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Another year of the IMAC Nats is in the books and this year did not disappoint! Some classes remained status quo and some classes had some big movers.

As stated previously, Friday's flying consisted of two rounds of Knowns and two rounds of Unknowns. These rounds were worth 50% of the pilot's score. These scores were added to the carryover score from the previous three days.

In Sportsman class, Kobe Canton continued his domination of the class to win his first National Championship. Kobe was gracious in his acceptance of the trophy, noting that Sam Pankratz was equally deserving of this award. Congrats to William Wilson on his third-place finish.

In Intermediate, Joseph Tibodeau was able to hold off a hard-charging Carlos Bonachea to win his first National Championship. David Herron rounded out the top three.

In Advanced class, Evan Turner and Ben Jenkins traded rounds and fought hard with Ben coming out on top and Evan finishing second. Mitch Johnson, flying

a borrowed airplane because he lost his primary aircraft, was able to make the podium in third.

Last, but certainly not least, the Unlimited class did not disappoint. Kurt Koelling and David Moser scraped it out all week and the finals were no different. In the end, David Moser was able to take his first IMAC Unlimited National Championship by a margin of approximately 30 points. That is close. Needless to say, these two pilots were the class of the field. Will Berninger rounded out the top three.

The big mover of the day was Kal Reifsnnyder. Kal finished third for the day, which propelled him from sixth to fourth overall in Unlimited.

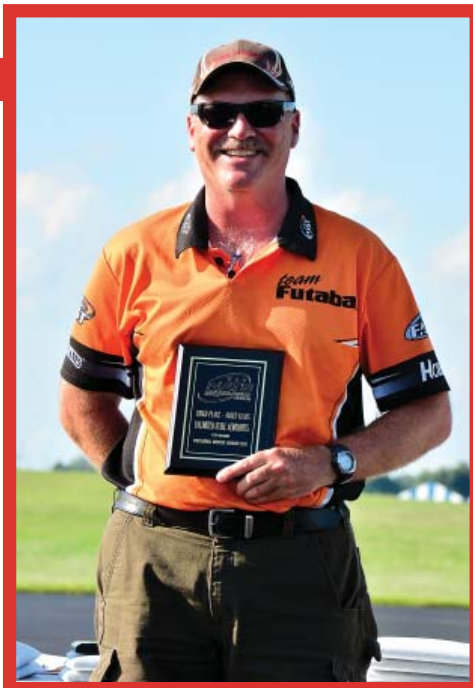
As always, Freestyle did not disappoint. Nine competitors flew their wings off to entertain the crowd. It was clear that these pilots were ready to unwind after the long grind of this IMAC contest. Judges were chosen from all competing regions and these guys got a front-row seat. We even had an impromptu dance crew from the Clover Creek group put on a show during Sam Pankratz's flight.

Tyler McCormack won his second consecutive Freestyle Championship, with David Moser finishing second and Kal Reifsnnyder finishing third.

Congrats to the Southeast region for winning the regional points award. The three pilots that made up the team were Ben Jenkins, David Moser, and Kobe Canton.

Finally, it was time for the Bennett Cup Award. This award is for the pilot whose raw scores are closest to perfection; no throw-out and no drops. For the past six years, Kurt Koelling has been the recipient of this award, which is a run unmatched by any other Bennett Cup recipient. When Kurt came to the podium to present the Bennett Cup, everyone realized there would be a new name engraved on the cup. Congratulations to David Moser for being the 2016 Bennett Cup recipient. It is clear that David and Kurt have great respect for each other and that this battle is not over.

Safe travels to everyone heading home and I look forward to seeing everyone again in 2017! 🚁

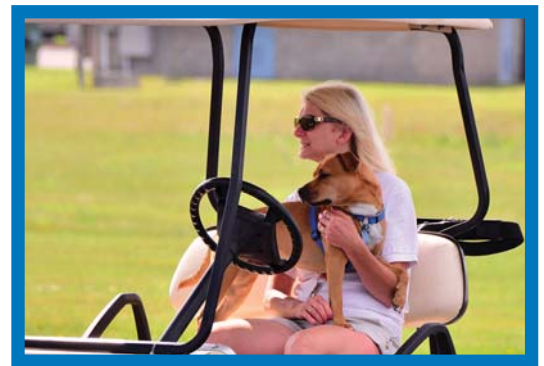












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Sportsman

Final scores in Sportsman ranged from a low of **0.0** to a high of **2,000.0** (a range of 2,000.0)

