	Time	Notes
INDOOR EVENTS				
Jun 18	Tues	Overland Park, KS	6:00 – 8:00	HAFFA Monthly Meeting
Jul 16	Tues	Overland Park, KS	6:00 – 8:00	HAFFA Monthly Meeting
Aug 20	Tues	Overland Park, KS	6:00 – 8:00	HAFFA Monthly Meeting
Sept 17	Tues	Overland Park, KS	6:00 – 8:00	HAFFA Monthly Meeting
Oct 12	Sat	Osawatomie, KS	8:30 – 3:00	Tentative First Day of Indoor Flying
Outdoor Events				
Jun 8 & 9	Sat & Sun	Marion, KS	All Day	WHAM Rescheduled Contest
Jun 11	Tues	Olathe, KS	6:30	Outdoor Champs Flying
Jun 25	Tues	Olathe, KS	6:30	Outdoor Champs Flying
Aug 13	Tues	Olathe, KS	6:30	Outdoor Champs Flying
Aug 27	Tues	Olathe, KS	6:30	Outdoor Champs Flying
Aug 31 – Sept 2	Sat - Mon	Denver, CO	All Day	MMM's Rocky Mountain Championships
Sept 10	Tues	Olathe, KS	6:30	Final Night of 2024 Outdoor Champs
Sept 15	Sun	Perry, KS	12.00 - ?	Tentative HAFFA Annual Picnic
Sept 30 & Oct 1	Sat & Sun	Marion, KS	All day - both days	HAFFA Annual Out Door Contest

HAFFA Flying Sites

Indoor

Osawatomie City Auditorium
 437 Main St.
 Osawatomie, KS 66047

Outdoor

Carmel Farm
 2831 Oak St.
 Perry, KS 66673

Frontier Trail Middle School
 143rd St at S. Black Bob Rd.
 Olathe, KS

Editorial – Well, this newsletter started out as March, didn't get done, then April, didn't get done, and now it is May 31st and I am going to get it done. Since February we have had the conclusion of our indoor season, our annual indoor contest (even with missing a month of flying, Mike Schmidt kicked our butts!), and a month of outdoor championship flying. The May WHAM Jim O'Reilly Invitational contest the first weekend in May was blown out and rescheduled for the second weekend in June, Take note and plan to go. It is only a week away! With that, my late, rapidly constructed newsletter follows!

Indoor – We had a very competitive indoor flying season, with Jeff Renz, Dana Field, and Mike Schmidt flying neck and neck all year. Well really Mike Schmidt was toasting us most of the year, but missed a month due to family reasons, which made it close going into the contest. There he smoked Jeff and me to really win easily the season championship, as well being the contest winner. So, our congratulations to Mike! The contest was well attended, and great fun as well. John Pakiz came down from Omaha to fly, and managed to win three events. He brought a superb Alco Sport Peanut. Jeff Renz thought so highly of it that he took more pictures of that than everything else combined. There were several mass launches, A-6, P-18, and Comet ROG, which comes with a cool trophy to sit on your mantle for a year. Somehow yours truly won the Comet trophy. There is a rumor of an indoor flying session at Osawatomie sometime near the end of June. If this comes to pass, yours truly will be sending out notices to round up members to fly.

HAFFA Final Indoor Season Standings

Year pts	Name	Rank
64+21=85	Mike Schmidt	1
63+11=74	Jeff Renz	2 - tie
58+16=74	Dana Field	2 - tie
25+15=40	Jeff Nisley	3
11	Dennis Baker	4
10	Paul Morganroth	5
7	Gary Hodson	6 - tie
7	Mike Stewart	6 - tie
3	Suman Saripalli	7
4	Jack Vetter	8

Tem Johnson Indoor Glider Final Standings

Year pts	Name	Rank
24	Dana Field	1 st
20	Mike Schmidt	2 nd
15	Jeff Renz	3 rd
8	Jeff Nisley	4 th



