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Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society

February 2007

January HLG Contest Results

Drew Arnett, Contest Director

Today ten pilots competed in the HLG contest. Conditions were varied starting with difficult windblown surfing conditions changing a little later to some decent cycles.



Above: Adam launches during the January hand-launch contest.



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Good pilots got skunked and everyone had good and bad rounds. Interestingly enough, the top places were taken by three relative newcomers to HLG. Ryan, Mike, and Jun are old hands at RC, but relatively new to HLG. The launch heights have to be seen to be

Next General Meeting...

Tuesday February 13, 7:00 PM
San Diego Aerospace Museum
Balboa Park

Date Change:

This month's TD contest has been changed from February 18 to February 25.

believed. If they learn to read air half as well as TPG's top tier TD pilots, there will be a lot of fresh competitive blood at the IHLGF.

A new compact timing system for the monthly contests was tested out. It worked very well. No more juggling a kitchen timer for the window while timing for your pilot at the same time! The same system was used on a loop for several rounds of all up last down after the contest. Eight pilots stuck around for this bonus round, which is the most I've ever flown AULD with.

Beginners and non-TPG pilots are always welcome to the monthly contests. For the serious competitors who are TPG members, the cumulative year end scores will determine top guns three places deep. The number of throw aways based on rain outs will be same as 2006.

Anyone interested in helping out with the contests in various roles including CD or scorekeeper please contact me.

Scoring

Drew Arnett

Here are the results from the January HLG contest:

1 Jun	1000
2 Mike	998
3 Ryan	891
4 Sean	875
5 Brad	865
6 Drew	799
7 Adam	717
8 Don	662
9 Steve	619
10 Parviz	410

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success of the IHLGF would not be possible.**

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related item, please consider these outstanding companies first.**

Results of January President Cup Thermal Contest

Cliff Hunter, President and Contest Scorer

When we arrived at Poway flying field it was 26 degrees and cold. However, it was sunny and the wind never came up. We had 19 pilots show up and the task were 3, 5, 7 & 11 minute flight in that order. The landings were 50 points and the flight time was 950 points. Landings were the make or break point. Of course all pilots were trying to beat me, and of course, they did. Bad round you know the story. With this group of flyers you can only be off by 1 second, I was off a lot more than that, on your time and average a landing score of mid 90's to be in the top 3 of each class. After the contest about 20 people went to Round Table Pizza and enjoyed Pizza on the President. I lost badly, too much pressure, you know, scoring and flying. See you all next month. Mark your calendar February 25, 2007, at Poway field...a late contest because of F3B practice and Phoenix 2 day thermal contest.

Results:

Master

- 1ST - Mike Smith 3975
- 2nd - Steve Condon 3971
- 3rd - Arthur Markiewicz

- Expert
- 1st - Mike Skube
- 2nd - Al Bendett
- 3rd - Eric Hoffman
- Sportsman
- 1st - David Klein
- 2nd - Alan "Moose" Butler
- 3rd - Brandon Condon DNF

2007 Thermal Duration Competition Rules - Parviz Kamiab

Contest Director

A minor change in the rules for the year 2007 has been implemented after a lengthy discussion during board meeting. In the past, the rule for the season championship was that the best 9 out of 12 contests were accounted for. The change is that the season championship shall be determined by 9 out of 12 best-flown contests. The reason for this change is that pilots that participate in more contests will have a better chance to take a higher place at the end of the year. The board also realized that last year, the "High Point" award was not recognized. This year we will also recognize the highest points accumulated by a pilot for masters, experts and novices. The board strongly believes that this change

Month	HLG	RES/TD	RES/TD Contest Director	(SC)2 TD	Other	Meeting
Feb	24	25	Don Richmond		10-11 Phoenix TD	13
Mar	17	11	Scott Condon	25 SWSA	31 Fresno TD	13
Apr	21	15	Parviz Kamiab	22 Toss		10
May	12	20	Steve Condon	20 HSS	26 Sacramento TD	8
Jun	2-3	10	Don Richmond	24 EDSF @ ISS	2-3 IHLGF	12
Jul	14	8	Terry Troop			(no meeting)
Aug	18	12	K. Finkenbiner	26 SWSA		(no meeting)
Sep	15	9	Cliff Hunter	23 ISS		11
Oct	20	14	K. Finkenbiner	28 TPG (Poway)	6-7 Visalia TD	9
Nov	17	11	Parviz Kamiab	18 (Make-up Date)		13
Dec	1	9	To Be Determined			11

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2007 TPG Board

will generate more excitement for the pilots participating in monthly contests.

Come join us and enjoy one of many monthly activities scheduled by your fellow pilots and board of directors.

Poway Field Combination change

Parviz Kamiab, Membership Chairman

We will have the combination changed at the beginning of March. The present combination will be good until March 2nd 2007. The new combination will be sent to all the registered members in due time. The new combination will take effect starting Saturday March 3rd, 2007. You can contact me at (760) 415-0374. My Cell number is also on the web site.

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A non-profit society whose primary purpose is to support and encourage the activities of its members engaged in radio controlled sailplane flying

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SC2 ANNUAL MEETING

Keith Finkenbiner

The annual meeting of the representative clubs met on Saturday, January 22, 2007 at Jared Stalls house. SWSA, ISS, TOSS and TPG were represented at the meeting. The following agenda items were discussed:

1. Financials- No report from Larry Jolly. Approximately \$500 is in checking account.
2. Rule Changes- AMA rules now allow two models to be flown in a contest. SC2 will continue with one model rule, however, CD can change rule to allow more models with notification in announcement.
3. Rule E was deleted. This rule pertained to

no nose skegs. Nose skegs will be allowed as safety issue.

