

Score Board

February HLG Results

Mark Navarre, CD

What started out to be a nice four round HLG contest, quickly turned into the "Santana HLG Destruction Derby". The strong Santana winds which began to blow just prior to the first round of the contest provided some exciting times and a number of HLG casualties. The contest consisted of four rounds with the following tasks:

Round 1 — three longest flights in a 10 minute window;

Round 2 — one of each, :30, :45, 1:00, 1:15, 1:30, any order, 10 minute window;

Round 3 — six 1:00 flights, 7 minute window, 7 throws; and

Round 4 — five 2:00 flights, 10 minute window.

George Joy and Paul Naton were tied with perfect scores through the second round, with Larry only 83 points behind. Disaster struck George in round three when a gust of wind ripped his Climmax out of his hand and broke it. George was still able to save a finish in the ribbons by some strong flying in round four.

Due to the windy conditions, the longest flight flown by any pilot during the contest was 4:05 in round 1 by Larry Jolly followed closely by Paul Naton with 3:58. The majority of the remaining flights were in the one minute range with only a few pilots approaching 2 minutes. The round 4



George Joy with one of his patented "Gorilla" launches. As you can see, the plane is at blur speed right now. He do know how to toss that plane!

task turned out to be the longest five flights in the window, with only Larry, Paul, and George getting maxes, and even they got only one each. Great job guys, you deserved to be the winners!

Honorable mention has to go to Don Richmond for his dedication. He has broken airplanes and finished last in both of the HLG contests I have run. I guess I owe you a bottle of CA, Don!

Thanks to Cody Navarre and Jo Joy for help with scoring the results throughout the contest. A big sacrifice for the ladies considering this was the day after Valentine's Day.

The next TPG Handlaunch contest is scheduled for April 5 at the Poway thermal field, with Slope Combat to follow at about 2:30 pm at the Poway slope site on Springhurst Ave. ✈

February Two Meter Results

Steve Stricklett

The first two meter contest of the year was held on Sunday, February 9th at the Poway field. The weather cooperated for a change, with warmer than normal temperatures, which brought out fourteen pilots to try their hand.

Along with the great weather came some great lift. This allowed most pilots to make their flight times, even though some of the tasks had some long target flight times.

The format for the contest was a little unusual. Each pilot had to get five flights in during a three hour window. There were no individual rounds, so the flights could be flown anytime during the three hour working window.

The target times were 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 minutes. This meant everybody got to fly for thirty-five minutes in a very relaxed atmosphere. These flights could be flown in any order, but each pilot had to fly one of each. The landings were on a standard twenty-five foot tape with each landing being worth fifty points. Each flight was scored at two points per second.

Congratulations to Patrick Dionisio, Ron Scharck and Don Rice, who took the ribbons home. Don Richmond and Fred Walker deserve a big thanks to for their tremendous efforts in getting the field in such great shape. ✈

Contestant	Norm
Patrick Dionisio	1000.00
Ron Scharck	992.00
Don Rice	982.85
Steven Stricklett	966.96
Bren Lugo	966.39
Arthur Markiewicz	965.71
Kieth Finkenbiner	960.11
Mike Ziaskas	955.76
Don Richmond	914.15
Ed Whyte	905.35
Mark Navarre	837.33
Don Clark	808.76
John Roe	747.03
Ken Pasterkiewicz	717.65

Final Standings

Pilot	Plane	Score
Paul Naton	Climmax PF	4000
Larry Jolly	Own Design	3794
George Joy	Climmax PF	3486
Ron Scharck	Climmax	3386
Steve Condon	Climmax Pro	3556
Mark Navarre	Climmax PF	3324
A. Markiewicz	Blem #4	3274
Don Rice	Mosquito	3142
Paul Anderson	Sidewinder	2889
Rick West	Climmax	2763
Tom Clarkson	Climmax PF	2554
Bill West	Skeeter	2291
Gary Whitney	Climmax	2069
Don Richmond	Climmax(s)	1983