

# Squadron 36 Dispatch

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Gibbs and I took the trip to the "Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome Free Flight Day. As is the way these days, attendance was much lighter than the days before "Covid". It was a very enjoyable day none the less.











# FROM THE EDITORS DESK

Well, this year's non-FAC contest is in the books. Unlike the 2023 contest which was a striped down version, this year's was a full slate of Society of Antique Modelers Old Timers and the National Free Flight Society's Nostalgia models with a bit of AMA electric events. This year's contest fared no better than the first!

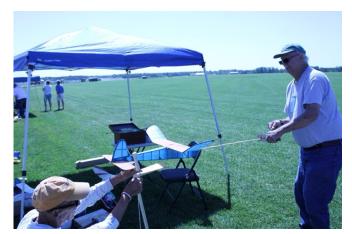
I did however accomplish a few good things, a couple of mentions in the SAM Speaks Mag, substantial feedback on Facebook. Also cut back on the cost of the contest by not printing all the awards like before. Out of 125 possible awards I sadly only needed 15 awards.

There was good of all this, 3 visitors. Tom Hamshire a sport Flyer, Barry Buzdygon who will become a new Member, Marc Federici An interested young man.

There are more than a few reasons to drop the idea altogether! Well, no one ever accused me of being smart, so I will continue!

# 2024 SOUTH JERSEY FREE FLIGHT CHAMPS

For some reason I was overwhelmed by this particular contest. I Just could not break though a troubling haze. I did manage to talk to the visitors and get their information. I surprise myself that I maintain the necessary focus to stay ahead of the goings on. Even shot some photos for the newsletter Well, on to the pictures!





Jim winding and Barry Buzdygon holding down the stooge





Above Andy launching his Jimmy Allen, on the right is Andy's Gollywock coming in for a landing



Pat Ciambpello having not flown since the Nats in the 1980's Did remarkably well trimming and taking First place in P - 30





Tom Hamshire Who brought planes, launching

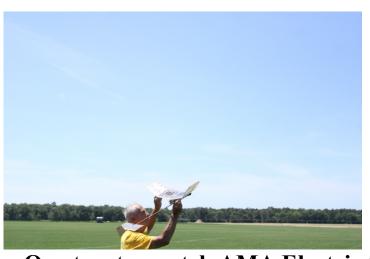




Jim Smith with one of his many Catapults, Tom timing



Alan Mkitarian gunning for First Place.





Our two top notch AMA Electric flyers Drake Hooke and Maria Noldy

# **STANDINGS**

### E -36 Electric

Drake Hooke 1<sup>st</sup>place, Maria Noldy 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

### **AMA "A" Electric**

Drake Hooke 1<sup>st</sup> place, Maria Noldy 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

### **AMA "B" Electric**

Drake Hooke 1<sup>st</sup> place, Maria Noldy 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

# **SAM Old Time Catapult Glider**

Alan Mkittarian 1st Place, Jim Smith 2nd Place

# SAM Gas Class"A" Cabin

Jim Smith 1st Place

### **SAM Small Rubber Stick**

Andy Kovacs 1st Place

# **SAM Large Rubber Fuselage**

Andy Kovacs 1st Place

# **SAM Commercial Rubber**

Ken Bagdon 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Jim Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

# **SAM Jimmy Allen**

Andy Kovacs 1st Place

# **P-30**

Pat Ciambrello 1st Place



The silly Old GUY is going to sign off now!

Please remember the Don Myers Memorial FAC Contest August 3-4,2024

Alan Mkitarian CD.