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**June 2009 Calendar**

2nd - O & D	Bill Renfro's	7:30 pm
4th - Club Breakfast—	Buzz Inn Harvey Field	8:00 am
11th - Syd Russell Memorial Fun Fly	SRAC Field	10:00 am
16th - Club Meeting	Galaxy Hobby Lynnwood	7:00 pm
18th - F5J/Duration	SRAC Field	sign in 11:30 am
26th - Combat	SRAC Field	sign in 11:30 am

Bill's reconditioned Spitfire



VP, Jim, takes charge of June Meeting

Bill's beautiful control liner ready for trial flight.



Bob describes new J 3 on floats that he will have ready for his annual Float Fly Sept. 19 on Lake Goodwin. Plan to attend.

**Pylon Racing Fans Attention:**  
Duane Kaasa has provided SRAC with a Doubler jig to assure the successful build of quality Doubler Class planes for the Pylon Racing Season. Only 120 days left to get those planes ready to compete.



**It's Evergreen State Fair time" Sign up will occur at the July SRAC meeting.**

**Chris , Syd Russell Memorial fun fly CD, announced that the July 11 event will allow competitors to fulfill or improve on their Decathlon event scores. This is an opportunity to better your current score.**



## June 20<sup>th</sup> '09 SRAC Duration Report

Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup> started with promise of gentle breezes and blue skies. But of course nothing works out quite as planned. What we did encounter was strong winds and crazy thermals that came and went before you could say Jack Robinson. Never-the-less the conditions brought out the best and sometimes the worse in us and provided exciting flying that sometimes turned your airplane on knife edge and provided you turned the right way took your machine up like a home sick angel. However, just as quickly the sink would grab your pride and joy and literally hurl it back to mother earth. Lots of fun!!

Needless to say the day did not go without incident. Jerry Neupert broke the carbon boom for the umpteenth time on his beautiful Hyper 2M due to disorientation on landing in the first F5J round. This put him out for the rest of the contest placing him last place for the day and slipping from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4th place overall. To make up for this Jerry scored two maximums 15 minute flights and one flight of 6 minute 44 seconds to win the Open Class.

Of course - new member of SAD - David Pitkin, had to be involved in the other notable incident. Dave had borrowed Delmar Campbell's Fling for the contest. Dell had turned up ready to fly but could hardly move due to back pain caused from painting the yellow stripe in the pit area the preceding day. So with Del's airplane Dave was doing remarkably well chalking up flights that were far better than he had ever managed with his more expensive Renee. Then Dave suddenly got his days mixed up and thought he was flying in Combat instead of Duration. <sup>th</sup> round most everybody had made their time and was landing at the same time. Dave, due to a misunderstanding with his timer Miles, was coming in late and fast. Unfortunately Chris' Pulsar was in his flight path and he tee boned him fair and square. Maddog would have been proud of him!! However, justice prevailed and Chris' airplane was unscathed but Dave's borrowed Fling suffered a broken tail boom. Even though Dave was out for the final heat his accumulated points launched him to trophy status at 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall. Well done Dave!!

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The attached Excel spread sheet shows your points and position for the day. Noteworthy is complete newcomer to this event Robert Woolfenden's second place for the day with his Ascent. Congratulations Robert. We trust you didn't lord it over your son Patrick too heavily on the way home.

The attached Word document gives the accumulated points and position overall. We want to thank Bill Renfro for stepping in to take Laurie's place as CD for the day. And for the support from club members and others who timed for us. Without you all we would not be able to launch F5J airplanes at the same time. The mass launch makes this event a truly man on man contest and makes for a very exciting event.

