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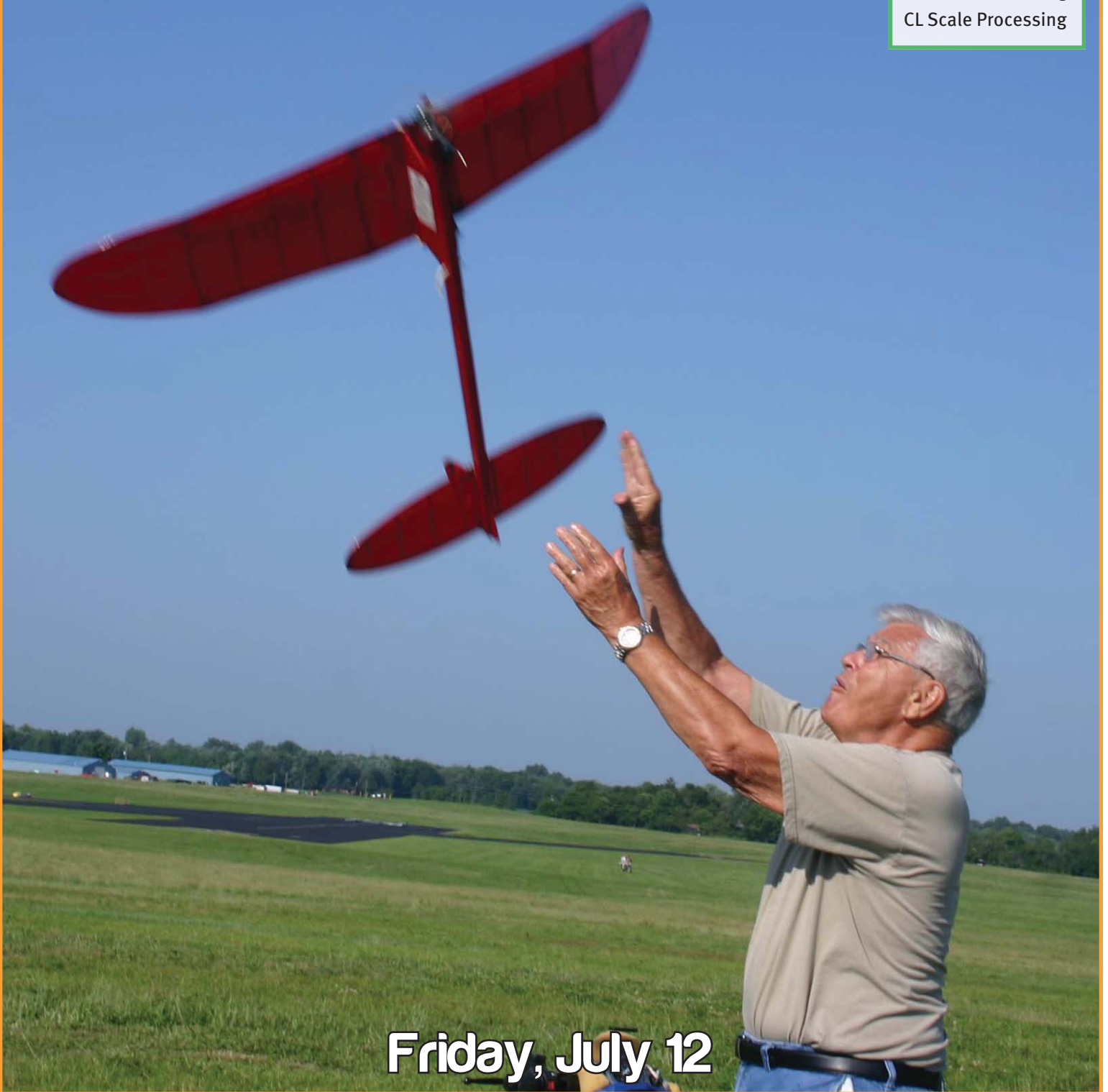
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Jack March lets
loose a Satellite.

Today's Events:

Free Flight
RC Scale Processing
CL Scale Processing

Friday, July 12



Free Flight Day 4 Recap



Cade Fedor poses with his rubber-powered model.

Day 4 of Free Flight dawned as the first day with a forecast of no rain with north-northeast winds from 5-15 mph. The central scoring tent and trailer moved to a suitable upwind location on the northeast side of the field while the remote flightlines of F1G, F1J set up slightly to the west just outside of the large gravel parking lot.

