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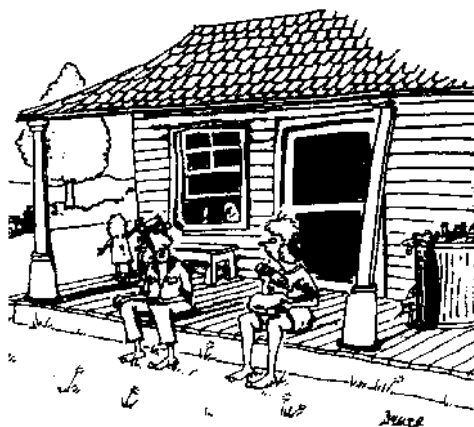


## PONDERINGS DEP'T

Summer is almost gone...not a lot of down time for me so far and the NATs is on the agenda too. Fortunately, I have a very understanding wife.

I've been wrapped around the axle with a lot of family commitments and attending one of our events is a piece of cake. The MMM Club some has very reliable people to fill the gaps. Not too much to say about that other than we all should be thankful our club runs like a well oiled machine...and a good one. I don't have to show up and try to figure things out. It's all there.

The 14 Rounder was really well run and if you didn't attend, your bad. I was told we run a great contest and my response was "We run contests for the flyers so they can have a good experience." Enough said...



"Ma ...only 30 more contests to go this year and then I'll take you to Atlantic City...just like I promised...of course it might be January...

Thermals! ... or heat from the lights, or whatever...

Rick

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**MMM  
MONTHLY  
MEETING!**

**Every Third Tuesday at 7:00  
PM, Dinner at the Castle Cafe  
in Castle Rock.**

#### **HEADS UP: !!!!**

*In the unlikely event that a model lands within the fenced-in area of a ConocoPhillips well site, we are **not** allowed inside that area. Don't even **think** of jumping the fence to retrieve the model. Instead, call the number posted on the sign at the well site, and read them the name and description of the well site location. The well-site operator will come to retrieve the model--they're usually "on-call." If you can't reach anyone, call Mr. Max Blair's cell phone, 720-862-4503. It's possible they might not be able to retrieve the model until the next business day. Again, do **not** enter the fenced-in area--our lease could be at stake.*

#### **Motorcycle Use on the Field Policy:**

*Follow the roads wherever possible and not to follow the planes cross-country. Take the shortest path possible to the plane in order to retrieve it. Avoid riding through noxious weeds.*

#### **MMM Now accepts "PAYPAL" for Dues, Contest Entry Fees, Etc !!**

- Simply Log in to paypal.com (or create your own 'PAYPAL" account if you want)
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## **PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS**

*Mel Gray*



### **Prez Ponderings**

It seems to me that the "official" start of the MMM outdoor contest season commences with the annual 14 Round FAI contest. We just finished it up a couple weeks ago and it was GREAT! The Club came together to run a very good contest that I believe was enjoyed by all. I will leave the blow by blow description to others but I wanted to add a few comments. As I told the assembled gathering at the awards presentation (I paraphrase here):

"We (the MMM) put on this contest for you, the contestants, who are the most important people. Whether we gather here for the intensity of the competition, to swap stories and jokes over lunch, or to simply quietly share with each others the happenings in our lives while we do this thing we do, we appreciate the opportunity to gather as friends."

And so it is with all of us. If you were there, we loved having you there. If you couldn't be there, we missed you. We have our next chance to get together for the August Scramble on the 10th of next month. Plan on being there to tune up for the Rocky Mountain Champs which are rapidly approaching.

See you at the field,

Mel

## **June 8, 2014 MMM Scramble**

Darold Jones

Jerry Murphy and I arrived at the field about 9 am to find Mark and Neal already there. The wind was blowing hard so we all sat in the lee of the vehicles and engaged in some hangar flying.

The story of the day was weather. The wind was blowing from 15 to 25 MPH until about noon when it slowed to 10 to 15 with higher gusts. With the weather improving, some people unloaded their chase bikes and prepared to fly. But at about 1:15 pm the wind had not slowed much and a thunderstorm we had been watching got to Sam Hill.

The thunder, lightning and rain convinced us to see dryer climes so most of the crowd gathered at the Hickory House in Parker for some food and beverage.

At the time the clouds opened there were nine vehicles gathered at Sam Hill.