Jeff Renz presenting Dana Field with the Ten Johnson Glider Trophy



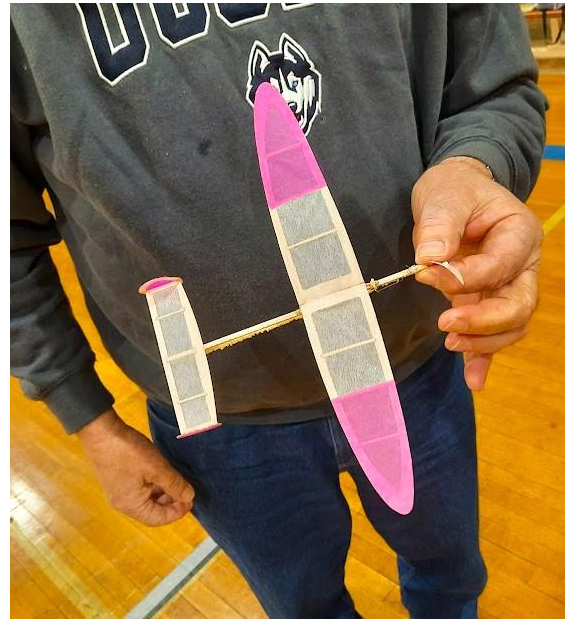
Jeff presenting Mike Schmidt with the Indoor Season Trophy



Jeff presenting Dana with the Comet ROG trophy



John Pakiz with his P-18



The gang with Comet Rog's – Jeff Nisley, John Pakiz, Jeff Renz & Dana Field

Dana Field's Wasp – 1 flight of 27 seconds, should be an event next year. Jeff Renz bugged us to build one



John Pakiz's "Alco Sport Peanut" – did not see it fly, would be fun to see

Outdoor – The outdoor season got off to a start in April, with two practice flying sessions, and for an unusual change, we actually got two sessions in. They were poorly attended, but the serious flyers came. The four events that count for the club championship this year are the same as last year – Combined AMA HLG/CLG, Combined FAC ½ Gollywock/½ Wakefield, FAC Jet Cat, & FAC Blue Ridge Special. And we also have our Thermic glider contest, which is combined HLG/CLG of any all balsa Thermic glider kitted or plans by Jasco or Jetco. Since we are getting older, and our arms are not what they used to be, any of these kits may be hand launched or fitted with a hook to become a CLG. If Mike Basta can't come regularly, maybe one of the rest of us can win a championship and have the trophy for a year.

Plans – Wanted to have a competitive CLG plan, and thought of including Tim Batiuk's latest, as he has recently been the best, and perennial Nat's Champion. My backup was Lee Hine's Sweepette 16, as it has also been a competitive glider. In looking at the plans I changed my mind. Both of these plans are state of the art

gliders with carbon fiber fuselages and complicated DT systems, and very likely to fly off of our field. So, I am falling back to Lee Hine's Sweepette 14, which was designed as an entry hand launched glider for juniors and retro-fitted for CLG by Al Lidberg. It has a polyhedral wing, the Sweepette wing, and a balsa fuselage. It should be competitive for our club contest, and probably would be a potential winner at Marion as well. The only potential drawback I can see is no DT. Anything with the name "Sweepette" usually flies really well!



Mike Schmidt's "Thermic Dart" – built from the plan, printed the graphics on tissue which was then applied to the model. He is going to add a hook to make it a CLG. Think he is coming after the Thermic Trophy?

HAFFA 2024 Outdoor Club Contest Results/Final Standings

<u>Thermic HL/CLG</u>	May	June	July	August	September	Pt Mth - Tot Pt
Dana Field	8					2
Jeff Renz	6					1

<u>AMA HLG/CLG</u>	May	June	July	August	September	Pt Mth - Tot Pt
Jeff Nisley	9					1
Mike Schmidt	27					3
Dana Field	34					4
Jeff Renz	11					2

