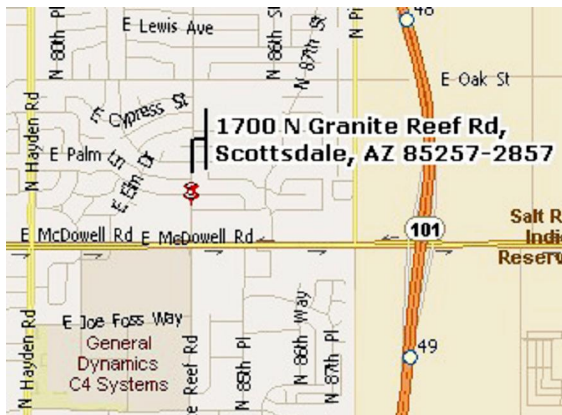


# PHOENIX MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB

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## NEXT MEETING

Tuesday Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>

07:00 PM

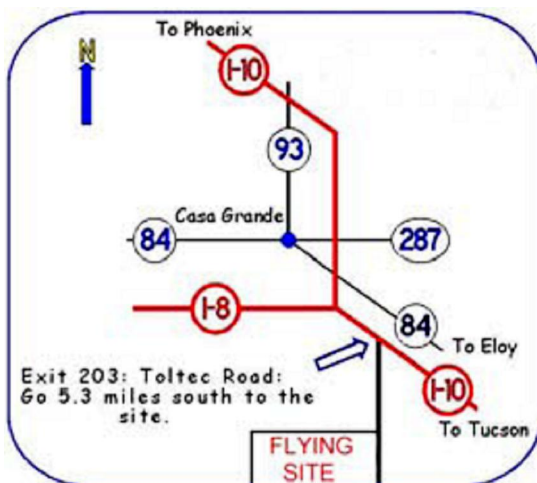
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Scottsdale, AZ**

## NEXT CONTEST

**SOUTHWEST REGIONALS**

Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>  
2012

**WEBSTER FIELD  
ELOY**



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## PREZ SPEAKS

At our December meeting we completed two items of interest: we elected a slate of officers for 2012 and reviewed our financial situation and set dues for 2012. I know most of you will be disappointed, but after a heated campaign your current slate of officers got railroaded into another year of service. With exception of the President you actually have a solid group who are devoted to doing a great job for another year. Suggest you start now and take positive steps to throw your President out of office next time around!

Club dues for 2012 were increased \$5 to a total of \$25. Those who did not pay at the December meeting will get a dues notice very soon. Do your Treasurer a big favor and drop a check in the mail immediately. When you delay, your old Treasurer makes several needless trips to the bank.

PMAC and the TFFC are the benefactors of the Southwest Regional Modelers Association (SWRMA) as it relates to our flying field. In addition to paying for the site insurance for the field each year, SWRMA looks after and pays for the upkeep of the field. Recently, SWRMA spent approximately \$950 to rebuild some of the earthen bridges which were damaged by recent rains and to build and install two wooden bridges along the south boundary canal of the west field (RC field). We are fortunate for the deep pockets of SWRMA. Many years ago, Toby Blizzard did a fantastic job of raising the money that has kept us in business. Next time you see him . tell him THANKS!

The land that surrounds our flying field has been owned for many years by the same entity. Recently they elected to plant crops on some of it. We have permission to retrieve models that drift onto their land, but we must respect their crops. You can ride your chase bike on the land that is fallow. Do not under any circumstance ride into a planted area. If necessary, walk carefully in the planted area and avoid walking on the plants. Moving the flight line to stay away from planted areas will become a common necessity. Don't bitch at the CD, just comply!

The field set up for the upcoming SWR will be different than in past years. The FAI flight line will be located on the west field with the AMA/NOS/ SAM Free Flight flight line located approximately where the FAI line has been in previous years. The SAM RC activity will be located on an extension of the AMA line but located much closer to Toltec Road. These changes are driven by farming activity to the east and south of our current field. More on this later.

It's time to start planning for our indoor contest in March. Steve Riley is the CD. He has been working with the Superintendent of Schools for the Round Valley School District (owners) located in Eagar, AZ. This is a geodesic dome that is nominally 100 feet high and clear of any supporting structure. At our January meeting we asked Bob Loeffler and Al Lidberg to give us some ideas on what types of models we %beginners+ might build for this event. At the meeting, Al will give away 22 sets of plans for NOCAL models. Let's make this a club outing. It should be fun.