Hand-Launched-Glider Event Directors Paul and Ami Wicks chose to fly the historically named “Hand Launch Hill” still a bit farther west. Tucked next to the Hand-Launched fliers was the Flying Aces Scale (FAC) flightline.

These locations proved suitable and there were no flightline moves throughout the day. Winds seemed to top out a bit higher than predicted—probably in the 20 mph range for gusts at time—but the steady wind direction, along with the flightline locations, kept most models on the field.

Thursday’s events included seven AMA events, four NFFS events, and three FAC contests.

The day began with a pre-contest flyoff for previous days’ events that were not settled at the end of their regularly scheduled days. In F1C, Faust Parker, with a total of 1,414 seconds, topped Gil Morris’ 1,314 seconds. The top four places in F1B were also settled leaving the order as Tom Vaccarp, Charlie Joes, Blake Jenson, and Tom Ioerger.



Gerald Brown displays his Oklahoma sweatshirt as well as his A Gas model.

Dawn Unlimited also got off as scheduled in the early morning thanks to event director Abraham Van Dover. Bud Romak has won this event many times in the past and came out on top once again with a score of 363 seconds over second-place finisher Chuck Markos’ score of 357 by only 6 seconds.

As the day began, the main AMA and NFFS events enjoyed good air with minimal drift, however the increasing winds began sneaking in by midmorning. The field held most flights with the exception of a few which had long DTs or were taken far by a strong thermal.

One modeler lost his airplane but found Tony Matthews’ model. Tony was lucky not only to get his airplane back, but he was also able to launch just a second before the horn blew for the end of the round.

Some noteworthy scores included Gerald Brown’s 750 seconds in A Gas and Bob Hanford’s 710 in ½A Classic Gas. Scott Lapraik of Portland, Tennessee, won ½A Nostalgia Gas with a score of 553 seconds, while his flying buddy, Jim Jennings Jr., from Hendersonville, Tennessee, topped Electric A with 332 seconds. Ed Sneed topped all in Old-Time Rubber Cabin with a fine score of 780 seconds, while Bill Vanderbeek won the Old-Time ABC Pylon event with 720 seconds.

Defending champion Stan Buddenbohm protected his Open Hand-Launched Glider title with a score of 566 seconds (4 maxes plus 86). Charlie Gagliano’s 536 (4 maxes plus 56) was close behind. Despite the high afternoon winds, eight Juniors, one Senior, and 19 Open fliers made official flights. The team HLG trophy was won by the Stray Cats of Stan Buddenbohm, Tim Batiuk, and Ralph Ray.

The awards ceremony was preceded by the awarding of an AMA scholarship to Ryan Seymour in the amount of \$8,000. Having been a previous AMA scholarship winner myself, I know this award will help in furthering his education. Best wishes to you, Ryan!

The day ended with the annual NFFS and Campbell’s Custom Kit’s hot dog cookout, followed by the flyoff to settle first and second place in J1G Junior and Open. Blake Jenson topped Eddie Vanlandingham with a flight of 264 seconds. Jack Merrifield topped Kyle Gerspacher in the Junior division with a fine flight of 256 seconds.

In the late evenings I have been taking my children on the golf cart over to the RV area for a shower and to chat with friends. When we were leaving the first night, the sound of the golf cart made me think that I was hearing airplane engines in my head.

Clearly it was so late that no one was actually flying. I thought to myself that I should write about this in the *NatsNews* and see if anyone else hears those sounds at night.

The next night we did the same thing: went to the RV area and chatted with friends. When we were leaving, the hum of the golf cart once again triggered my brain to think that I was hearing airplane engines. Once again, I thought I should write about that in the *NatsNews*.

Then this put the icing on the cake: out of nowhere, my five-year-old son, Aiden, said, “Mommy, that’s the sound that the airplane makes when they want it to go into the grass,” (also known as the loud engine hum when it doesn’t shut off and goes crashing into the ground). He heard it too! Do you?

—Elizabeth Johnson, reporter

Bucky Servaites turns loose a diesel-powered gas model.



Bob Mattes with his Electric A model.



Gene Smith with his scaled Bounty Hunter.



Evan Simon with his sharply trimmed Hand-Launched Glider.



Free Flight



Mark Freeland with an Electric A aircraft.



A group of Hand-Launched Glider fliers talk between flights.



Jackie Sheffer with his power model.



AMA Education Director Bill Pritchett is pictured here with Ryan Seymour, the recipient of an \$8,000 AMA scholarship.



Hank Sperzel with a Satellite 226.



Gary Oakins poses with his A Gas model.



Tom Bell with his aircraft.



