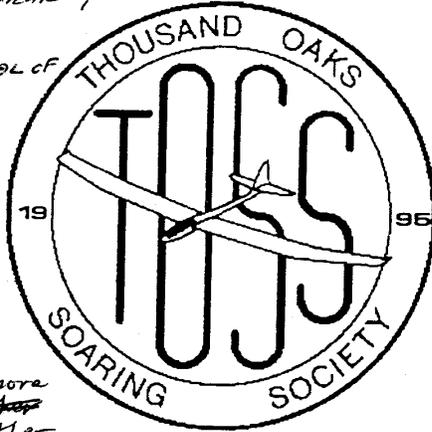


TOSS-UP

OLD

- 1) EDGAR PICK-ED UP TROPHIES FOR BEST OF YEAR & SC 2
- 2) CHARLIE DONATED SPOOL OF RETRIEVER LINE
- 3) EDGAR WILL PICK UP WINCH LINE



NEW

- 1) CONTEST IN September
- 2) Why other clubs have ^{MORE} members - location, weather,

NEWSLETTER

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NEXT CLUB CONTEST:

DATE:	September 10th., 1995
PLACE:	Redwood School
TIME:	9:00 a.m.
C/D	Charley & Devin

NEXT CLUB MEETNG:

DATE:	August 30th., 1995
DAY:	Wednesday
PLACE:	Cameron Center
TIME:	7:30p.m.

TOSS TALK

MEETING NOTES of July

OLD BUSINESS: 1) We have renewed the permits for Redwood School and Paramount Ranch.

2) Charlie Babcock bought 80 lb. braided Dacron line for the retrievers. Hopefully, it will be installed the weekend of July 30th. That's great! They certainly need replacement.... Bob

NEW BUSINESS: 1) Our SC2 contest is just around the corner. We will be needing volunteers to help to seerve as landing judges, winch/retriever operators, transmitter impound handlers, and score keepers. This is our big contest for the year, so even if you don't desire to fly, please come out and support your club.

2) **TOSS** club equipment status is as follows; 3 winches - 1 new safety switch, all will get new line. 4 Retrievers - all will get new line before SC2 contest. 2 turnarounds - need another to make use of third winch.

3) It was suggested that we could advertise our club contest in Model Aviation in hopes to draw a larger crowd. This would require for TOSS to sanction every contest. Upon vote by attending members, it was decided that we would not do this.

4) As a reminder to all, you were supposed to have your Visalia Fall Soaring Fest applications postmarked on August 1. If you have not sent yours in prior to reading this newsletter, there is always next year.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Epoxy Kit - Mike Stern
Disk Camera - Devon Holzer
Razor Saw kit - Mike Stern

B.J. WEISMAN WINS at NATS

Congratulations to B.J. We new you were good. Well, how about better than the most of us. Seriously, B.J. went to the Nationals with a flock of Super-V's and their creator, Mark Levoe to compete in Open, Two-Meter and Hand Launch classes. Through some excellent flying, a smatter of good landings, a touch of good fortune and maybe a little of that bad stuff, B.J. placed **FIRST** in Two-Meter and a bit lower in the other classes. However, according to the proud father, his overall performances was good enough to win the overall Top Flyer award. This is quite an accomplishment, considering he was competing against some of the very best flyers in the whole country. Again, Congratulations to B.J. and all the flyers at the NATS. Hopefully, by next month, B.J. or Edgar can give us some more details.

Bob

T.O.S.S. CONTEST -- SEPTEMBER 10, 1995

CONTEST DIRECTORS:
Devin Holzer
Charlie Babcock

ENTRY FEE:
1 Plane any class:\$5.00

PILOTS MEETING: 9:15am

THREE ROUNDS--- 3/5/7 minutes

No timers with the pilots. Pilots estimating times.
Timers will remain behind flight line.
Pilots will fly in assigned order.

Trophies will be awarded as usual!

Rounds will begin with 1000 points each.

- For the 3 minute round, 5 points will be deducted for each second over/under the target time.
- For the 5 minute round, 3 points will be deducted for each second over/under the target time.
- For the 7 minute round, 2 points will be deducted for each second over/under the target time.