That is three contests in a row with high winds.

## **MMM 35th Annual 14R FAI Contest**

Jerry Murphy ... "Wow, we did it!"

The 35th annual running of the MMM Club's 14 round FAI meet was a great success again.

Two world cups plus a team selection finals as well as the usual collection of AMA and NFFS events. The MMM Club came through with flying colors and I heard nothing but accolades from the flyers who enjoyed the event.

New this year was the integration of two world cup sanctions known as the Denver Double.

This, coupled with two America's cup sanctions, allowed us to change the format from a single 14 round competition to back to

back 7 round events. Competitors liked this very much as it gave them a "second chance" if things did not go so well on Saturday. The traditional 14 round awards were based on the sum of both 7 round contests. The weather was good for all days.

In addition to the usual F1 events we also hosted the F1E team selection finals.

The group of winning flyers and models so to speak...from left to right, Tom Ioeger (2nd place), Bob Sifleet (1st), Peter Brocks (3rd), Dick Wood standing in there, Ian Kaynes from England and Rick Pangell (4th).



The rest of the contest results are presented in the attached spread sheets in this issue

Grab your 2015 calendars and highlight the weekend of July 11 and 12 for the 36th annual running of this event.

If you have not flown on the MMM field you are in for a real treat as it is clearly the largest free flight site in the country.



### Highlights from my point of view:

1. The MMM Club is the best club ever!
2. We managed to run a very complex set of events with outstanding results.
3. It is true I do have friends in high places as the weather was a 9 out of 10 over the full duration of the contest. Yes, we did have some rain Saturday night, but it did not impact flying.
4. Jace is the man! In his second attempt in flying f1B in the 14 rounder he was perfect and is now the 8th competitor in 35 years to do so.



5. Thanks to the good work of Mel Gray, Darold Jones, and Jeff Pakiz we had the awards ready at 5:00!

The results tell the story but there a couple of points to look for. First is we had a super tight race for F1G. Both Peter brocks and Tiffany O'Dell maxed-out in the two WC events and they both won in fly-offs. Tiffany won the Centennial Cup and Peter won the Tui cup.

Electric is growing and was the most popular class in this year's contest.



Some FAI contest photos of the “not the usual people” that always get their photos n the reports

Jack Murphy and his son John:



The closest person to the New Zealand TUI Cup we had...Roger Morrell:



George Avila...to show the field we fly on:



George Avila forgot his gators at the field we fly on:



Bernie Crowe and F1Q:



John Berryman and Rick Pangell manning the scoreboard



## Gentlemen of MMM:

I'm pleased to unveil the Magnificent Mountain Men Trophy for F1B Junior Team World Champion, in memory of Bill Etherington.

The Trophy was a collaborative effort between Chuck, Darold and to a small degree, myself. Chuck donated one of his dad's trophies from ~60 years ago, and got it expertly replated. Then Darold stepped up and built the beautiful wood base. Lastly I have arranged for the engraving including researching the past winners, and now, at the last minute, building a travel box for it.

Chuck will hand carry the trophy to Romania Thursday and present it in person to the FAI at the Junior World Champs.

(Then, USA flyers Jace, Sevak and Troy will WIN trophy and bring it back to the USA where it belongs! No pressure guys!)

This Trophy is a great, permanent tribute to the excellence of our club. I'm proud to have played a small part.

Thrmx  
Don



## Magnificent Mountain Men 35th Annual

### 14 Round Contest

July 12 and 13, 2014 Denver Colorado.

### Saturday July 12 Events

#### Catapult Glider

1	Mark Covington	332
2	Lee Hines	270
3	Patrick Sullivan	85

#### Fast Gas AMA and AMA Classic combined

1	Troy King	B	844
2	George Avila	B	530
3	Ray Boyd	1/2A	456
4	Troy King	A/B Classic	494
5	George Avila	A/B Classic	459
6	George Avila	D	337
7	Montie Peechier	1/2A	DNF

#### Fast Electric Combined

1	Don DeLoach	B	600
2	Jack Murphy	B	391
3	Don DeLoach	A	297
4	Jack Murphy	A	274

#### Mulvihill-Moffett Combo

1	Jim O'Reilly	Mulhill	500
2	Chuck Powell	Mulhill	56

#### Old Time Rubber Combo

1	Jim O'Reilly	677
2	Chuck Powell	180

### Sunday July 13 Events

#### Hand Launched Glider

1	Mark Covington	521
2	Todd Reynolds	413
3	Don DeLoach	360
4	Troy King	310
5	Chuck Powell	159
6	Mel Gray	148
7	Lee Hines	112