The National Champion in Hand-Launched Glider, Stan Buddenbohm.

Dan Berry fires up his Old Timer ABC Pylon model.



Free Flight



Doug Marsh
with his A Gas.

Woody Bartelt with an ABC Cabin aircraft.



Ryan Seymour with his A Gas model.



Bill Vanderbeek
with his Satellite.



The line at the
Glider Pen.

Free Flight

1/2AClassicJ

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1	Stalick*	Alex	999134	Alladena	CA	129
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1/2AClassicO

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1	Hanford	Robert M	7272	Broken Arrow	OK	710
2	Brown	Gerald	79269	Henderson	TX	702
3	Mollendorf	Joseph	25875	Amherst	NY	598
4	Smith	Gene	9584	Stillwater	OK	464
5	Christensen	Gene	831325	Elk Grove	IL	444
6	Berry	Daniel	79311	Benton	AR	359
7	Oakins	Gary	39905	Birchwood	MN	259
8	Smith	Roy E	596719	Kingston	ON	224

1/2AClassicS

43

1	Marier**	Robert	842547	Roswell	GA	453
2	Seymour **	Ryan	707418	Radner	OH	448

1/2ASatellite

75

1	Smith	Gene	9584	Stillwater	OK	348
2	Marsh	Jack	99723	South Bend	IN	346
3	Dock	Denny	514011	Stevensville	MI	342
4	Marsh	Douglas K.	99724	Granger	IN	341
5	Sperzel	Hank	80586	Bellevue	NE	329
6	Vanderbeek	William	853	Cupertino	CA	295

ABCPylon

63

1	Vanderbeek	William	853	Cupertino	CA	720
2	Bartelt	Woody	11222	Galesburg	MI	655
3	Servaites	Bucky	13114	Centerville	OH	588
4	Edmonson	Dave	9788	Eagan	MN	473
5	Romak	Bud	27032	Lincoln	CA	471
6	Sperzel	Hank	80586	Bellevue	NE	347
7	Edelstein	Robert	14489	Grande Ledge	MI	304
8	Berry	Daniel	79311	Benton	AR	67

ElectricA

12

1	Jennings, Jr.	James T.	675599	Hendersonville	TN	442
2	Sechrist	David	574560	Bristol	IN	332
3	Mattes	Robert	31928	St. Charles	MO	320
4	Freeland	Mark	212748	Yeego Harbor	MI	313
5	Tomasch	Andrew D.	61444	Northville	MI	265

*Agas**1*

<i>1</i>	Brown	Gerald	79269	Henderson	TX	750
<i>2</i>	Marsh	Douglas K.	99724	Granger	IN	698
<i>3</i>	Berry	Daniel	79311	Benton	AR	629
<i>4</i>	Bell	Tom	499747	Houston	TX	448
<i>5</i>	Demeritte	Jim	5487	Palm Bay	FL	443
<i>6</i>	Oakins	Gary	39905	Birchwood	MN	346
<i>7</i>	Hanford	Robert M	7272	Broken Arrow	OK	340
<i>8</i>	Marsh	Jack	99723	South Bend	IN	321

*DawnUnlimited**11*

<i>1</i>	Romak	Bud	27032	Lincoln	CA	363
<i>2</i>	Markos	Charles	5869	Deerfield	IL	357
<i>3</i>	Marier**	Robert	842547	Roswell	GA	232
<i>4</i>	Perkins	Frank	16827	Tuscaloosa	AL	184
<i>5</i>	Powell	Chuck	465518	Benton	KS	145
<i>6</i>	Oakins	Gary	39905	Birchwood	MN	74

