



# Thermals

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## Vice-President's Message

Well this was a big month – we had a lot of flying activity packed in with cancellations and rain make-ups crowding the schedule. The weather has been – ahhh – blustery. We had a great F3J in the Rockies event. Mark Howard did a great job running it. It was the first time for F3J with new safety rules in effect, but we managed to get everything going by Sunday. Thanks to the several volunteers that came out to help. It was much needed and much appreciated. I'm sure Mark will cover the details in his write-up later in the newsletter.

Some slope soaring news... The Powerline site on 128 has had some controversy where flyers were being ticketed for trespassing if they crossed the fence to retrieve their downed planes. Poor Don Ingram was one of the unfortunates. The news is that the county has provided a letter that acknowledges the right to cross onto the farmland to retrieve planes. If you fly at this site you want to have a copy of the letter. Dr. Dan said he will make some copies available at the next meeting.

Come on out and enjoy the rest of the season – we still have plenty of events to go...

*Shannon & Jim*

## LSF Achievement Days

I remember when I started flying R/C gliders it was only slope flying for the first few years, until one of the people I flew with was up on the hill working on getting his four hour slope flight for something called his LSF level four. During the four hours he explained the whole concept to me and I was hooked, and at the thermal field as soon as I had my LSF level one paper in hand. I remember all the help I got from everyone in the club as I was working on my levels in the LSF, and how much fun I had learning while doing it. The side effect of getting involved with the LSF was that it really got me interested in thermal duration competition which I had no interest in before learning about the LSF. So I would like to do the same for some of the sport flyers, and our new members in the club and maybe some of our slope flying friends. As this would only grow the number of people interested in competing in our contests so I believe that it will be for the good of the RMSA contest program, and therefore in the interest of the members to lend a hand by also getting involved with the LSF program.

### Next Meeting:

Date/Time: June 5, 2001 - 7:00PM

Location: Broomfield Advanced Chiropractic  
26 Garden Ctr  
Broomfield CO 80020-7012

PROGRAM: Show and Tell – bring your latest to show off



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As I look around at the quality of the members of the RMSA I was truly surprised that we did not have any level V's amongst us. If I am not mistaken Byron is the only level IV in the Club (that I know about). Do we even have one level five in the club?

Well I see this as a problem and I have a plan to remedy this by, One hosting a LSF day once a month on the fourth Saturday of the month for any one wishing to work on any of there LSF levels. I am also willing to go to the slope for any that work, or for that matter any time I am out at the field I am willing to help anyone wishing to try for any level in the LSF.

I am working on my level 4. Ali has earned his level one and is now working on his level2...

So lets get started growing the club interest in thermal completion and the LSF.

Dr. Dan

## Summer Fun June 10, 2001 Bob Moffett - CD

**Registration:** 8:30-9:00 AM  
**Pilot's Meeting:** 9:00 AM  
**First Flight:** 9:30 AM  
**Entry Fee:** \$5.00 (\$3.00 Juniors)

**Current (2001) AMA membership is required.**

Please be registered and have planes assembled by Pilot's Meeting

**Tasks:** T1 – International Duration – times set according to conditions

**Landing:** 14 Spot with AMA tapes

**Winchmasters:** Please be at the field by 8:45AM. If you are unable to attend please contact the CD to arrange to have your winch/retriever available

## RMSA HLG Saturday June 16, 2001 Bob Lewan - CD

**Registration:** 8:30-9:00AM  
**Pilot's Meeting:** 9:00AM  
**First Round:** 9:30PM  
**Entry Fee:** \$5.00 (\$3.00 Jrs)

**Current (2000) AMA membership is required and must be shown when registering.**

Please be registered and have planes assembled by Pilot's Meeting

**Tasks:** To be announced at the pilot meeting



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## May Open Contest Report Lenny Keer - CD

After a two week delay due to bad weather, the May contest was flown on May 20th. This was billed as an F3J warm up contest and was flown by F3J rules, but winches were substituted for the hand tow launches. The format was a lot of fun and seemed to be well received by everybody.

The day started out with sunshine and light breezes, but about noon the wind started to increase. It was blowing about 15mph by the fourth round making for some difficult conditions.