#### Slow Gas NFFS Nos, 020 replica, early 1/2A, and MMM SLOP

1	Ray Boyd	MMM SLOP
2	Jerry Murphy	1/2A Nos

#### Slow Electric E-36 and NFFS E Nos combined

1	Don DeLoach	E-36	600
2	Bill Loppard	E-36	534
3	Todd Reynolds	E-36	477
4	Lee Hines	E-36	453
5	Jack Murphy	A Nos	360
6	Jerry Murphy	E-36	354
7	Pat Sullivan	E-36	340
8	Jack Murphy	1/2A Nos	120

#### NFFS Classic Glider

1	Mark Covington	326
2	Don DeLoach	317
3	Chuck Powell	230
4	Rick Pangell	118

#### NFFS Nostalgia Rubber

1	Don DeLoach	510
2	Jim O'Reilly	404
3	Chuck Powell	368
4	Linda Powell	204



July 12 and 13, 2014	Denver Colorado.							
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1	Jace Pivonka	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	1260
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Charlie Jones, Rene Limberger, and Eddie Vanlandingham in the Blue Jacket club.		
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<b>F1G Centennial Cup</b>									
1	Tiffany O'Dell	120	120	120	120	120	200	800	
2	Peter Brocks	120	120	120	120	120	155	755	
3	Don DeLoach	120	95	120	120	120		575	
4	Tom Iorger	100	120	120	120	0		460	
5	Bill Booth	120	120					240	
<b>F1G Tui Cup</b>									
1	Peter Brocks	120	120	120	120	120	204	804	
2	Tiffany O'Dell	120	120	120	120	120	162	762	
3	Don DeLoach	120	120	120	113	120		593	
4	Tom Iorger	102						102	
The 14R perpetual F1G trophy winner is Tiffany O'Dell with a total of 1562 seconds									
Peter brocks was second over all with a total of 1559 seconds.									
<b>F1H Centennial Cup</b>									
1	Brian VanNest	120	120	120	120	120		600	
2	Bob Sifleet	79	120	120	120	120		559	
3	Chuck Powell	45	72	120	120	50		407	
<b>F1H Tui Cup</b>									
1	Bob Sifleet	107	120	120	120	103		570	
2	Brian VanNest	120	120	120	72	0		432	
The 14R preputal F1H trophy goes to Bob Sifleet with a total of 1129 seconds									
Brian VanNest was second with a total of 1032 seconds.									
<b>F1J Centennial Cup</b>									
1	Ray Boyd		81			40		121	
2	Rick Pangell				24	77		101	
<b>F1J Tui Cup</b>									
1	Ray Boyd	55	30	76	63	52		276	
2	Rick Pangell	68	28	120				216	
The 14R prepetual F1J trophy goes to Ray Boyd with a total of 397 seconds.									
<b>F1Q Centennial Cup</b>									
1	Jerry Murphy	180	137	180	180	180	180	180	1217
2	Bernie Crowe	180	134	180	180	180	180	180	1214
3	Randy Reynolds	180	180	180	180	129	180	180	1209
4	Ian Kaynes	180	180	163	180	106	180	180	1169
5	Matt Gewain	180	110	166	180	70	180	133	1019
6	Jack Murphy	180	180	131	98	114	82	143	928
<b>F1Q Tui Cup</b>									
1	Bernie Crowe	180	180	154	180	180	175	180	1229
2	Ian Kaynes	180	180	180	180	148	79	104	1051
3	Jack Murphy	170	180	131	180	180	103	94	1038
4	Matt Gewain	180	180	180	180	180	26	54	980
There is no prepetual 14R trophy for F1Q, but if there was the winner would be Bernie Crowe with a total of 2443 seconds. Secoond place would be Ian Kaynes at 2220 seconds and third would be Matt Gewain at 1999 seconds.									



# Contest Report: Late Day Scramble, June 29, 2014

by Pete McQuade, CD

When Marilyn and I pulled up to the top of the hill at 8:40 am, the sun shone brightly on the luxurious tall summer grass and the winds were noticeable by their absence. A more perfect time for free flight would be hard to find. So, the flying action was quick to begin. And the score sheet showed a crop of early maxes.

