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Flying into the *wild blue yonder*

The days are a little cooler, a little shorter, but still we have great flying weather. As the 2001 season begins to wind down we look forward to the new building (and repairing) season.

It seems a long time ago that we held the first Bird of Time contest at the "old" flying field, but how quickly we have adapted to the new field and the wide open spaces. Hats off to Werner K., for his persistence in seeking a new field and negotiating for its use by the club.

High Flyers and Lost Planes seem to be the trend for the year. Birds of Time seemed especially vulnerable, for how many were able to enter the Postal Contest?

The winter meetings start **October 14th**, time to start thinking about the one-design contest candidates, electric sailplanes, and what to build for next season - what about slope soaring? F3J? Foam Wings? Plane locators? Battery packs? Also what to swap.

Contest results are a little haphazard - spreadsheet foibles - so a full summary will be printed later.

A thank you to all the digital shutter bugs for the pictures you have sent - hope to include many of these in our new first annual colour supplement which is planned for the end of year edition of the newsletter.

Hello Dick,
This article is for The Task.

An article appeared in the Feb./Mar.1993 issue of Silent Flight Magazine by Herk Stokley that deals with the problem of loosing sight of a model while flying in "blue sky" conditions. I recently experienced the same thing while I was flying my Ka8 way too high in a "blue sky" during the Oakville Aero-tow. It took me a few minutes to re-focus my eyes. Let Herk's explanation help remind everyone of the phenomenon.

Our eyes are designed to focus on moving objects in relation to some background. Stationary objects require much more effort to bring them into focus especially when the background has very little contrast such as a cloudless sky. When one is looking at an object against the blue sky for an extended time period, our eyes will focus at the "rest" distance. Studies have found this distance to be about ten feet! This means any object not at this distance can still be seen but not in sharp focus. Needless to say a model at 1,500 feet could be so out of focus that it will disappear as happened to me. If my spotter, Gerry Fritz wasn't watching it, it would have been out of sight!

It does not matter how hard you try to "re-focus" to see the model again you will not succeed until you focus on an object which is fairly large and at about the same distance away. The object should have some sharp edges such as a building, even better is a cloud with sharply defined edges. Taking advantage of the fact that our eyes do not change focus instantly, immediately look to where your model should be without blinking. You may have to drop your eyes to the object and re-focus several times before you are able to pick up the model again. To add to Herk's explanation, further research has revealed that when we blink, the brain clears the previous image to prevent the new image from being superimposed on the old image. That is why you should not blink after focusing on the object so that your eyes remain focused at the selected distance. So...when it's nearly out of sight...Don't blink!

Stan Shaw
MAAC 2481L

OK Dick, you wanted some newsletter articles ... These photos are from Flying Aces session of June 30.



Ref digital photo phile "Dick and Richard Fahey", here's a caption....

Dear SOGGI "Task" Editor,

Like many people, I am concerned about how susceptible some of the new technologies are to deliberate distortion and misrepresentation of information, in order to fool the public. Take "digital" photography for example. How do we know that some of these technology nerds don't just shuffle the bits and bytes to suit whatever weird ideas come into their own heads? We never had these worries with the old way of doing things. What do you think?

Signed ... Sleepless in Stoney Creek

Dear Sleepless,

I think you worry about nothing. If anything, digital photography improves the information we receive. Please do not raise this issue again.

Signed ... the Editor

Bird of Time Millennium Postal Contest Results

A contest that took place during July, 2001
 A report by Stanley Shaw

The Bird of Time R/C Glider Contest that took place during the month of July 2001 attracted only four official entries. Although there were numerous attempts to get a number of flyers to participate during the month the weather was quite hot and humid during the flying times. SOGGI had their club day event geared up for the tasks but the thermals gods did not smile on those who flew their B.O.T.!

The final results are as follows:

1st Place Stuart Pearce MAAC 1186L with a score of 1937 out of 2001.
 2nd Place Karoly Matusik MAAC 9088L with 1650
 3rd Place Rodney Gaettens MAAC 37646 with 1503

I wish to thank the Southern Ontario Glider Club Inc. for sponsoring this postal contest. It came about because our one-design model contest for two years running was based on the Bird of Time. Perhaps next year the club may consider an open postal contest. The three winners will receive a certificate of achievement from the club in honor of their excellent attempts. Stuart flies with the Central Ontario Glider Group in Cookstown, Ontario. Karoly flies with the MAAC-Men in Winnipeg, Man. Rodney flies with the Fergus Model Flyers, in Fergus, Ontario. Congratulations to the winners!

Old Timer Day – June 2001 Results

Name:	round1	round 2	round 3	round 4	round 5	total pts
Werner Klebert	396	443	441	360	193	1833
Stan Shaw	437	200	421	433	300	1791
Mike Thomas	436	434	290	439	70	1669
Bob Thayer	414	237	428	95	422	1596
Juri Vosu	259	83	251	411	437	1441
Bud Wallace	340	131	202	418	233	1324
Dick Colley	365	188	172	206	145	1076
Albert Fund	89	77	367	187	283	1003
Cliff English	81	248	415	139	101	984
Keith Armstrong	61	166	173	429	42	871
Ken Lockwood	272	122	150	133	155	832
Derek Hartwell	0	0	0	0	0	0

