

## 2006 John Pond Commemorative O/T RC Meet Report and Results.

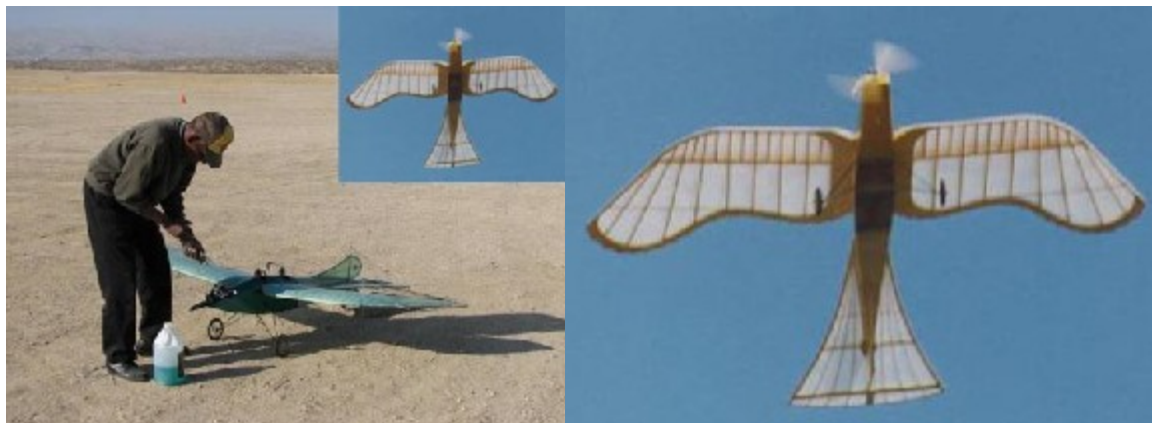
28/29 October 2006



*"Ed hamler's intense concentration won him the sweepstakes and the John Pond Perpetual trophy. But his smaller Airborn at 490 square inches wasn't quite a match for Don Bishop's larger Bomber (670 squares)in this two way B Glow flyoff."*

We enjoyed fine weather all weekend (high 70's), with just enough light breeze to establish a consistent takeoff and landing pattern, mostly to the east. The air was basically clear, but there is a near imperceptible haze that makes ships hard to see at max altitudes. This is more noticeable when the East wind brings some of the Bakersfield air over. Couple that with ever improving performance and aging eyes, and it looks as if future engine run times could be tightened down a little. Participation was up some this year, with 25 entrants.

The inaugural Flying Concourse event had solid participation with 10 entries. Other than the "Best of Show" trophy awarded by popular vote, there was no competition as such, or place awards. We hope this beginning format may be picked up by others and refined as necessary.



*Hardy Robinson's magnificently detailed Taube attracted the most Flying Concours votes with a realistic series of slow low level passes. The quiet OS four stroke engine adds to the realism. The two scale pilots wore the old style German helmets with the pointy spires on top.*

We've shown all 4 possible flights for most of the events, to see the effects of the '06 rules changes. The only negative was there were too many crashes for proven airplanes this late in the season. Usually that happens in the spring. We also had a couple of cuts from APC plastic props, one without the engine running.

We've omitted the many event entries (19) that went unflown for various reasons, such as balky engines, too busy, too kicked back (lazy), etc. There were some interesting flyoffs, including a couple of squeakers, such as the 9 second difference between Dave Lewis and Don Bekins in A ignition, and the 11 seconds between Rick Holman and Don Bekins in Antique, after a basic 14 minute duel.

The glider event has picked up some interest and a little more participation lately. The basic event went off at 1:00 P.M. and three of the guys hit unstoppable good lift, that put the 20 minute goal in easy reach with a single flight. The lift was so good that it was decided to put off the flyoff until Sunday morning, so the flights, wouldn't take possibly hours to complete. That worked out with quite short flights in the morning air.

Bob Holman was honored at the Saturday night banquet by being inducted into the SAM Hall of Fame by SAM President Mike Myers. Including Bob, there were 6 HOF members in attendance. And once again Bob Holman Plan Service produced some very nice trophy plaques for the event. Thanks to Don Bishop registrar, Hardy Robinson, assistant CD, and the other SAM 26 helpers.

We used the 1st three places to determine the sweepstakes winner, rather than the 1st five, as used at the SAM Champs. Quicker, easier, accurate!

Ed Hamler won the John Pond Perpetual trophy by an easy margin.



A view from the business end. Don Bekins releases Mike Clancy's Airborn. At right in the background Ed Hamler flew Dan Carpenters' Foote Westerner to a win in C Ignition over several Bombers. Dan Carpenter times for Ed.



Mike Clancy's Veco 19 powered Airborn made the A Glow flyoffs. Fellow SAM 27 member Don Bekins launches. Don, Mike, and others in SAM 27 made the Airborn a currently popular competition ship.



