

THE HAMMERHEAD

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From the Pilot's Seat

By Steve Till

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Why Compete?

What did I do today? What did I do yesterday? And the day before that? I organize time as it flows towards me. As it slides away into the past, my thoughts organize it into memories. A memory is not the entire event, each and every moment. It is what seems most important, and over time I use those remembered parts are to build who I am.



When I make a plan, I am giving a future point in time more significance than the other moments I will pass through. I can give this future moment more weight by preparing for its onset. I can attempt to pre-create the moment. I do this by assembling as many of the possible attributes of the future moment as I can imagine and control, and then repeating the moment again and again so I will recognize it when it comes.

When that future moment arrives it will be packed with the imagining I have done in preparation. It will be packed with sensation because I have created a space for this moment and I long for it. It will be richer and fuller than the moments that surround it.

A contest presents a chance for just such moments. We have declared the contest important because we prepare for it. We find an airport, get a waiver, organize the judges. I have practiced my sequence, booked my hotel room, made plans to leave work on Thursday. All this preparation by the chapter and by me combines to allow that moment to arrive.

What matters about a contest is that many of us are together making it possible for each and every one of us to have that significant moment that we planned for, and get to carry it with us into our future. These moments are our most durable possessions. We exist as a chapter and individuals in that chapter for the creation of these moments.

Don't Miss Mike Goulian on Cheating.

Mike Goulian will give his presentation on how to cheat at the May 13th chapter meeting. Having years of experience at flying and cheating Mike will share his secrets with the rest of us. Learn what sneaky little things you can do to raise your score at the Great Bay contest, from a guy who is sneaky and nationally recognized at the same time. Mike will also stick around and coach us to be slimy and underhanded in the afternoon practice session. Don't miss this chance to compromise your morals!!-11:30 at the Mansfield Airport terminal building.

Want to be an Editor?

Over the next few months we will be looking for a new newsletter editor. If you have editing skills, an interest in improving the newsletter or just a computer with Microsoft Word you can be a newsletter editor! If you would like to help the club's communications efforts by handling the newsletter, contact me at rjpetit@earthlink.net or Emperor Steve at setill@comcast.net.

More Future Judges for Chapter 35

Three more chapter members have stepped up and started the process of becoming a judge. Bill Matukaitis, Doug Durand and John Everson went to the Flying W for their judge's school. We'll be seeing them assisting on the judging line at Rochester in a couple of weeks. Thanks guys.

April Meeting Minutes

By Farrell Woods

IAC35 had its April meeting on Saturday, April 8. Another excellent turnout was had with 13 people in attendance:

Steve Till, Ward Bryant, Bill Sconce, Farrell Woods, Jim Ward, Wes Liu, Charles Schumacher, Josh Allen, Jay Hewett, Mark Libbey, John Shraer, Greg Ryan, Rob Petit

Old Business:

o Judges' school successful, the following folks will now seek to get their 40 assists this season:

Josh Allen
Jay Hewett
Charles Schumacher
Dave Shaver
Randol Webb
Farrell Woods

The following judges took their refresher:

Guenther Eichhorn
Wes Liu
Jim Wells

Guenther's refresher is good news for us as he's a nationally ranked judge.

We also have our newest regional judge as a result of this class:
Byron Brumbaugh.

- o Byron has volunteered to be our Medical coordinator for our contests. He will also put together a med kit for use at the contests. Thanks to Byron for this work!

New business:

- o Wes proposed the purchase of equipment for use at upcoming contests. This was passed, and Wes has since purchased the equipment.

This is all basic but really necessary stuff, like chairs for judges (we ran short at Springfield last summer), coolers for drinks, extension cords for equipment, etc. Wes has marked these things with "IAC35" so hopefully they're less likely to get mixed up with other folks stuff. Wes has also offered to keep these things in storage at his place.

Jim Ward has donated a "printer/scanner/copier/fax" machine to the chapter. This will be used for our printing/copying needs during contests, instead of relying on members' own personal printers and supplies. Thanks to Jim for that donation!

- o Farrell to give contest radios a once-over before the contest.

Done, the radios appear to be in working order. Batteries will get a fresh charge just before I bring them out to Rochester. I've also applied to the FCC for a proper operating license for these radios (they operate in the 450MHz-470MHz "business band".) The license application is pending with the FCC, but under their rules we are allowed to operate them as of now with the license application pending.

- o Mike Goulian is negotiating three aerobic boxes: one in Gardner, one in Keene, and one in Jaffrey (!). Steve Till will be the coordinator for use of these boxes.

o May IAC35 chapter meeting will be in Mansfield, MA. Mike Goulian will present his "Cheating Seminar", and there will be a practice session with critiquing available after the meeting. This meeting is on Saturday, May 13.

o Email list/website:

Guenther has set up a privately-run list for us to use. The old Yahoo IAC35 list addresses have been moved here and the Yahoo list is decommissioned.