Skip Miller had four perfect rounds to take first place, edging out Mark Howard by only 13 points. Bob Lewan was close behind and took third. Thanks to Jim Monaco for his scoring efforts.

Lenny Keer

## May Open Results

ID	Class	Name	RD 1	RD 2	RD 3	RD 4	Total	Norm by Class
	<b>N</b>	<b>Novice</b>						
21	N	Ryan Ohara	371.36	380.00			751.36	1,000.00
	<b>S</b>	<b>Sportsman</b>						
10	S	Bob Johnston	826.18	855.56	583.21	1,000.00	3,264.94	1,000.00
13	S	John Kappus	655.34	630.79	707.50	529.97	2,523.60	772.94
7	S	Marc Monaco	601.52	513.79	901.99	457.60	2,474.89	758.02
9	S	Dr. Dan	643.38	950.00		706.71	2,300.09	704.48
17	S	Wayne Hollenbeck	335.82	480.00		579.10	1,394.92	427.24
	<b>M</b>	<b>Masters</b>						
6	M	Skip Miller	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00
11	M	Mark Howard	1,000.00	1,000.00	986.88	1,000.00	3,986.88	996.72
20	M	Bob Lewan	1,000.00	986.94	1,000.00	917.91	3,904.85	976.21
19	M	Charlie Miller	748.47	1,000.00	992.71	1,000.00	3,741.18	935.29
18	M	Jim Monaco	957.06	1,000.00	1,000.00	746.01	3,703.06	925.77
16	M	Lenny Keer	1,000.00	635.28	1,000.00	1,000.00	3,635.28	908.82
2	M	Phil Jones	690.91	1,000.00	945.83	942.79	3,579.52	894.88
15	M	Tom Gressman	883.44	564.59	1,000.00	721.39	3,169.41	792.35
4	M	Jack Zika	1,000.00	617.65	436.31	714.08	2,768.04	692.01
8	M	Robert Moffett	922.85	611.11	776.97	449.53	2,760.46	690.11
1	M	John Padilla	464.18	656.20	713.13	917.81	2,751.32	687.83
5	M	Don Ingram	621.54	693.33	970.54	434.63	2,720.05	680.01
22	M	Bob Pederson	703.88	533.33	1,000.00	353.36	2,590.57	647.64
14	M	Byron Blakeslee		651.11	911.63	722.79	2,285.53	571.38
12	M	Gary Lewan	871.36	489.71	203.51	356.47	1,921.05	480.26
3	M	Bob Rice	586.36	435.41	424.20		1,445.97	361.49

## April HL Report John Kappus substituting as CD for Shannon Bingham

The often rescheduled "Easter" HLG contest was finally held on Sunday April 29th. We were greeted with blue skies and high temperatures. Unfortunately, the winds were also fairly high in the early morning. The weather gods were smiling on us though, as the



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winds got lighter throughout the day instead of stronger as expected! Lift was sporadic and everyone had trouble making his times. We flew 6 rounds using the same tasks as day 1 from the International Hand Launch Glider Festival. It was a fun day of flying with NO midairs, probably because Shannon couldn't make it and we all kept a sharp eye out for Bob 'crash' Lewan. Several new flyers attended with Jim Newcomb flying in his first contest ever.

Interestingly, no one used a discus launch. This puts us a bit behind the development curve compared to the rest of the country. Skip did show us a couple of throws with his new bird at lunch. Although he has less than an hour of practice at this new technique, he was exceeding his overhand heights by a noticeable margin. I think the change is coming!

The scores stayed quite close throughout the contest with the outcome in doubt until the last round. Actually the real results were in doubt even longer. Unfortunately, in the heat of the battle, I made a very unfortunate addition mistake at the contest. I accidentally added 1100 points for one round win (that would be a VERY good score). The real champion (and current series leader) was none other than Skip Miller. Joseph Newcomb, the only junior flying, had a SUPERB contest and finished second, not first as originally announced. I apologize to Joseph on my lack of math skills and I encourage everyone to congratulate him on his fine performance. I'm sure he will be challenging Skip again soon!