Eut Tilestons' Cub Won both 1/2A events with perfect scores. Besides Euts' four 15 minute maxes, only two other fliers were able to each squeeze out a single max. Monte Pate is launcher



Jose Tellez's Playboy placed second in 1/2A Texaco with a max plus a near max. Jose holds competition records in full scale soaring.



The guys from Arizona: Bob Angus won B Ignition with his Korda Diamond. Dick Griswold is launcher/timer. Bob was C.D. for the '05 RC SAM Champs in Las Vegas. Dick is the newly elected SAM Western Vice President. The Taft kitty litter plant is farther away than it looks.



Bob Holman launches son Ricks' Airborn. Bob cuts the kits, Rick does most of the assembly and flying, and he does it well.

Bob Angel, C.D.

A IGNITION	SHIP	SIZE	ENGINE	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
1. Dave Lewis	Bomber	330	Elfin Diesel	7:00	7:00			6:29 Flyoff
2. Don Bekins	Red Ripper	300	Elfin Diesel	7:00	7:00			6:22 Flyoff
3. Rick Holman	Airborn	430	Shilen 19	7:00	3:28	7:00		4:10 Flyoff
4. Mike Clancy	Playboy	358	Elfin Diesel	4:43	4:51	6:28	4:38	11:19
5. Bob Angus	Bomber	605	?	4:04	6:15			10:19
6. Ed Hamler	Hayseed	310	Elfin Diesel	0:02	Ouch!			0:02

<b>B GLOW</b>								
1. Don Bishop	Bomber	670	K&B 4.9	8:00	8:00			10:39 Flyoff
2. Ed Hamler	Airborn	490	K&B 3.5	7:38	8:00	8:00		8:40 Flyoff
3. Rick Holman	Airborn	490	Rossi	5:40	6:47	8:00	6:15	14:47
4. Bob Angel	Stardust Sp'l.	660	Torp. 29	8:00	4:14			12:14
<b>C IGNITION</b>								
1. Ed Hamler	Foot West'nr	1024	McCoy 60	9:00	9:00			19:01 Flyoff
2. Don Bishop	Bomber	900	McCoy 60	9:00	9:00			16:42 Flyoff
3. Dave Lewis	Bomber	1208	McCoy 60	3:59	7:08	9:00	1:30	16:08
4. Rick Holman	Bomber	12:60	McCoy 60	9:00	5:23			14:23
5. Don Bekins	Folly	680	O&R 60	6:18				6:18
6. Jim Elliott	Clipper MKI	678	Super Cyke	4:23	5:05	4:57		10:02
7. Ned Nevels	Bomber	659	Torp 29	0:00	Yipe!			0:00
<b>TEXACO</b>								
1. Ed Hamler	Bomber	1260	O&R 60 SP	28:43				28:43
2. Dave Lewis	Bomber	1350	PAW 49 Dsl.	24:05				24:05
3. Monte Pate	Dallaire	14:82	OS60 FS	14:35	19:02	23:01		23:01
4. Don Bekins	Airborn	1354	?	22:33				22:33
5. Jim Bierbauer	Bomber	12:60	OS 48 FS	15:31	8:52	7:19		15:31
6. Rick Holman	RC-1	1010	O&R 60 SP	6:17				6:17
<b>ELECT. TEXACO</b>								
1. Wes Funk	Bomber	625	Speed 400	35:37				35:37
2. Bob Meyring	Bomber	490	Electric	34:18	11:36			34:18
3. Ken Low	Elec't Charger	505	Electric	26:44	16:30			26:44
4. Hardy Robinson	Bomber	750	Electric	13:22	11:18			13:22
5. Ross Low	Elec't Charger	505	Electric	2:42	0:00	Darn!		2:42
<b>O&amp;R SIDEPORT</b>								
1. Don Bekins	Folly	680	O&R 60	7:00	7:00	7:00		9:19 Flyoff
2. Rick Holman	RC-1	1010	O&R 60	6:17	7:00	7:00		8:50 Flyoff
3. Dave Lewis	Clipper MK I	678	O&R	7:00	7:00	6:05	7:00	6:15 Flyoff

4. Bob Angus	Eaglet	742	O&R	5:18	7:00	7:00	6:49	20:49
5. Mike Clancy	Benny Boxcar	700	O&R 60	6:06	3:53	3:21		13:25
<b>SOS ELECTRIC</b>								
1. Ken Kullman	Jabberwock	150	Electric	5:04				5:04
2. Eut Tileston	Miles Magister	?	Electric	0:06	Oops!			0:06

O/T GLIDER	SHIP	SIZE	ENGINE	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
1. Mike Clancy	Sagitta	900	Hi-start	20:00				3:57 Flyoff
2. Bob Angel	Waif		Hi-start	20:00				2:41 Flyoff
3. Ken Low	Floater	850	Hi-start	15:31	5:09			2:35 Flyoff
4. Hardy Robinson	R-40		Hi-start	20:00				DNFO
5. Jim Bierbauer	Thermic 100		Hi-start	2:57	8:14	2:33		15:21
6. Ross Low	Sailwing	108"	Hi Start	2:00	0:56	2:36		5:32
7. Dick Griswold	Olympic II		Hi-start	4:30				4:30
8. Don Bekins	Thermic 100		Hi-start	0:00	Heck			0:00.

