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Today's Events:

Aerobatics
Processing



Gavin Barry, Junior winner, and
Layla. Allen Brickhaus photo.

Sunday, July 21

CL Aerobatics Wrap-Up

Saturday began with cloudy skies and okay winds. The Junior, Senior, and Open pilots completed their class patterns when the clouds let go with a torrent of rain and wind for roughly 30 minutes.

With more storms coming, David Fitzgerald asked that all take a two-hour break for lunch around 10:30 and resume the competition at 12:30 p.m.

When all personnel returned, the winds subsided and only a few rain drops fell on the maddening crowd. The Walker Cup ensued with Paul Walker being declared the eventual recipient of the coveted cup.

Not enough can be said for the work of David Fitzgerald and assistant Bob McDonald for a well-run Nats. Bob will be taking over the venue for next year.

As you did with David, get to Bob McDonald as soon as you can to volunteer for the 2014 Nats that will be held next July. Event directors will be listing all the workers and their efforts are to be applauded.

My special thanks to everyone who helped make this year come off smoothly and efficiently. Come join us next year.

—Allen Brickhaus
reporter/photographer

Kenny Stevens, Paul Walker, Chris Stevens, Don McClave, and Howard Rush.



Derek Barry in the air.

Doug Moon
flying vertical
eights.



Sam Niebel is the Senior winner.



Bob Hunt on the hunt.



Five judges watching Derek Barry.



The full complement of winners at 2013 Nats.





Paul Walker arming his power plant.



Paul Walker's Predator.



Paul Walker flying inverted.



Paul's Predator from another angle.



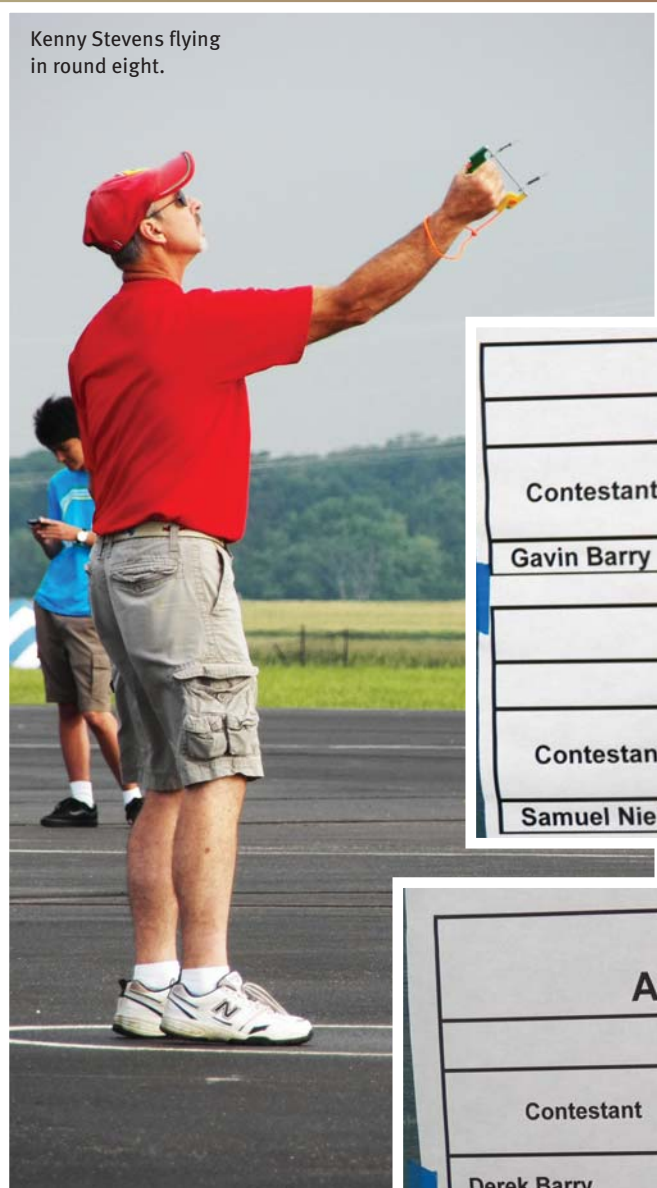
The Predator's business end.

C/L Precision Aerobatics AMA National Championships, 2013

Event 322 Walker Cup Flyoff

Contestant	Flight 1		Flight 2		Flight 3		Total Score	Place
	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score		
Junior Champion	2	Pass	1	Pass	1	Pass	—	3
Senior Champion	1	498.2	2	498.4	3			
Open Champion	3	573.0	3	581.8	2	575.6	1157.4	

Kenny Stevens flying in round eight.