Bill Sconce will still obtain "iac35.org" for us. He will arrange to have "www.iac35.org" redirected to "iac35.aerobatics.ws", which is the website that Guenther maintains for us.

Guenther has provided an ability for us to update the IAC35 website via email.

Mark Libbey has kindly volunteered to coordinate with Guenther on website content for us.

o The folks in Auburn, Maine have expressed interest in hosting a contest. See them at www.flytome.com This airport would give us the triangular layout that we'll miss by not being at Orange this year...

o Rochester contest update:

We have the Sanction and Insurance for the contest.

Waiver is in process.

Mike McMahon is still working on hangar space. Looks like this will be tight...

New awards/gifts are being suggested, such as:

o flight school with highest-scoring pilot (friendly competition between Executive and Aerial!)

o Framed award featuring picture of pilot/aircraft for top three in each category (possible with the above printer!)

o Jay will look into costs of reward options...

o Contest "raffle" at banquet, we should have one "good" prize, and

"other" prizes, e.g. tee-shirts from past contests. If people have ideas for raffle prizes, send us email!

Contest banquet at the Governor's Inn, or possibly the (less nice) Anchorage Inn.

Flying less than 1,500' above the industrial park may not be a problem; this is part of what Gary Raedeo from the FSDO is looking at for us.

Recruiting:

o Jay Hewett has downloaded a portion of the FAA registration database in an attempt to find aerobatic aircraft and their owners.

This is difficult to sift through, and some aircraft are owned by "corporations" rather than individuals.

Rochester Update

Rochester is coming together. We look forward to a great first contest at Skyhaven. The schedule is as follows:

Thursday, May 18th – Practice and registration all categories

Friday, May 19th – Morning practice and registration all categories

Pilots briefing at noon. Intermediate, Advanced and Unlimited

Saturday, May 20th – Pilots briefing 7:00am. All Categories

Banquet 7pm

Sunday, May 21st – Pilots briefing 9:00am. All Categories

Awards 2pm

The hotels listed in the contest announcement are mostly full. Those rooms that are left are fairly expensive. Wes Liu found these alternatives in Sanford, ME:

Sanford Inn 207-324-4662

Oakwood Inn & Motel 207-324-2160

We will make sure there is sufficient transportation to/from Sanford.

For Sale

2001 Pitts S2C



Based at Nashua N.H. (ASH)

Click [here](#) for more details and pictures

Aircraft valued at \$135,000. 975 hours TTAF and Engine, Hartzell (Claw) Propeller, Garmin 420 GPS, Digital engine gauges, Smoke system and more.

For details contact Peter at Burning Blue Aviation. (781) 883-4818. peter@burning-blue.com

G-200

Bill Crawford is selling his G-200. For information call Bill at 617-680-8581 or email wec@tiac.net.

1984 Pitts SIT



S/N 1021 - 1520 TTAF, 130 hours Since Aviat Factory Rebuild. New lower wings, new gear, new tires, brakes, new steerable tailwheel, new fuel tank, many others.

AEIO-360-A1E 130 SMOH. 10-to-1 Lycon pistons, bored cylinders, new camshaft, new bearings, etc. 230+ horsepower. All new hoses. New Slick mags. Solid crank. Newly overhauled B&C starter/Alternator/Battery.

MTV-2-B-C 130 SPOH by MT Germany/MT USA, 10 since MT USA Inspection

Airplane has a long winning history and shows great in the box. A well-proven competition airplane with outstanding performance well into Advanced. Originally owned by Cecilia Aragon who qualified for the US Unlimited team in this airplane some 15 years ago.

Contact: Alex Belov, (973) 204-2172 or belov@iac52.org

See tappix.com/720668 for more details.

Calendar of Events

May 13th

Chapter Meeting and Practice Session

Michael Goulian's "Cheating" Seminar

11:30am

Mansfield (1B9)

June 10th

Chapter Meeting

11:30am

Nashua(ASH)

Meeting Locations

ASH – The Mid-Field Café. Upstairs in the terminal building.

BED – Conference room at Jet Aviation

1B9 – Conference room upstairs in the terminal.

Contest Calendar

May 18th – 21st

Great Bay Aerobatics Contest

Rochester, NH

Skyhaven Airport (KDAW)

June 2nd – 4th

Pennsylvania Aerobatics Contest

Maytown, PA

Donegal Springs Airport (N71)

July 13th – 16th

Kathy Jaffe Challenge

Lumberton, NJ

Flying W Airport (N14)

August 4th – 6th

Montreal Acro Challenge

St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada

(30 NM East of Montreal)

St. Hyacinthe Airport (CSU3)

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