Jace Pivonka was busy flying his tip-launch glider in HLG as well as flying F1B, both to practice for the upcoming Junior World Championships in Romania and to accumulate time to qualify for the Open Team Selection Finals. His flying was honed to a fine edge.

Mark Covington was also hard at work in the glider pen, along with Todd Reynolds, and our club president, Mel Gray. Meanwhile, Ray Boyd was wringing out his A-Gas QBit, which was featured in the March 2014 issue of Flying Models magazine. Ray was accompanied by his grandson, Will Major, a fine young gentleman we'd definitely like to see at future contests.

Don DeLoach was putting up maxes in three classes of electric, and was pressed hard by Jerry Murphy flying E-36.

Also enjoying the day were our SAM-1 friends, Carol and Duane Hjerleid, Kathy and Dick Sills, and Duane Hjerleid.

At about 11:30, the picture changed as the anticipated winds arrived, putting a damper on activities for all but the heartiest. And so, when the time for Dime Scale arrived, sponsored by Randy

Reynolds, the stick-and-tissue museum pieces had a tough challenge. Nevertheless, Don DeLoach's beautiful red Beech Staggerwing was unfazed by the wind and soared to an unbeatable time of 1:04 to handily win the event. John Berryman's silver Keith Rider Bumblebee took second, closely followed by Rick Pangell's out-of-the-rut Henderson-Glenny Gadget, both of which had a more difficult time climbing out of the heavy ground turbulence.

Mark and Todd were both flying their DLGs very aggressively in the wind, and were soon locked in a battle for the Scramble title. At the end of their six regular flights, Todd had three maxes, but Mark had four, which would prove the winning edge. They capped off the day with one more flight each. Don DeLoach's E-36 score placed him close behind in the Scramble, with 2 maxes and a near-miss of 111 sec.

After making one max and two near-maxes in HLG, Jace hit his stride in F1B by snagging a beautifully-timed windy thermal to max his third flight in that event. After that, it was all maxes for Jace, as he put up a most impressive series of five maxes in F1B, most of them late in the day as the lift was dying. His persistent efforts were accompanied by a marked lessening of the winds around 5:00. In fact, flying conditions from then until sunset were almost ideal.

So ended another fabulous Late-Day contest. A great time in its own right, it also proved an excellent warm-up for the 14 Round Contest two weeks later.

## RESULTS:

MMM MONTHLY SCRAMBLE																		
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	DATE	EVENT	ENTRANT	CLASS	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	F/O 1	F/O 2	F/O 3	F/O 4	# MAXES	MAX TIME	TOTAL AMA	SCRAMBLE TIME	FACTORED SCORE	SCRAMBLE POINTS	
1	6/29/14	3 Min	Jace Pivonka	F1B	152	131	180	180	180	180	180	5	180	1183	1183	6.57	100	
2	6/29/14	3 Min	Pete McQuade	F1A	180	159	102	153	152	0	0	1	180	746	746	4.14	63	
3	6/29/14	SG	Mark Covington	HLG	120	0	0	120	120	120	81	4	120	561	561	4.68	71	
4	6/29/14	SG	Todd Reynolds	HLG	120	120	110	0	0	120	71	3	120	541	541	4.51	69	
5	6/29/14	2 Min	Don DeLoach	E-36	120	120	111	0	0	0	0	2	120	351	351	2.93	45	
6	6/29/14	SG	Jace Pivonka	HLG	120	104	110	0	0	0	0	1	120	334	334	2.78	42	
7	6/29/14	2 Min	Jerry Murphy	E-36	80	103	115	0	0	0	0	0	120	298	298	2.48	38	
8	6/29/14	2 Min	Don DeLoach	B Electric	66	100	120	0	0	0	0	1	120	286	286	2.38	36	
9	6/29/14	2 Min	Don DeLoach	A Electric	77	120	70	0	0	0	0	1	120	267	267	2.23	34	
10	6/29/14	SG	Mel Gray	HLG	56	0	0	0	90	120	0	1	120	266	266	2.22	34	
11	6/29/14	3 Min	Ray Boyd	A Gas	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	180	31	31	0.17	3	