<b>CONCOURSE</b>			
1. Hardy Robinson	Taube		<p>Hardy's realistic big Taube scale job was voted Best of Show, and received a nice plaque.</p> <p>This was a first attempt at a "Flying Concourse" event, to bring out some rarely seen models, engines, and fliers which might not otherwise be seen at a competition event. The names after Hardy Robinson are listed alphabetically, and received certificates of participation.</p>
2. Jim Elliott	Clipper Mk I		
3. Ed Hamler	Hayseed		
4. Ken Low	Jetstream		
5. Mike Myers	Calif. Chief		
6. Steve Remington	Super Buc.		
7. Steve Remington	Lady Bird		
9. Jose Tellez	King Burd		
10. Eut Tileston	Stahl-Miles		

<b>A GLOW</b>								
1. Ed Hamler	Airborn	490	K&B 3.25	7:00	7:00			10:08 Flyoff
2. Rick Holman	Airborn	490	Rossi	7:00	7:00			8:44 Flyoff
3. Dave Lewis	Bomber	450	Veco 19	7:00	7:00			6:24 Flyoff

4. Mike Clancy	Airborn	430	Veco 19	7:00	4:00	5:56	7:00	6:01 Flyoff
5. Don Bekins	Airborn	?	?	5:18	1:05	6:27		11:45
<b>B IGNITION</b>								
1. Bob Angus	Diamond	446	?	8:00	0:00	0:00	8:00	16:00
2. Ed Hamler	Playboy Cab	510	Torpedo 29	8:00	6:36			14:36
3. Dave Lewis	Diamond	452	Orwick 29	5:59				5:59
<b>C GLOW</b>								
1. Don Bishop	Bomber	900	Rossi 40	8:08	9:00	4:44		17:08
2. Ed Hamler	Bomber	920	STY 40	9:00	7:49			16:49
3. Rick Holman	Stardust Sp'l	900	Jett 40	5:13				5:13
<b>ANTIQUÉ</b>								
1. Rick Holman	Bomber	1220	McCoy 60	10:00	4:48	5:32	10:00	14:07 Flyoff
2. Don Bekins	Airborn	1354	McCoy 60	10:00	10:00			13:56 Flyoff
3. Don Bishop	Bomber	1204	McCoy 60	9:05	10:00	7:09		17:08
4. Dave Lewis	Bomber	?	ST 35	5:59	6:06	5:50		12:05
5. Dick Griswold	RC-1	1010	O&R sideport	4:23	5:18	LOF		9:41
<b>1/2A SCALE</b>								
1. Eut Tileston	Cub	?	Cox	15:00	15:00			30:00
2. Ken Low	Messersmitt	290	Cox	9:03	14:07	0:24		23:10
3. Dick Fischer	Taylorcraft	350	Cox	4:32	5:53	1:02		10:25
4. Hardy Robinson	Messersmitt	290	Cox	4:08	0:05	4:17		8:25
5. Jim Bierbauer	Puss Moth	?	Cox	0:09	3:54	2:52		6:46

<b>1/2A TEXACO</b>	<b>SHIP</b>	<b>SIZE</b>	<b>ENGINE</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
1. Eut Tileston	Cub	?	Cox	15:00	15:00			30:00
2. Jose Tellez	Playboy	240	Cox	6:57	13:36	15:00		28:36
3. Mike Clancy	Dallaire	225	Cox	14:35	7:01			21:36
4. Rick Holman	Airborn	292	Cox	0:04	10:22	9:17		19:39
5. Ed Hamler	Airborn	292	Cox	15:00	LOF			15:00
6. Monty Pate	Dallaire	?	Cox	13:32				13:32

7. Jim Bierbauer	Playboy Jr.	350	Cox	0:59	5:30	0:30		6:29
8. Dave Lewis	Alert	288	Cox	2:15	3:42	3:14		5:56
9. John Gates	B. Bombshell	?	Cox	0:00	3:56	0:10		4:06
10. Hardy Robinson	Rc-1	400	Cox	4:08	0:05	4:17		8:25
11. Bob Angel	Playboy Jr.	354	Cox	0:19	Rats!			0:19
<b>BROWN LER</b>								
1. Dick Fischer	Flamingo	1169	Brown D	22:57				22:57
2. Don Bekins	Folly	680	Brown	10:25	18:20			18:20
3. Bob Angus	P .C. Champ	4:49	Brown	806	4:49	2:57	6:00	6:00
<b>ELECT. LMR</b>								
1. Wes Funk	Bomber	625	Speed Geon (?)	10:00	10:00			20:00
2. Ken Low	Elec. Charger	505		10:00	9:33			19:33
3. Hardy Robinson	Bomber	750		9:45	7:11	9:08		18:53
4. Bob Meyering	Bomber	490		5:10	6:19			11:29