*Elmer*

PMAC / TFC Championship															
Contest Results for 12-2011												Points			
Contestant Name	Event	Fit 1	Fit 2	Fit 3	FO 1	FO 2	FO 3	FO 4	FO 5	FO 6	Total	Time	Maxes	Flights	Total
AMA/classic Gas															
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Steve Hesla	AMA D Gas	180									180	2	5	3	10
Nostalgia Gas / OT Gas Combo															
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Bob Hanford	1/2A Nos	180	180	180							540	10	15	10	35
Glenn Schneider	Early 1/2A Nos	174	128	180							482	8	5	10	23
Glenn Schneider	1/2A Nos	143	180	144							467	6	5	10	21
Dick Nelson	OT B Gas	114	68	180							362	4	5	10	19
Tom Gaylor	1/2A Nos	100	58	180							338	2	5	10	17
2 minute combo															
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Bob Hanford	F1J	120	120	120	120	120					600	14	25	10	49
Norm Smith	F1H	120	120	120	120	117					597	12	20	10	42
Peter Brocks	F1G	120	120	120	120	108					588	10	20	10	40
Dick Wood	F1G	101	120	88	120	93					522	8	10	10	28
Chuck Stewart	P-30	120	101	82							303	6	5	10	21
Henry Werner	P-30	92									92	2		3	5
Tom Gaylor	P-30	92									92	2		3	5
3 min Rubber/Glider Combo															
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Jean Andrews	Small Stick	128	180	105							413	12	5	10	27
Tom Gaylor	Small Stick	77	180	133							390	10	5	10	25
Jean Andrews	Moffett	134	219	2							355	8	5	10	23
Jean Andrews	Small Cabin	180									180	6	5	3	14
Jean Andrews	Nos Wakefield	120									120	4	5	3	12
Jean Andrews	Nos Rubber	103									103	2		3	5
3 min FAI combo															
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Blake Jensen	F1B	180	180	180	180	180	362				1262	30	20	10	60
Brian VanNest	F1A	180	180	180	180	180	331				1231	28	15	10	53
Andrew Barron	F1A	180	180	180	180	180	311				1211	26	15	10	51
Don Zink	F1A	180	180	180	180	180	196				1096	24	15	10	49
Bill Booth	F1B	180	180	180	180	172					892	22	15	10	47
George Batiuk	F1B	180	180	180	180	116					836	20	15	10	45
Brian Pacelli	F1B	180	180	180	97	99					736	16	15	10	41
Enes Pecenkovic	F1A	180	180	180	180						720	14	15	10	39
Peter Brocks	F1A	180	180	86	180	180					806	18	10	10	38
Mike Pykelny	F1Q	103	136	180	165	81					665	10	5	10	25
Norm Smith	F1A	167	150	93	79	180					669	12		10	22
Lee Hines	F1A	180	83	116	118						497	6	5	10	21
John Oldenkamp	F1Q	168	108	131	124	91					622	8		10	18
Glenn Schneider	F1P	131		98	66	180					475	4	5	7	16
Dick Wood	F1B	175									175	2		3	5
Catapult/ HL Glider combo															
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Frank Roberøe	CLG	48	120	120							288	2	10	10	22

**PMAC / TFC Champoinship**  
**Points Standing 2011 Season-To-Date**

Category / Contestant	3- 2011	4- 2011	5- 2011	9- 2011	10- 2011	11- 2011	12- 2011			Total
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**AMA/classic Gas**

Steve Hesla	67	125	68		72		10			342
Dick Nelson	21									21
Tom Miller					14					14
Jean Andrews	5									5

**Nostalgia Gas / OT Gas**

Dick Nelson	98	94	116	104	56		19			487
Steve Hesla	52		54							106
Jean Andrews	28			31						59
Tom Gaylor							17			17
Tom Miller				10						10

**2 minute combo**

Tom Gaylor	41	33	30	46	44		5			199
Peter Brocks	38	30	42		35		40			185
Chuck Stewart					37		21			58
Dick Wood			15		5		28			48
Ralph Hotz				28	10					38
Jean Andrews	10		23							33
Bruce Grawburg		14	16							30
Kent Prescott		21								21
Roger Willis				19						19
Shig Saimo			10							10
Henry Werner							5			5