## April HL Results

Name	Round 1			Round 2			Round 3			Round 4			Round 5			Round 6			Grand Total	Place
	freq	group	norm score	group	norm score	total	group	norm score	total	group	norm score	total	group	norm score	total	group	norm score	total		
Skip Miller	12	A	1000	B	953	1953	B	1000	2953	B	1000	3953	A	749	4702	A	1000	5702	1 !!	
Joseph Newcomb	28	A	1000	A	984	1984	A	1000	2984	B	706	3690	B	1000	4690	B	942	5632	2 !!	
Bob Lewan	33	B	1000	A	827	1827	A	800	2627	A	1000	3627	B	862	4489	B	1000	5489	3	
John Kappus	21	A	1000	A	972	1972	B	881	2853	A	920	3773	A	799	4572	B	895	5467	4	
Jeff Burg	48	B	815	B	1000	1815	A	910	2725	B	735	3460	A	1000	4460	A	823	5283	5	
Jim Newcomb	19	B	815	B	908	1723	B	721	2444	A	548	2992	A	635	3627	A	665	4292	6	
Greg Dubbe	53	A	831	B	833	1664	B	654	2318	A	459	2777	A	571	3348	B	819	4167	7	
Bill Beggs	16	B	167	B	914	1081	A	949	2030	B	657	2687	B	697	3384	A	697	4081	8	
Jack Zika	26	A	415	A	1000	1415	B	898	2313	A	341	2654	B	504	3158	B	906	4064	9	

## F3J in the Rockies – 2001 Mark Howard - CD

Over the Memorial Day weekend, we scheduled and achieved three days of flying. We had folks in from the Northwest US, Canada, New Mexico, and Colorado Springs, as well as a great turnout by RMSA. Some of these guys have participated in the US and Canadian national teams, Interglide, and the world championships.

On Friday, I went out to the sod farm early to finish trimming out my Escape and do some team practice with Jon Padilla and Rich O'Connell. Pilots from around the region filtered in to practice for the contest and attend Skip's f3j clinic which started about 12:30 and went for about 3 hours. Skip covered the basics of f3j from the equipment through the launch methods to strategy. Thanks Skip! Arend Borst showed everyone a new launch technique that complies with the FAI/AMA safety restrictions (banning the use of stakes), but gives an acceptable result.

Saturday morning, after a brief pilot's meeting, we began two rounds of open f3j competition that were only briefly interrupted by the sprinkler and a concerned sod farm worker (who was worried about the towmen trampling some freshly-planted grass). The foreman turned off the sprinkler, and we adjusted the launch corridor. The air Saturday morning was pretty typical - just a little light on lift.



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With a few notable exceptions, most pilots were getting their times. Charlie Miller had a bit of bad luck in round one when his Xantapa spun on launch. We got in two rounds of open and two rounds of sportsmen before the lunch break.

Lunch was a bit late, and we ran another two Sportsman rounds as it cooked. A group reflight delayed things a bit further. Seems that Fred McClung's Escape needed an in-flight makeover - the only mid-air of the contest. The mid-air was initiated by a gust hitting Chuck Auerbach's plane - causing it to veer on launch across Fred's path. We finally returned to the open groups about 2 PM - time enough to complete just one round before rain forced evacuation of the field. We waited a while to see if it would improve. It did not. Oh well - off to the Buffalo Run clubhouse for a brew to wrap up the afternoon. A pretty good day if a bit slow-paced.

Sun morning - we had a quick pilots meeting to make a couple of key decisions. I'd originally intended to carry over the scores to the fly-offs -- the same as we'll be doing for the team selections. I put this question to a vote and the overwhelming majority wanted the flyoffs to start fresh. Then we had to decide on the number of pilots in the flyoffs as there was a serious shortage of support personnel - not enough to support 10 flyoff teams. We settled on 6.