Thanks again,

Roy Stubbs for Lis and Laurie

<b>SRAC F5J Duration Contest 2009</b>										
Name	Position	Club	Airplane	Freq. #	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Total
Roy Stubbs	1st	SRAC	Allegro II	39	4994	4997				9991
Chris Christensen	5th	SRAC	Pulsar	2.4GHz	1627	3716				5343
Dan Protheroe		SASS	Omega 1.8m	45						
Rick Etter	7th	SRAC	Own Design	2.4GHz	4522					4522
Maddog		SRAC	Fling	53						
Jon Malmberg		SASS	Ascent (spd.400)	19						
Jerry Neupert	4th	SRAC/SASS	Hyper 2m	21	4739	980				5719
Jim Laurel		SASS	Hyper2m	23						
Ed Weigelt		SRAC	Fling	33						
Trevor Moody		SASS	PolyPulsar							
Patrick Woolfenden	2nd	SRAC	Ascent w/flaps	34	4660	3529				8189
Russ Horsefall		SRAC	Renee	2.4GHz						
Dave Pitkin	3rd	SRAC	Renee	31	3622	3588			---	7210
Sherman Lillie	9th	SRAC	Ascent	37	2068				---	2068
Bob Jacobsen	6th	SRAC	Renee	2.4GHz	4597					4597
Robert Woolfenden	8th	SRAC	Ascent			3971				3971

## August 2009 Planning Calendar

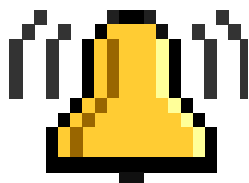
August 1st Club Breakfast

August 6th O & D

August 15th Duration/F5J

August 20th SRAC Meeting

August 23rd Combat



### SRAC OPEN DURATION CONTEST 2009

NAME	CLUB	AIRPLANE	FREQ #	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	TOTAL	POSITION
Jerry Neupert	SRAC/SASS	Gentle Lady	21	1229	2204				3433	1
Chris Christensen	SRAC	Own Design	2.4	1712	237				1949	2
Bill Renfro	SRAC			0	0				0	3

#### May 2009 Seattle Area Soaring Society TD Contest

SASS had a great contest on Saturday the 30th of May. There were 25 pilots who showed up - including some non-club SASS members from around the NWSS. There were 2 pilots visiting from SRAC who did very well with the help of Roy Stubbs and Rick Etter.

Patrick Woolfenden came first in his class assisted by Rick Etter and Jerry Neupert second assisted by Roy Stubbs. Patrick flew Roy's old Aquila built in the 70's with original monocoque. Very brittle!!! Jerry flew his Gentle Lady that he uses so successfully in SRAC open duration. Rick provided a great winch that was more suitable for light airplanes. Thanks Rick!

This was a fun contest run by Dave Beardsley with some unusual tasks. These TD contests are held every month and SRAC members are more than welcome to participate.

Roy Stubbs



## In Memory of:

Don Wood, SRAC member and field marshal passes after brief illness. Don had been a very active member of SRAC for several years. You could find him at the field several days each week. If he was not flying one of his ducted fan electrics it was another beautiful plane that he had recently constructed.

As field marshal he was ever present as a problem solver and field improvement specialist. His mole control program was an example of his persistence in solving problems. He will be missed as a friend and a fellow SRAC member.

We extend our sympathy to Don's wife, Ann and their family during this time of grieving.



**Don Wood**  
SRAC Field Marshal

# *Syd Russell Memorial Fun Fly*

*July 11. 2009  
10:00 am*

*Pot Luck for Lunch*

*Bring your decathlon Sheet*

*Events:*

*Beans*

*Taxi*

*Bomb*

*Duration*

*Balloon*

CD: Chris Christensen  
(425) 501-1779

**Seen at SRAC Field**



**Paul and Bill prepare planes for relaxing flights**

**Paul with new T-34**



**Whatever your preference: aerobatics, scale, sport, warbirds, sailplanes, glow, electric, gliders you will find someone at SRAC ready to share your interest.**

**The weather has been great, the participation superb. Come out and share the fun. Remember the Fun Fly next weekend.**

**Gary and Scott ready Scott's Spitfire**