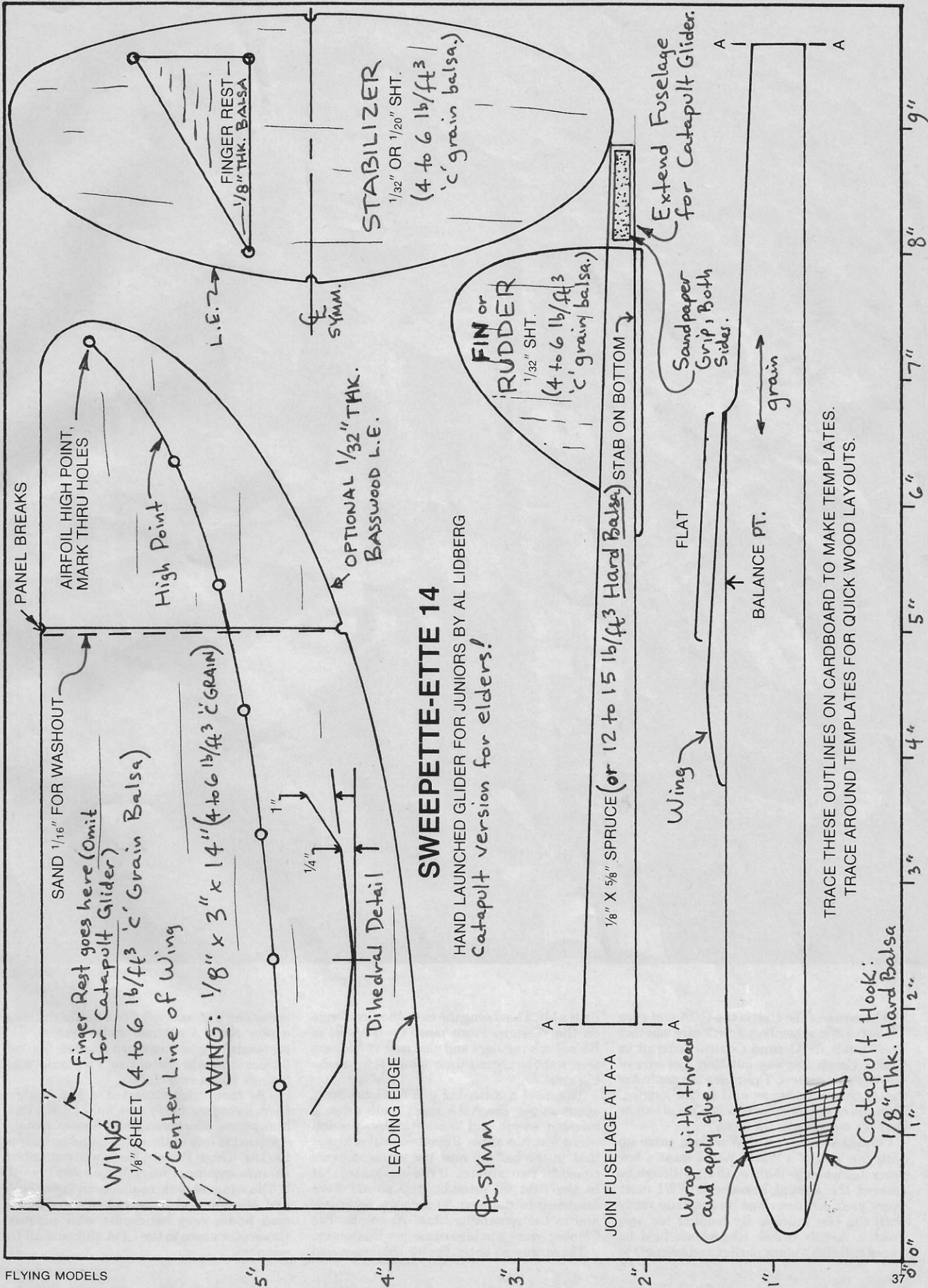
<u>FAC Jet CLG</u>	May	June	July	August	September	Pt Mth - Tot Pt
Mike Schmidt	17					3
Jeff Renz	8					1
Dana Field	17					3
Jeff Nisley	8					1

<u>Blue Ridge Special</u>	May	June	July	August	September	Pt Mth - TotPt
Dana Field	58					3
Mike Schmidt	36					2
Jeff Renz	17					1

<u>½ Wake/½ Gollywock</u>	May	June	July	August	September	Pt Mth - TotPt
Jeff Renz	23					1
Mike Schmidt	36					3
Jeff Nisley	33					2

<u>Standings</u>	May Pts	June Pts	July Pts	Aug Pts	Sept Pts	Tot Pts	Standings
Dana Field	10					10	2 nd
Mike Schmidt	11					11	1 st
Jeff Renz	5					5	3 rd
Jeff Nisley	4					4	4 th

*Thermic HLG/CLG points do not count toward HAFFA Club Champion.
Old Time Thermic Champion is a separate award.



SWEEPETTE-ETTE 14

HAND LAUNCHED GLIDER FOR JUNIORS BY AL LIBBERG
 Catapult version for elders!

TRACE THESE OUTLINES ON CARDBOARD TO MAKE TEMPLATES.
 TRACE AROUND TEMPLATES FOR QUICK WOOD LAYOUTS.