*FIB**40*

<i>1</i>	Vaccaro	Tom	327506	Plantsville	CT	1417
<i>2</i>	Jones	Charlie	45287	Avon Lake	OH	1396
<i>3</i>	Jennings	Blake	35000	Gresham	OR	1360
<i>4</i>	Ioerger	Thomas G.	94350	Fulton	MD	1341
<i>5</i>	Clapp	John	19400	Sayre	PA	1019
<i>6</i>	Mathews	Tony	maac7762	Brampton	AB	982
<i>7</i>	Schlosberg	Aram	63362	Bayside	NY	976
<i>8</i>	Allen	Carrol	8395	Copake	NY	955
<i>9</i>	Pacelli	Brian	788155	Wallingford	CT	843
<i>10</i>	Joyner	Louis	71244	Richmond	VA	836
<i>11</i>	Shailor	Bill	18710	Royal Oak	MI	822
<i>12</i>	O'Dell	Tiffaney	806170	Gresham	OR	806
<i>13</i>	Vanlandingham	Eddie	664918	Mansfield	TX	793
<i>14</i>	Guest	Bernard	245310	Calgary	AB	789
<i>15</i>	Shailor	John	18711	Royal Oak	MI	773
<i>16</i>	Richardson	Mike	29768	Westfield	IN	760
<i>17</i>	Crowley	Paul	2298	Warren	MI	736
<i>18</i>	Simon	Greg	71097	Commerce Twp	MI	735
<i>19</i>	McGlashan	Jerry	985440	Clear Creek	On	716
<i>20</i>	Simon	Evan	71096	Commerce Twp	MI	694
<i>21</i>	Ulm	Anthony	24788	El Cajou	CA	680
<i>22</i>	Matsuno	Chris	62927	St. John	MO	597
<i>23</i>	Richardson	Martin	18650	Grosse Ile	MI	0

*OHLGS**18*

<i>1</i>	Vucovich**	Nathan	844282	Lititz	PA	147
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FIC

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1	Parker	Faust	15980	Houston	TX	1414
2	Parker	Faust	15980	Houston	TX	1414
3	Morris	Gil	94509	Columbus	OH	1314
4	Morris	Gil	94509	Columbus	OH	1314
5	Servaites	Bucky	13114	Centerville	OH	946
6	Servaites	Bucky	13114	Centerville	OH	946

FLJO

30

1	Parker	Faust	15980	Houston	TX	600
2	Edmonson	Dave	9788	Eagan	MN	583
3	Lorbieckie	John E	53956	Hubertus	WI	347
4	Gutai	Robert	8008	Allentown	PA	84

OTRubCabin

72

1	Sneed	Ed	556614	Columbus	OH	780
2	O'Reilly	Jim	9729	Wichita	KS	693
3	Hardin	Edward	312473	Kingston	TN	679
4	Williams	Joe	247709	Brookville	PA	540
5	Buchele	Elvin	16590	Sylvania	OH	323
6	Stewart	Roy	20380	Princeton	IN	240
7	Gerszewski	James L.	367788	New Berlin	WI	102

OHLGO

19

1	Buddenbohm	Stan	189385	Westminister	CA	566
2	Gagliano	Charles	110082	Hilliard	OH	535
3	Ulm	Gene	413507	Fairfax	VA	535
4	Batiuk	Tim	L135	San Juan Capistr	CA	436
5	Ray	Ralph	5007	Boulevard	CA	434
6	Buxton	Jim	75154	Hilliard	OH	326
7	Yost	John	906929	Decatur	TN	319
8	Gerspacher	David	762428	Centerville	OH	299
9	Berry	Daniel	79311	Benton	AR	284
10	Fedor	Jeff	190851	Grandviw	TX	277
11	Langelius	Jan	32138	Haslet	TX	273
12	Krempetz	Kurt	69866	Bartlett	IL	247
13	Schlarb	Bill	14425	South Bend	IN	243
14	Perkins	Frank	16827	Tuscaloosa	AL	233
15	Stalick	Ted	78420	Alndena	CA	219
16	Simon	Evan	71096	Commerce Twp	MI	196
17	Powell	Chuck	465518	Benton	KS	172
18	Fedor	Mike	16763	Arlington	TX	96
19	Tarcher	Ben	14553	Berekeley	CA	19

HalfANosGas

62

1	Lapraik	Scott	881197	Portland	TN	553
2	Marsh	Jack	99723	South Bend	IN	355
3	Fulmer	Keith	31552	Mishawaka	IN	351
4	Sheffer	Jackie	287	Little Rock	AR	342
5	Vanderbeek	William	853	Cupertino	CA	333
6	Kane	Dan	9192	Marion	OH	331
7	Edmonson	Dave	9788	Eagan	MN	330
8	Marier**	Robert	842547	Roswell	GA	324
9	Erridge	Roger	20953	Saranac	MI	313
10	Seymour	John	12550	Radner	OH	306
11	Smith	Gene	9584	Stillwater	OK	305
12	Dock	Denny	514011	Stevensville	MI	281
13	Davidson	Larry	118	Moneta	VA	240
14	Christensen	Gene	831325	Elk Grove	IL	240
15	Stone	Blaine	862815	chesterfield	MO	202
16	Wicks	Gene	5898	Normal	IL	120

OHLGJ

17

1	Stalick*	Alex	999134	Altadena	CA	233
2	Marier*	Hannah	931731	Roswell	GA	132
3	Gerspacher*	Kyle	885651	Centerville	OH	115
4	Fedor*	Colby	754254	Grandview	TX	95
5	Vucovich*	Connor	908616	lititz	PA	86
6	Fedor*	Cade	936871	Grandview	TX	52
7	Wicks*	Ian	103377	Normal	IL	37
8	Wicks*	William	58986	Normal	IL	26

The Wicks family ran the Hand-Launched Glider Pen.