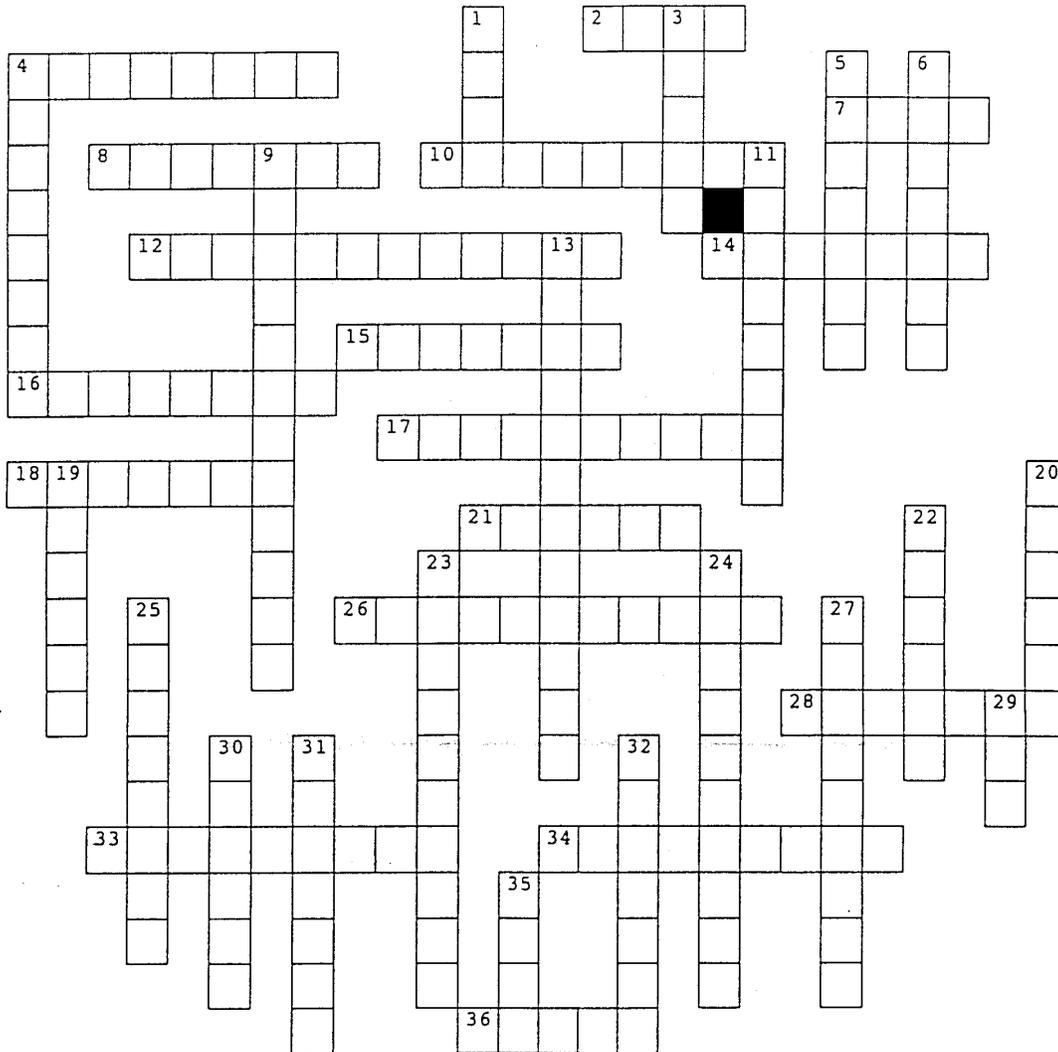
Landings will be scored as "in" or "out" of 25ft. tapes.
"In" landings will be worth 50 points.
"Out" landings will subtract 25 points from the score.

1995 (SC)² CONTEST SCHEDULE

August	27	SWSA
September	24	HSS
October	29	TOSS
November	19	PSS

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NAMES OF GLIDERS



ACROSS

DOWN

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| 2. A TYPE OF SHARK | 1. LIKE A PIGEON |
| 4. DODSON SAILPLANE | 3. A WOMAN'S NAME |
| 7. BOB'S NEW SAILPLANE | 4. A PERSON THAT ROAMS AROUND |
| 8. A PARAGON IS _____ TYPE OF GLIDER | 5. A TYPE OF BUTTERFLY |
| 10. A TYPE OF FALCON | 6. KITTED BY ACE |
| 12. A FAST JUNGLE CAT | 9. MADE BY AIRTRONICS |
| 14. A SMALL BIRD | 11. TRUCK MADE BY FORD |
| 15. OLD AIRTRONICS KIT | 13. ROCKET POWERED SLOPE PLANE |
| 16. A MOUSE ON A HILL | 19. FOUND AT HOBBY SHACK |
| 17. CHALK OUTLINE OF A MURDER VICTIM | 20. PLANET WITH RINGS AROUND IT |
| 18. SCREAM LIKE A _____ | 22. A BRAND OF WATCH |
| 21. 60'S CAR MADE BY FORD | 23. KIT BY MARKS MODELS |
| 26. _____ SILVER | 24. GOOD FIRST SAILPLANE |
| 28. ED SLOBOD DESIGN | 25. AN ISLAND |
| 33. A SMALL RIDGE | 27. FOUND IN A SWAMP |
| 34. A _____ ROMANCE(ASK YOUR WIFE) | 29. AIRTRONICS TWO METER SAILPLANE |
| 36. SAILPLANE KITTED BY SIG | 30. MYTH |
| | 31. A-10 |
| | 32. EASTWOOD MOVIE HIGH PLANES _____ |
| | 35. RHYMES WITH LOONY |