We quickly set up and were in the groove for 3 open rounds in quick succession. We started a 5 minute countdown to a new working time just as soon as the last working time was complete. With this method, we were able to finish the 3 rounds in just about 3 hours. During these 3 rounds, lift was sporadic and there were far fewer maxes than on Saturday. There was a high haze and a bit of wind that hampered mature thermal development. If you were to look at the raw scores, you would notice that in the Saturday rounds, there were lots of ten minute maxes; while on Sunday seven minutes could win a group.

The weather was closing in after the 3 open rounds were complete, so I decided to go immediately to the flyoff rounds and finish the Sportsmen (and lunch) later if possible. This proved to be a good call as the weather deteriorated throughout the flyoff rounds and eventually became unmanageable.

Flyoffs - The wind increasing throughout the three 15 minute rounds, and conditions got more and more challenging. We divided resources amongst the six teams as best we could. Skip Miller volunteered to help the RMSA pilots. Jon Padilla was top dog - but chose to work with another team, so I got the next shot at Skip for crew and I took it!

Round 1 - I had a pop-off on launch (Skip and I both thought it was a line break, but it was not). I did not get a good launch and had to relight at about 3 minutes. On the relight I got a good launch, 12 minutes or so and a good landing. During the flight, Skip kept me posted on the other pilots progress. Jon Padilla had a great flight going - but then landed way out in mounting winds. I really felt bad for Jon who had done such a great job up to that point. As for the first launch, my plane had actually picked up Shannon Bingham (my pulley towman) off the ground, and he lost his footing. Shannon finally achieved what man has always dreamed of - FLIGHT! Certainly NOT his fault. We used straight tows for the rest of the event. Guy Russo and Bob Moffett had good times for the round with Bob edging Guy to take the round. Great flying Bob! Arend fared just a bit better than me by about 50 points.

Round 2 - My launch was textbook - found a nice thermal shortly after launch and skied big time. Arend did the same. We both spent beaucoup time hung way out downwind. I had a mediocre landing and dropped another 50 points to Arend who was now firmly in the driver's seat. Nobody landed out, but several pilots had sub 700 scores which hurt their cause a bit. Guy Russo and I were virtually tied for second place at 1750 points; with Arend Borst about 100 points ahead. It would all come down to the final round.

Round 3 - OK launch but not real high - not great air on launch. Arend had a killer launch. The wind had now increased to the point that wave flying was probably in order. I followed Arend upwind for a while - but much lower. I found a couple of minutes of wave lift, and eventually found myself pushing through some incredible sink and falling fast. Almost everyone else was way downwind by now following "thermals". Skip had the chute ready and was recommending a re-light with the idea that the group would probably all relight and the first plane back up would likely win the round. However, I found a small thermal and went downwind with it. I followed it a fair way out climbing slowly - mindful of the difficulty of the return trip. Skip kept urging me to follow as far back as I could. I probably didn't get as far as Skip would have liked, and I finally started back anyway - slowly at first. I pushed more and more against the mounting wind and finally made some headway. I arrived back just west of the field to find Arend waiting. He then went south with 5-6 minutes to go. I went north where Jon Padilla was gaining. Arend must have hit a big sinkhole. He fell out with about four minutes to go. I got all of the time but choked the landing in the wind. Guess I'll need those ballast bars next time! It turns out the four minute gap was enough to edge Arend out of first place. Guy Russo had really bad luck with a zero for the round. And that as they say was that. Skip did a fantastic job of calling the air and following the competition.

Unfortunately, the wind really picked up and the rains came as soon as the flyoff rounds were finished. We were unable to complete more than four rounds for the sportsmen - no rounds on Sunday - and no lunch on Sunday. For that, you guys have my apologies. I wish the situation was different, but I cannot change the weather!

Ali Ghaffari won the sportsman class. A fine accomplishment for Ali who hasn't been at this all that long. Larry Laughlin from PPSS finished second. It should be noted that Fred McClung never got his second reflight (broken line) and could have taken the sportsman class with a reflight win. We're still looking for Chuck Auerbach's scorecard which was last seen in the vicinity of Goodland Kansas traveling at a high rate of speed eastward.

Thanks to Skip Miller for the Friday clinic, Jim Monaco who scored all weekend, Tony O'Hara the safety officer, Dr. Dan Williams who ran the flight line on Saturday, Chuck Auerbach who ran the flight line on Sunday, Jon Padilla who brought the food, Shannon Bingham who brought the drinks, and Lenny Keer who has the loudest horn in five states.