Free Flight Scores

This week's events:

Saturday
RC Scale
CL Scale

Sunday
RC Scale
CL Scale

Monday
Control Line
Pylon

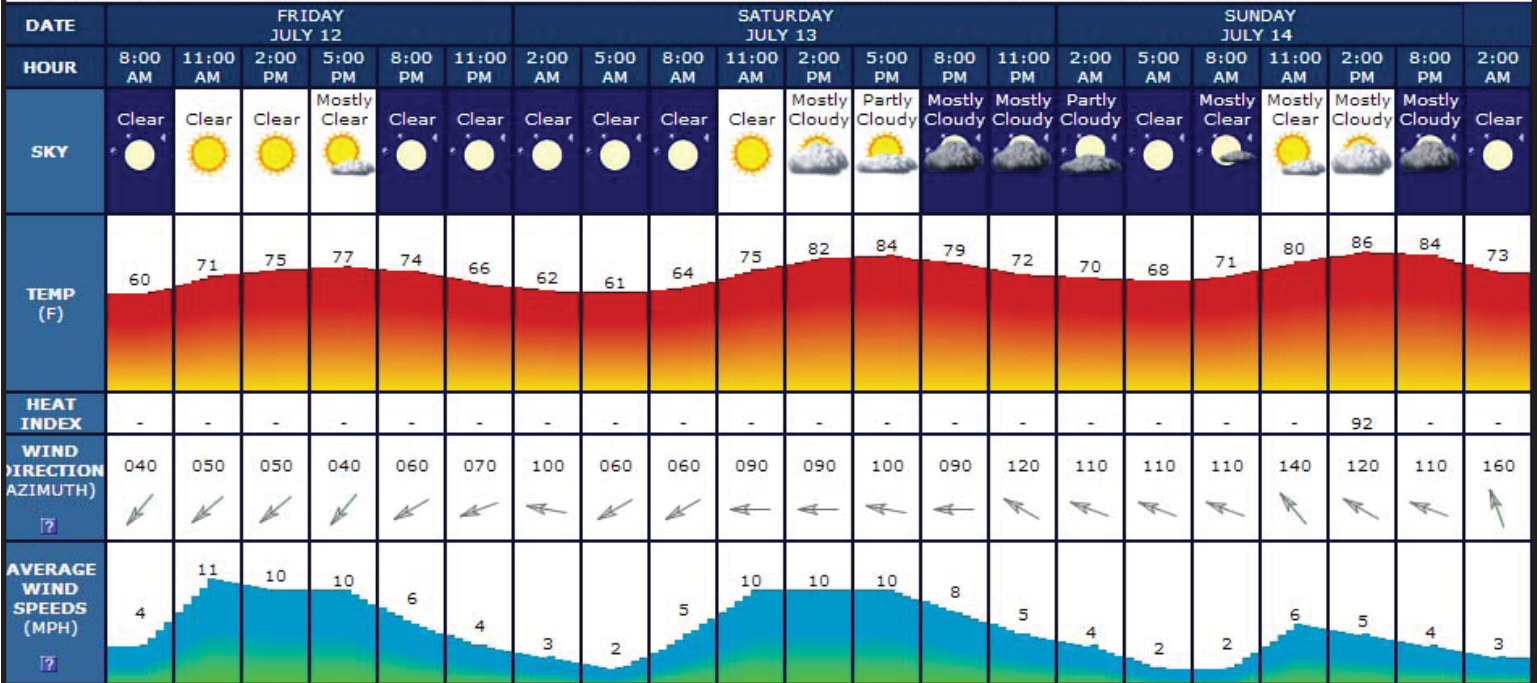
Tuesday
Control Line
Pylon
RC Combat

Wednesday
Control Line
Pylon
RC Combat

Thursday
Control Line
Pylon
RC Combat

Aviation Weather Forecast at Muncie, Indiana

Station: KMIE North: 40.23 West: -85.38 Timezone: Eastern Daylight Saving Time UTC: -4 Model: Aviation (GFS MOS Guidance)



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- Fran Lebowitz

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Doug Marsh turns his A Gas model loose.

