



# Thermals

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Bob Pederson**

### Presidents Message December 2015

#### Banquet and Awards

Just a reminder that the annual awards banquet and officer election is at DelVickio's again this year. The address is:  
1100 US-287 Suite A500,  
Broomfield, CO 80020

The restaurant is on the South end of the King Soopers plaza at the corner of Miramonte and US287.

Date - December 13, 2015 at 11:00 am.

Cost - \$14.95 plus tax and tip

Menu:

Egg Shuffle and or Spinach Frittata  
Bacon, Ham, Maple Sausage  
Pancakes & French Toast  
Hash browns  
Fruit Salad  
Pastry Basket  
Soft Drinks

Jim Monaco is arranging this event and has had to place a \$200 deposit and provide a headcount. Please reply to his email with the number from your party that will attend so he can get this locked in.

#### Election of Club Officers

We will vote at the banquet to elect next year's officers. Blayne Chastain is ending his term as Vice President due to work commitments. Jim Monaco has offered to serve as Vice President for next year. I didn't get all the things done that I wanted to this year so I will offer my services again for 2016. If you don't like the way things went, here's your chance to make it like you want it. If you want to volunteer for a position, there is still time. Just let me know. Bob Rice has volunteered for another year as Secretary and Mark Howard volunteered to continue as Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. Thanks Jim, Bob and Mark.

Awards:

We will be presenting awards to a number of members at the banquet. We have the Club Championship, Miller Cup, Open Class award, F3J Class (5 places), F3K award (Masters class to 5 places and Sportsman class to 3 places) and the Top Sportsman Award (Monkey Lamp, newly refurbished). I will post the full standings in the January newsletter.

Bob Pederson  
President

## November F3K contest Report 11/15/2015

This was the final DLG contest for the year and it was a great success. What a way to end our F3K season. Temperatures started at 36 F and ended in the 60s. Skies were clear and winds were light all day. Just beautiful! We had 9 pilots including some seldom seen members. Chris Adams made the long haul from Cheyenne just to come play with us and our toy airplanes. We hope to see more of him next year. We indoctrinated two new DLG pilots, Bill Beamer and Ryan Friedman. Bill lasted a few rounds until a wing retaining screw let loose. Damage is repairable and we hope to see him back out at the field soon. Ryan has only been flying DLGs a few weeks. It was fun to see his flying improve throughout the contest. Thanks to Dave Runyon for coaching him all day. Reid lost two planes today, one to model selection error and one to being lost in the sun. Everybody else went home with their planes in pretty good condition. Bill came up with a new idea to help his thermal duration but I don't think it will pass F3K rule inspection.



We flew 8 rounds in two groups so we got done early enough to go home and see the Broncos loose. This was a day when a great launch was needed to make your times with the light lift we experienced. Some guys have it and some guys (me) don't. AD Dailey took first with mostly 1000's. Dave Runyon was second and John Lovins was third. Reid was on track to be either 1st or 2nd until he ran out of planes. 🤔 Harold Bailey was 4th with his 100% home-built models. He's building some new planes this winter so watch out next year.

I think everyone had a good time and we got lucky with the weather. I'm already looking forward to next year.

Scores:

F3KScore: "RMSA November 2015 DLG.f3k"

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Competition: RMSA November 2015 F3K

Pilot List Task List Flight Matrix Start List Round Scores Total Scores Team Scores

	Name	1 Lddr	2 5x2	3 AUp	4 Pkr	5 L2x4	6 1234	7 L1x5	8 3200	Penalty & Rnd	Score	%
1	A D Dailey	1000	1000	(914.8)	1000	1000	1000	1000	983.0		6,983.0	100.0%
2	Dave Runyon	740.7	986.8	978.3	(578.9)	850.0	1000	1000	1000		6,555.8	93.88%
3	John Lovins	1000	796.0	991.3	(0)	743.8	998.2	913.3	704.1		6,146.7	88.02%
4	Harold Bailey	(400.0)	787.6	1000	491.2	1000	980.7	530.0	1000		5,789.6	82.91%
5	Reid Roberts	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	408.2	(0)			5,408.2	77.45%
6	Chris Adams	(257.1)	606.6	770.4	521.1	500.0	746.6	1000	642.2		4,786.7	68.55%
7	Bob Pederson	518.5	586.5	637.0	473.7	683.3	938.8	(93.3)	844.2		4,682.0	67.05%
8	Ryan Friedman	(57.1)	306.0	237.0	210.5	229.2	259.2	163.3	606.2		2,011.5	28.81%
9	Bill Beamer	185.2	539.5	(0)							724.7	10.38%

Bob Pederson

# Rocky Mountain Soaring Association - 2015

RENEWAL \_\_\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete the following information for our records:*

Family Memberships - Please make and complete a copy for EACH flying family member!