Rank	Pilot	Final Score	Known		Unknown ^[us]		Points ^[pt]
			Round 13	Round 14	Round 4	Round 5	
			Seq 1	Seq 1			
1	KOBE CANTIN AMA#1002016; IMAC#7678	2,000.0	913.7 thrown	1,000.0	1,000.0 thrown	1,000.0	1,000
2	SAM PANKRATZ AMA#1063457; IMAC#7555	1,976.3	1,000.0	928.3 thrown	941.5 thrown	976.3	988
3	SCOTT PASCHEN AMA#L75631; IMAC#7426	1,683.7	900.9	868.5 thrown	782.7	774.2 thrown	842
4	WILLIAM WILSON AMA#779024; IMAC#6515	1,674.8	915.5 thrown	941.3	733.5	666.4 thrown	837
5	ISAAC SILHAVY AMA#964855; IMAC#7676	792.8	413.2 thrown	574.8	217.9	0.0 thrown	396
6	RANDY FOSTER AMA#828636; IMAC#5966	0.0	0.0 thrown	0.0	0.0 thrown	0.0	0

Freestyle

Final scores in Freestyle ranged from a low of **476.4** to a high of **1,000.0** (a range of 523.6)

Rank	Pilot	Final Score	Freestyle
			Round 1
1	TYLER MCCORMACK AMA#908387; IMAC#6571	1,000.0	1,000.0
2	DAVID MOSER AMA#654738; IMAC#3056	900.1	900.1
3	KAL REIFSNYDER AMA#918522; IMAC#6844	886.8	886.8
4	BEN JENKINS AMA#880358; IMAC#7232	832.8	832.8
5	EVAN TURNER AMA#964797; IMAC#7024	760.3	760.3
6	JACOB RAMSEY AMA#842482; IMAC#7618	727.7	727.7
7	KOBE CANTIN AMA#1002016; IMAC#7678	716.0	716.0
8	SAM PANKRATZ AMA#1063457; IMAC#7555	577.5	577.5
9	TOBY SILHAVY AMA#213009; IMAC#3276	476.4	476.4

Intermediate

Final scores in Intermediate ranged from a low of **1,422.5** to a high of **2,000.0** (a range of 577.5)

Rank	Pilot	Final Score	Known		Unknown ^[us]		Points ^[pt]
			Round 13	Round 14	Round 4	Round 5	
			Seq 1	Seq 1			
1	CARLOS BONACHEA AMA#833085 ; IMAC#5885	2,000.0	1,000.0 thrown	1,000.0	1,000.0	698.1 thrown	1,000
2	DAVID HERRON AMA#582686; IMAC#7350	1,965.1	970.2	933.5 thrown	994.9	786.3 thrown	983
3	JOSEPH THIBODEAU AMA#11718; IMAC#7249	1,955.6	955.6	912.4 thrown	996.5 thrown	1,000.0	978
4	RON GRAHAM AMA#5469; IMAC#5344	1,821.9	838.5	796.5 thrown	983.3	735.2 thrown	911
5	TOBY SILHAVY AMA#213009; IMAC#3276	1,816.0	909.4	806.4 thrown	906.7	756.5 thrown	908
6	JACOB RAMSEY AMA#842482; IMAC#7618	1,785.0	931.0	857.4 thrown	854.0	778.1 thrown	892
7	A.J JAFFE AMA#680760; IMAC#7430	1,750.4	905.1	744.0 thrown	845.2	759.6 thrown	875
8	JEFF MARUSCHEK AMA#934563; IMAC#7458	1,577.2	781.9 thrown	804.2	773.0	616.1 thrown	789
9	KEVIN TURNER AMA#937387; IMAC#7022	1,422.5	738.4	552.4 thrown	684.1	0.0 thrown	711

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Seniors

Final scores in Seniors ranged from a low of **0.000** to a high of **1,000.000** (a range of 1,000.000)