**3 min Rubber/Glider Co**

Jean Andrews	28	42	26	29	60		81			266
Kent Prescott	5	12		22	67					106
Bruce Grawburg	16	15	36	14	17					98
Tom Gaylor	10	18	18	16	5		25			92
Shig Saimo			61	18						79
Dick Strang		39								39
Chuck Stewart					38					38
Elmer Nelson		8		20						28
Roger Willis				5						5

**3 min FAI combo**

Peter Brocks	10		22		27	5	38			102
Enes Pecenkovic			21	22			39			82
Dick Wood	34		28				5			67
Jasminka Pecenkovic			19							19

**Catapult/ HL Glider corr**

Enes Pecenkovic			38	21						59
Frank Roberge					21		22			43
Kent Prescott				12	14					26
Tom Gaylor			26							26
Ralph Hotz				14	5					19

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Dick Nelson	119	94	116	104	56		19		508
Steve Hesla	119	125	122		72		10		448
Jean Andrews	71	42	49	60	60		81		363
Tom Gaylor	51	51	74	62	49		47		334
Peter Brocks	48	30	64		62	5	78		287
Kent Prescott	5	33		34	81				153
Enes Pecenkovic			59	43			39		141
Bruce Grawburg	16	29	52	14	17				128
Dick Wood	34		43		5		33		115
Chuck Stewart					75		21		96
Shig Saimo			71	18					89
Ralph Hotz				42	15				57
Frank Roberge					21		22		43
Dick Strang		39							39
Elmer Nelson		8		20					28
Roger Willis				24					24
Tom Miller				10	14				24
Jasminka Pecenkovic			19						19
Henry Werner							5		5



Elmer installing one of the new bridges on the south side of the field. He spends a lot of time on field maintenance and improvement every year. Al Lidberg and Tom Gaylor were there too working on the project.

When is the last time you saw a Colonel with a shovel in his hand? Fear not guys, our jobs are safe, he has it by the wrong end.

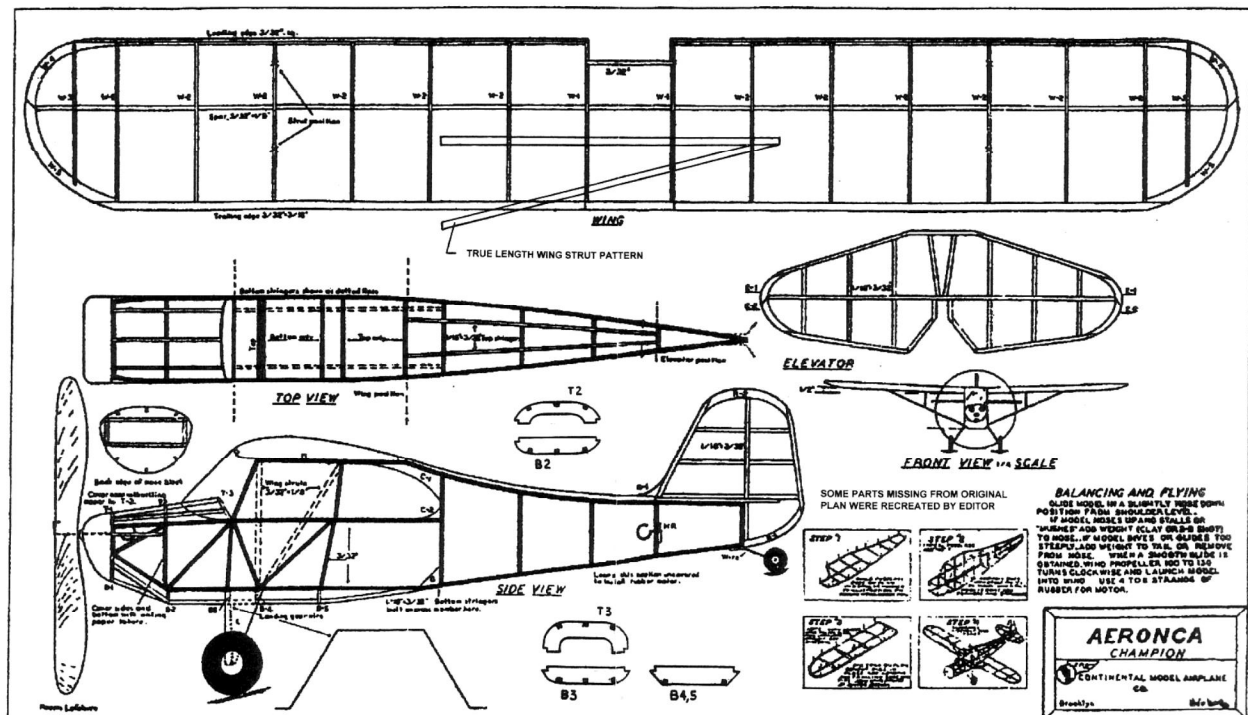
( Lidberg photo )