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## F3J in the Rockies – Results

### Results after Preliminaries without discards

ID	Class	Name	RD 1	RD 2	RD 3	RD 4	RD 5	RD 6	Total	Norm by Contest	Norm by Class	
	M	<b>Masters</b>										
9	M	John Padilla	975.29	989.90	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	974.96	5,940.15	1,000.00	1,000.00	
7	M	Arend Borst	1,000.00	815.30	997.11	994.26	996.24	949.92	5,752.83	968.47	968.47	
23	M	Mark Howard	994.10	1,000.00	980.84	813.49	926.65	1,000.00	5,715.08	962.11	962.11	
10	M	Rich O'Connell	995.98	811.32	505.78	909.90	1,000.00	998.55	5,221.52	879.02	879.02	
3	M	John Ihlein	856.93	1,000.00	1,000.00	664.70	855.26	800.59	5,177.48	871.61	871.61	
20	M	Shannon Bingham	1,000.00	979.80	907.51	614.14	995.64	623.17	5,120.26	861.97	861.97	
17	M	Skip Miller	696.22	992.77	852.49	1,000.00	855.26	631.35	5,028.10	846.46	846.46	
13	M	Bob Moffett	972.38	971.10	274.57	948.35	826.48	995.60	4,988.48	839.79	839.79	
6	M	Guy Russo	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	751.10	896.24	331.38	4,978.73	838.15	838.15	
2	M	Bob Lewan	980.83	997.11	960.98	534.71	1,000.00	468.80	4,942.43	832.04	832.04	
15	M	Lenny Keer	939.64	978.23	700.00	1,000.00	652.95	511.74	4,782.56	805.12	805.12	
18	M	Jim Monaco	984.01	859.22	679.10	473.46	421.51	989.84	4,407.14	741.92	741.92	
1	M	Charlie Miller		854.26	923.88	639.18	799.42	1,000.00	4,216.73	709.87	709.87	
8	M	Graeme Clark	684.37	988.39	802.99		688.95	1,000.00	4,164.69	701.11	701.11	
21	M	Gary Lewan	513.08	963.72	637.93	991.39	862.78		3,968.90	668.15	668.15	
12	M	Don Ingram	348.09	756.13	973.18	515.51	579.94	228.48	3,401.33	572.60	572.60	
19	M	Marc Monaco	299.80	560.69	229.89				1,090.38	183.56	183.56	
	S	<b>Sportsman</b>										
11	S	Ali Ghaffari	951.33	918.24	994.10	1,000.00			3,863.67	650.43	1,000.00	
16	S	Larry Laughlin	1,000.00	790.36	1,000.00	986.65			3,777.00	635.84	977.57	
5	S	Fred McClung	921.83	1,000.00	986.73	676.56			3,585.11	603.54	927.90	
4	S	Chuck Auerbach	983.78	867.92	930.68				2,782.38	468.40	720.14	
14	S	Kevin Moffett	541.30	763.10	497.05	749.26			2,550.71	429.40	660.18	
22	S	Ryan O'Hara	473.45	492.66	771.39				1,737.50	292.50	449.70	

