

**San Diego  
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# Newsletter

**Spring 2018**

Perris Two-Day Event Feb 24-25

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**Sunday Flyers**

Brrrrr! The weather at Perris the mornings of the contest was a bit chilly both Saturday and Sunday. The temperature gauge in my truck said 31degrees. But, the breeze was perfect, and it warmed up for some “textbook” flying. There was a great turnout.

The mass launches are always stimulating. Saturday, the FAC WWI Combat was won by Bob Hodes flying his Fokker D VII, 2<sup>nd</sup> was Jonathan Nunez with his SE 5a, and 3<sup>rd</sup> was Mike Mulligan with his Martin-syde. The FAC WWII Combat with four planes and Mike Mulligan winning 1<sup>st</sup> with his Heinkel He 100. He was followed by Bob Hodes with his Hellcat and Jonathan Nunez flying his Tony. My Hellcat took a devastating dive in the first round.

By a vote of the flyers, we eliminated the Sunday Mass Launch Events of FAC Greeves/Thompson Race and the Spanish Civil War, unfortunately, due to a low number of participants.

The most participated event overall was Rubber Scale with some wonderful planes. Chasing was not a problem on either day. Many times, the models landed “literally” right at the flyers feet. About 10 AM, Sunday, the breeze picked up and there was a bit of a walk for some flyers, but not too bad.

A wonderful event with William Scott as CD. **THANK YOU, WILLIAM!** Its always nice to visit and socialize with friends from all over Southern California and Nevada. I felt honored to present Robert Hodes with the 2017 Scale Staffel Aero-Modeler of the Year Award. Bob definitely earned it.

Looking forward to our next outdoor event on June 9-10, 2018, with an emphasis on **Dime Scale**. See you there!



**Mike Jester with his Blue Max** (photo by Hodes)