Thoughts on the Monthly Club Contests

...by Jonathan Spoer
Agoura Hills, California

One day you go to the mail box and, looking through the mail, say to yourself, "Bill, bill, bill, advertisements, Model Aviation news, TOSS newsletter..." Gee, let's back up there; time to open the newsletter. Well, it's just the normal "stuff": the meetings, the news and the contests. They just keep urging you to go to the monthly club contest. You say you'll go to one, but you never do.

One Friday night, you decide that you are going to go to the Sunday contest. What do you do? Well, you go to your work space to see what you have. You see you have one of these, one of those (half of which are not even built), and then decide to pull your old two meter trainer out of the trash. (Why not use it for something like the new trainer or sports plane class?)

The next Saturday, you look over the plane, patch over the holes where the monokote is missing, fix up the broken parts, and finally it all comes together. Later that night, you put the plane on the charger and go to bed. That night you could hardly get to sleep and you have a dream (or a nightmare). You dream of launching that plane, specking out, and thermalling on up there; when it comes to landing, you dream of landing on the exact center. Well, this goes on through all the rounds, and finally your dream comes to a close with you in first place being carried off the field on everyone's shoulders.

Then suddenly, "BEEP, BEEP, BEEP, BEEP, BEEP..." The sound comes from your am/fm alarm clock. That morning you feel refreshed. You hop into the shower and then get dressed. You have your usual morning breakfast, still dreaming of a perfect day. You take that last hour to pack all your last minute supplies (tape, glue and such for those occasional crashes, like you really need it, and of course don't forget the stopwatch), and pack the car up. Now, you drive to the field. As you're driving out to the field, you're probably wondering if you charged the batteries fully and wonder if you have your radio. Seeing you have arrived early, you decide to help out the contest director (CD) as much as you can. First though, you put your plane together, get your frequency pin and check the glider's controls. "Heh," you say, seeing your batteries are charged. You hear the CD calls everyone over to pay their entry fee and you whip out the cash. Finally, the contest starts. Meanwhile, you start to think, "What if the wings fold on launch? Where is my timer? Oh yea, I don't have one!" Being too scared to step up to the

electric winch, you decide to time for the others. Finally, you say to yourself, "I'm going to do it." You pick up your plane, trembling, and your heart is going a mile a minute. Before you launch, you decide to plan out your flight thinking of the what if's like, "What if I get caught in massive sink (down drafts)?" You put that all behind you, step up to the winch and check for traffic. Seeing that all is clear, you yell, "Launching!" And then you pulse your plane on up into the sky.

You fly to a area of the field and speck out to a high altitude. Meanwhile, you and your timer walk over to the landing tape, keeping twenty-five feet away. Now your "timer" says, "Three minutes left." Then again, "Two minutes left." Thinking to yourself that this is the best day of thermal, you never want to come down, that is until the last minute. You zoom your plane down, and do a few stunts to lose altitude. Your timer says, "Thirty seconds left," realizing you're not even half way to the landing area, yet. Now, you start to set up your landing approach, and out of the blue, "Fifteen seconds left," comes from your timer.

Now, you're on final, and you're all lined up. You try to pull flaps, finding out you don't have any. "Five, four, three, two, one, beep." You nose your plane in. You walk over to your plane and your timer says, "Looks like you got five minutes and two seconds on your flight and a 77 on your landing. Excellent job." You pick up your plane and walk over to the CD's table. Now, you fill out your card for that flight while being filled with pride and joy.

Well, the rest of the day goes on like this, with some flights good and some bad. Finally, the morning contest comes to a close. Everyone goes over to the CD's table and the CD reads out the scores. This is where some of the thrill is. You keep saying to yourself you placed or lost big time. Well, things turn out for the best and you place in the top five. Even though this is not the "Fall Soaring Fest" at Visalia, California, it is still a neat experience to have. Before the winches are packed up, you might just think about launching a few more times and just have as much fun as you can. The point of this is to try to encourage others to come out with that old beat up plane of yours and just for the fun of it. It is neat to fly your first contest or have another contest under your belt. The point of these contests is to just have fun, and not to add stress to your life. So keep thermalling and have fun. ■

Jonathan Spoer is a member of the Thousand Oaks Soaring Society (TOSS) in Southern California. He is a youth involved in soaring, and is still in high school. Thanks for sharing with us, Jonathan! ED. ■