### Results after discards

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	M	<b>Masters</b>										
9	M	John Padilla	975.29	989.90	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		4,965.19	1,000.00	1,000.00	
7	M	Arend Borst	1,000.00		997.11	994.26	996.24	949.92	4,937.53	994.43	994.43	
23	M	Mark Howard	994.10	1,000.00	980.84		926.65	1,000.00	4,901.60	987.19	987.19	
10	M	Rich O'Connell	995.98	811.32		909.90	1,000.00	998.55	4,715.74	949.76	949.76	
13	M	Bob Moffett	972.38	971.10		948.35	826.48	995.60	4,713.91	949.39	949.39	
6	M	Guy Russo	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	751.10	896.24		4,647.35	935.99	935.99	
3	M	John Ihlein	856.93	1,000.00	1,000.00		855.26	800.59	4,512.78	908.88	908.88	
20	M	Shannon Bingham	1,000.00	979.80	907.51		995.64	623.17	4,506.12	907.54	907.54	
2	M	Bob Lewan	980.83	997.11	960.98	534.71	1,000.00		4,473.63	901.00	901.00	
17	M	Skip Miller	696.22	992.77	852.49	1,000.00	855.26		4,396.75	885.51	885.51	
15	M	Lenny Keer	939.64	978.23	700.00	1,000.00	652.95		4,270.82	860.15	860.15	
1	M	Charlie Miller		854.26	923.88	639.18	799.42	1,000.00	4,216.73	849.26	849.26	
8	M	Graeme Clark	684.37	988.39	802.99		688.95	1,000.00	4,164.69	838.78	838.78	
18	M	Jim Monaco	984.01	859.22	679.10	473.46		989.84	3,985.63	802.71	802.71	
21	M	Gary Lewan	513.08	963.72	637.93	991.39	862.78		3,968.90	799.34	799.34	
12	M	Don Ingram	348.09	756.13	973.18	515.51	579.94		3,172.85	639.02	639.02	
19	M	Marc Monaco	299.80	560.69	229.89				1,090.38	219.60	219.60	

### Final Fly-off Results

ID	Class	Name	RD 1	RD 2	RD 3	Total	Norm by Contest	Norm by Class	
	M	<b>Masters</b>							
5	M	Mark Howard	794.27	956.43	1,000.00	2,750.70	1,000.00	1,000.00	
2	M	Arend Borst	848.52	1,000.00	804.27	2,652.79	964.40	964.40	
6	M	Guy Russo	998.98	751.77		1,750.75	636.47	636.47	
3	M	Bob Moffett	1,000.00	172.24	560.18	1,732.42	629.81	629.81	
4	M	John Padilla		682.88	699.66	1,382.54	502.61	502.61	
1	M	Rich O'Connell		592.63	646.40	1,239.03	450.44	450.44	



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## Pictures from F3J in the Rockies



*Top 3 Finishers (Right to Left)  
Mark Howard (1<sup>st</sup>), Arend Borst (2<sup>nd</sup>), Guy Russo(3<sup>rd</sup>)*



**Top 10 Finishers**  
**Back Row: Ali Ghaffari (1<sup>st</sup> Sportsman), Skip Miller(10), Bob Lewan(9), Shannon Bingham(8), John Ihlein(7), Rich O'Connell(6), John Padilla(5), Bob Moffett(4)**  
**Front Row: Guy Russo(3), Arend Borst(2), Mark Howard(1)**



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## 2001 Open Standings

	Mar	PI	Apr	PI	May	PI	Best 6	Place	Prev Pts	Prev Wins	01 Pts	01 Wins	Tot Pts	Total Wins	Promo
<b>Masters</b>															
Miller Skip	1000	1	1000	1	1000	1	3000	1							
Lewan Bob	980	3	993	2	976	3	2949	2							
Howard Mark	983	2	958	4	997	2	2938	3							
Miller Charlie	961	7	876	7	935	4	2772	4							
Gressman Tom	918	11	961	3	792	8	2671	5							
Monaco Jim	946	9	749	13	926	5	2621	6							
Padilla John	966	6	906	5	688	11	2560	7							
Don Ingram	939	10	863	8	680	12	2482	8							
Bob Moffett	972	5	802	11	690	10	2464	9							
Zika Jack	873	13	696	15	692	9	2261	10							
Blakeslee Byron	949	8	735	14	571	14	2255	11							
Keer Lenny			894	6	909	6	1803	12							
Phil Jones			812	10	895	7	1707	13							
Gary Lewan			828	9	480	15	1308	14							
Rice Bob			795	12	361	16	1156	15							
Miller Dusty	974	4					974	16							
Jeff Burg	898	12					898	17							
Pederson Bob					648	13	648	18							
Barr Jim			183	16			183	19							
Shannon Bingham								20							
<b>Sportsman</b>															
Dr. Dan Williams	1000		938	2	704	4	2642	1			2		2		
Bob Johnston			1000	1	1000	1	2000	2	6	1	6	2	12	3	
Wayne Hollenbeck	655				427	5	1082	3							
Joseph Newcomb			844	3			844	4			1		1		
John Kappus					773	2	773	5			2		2		
Monaco Marc					758	3	758	6	2		1		3		
Ali Ghaffari			665	4			665	7							
								8							
<b>NOVICE</b>															
Ryan O'Hara					1000		1000	1							