C/L Precision Aerobatics

Event 322 Junior

Contestant	Flight 1		Flight 2		Flight 3		Total Score	Place
	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score		
Gavin Barry	2	58.4	2	Pass	2	Pass	58.4	1

C/L Precision Aerobatics

Event 322 Senior

Contestant	Flight 1		Flight 2		Flight 3		Total Score	Place
	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score		
Samuel Niebel	1	492.4	1	492.6	1	Pass	985.0	1

C/L Precision Aerobatics AMA National Championships, 2013

Event 322 Open Finals

Contestant	Flight 1		Flight 2		Flight 3		Total Score	Place
	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score	Flight Order	Score		
Derek Barry	5	582.2	5	584.0	4	576.8	1166.2	4
Bob Hunt	4	581.8	4	586.2	5	579.6	1168.0	3
Doug Moon	2	580.6	3	588.4	3	590.2	1178.6	2
Kenny Stevens	1	562.2	2	575.6	1	584.2	1159.8	5
Paul Walker	3	589.0	1	588.4	2	591.0	1180.0	1

CL Combat Wrap-Up

On the last day of Combat, AMA Fast made up for a small entry with some really fast action and exciting matches. It was just as well; some sudden showers and thunder and lightning delayed the contest for a couple of hours. The first three matches ended in kills.

In the first match, Mike Evans got a quick kill on Wayne McDaniel. Zip, zip, Wayne got in too close. Too fast and Mike turned the right way.

Ron Colombo and Brian Stas had a long match. Brian's pit couldn't get him started. He got up and Colombo came down. Ron had to go back up and in the melee Brian got a

cut, a kill, and then a midair.

After the rain, Mike Evans' shutoff malfunctioned in two matches, putting him out. Neil Simpson was a round behind and couldn't get the win he needed to fly for first. With the rain starting again, Ron Colombo (2-1) conceded since Brian had already beaten him once leaving Brian in first with a 3-1 record and 2 kills. The other three had 1-2 records. Mike Evans' dexterous coin flip put him in third, Neil Simpson fourth, and Wayne McDaniel in fifth.

—Phil Cartier
reporter/photographer



Ron Colombo and Mike Evans get Wayne up late against Brian Stas. They both had trouble starting, but Wayne lost on air time.

A midair with a kill. Fast action at its most crowd pleasing.



Ron and Brian made a close match, in a long match, followed by:



Above: The gory aftermath and two adrenaline-junky pilots.

Below: The whole crew: Brian Stas, first; Walt Sidlecki, pit crew; Chris Gay, Event Director; Wayne McDanile, fifth; Mike Evans, third; Ron Colombo, second; Bob Nelso, (back) judge; Neil Simpson, (front), fourth; and Mal Fawley, Judge.



Above: Fast Combat winners: Brian Stas, MA, first; Ron Colombo, MI, second; Mike Evans, OH, third.



RC Aerobatics Begins



Many of us are returning for another year of competition, others will not be joining us. Some of our World Championship team will be here while others will need their vacation time for South Africa next month. On our WC team for his third time, Brett Wickizer, will be flying with us this week. Mark Atwood, our team manager, will be flying with us as well. Buy a shirt and have Brett autograph it for you. Jim Quinn will be around at all the sites throughout the week with merchandise, so be sure to buy something and support our pilots going to South Africa.

It was only Saturday evening and the Control Line pilots were enjoying an evening banquet while many of the RCers were getting the feel of Muncie's air. There was a group from Texas at Site 1.

Below: Larry Kaufman was cleaning up on Site 4 as well while others were still in the air there.



Left: Mark Hunt had his Pentathlon EVO up for some practice with Richard Lewis calling for him while team Mendonca, Adam and Mark, were cleaning up.

Not everyone on Site 4 had their minds on flying. Chef extraordinaire, Victor Diaz, was busy cooking up a storm. This year he is joined by his beautiful wife, Linette. Of course Humberto Pomaes and Marcio Jorge were eager to sample Victor's culinary delights.



Archie and Tara Stafford want to welcome each competitor to the 2013 RC Aerobatic Nats. Arch is well prepared and he even thinks the weather will cool off enough to make our flying more pleasant. His whole staff is here and ready to make your experience this week competitively enjoyable.

Photos and captions by Jim Quinn.

RC Aerobatics

This week's events:

Monday Pattern (Aero)	Tuesday Pattern (Aero)	Wednesday Pattern (Aero)	Thursday Pattern (Aero)	Friday RC Helicopter	Saturday RC Helicopter
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313 1/2 A Mouse--I

1 O	WILLIAM R LEE	CHANDLER, TX	02:19.0
2 O	DAVID ROLLEY	BENNETT, CO	02:57.1
3 FO	LES AKRE	EDMONTON, CANADA	02:50.3
4 O	MIKE GREB	SULPHUR SPRINGS, TX	0:02
5 O	BILL BISCHOFF	GARLAND, TX	
6 O	DAVID O BETZ	WARSAW, IN	05:42.5
7 O	MELVIN L SCHUETTE	AUBURN, KS	

311 Rat Racing

1 O	BILL BISCHOFF	GARLAND, TX	06:58.6
2 FO	LES AKRE	EDMONTON, CANADA	09:42.1
3 O	MIKE GREB	SULPHUR SPRINGS, TX	03:40.4
4 O	DAVID O BETZ	WARSAW, IN	3:50

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**Thank you for joining
us this year!**

Sam Niebel heading to circle four.