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Need name badge? Yes

Address:

Year Joined RMSA: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA Contest Director? Yes No

AMA Class Open Youth Family Birth Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

LSF #: \_\_\_\_\_ LSF LEVEL: \_\_\_ NSS #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

RMSA Membership Class Senior Only Senior W/Family Associate Family  
(Note - Senior W/Family receive THERMALS - other Family members check Family Box)

Non-Flying Family members: \_\_\_\_\_

RMSA Competition Class Novice Sportsman Master

RMSA Offices Held \_\_\_\_\_

## MODELS OWNED

PLANE SPAN COLOR (Top,Bott.,Fuse) CLASS (Open,HLG,Std..) FREQUENCY

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Interests: Sports Flying T/D contests HLG Contests NSS Soar-ins F3J

F3B X-C contests Slope contests Other \_\_\_\_\_

Past Achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues: \$ 7.50 New Member Initiation Fee  
\$ 7.50 Junior - under 17  
\$ 35.00 Senior - individual 17 and over  
\$ 40.00 Family - any number (same address)  
\$ 8.00 Associate (newsletter only)

Make checks payable to RMSA

Comments and suggestions are ENCOURAGED! Please include these with your form!

**REMEMBER TO SIGN THE FIELD RULES!!!**

Please send to:

**RMSA**

% **Bob Rice**

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Denver CO 80219

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN SOARING ASSOCIATION FIELD RULES

1. The sod farm operations take precedence over **ALL** activities. We use the field at the convenience of the owner.
2. All members will follow **ALL** instructions from **ANY** sod farm personnel without question.
3. When sod farm operations are occurring during a flying session it is **OUR** responsibility to ensure that we will not interfere with operations. If it is unclear as to what is happening or where they intend to mow or work try to talk to workers or management and always move equipment or vacate the premises if necessary. Some workers do not speak very good English – in that case you must make every effort to avoid conflict or interference with operations.
4. Park only in the designated parking areas Do not park on grass, dirt or roads.
5. Avoid setting up on newly seeded areas or young grassy areas. The nice grassy areas are better to land on anyway!
6. Establish a frequency control pole and tag system! Frequency control is to be in effect at all times!! All members will post their frequency control tags on the pole and if there are conflicts, please exercise safety sense as well as share the flight time.
7. Parking and pit areas should be as condensed as possible for the safety of launch and landing.
8. Establish flight line areas for winch launch, high start launch, and hand launch that are separate for the sake of launch, flight & landing safety.
9. Flying over the parking/pit areas at less than 30 feet is prohibited. Doing so in competition **WILL** result in a zero flight score and during R/R flying a disciplinary action by the club.
10. No aerobatics or speed runs over the parking/pit/Launch/Landing zones.
11. Do not launch if a plane is circling in a launch zone: vacate the launch zone as soon as possible if someone is waiting to launch.
12. When entering a thermal occupied by other aircraft, enter in the same direction as the first aircraft
13. Landing aircraft have the right of way!
14. In the event of no mechanical retriever, please shag your own chute/line for the flight
15. Please share the usage of club equipment so that all have equal flight time.
16. Please be courteous and helpful to your fellow flyers as well as informative to all guests/spectators. Enjoy yourself and others!!
17. Absolutely no debris or trash is to be left on the field! Please take it home with you for disposal.
18. Make sure that your plane and electronics are airworthy before each flight. Exercise good safety sense in your flight
19. The aircraft will have an identification name/address or AMA number on or in the model in case of loss.
20. You **MUST** tag your winch/high start spikes or stakes with fluorescent tape so they are easily spotted on the field by all concerned. Members may be fined \$10 for each stake or nail not so marked. Previous damage to sod farm equipment from spikes left in the ground has made this rule **EXTREMELY** important.
21. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be consumed, prior to or during participation in any model event on the flying field.

I understand and will comply with all RMSA field rules:

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Signature



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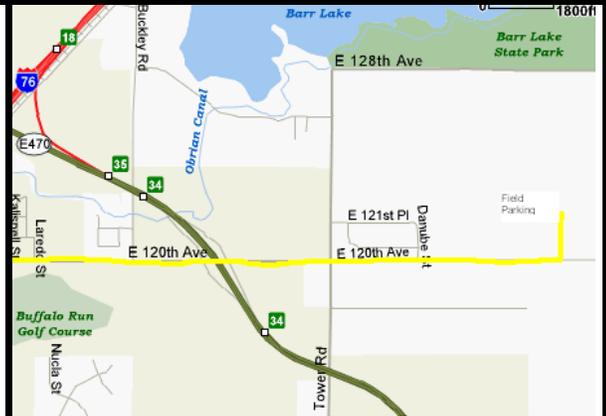
Cody Remington

John Lovins

Jim Rogers

**For Winch Use:**

If you are interested in using a club winch please contact Mike for the first time, and I will insure you have all the details for trailer access. Also if you are a new member and have not had a winch operation and safety briefing we will coordinate that.



**Directions to Field**

Take I-76 to exit 16. Turn left and follow the frontage road to the stoplight and turn east onto 120<sup>th</sup> eastbound towards the airport. Take 120<sup>th</sup> East to Tower Rd. Take 120th east of Tower Rd about 3/4 miles. We fly on the North side of 120th which is the SE quadrant of the sod farm.

*Flying for RMSA members and accompanied guests only.*



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