Rank	Pilot	Final Score	Known		Unknown ^[us]		Points ^[pt]
			Round 13	Round 14	Round 4	Round 5	
			Seq 1	Seq 1			
1	ARTHUR MORTON AMA#1407; IMAC#6378	1,000.000	0.717 thrown	0.739	0.516 thrown	0.673	1,000
2	WAYNE MATTHEWS AMA#436725 MISSING IMAC#	945.506	0.698	0.639 thrown	0.571 thrown	0.637	946
3	WILLIAM WILSON AMA#779024; IMAC#6515	933.137	0.736	0.728 thrown	0.581	0.553 thrown	933
4	TOM BURNDRETT SR AMA#57183; IMAC#3820	648.082	0.624	0.578 thrown	0.291	0.000 thrown	648
5	RANDY FOSTER AMA#828636; IMAC#5966	0.000	0.000 thrown	0.000	0.000 thrown	0.000	0

Advanced

Final scores in Advanced ranged from a low of **0.0** to a high of **1,979.0** (a range of 1,979.0)

Rank	Pilot	Final Score	Known		Unknown ^[us]		Points ^[pt]
			Round 13	Round 14	Round 4	Round 5	
			Seq 1	Seq 1			
1	BEN JENKINS AMA#880358; IMAC#7232	1,979.0	1,000.0 thrown	1,000.0	938.9 thrown	979.0	1,000
2	EVAN TURNER AMA#964797; IMAC#7024	1,961.1	946.2 thrown	961.1	1,000.0 thrown	1,000.0	991
3	MITCH JOHNSON AMA#988310; IMAC#7038	1,818.6	872.8 thrown	919.1	876.3 thrown	899.5	919
4	TOM BURNDRETT SR AMA#57183; IMAC#3820	1,109.8	698.9 thrown	718.5	391.3	0.0 thrown	561
5	ANTHONY FANDINO AMA#687453; IMAC#3588	0.0	0.0 thrown	0.0	0.0 thrown	0.0	0

Unlimited

Final scores in Unlimited ranged from a low of **0.0** to a high of **2,000.0** (a range of 2,000.0)

Rank	Pilot	Final Score	Known		Unknown ^[us]		Points ^[pt]
			Round 13	Round 14	Round 4	Round 5	
			Seq 1	Seq 1			
1	DAVID MOSER AMA#654738; IMAC#3056	2,000.0	1,000.0	988.3 thrown	1,000.0 thrown	1,000.0	1,000
2	KURT KOELLING AMA#623811; IMAC#2819	1,995.6	950.8 thrown	1,000.0	995.6	980.2 thrown	998
3	KAL REIFSNYDER AMA#918522; IMAC#6844	1,866.8	872.3 thrown	918.7	948.1	888.9 thrown	933
4	WIL BERNINGER AMA#491971; IMAC#3212	1,854.3	858.7 thrown	900.7	953.6	915.8 thrown	927
5	TYLER MCCORMACK AMA#908387; IMAC#6571	1,832.6	929.0	893.5 thrown	903.5	840.2 thrown	916
6	TY LYMAN AMA#598352; IMAC#22375	1,786.2	807.5 thrown	909.2	877.0	867.7 thrown	893
7	CRAIG BAKER AMA#8072; IMAC#4106	1,751.1	907.6	855.3 thrown	843.5	768.4 thrown	876
8	THOMAS MAHARIS AMA#863667; IMAC#6395	1,687.1	853.4	801.8 thrown	833.6	772.1 thrown	844
9	ARTHUR MORTON AMA#1407; IMAC#6378	1,683.5	897.3 thrown	900.4	683.5 thrown	783.1	842
10	WAYNE MATTHEWS AMA#436725 MISSING IMAC#	1,630.2	873.3	778.0 thrown	756.8	741.6 thrown	815
11	LOUIS MATUSTIK III AMA#L1900; IMAC#3592	1,574.6	753.3 thrown	791.0	783.6	618.0 thrown	787
12	PRIMO RIVERA AMA#543651; IMAC#7712	1,510.1	756.6 thrown	807.3	702.8	604.2 thrown	755
13	DERYCK TAYLOR AMA#606210; IMAC#2092	1,280.8	632.9 thrown	701.8	579.1	0.0 thrown	640
14	JOHN SCHRODER AMA#893; IMAC#2046	0.0	0.0 thrown	0.0	0.0 thrown	0.0	0