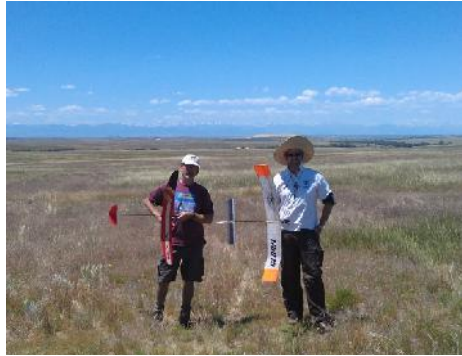
## E36 RESULTS:

	DATE	EVENT	ENTRANT	CLASS	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	# MAXES	SCRAMBLE TIME	FACTORED SCORE	SCRAMBLE POINTS
1	6/29/14	2 Min	Don DeLoach	E-36	120	120	111	2	351	2.93	100
2	6/29/14	2 Min	Jerry Murphy	E-36	80	103	115	0	298	2.48	85

## Photos from the June 29 Scramble



Lee and Jace Pivonka discuss strategy with Chuck Etherington, while enjoying all the comforts of home. Jace racked up an impressive string of 5 late-day maxes.



Mark Covington and Don DeLoach wait for lift, Mark with a tip-launch glider and Don with an electric model. Mark was the Scramble winner.



The ever-smiling Ray Boyd and grandson Will Major savor some family time in the blue shade ...



... while Al Yuhasz and Mr. MaxOut, Rick Pangell, take life easy in shade of a more mechanical nature.



Todd and Randy Reynolds confer during a break in the action. Todd placed second in the Scramble with his TLG. Randy sponsored Dime Scale.



John Berryman and Jeff Pakiz wait out the mid-day winds. John's Keith Rider Bumblebee garnered second-place in the Dime-Scale event.

## **SAM-1 Gathering of Gollywocks**

Sunday August 10, at the Lowery Range Field in conjunction with the MMM August Scramble.

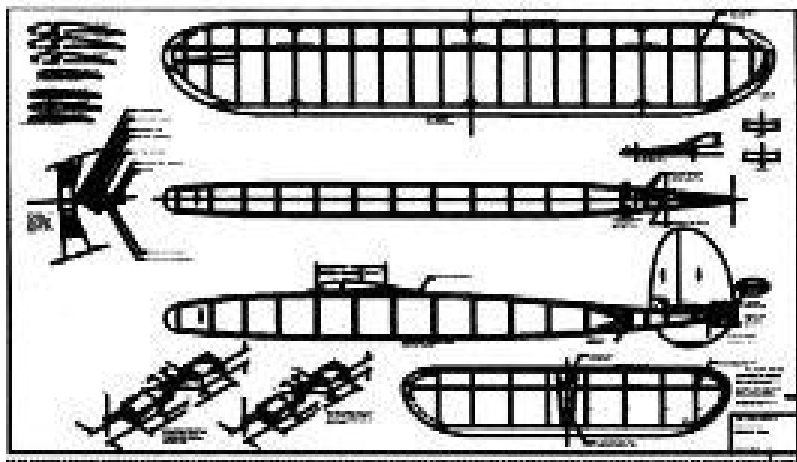
Entry fee: \$5.00

This is a separate event being flown in addition to the MMM Scramble.

**Cash Prizes: First: \$25.00  
Second: \$15.00  
Third: \$5.00**



Three flights, 180 second Max, Fly-off 240 seconds till a drop.



If you don't have one of these great flying models in your fleet, there is plenty of time to build one. Bob Holman has plans and laser cut parts for \$20 and can be ordered at: <http://bhplans.com/RMPg1.html>

As this is a separate event from the MMM Scramble your flights can count in both contests if both are entered.

AMA membership is required.

CD: Duane Hjerleid





## FREE FLIGHT WITH AN ALTITUDE! UPCOMING EVENTS

<i>DATE</i>	<i>EVENT</i>	<i>FEATURE EVENT</i>
<i>August 10</i>	<i>MMM SCRAMBLE</i>	<i>SAM Gollywock!</i>
<i>30 Aug - 1 Sep</i>	<i>Rocky Mountain Free Flight Champs</i>	<i>FAC Mtn States Scramble/Dynasty Cup</i>
<i>14 Sep</i>	<i>MMM SCRAMBLE</i>	

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