## The New Scoring System

As most of you know, Bruce Grawburg has been working on a new scoring system for our monthly contests. He has done a heck of a job that will make the life of the score keeper much easier. Here is a quick overview.

The revised program is actually very similar to our current program with one addition. We will continue to fly in the six categories that you are familiar with. By our definition, the models we fly fall into one of three basic disciplines: rubber powered, gliders of all types, and gas/electric engine/motor driven. Bonus points can now be earned by flying in more than one discipline. The reason for the addition of the discipline bonus points reflects the view of several of our members that the overall club champion should demonstrate expertise in more than just one of the three disciplines. We chose to use an incentive system rather than making it mandatory that the club champ had to fly in at least two or all three disciplines. Bruce developed the program so we can run simulations against our 2011 data base. We can assign any value to our current variables and test the effect of the change. The current variables were 5 points for each max, 10 points if three official flights were flown and 2 points for each competitor within a given category you beat. We can now assign any value for these as well as any value to the discipline bonus points and test the effect. The program is close to being in concrete, but we are still running simulations to find the optimum balance. The program will be used starting with our February contest.

*Elmer Nelson*





# INDOOR FREE FLIGHT CONTEST

MARCH 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 2012

Round Valley Dome, Springerville, Arizona

## Events include;

HLG

Standard Catapult Glider

Unlimited Catapult glider

F1D

Easy B

A 6

Limited Penny plane

Open Penny plane / F1M Combined

Mini Stick

FAC Peanut Scale

FAC NOCAL Scale

( 6.2 gm. Min weight, 7+max prop dia.)

Dime Scale

FAC NOCAL WW2 Mass Launch



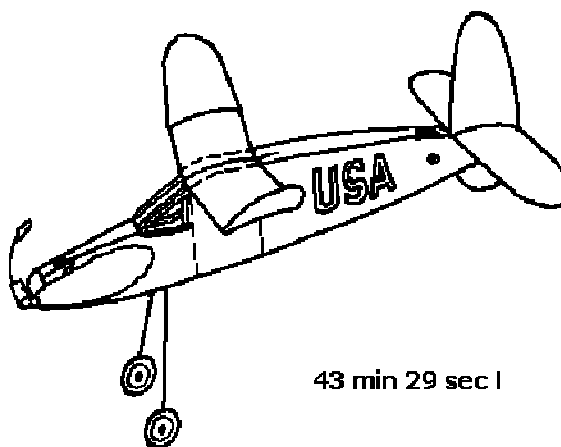
The Dome is 400qin diameter and 104qhigh inside. There are lights down each side with 220qbetween the rows of lights.

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Time sure flies, it's Regionals time again already. We usually have good weather, and always a lot of old friends including some we haven't met yet.

As Elmer mentioned in his "Rez Speaks" we are making some adjustments to the field layout. Check out the map I have included.

The collecto will again be behind the AMA scoring table on Sat. afternoon and run until dark or we run out of stuff. As always we don't charge for tables or charge vendors.



We have a small group of rubber flyers here in Albuquerque. Roger Edwards on the left and his wife Judy on the right.



My wife Jeri helping Al Lidberg untangle his twin pusher.



Scott Batz from Albuquerque with one of his hot models.



Shig Saimo from Cornville AZ



This is a picture of your newsletter editor in the late 70s at Hearts Lake Prairie Washington.