Club Day – July 15th,2001 Results

Name:	Chan nel	round1	round 2	round 3	round 4	round 5	total pts
Bob Hammett	42	420	305	363	385	304	1777
Stan Shaw	50	380	318	129	283	320	1430
Werner Klebert	50	420	0	206	403	319	1348
Bud Wallace	44	416	254	211	176	202	1259
Bob Thayer	53	143	211	419	240	157	1170
Dick Colley	22	147	419	90	266	242	1164
Jack Linghorne	42	117	134	413	94	330	1088
Albert Fund	49	129	242	296	231	119	1017
Werner Hildersheim	14	201	225	191	248	150	1015
Keith Armstrong	20	136	119	155	178	259	847
Juri Vosu	20	97	209	173	79	93	651
Cliff English	57	119	100	131	190	106	646
Derek Hartwell	11	412	48	102	0	0	562
Ken Lockwood	43	41	148	119	0	132	440
Kevin Intini	53	134	152	94	0	0	380

The Club Day Fun-Fly - Sunday, July 15th
By Stan Shaw

Sunday, July 15th came with beautiful warm weather and light southwesterly winds that made for interesting thermal conditions. Some fifteen club members showed up to try their luck at winning the Otto Bandman Trophy. The CD Stan Shaw decided to encourage any member flying the Bird of Time to enter the Millennium Postal Contest by flying the same rules. Thus four seven minute maximum thermal duration flights and one five-minute twenty-one second flight would give a perfect 2001 points total. However, the best-laid plans often go astray! So two winches and a hi-start were laid out to provide the flyers their choice. With cards in hand the members were sent out to search for the elusive thermals.

After the first round the scores ranged as follows for the shortest flights: 41 seconds, 1:37; 1:00; 1; 57; 1:59; 2; 09; 2:14; 2:16; 2:23; 2:27; AND 3:21. Our Junior flyer, Kevin Intini, flying a Gentle Lady was getting his lessons on the winch and trying his best to master the art of flying. Shagging the chutes was done by Kevin's cousin many times and was greatly appreciated. Bud Wallace, Derek Hartwell, Bob Hammett, Stan Shaw and Werner Klebert managed to get max.'s in the first round. This pattern continued during the afternoon with the exception of Jack Linghorne who got a max on his third flight! Bob Thayer did the same on his third flight, while Dick Colley got his max on his second flight.

To show how varied the conditions were, Werner got between 3:26 and a max but landed off field to score a zero on his second flight and thus a second place with his beautiful "Sailaire". Stan Shaw found awful sink on his third flight of 2:09 and placed third with his standard Airtronics "Cumic". Bud Wallace placed fourth with the "Mistral"

Bob Hammett flew consistently with scores of 5:05, 7:00; 6:03; 6:25; and 5:38 to win first place with his Airtronics "Legend".

I wish to thank Rose Bandman who came out to present the Otto Bandman Trophy to this years winner, Bob Hammett. This made the occasion just that much more memorable as it was the tenth anniversary of Otto's passing. Rose has continued to run Country Hobby and I hope that all the members will continue to support her business in the future. Thank you, Rose, from all of us. Needless to say no Bird of Time completed the Postal Contest.

Bird Of Time Contest 2001 - by Cliff English

With four contests scheduled only three flyers competed in all four.

The weather canceled one contest, which was flown the next Wednesday. As this was the second year for the Bird of Time as the one of a kind Contest age took its toll on four Birds.

Zivko was flying high and downwind when he lost his plane. It has never been recovered to date.

Dick lost his plane when it folded the wings on a winch. Werner folded the wings on a winch.

Cliff flew into a tree in the last contest.

Contest #1: Had seven gliders in the air for the first flight. Zivko Rizoniko won the contest with 915 points.

Derek Hartwell had a rough landing and only flew one flight. Ken Lockwood had a slight mishap could not fly the last flight.

Contest #2: The weather was excellent for the seven pilots. Jack Linghorne won the contest with a total of 705 points. It was good day no lost planes and no crashes.

Contest #3: The third contest had only four planes flying. Keith Armstrong won this contest with 778 points.

Keith was inadvertently penalized on his last flight because the CD who was timing forgot to tell Keith how much time he needed so Keith flew a perfect seven minute flight and was penalized.

Contest #4: The fourth contest had great weather with six planes flying. The contest was won by Jack Linghorne with 861 points Cliff's bird finally found a tree to roost in on the second flight Bob Batt came back (on a wobbly knee) for the last contest. Bud wanted another contest to see if Stan could bring up his scores.

The overall winner was Ken Lockwood with 1697 points.

As CD I want to thank all the members who helped out with the contests.

Cliff English.

One design Contest 2000

Bird of Time	1	2	3	4	Best 3 Scores
Name					
Keith Armstrong	684	898	565	874	778
Bob Batt	554	569	0	642	622
Bud Wallace	930	442	223	0	1476
Ken Lockwood	0	0	676	636	1697
Dick Colley	726	568	0	0	1290
Werner Hildesheim	0	0	468	657	472
Derek Hartwell	516	0	0	583	1656
Zivko Rizoniko	0	800	223	0	915
Fred Freeman	0	0	0	0	0
Cliff English	0	0	164	320	1252
Jack Linghorne	362	0	0	0	1566

Is there anybody out there? – Who has an article inside just bursting to get out
- We publish for free!

For Sale: Want Ads: Personals

For SALE!

- 1 - Multiplex Combi 80 Radio c/w 2 servos _____ \$75.00
- 1 - Viking (Old Timer) for 05Geared _____ \$50.00 (sold)
- 1 - Electric Elf 48", 05Geared _____ \$75.00
- 1 - Plank Flying Wing 60" Sloper _____ \$20.00
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2001 Calendar of Events

- Oct 14 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Nov 11 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Dec 9 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- 2002
- Jan 13 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Feb 10 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Mar 10 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm
- Apr 14 Membership Meeting Rockton Library, 2.00pm

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