4. Tow ring must be a welded ring for 2007.

5. The web site needs an administrator and full rights to modify the site. Andy Thonet will discuss the site with current administrator and try and get permission for necessary changes.

6. Trophies- Mike Lee has volunteered to provide wood blanks and vinyl graphics for 2007 contests. Each club must provide Mike with logo or other information to be attached to the blank. Cost is estimated at \$2.00 per trophy and the \$10.00 entry fee will be split to cover this cost. The clubs will keep \$6.00 and reimburse SC2 \$4.00.

7. Manpower- Some clubs do not have enough volunteers to provide landing judges. Each club will provide manpower as necessary to assist clubs who need help.

8. New Classes- Two Meter class will be recognized as a provisional class with trophy for first place. Also Woody class will be recognized with one trophy for best woody in the contest. Woody will be considered all wood with composite reinforcements. Two classes maximum per contest.

TPG February TD

Contest

Don Richmond, CD

Sunday Feb 25, 2007 0800 - 1200

Format: Seeded Man on Man

Tasks:

Round 1: Three Minute Self Timed

Round 2: 10 Minutes

Round 3: 10 Minutes

Round 4: Time Permitting

10 Points per Second Over/Under

Landings: 50 Ft. Tape 100 Pts/Landing

2006 YTD Standings will determine first round

Second and Third Rounds: Winners vs. Winners

Ribbons and Bragging Rights

View From the Top

Cliff Hunter, President

February 2007 is here and this year is moving fast. The month of February is a busy month. Here is the schedule:

Jan 29-April 30 Full Size Soaring Torrey Pines Glider Port excluding March 25- April 8 (UCSD spring break) will occur only with

strong wind conditions. Check Web Site for more details.

February 1 Club officer meeting 7 pm

February 17 & 18 USF3B Team Clinic 9 AM

Poway Flight Center both days

February 24 Hand launch Contest 8 am till

noon Poway Flight Center

February 25 Monthly Thermal Duration

Contest 9am to 1:00 pm Poway Flight Center

Sport flyers please note the dates and locations above and please be considerate of those dates.

When an event is scheduled, contest participants have the use of the field during those times.

Look in your mail box for a post card for the February 2007 Club Meeting at the Aerospace Museum at 7:00 PM. The program will be a tour of the basement at the Aerospace Museum where they rebuild and refurbish planes. It should be very interesting.

Check out our web site at

<http://www.torreypinesgulls.org> Steve Hurd has made some great changes. Steve would like feed back and any suggestions for additions and updates.

Drew Arnett and Brad Willoughby have stepped up to help Ron Scharck with the 2007 International Hand launch Festival. We need more people to step up and help replace other club members who have been doing the International hand launch for the last 5 years. Please contact Ron Scharck by email at scharck@kw.com to help out on this great contest. Remember the success of the IHLGF would not have been possible without the support of all club members.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next Club Meeting February 13, 2006 at Aerospace Museum, 7:00 PM till 9:00. Look for that post card for more details on the program.

See you at the field and happy soaring!

Cliff

New Newsletter Editor

Bill Eckles, Newsletter Editor

I'm the new editor and want to welcome both contributions and feedback from everyone.

Special thanks go out to Brad Willoughby and Drew Arnett for help in finding and learning about the software to put this together I look forward to helping continue this dynamic publication and, perhaps even adding some new twists.



Torrey Pines Gulls

Radio Control Soaring Society, Inc.

Membership Application



Torrey Pines Gulls Radio Control Soaring Society, Inc. (TPG) is a not-for-profit corporation whose purpose is to support and encourage member participation in the hobby/sport of model sailplane flying. TPG is an AMA chartered club and therefore proof of membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) is a prerequisite for TPG membership. An AMA membership card or a receipt of paid dues fulfills this requirement.

Membership in AMA provides liability and property damage insurance while operating model aircraft safely and with the permission of the site owner. Note: You are required by the City of San Diego to annually sign a liability waiver form before permission to fly at Torrey Pines Glider Park will be granted. You may also encounter a similar requirement to fly at various other sites.

I have read the above and will comply with TPG and AMA rules and safety measures.

SIGNED _____ DATE _____ RENEWAL [] NEW []

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FM CHANNEL(S) USED: _____ AMA CONTEST DIRECTOR YES [] NO []

Current members may renew their TPG membership at or before the January general meeting for **\$35**. Please have your respective year AMA card available. New Open members may join at or before each monthly meeting at the rate shown below. Junior membership (age 15 or under) is **ONLY \$1**. Evidence of your current AMA membership card must be presented.

Jan-April \$40 May-Sept \$35 Oct-Dec \$35 (includes membership for next year)

- Family Plan: One membership at the open rate, others at the Junior rate. One newsletter per household.
- Bring application to club meeting (2nd Tuesday of each month) at the Aerospace Museum (rear entrance) in Balboa Park at 7pm. Or, send application, photocopy of AMA card, and check to the Membership Chairman. Application can also be submitted online at: <http://www.torreypinesgulls.org/Membership.htm>

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Make check payable to TPG. Be sure to enclose a copy of your current AMA card or other proof of AMA membership.

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