# Rocky Mountain Soaring Association

## 2001 RMSA Contest/Event Calendar

Date	Event	CD	Notes
Jan. 2	RMSA Meeting		
Feb. 6	RMSA Meeting		
Feb 2-4	<i>Southwest Classic</i>		<i>CASL Southwest Classic - Phoenix AZ</i>
Mar. 6	RMSA Meeting		
Mar. 11	Open*	Shannon Bingham	
Mar. 18	Pro-Am	Jim Monaco	Fourth annual Pro-Am
Mar. 24 - Sat	PPSS OPEN	Greg Tarcza	March Madness
Apr. 3	RMSA Meeting		
Apr. 8	Open*	Jim Barr	
Apr. 15	HLG**	Shannon Bingham	
Apr. 22	PPSS OPEN	Dave Kurth	Humps & Bumps
May 1	RMSA Meeting		
May 6	Open*	Lenny Keer	
May 12	HLG**	Bob Lewan	Saturday event
May 19 - Sat	PPSS OPEN	Austin Cleis	May Fly
May 26, 27, 28	F3J*	Mark Howard	Special National Event
June 2-3	<i>IHLG</i>		<i>International HL Contest Torrey Pines CA</i>
June 5	RMSA Meeting		
June 10	Open*	Bob Moffett	
June 16	HLG**	Bob Lewan	Saturday event
June 24	PPSS OPEN	Jack Dech	Summer Solstice
June 30	LSF Day	Dr. Dan Williams	Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday)
July 3	RMSA Meeting		
July 8	Open*	Bob Pederson	
July 14 - Sat	PPSS RE	Barry Welsh	Memorial Fly
July 21 - Sat	PPSS RES	Rich O'Connell	Height of the Season
July 28	LSF Day	Dr. Dan Williams	Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday)
Aug. 7	RMSA Meeting		
Aug. 12	Open*	Jim Monaco	Kinda-F3J
Aug. 18 - Sat	PPSS OPEN	Frank Deis	Night Fly
Aug 19	HLG**	John Kappus	
Aug. 25	LSF Day	Dr. Dan Williams	Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday)
Aug. 26	PPSS OPEN	John Read	Dog Daze
Sept. 4	RMSA Meeting		
Sept. 9	Open*	Bob Rice	AKA: Colorado Challenge Cup
Sept. 22- Sat	PPSS OPEN	Bob Avery	Soar Bash
Sept. 29	LSF Day	Dr. Dan Williams	Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday)
Oct. 2	RMSA Meeting		
Oct 6&7	<i>Visalia</i>		<i>Visalia California</i>
Oct. 6 - Sat	PPSS HLG	Milt Woodham	HandLaunch
Oct. 14	Open*	Jim Monaco	
Oct. 21	PPSS RES	Mike Fritz	Witches Brew
Oct. 27	LSF Day	Dr. Dan Williams	Work on LSF Tasks (Saturday)
Nov. 6	RMSA Meeting		
Nov. 11	Open*	Shannon Bingham	
Nov. 17 - Sat	PPSS OPEN	Dave Meyers	Turkey Shoot
Dec. 9	Awards Banquet		
Dec. 15	PPSS OPEN	John Read	BAM Fly

\*Club Open points contest    \*\* Club HLG points contest

Italics indicates major national level contests available for points and PPSS events



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**Directions to Field**

Take I-76 to exit 16. Turn left and follow the frontage road through the circle onto 120<sup>th</sup> eastbound towards the airport. Take 120<sup>th</sup> East to Tower Rd. Continue straight through traffic light and look for the sod sprinkler on the left. We are on the southwest corner of that part of the sod farm.

*Flying for RMSA members and accompanied guests only.*



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