



TAILWINDS TAILS

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Latest Tailwinds

Derek Abramson, Editor



What great weather folks. It has been a bit since I have done a newsletter. This was due to my schedule and getting sick a couple times. But, the weather has been great for the past month. Although it does look like it may actually rain soon.

On the agenda for this issue, the Winter Classic was held at AVTI on the 13th of February. There was a nice turnout. I would like to thank Robert Fish for the pictures and the report.

Launch at the end of January. I would like to Thank Tony Frackowiak for his support for the launch.

Hopefully the weather holds and I might be able to finally make it out to the field for some flying, assuming I can finally finish up school.

Until next time, Keep those wings level.



AVTI SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS		
March		
4		General Meeting WJF
April		
7	7:00 PM	General Meeting WJF
May		
5	7:00 PM	General Meeting WJF

AVTI HISTORY

I will be creating the AVTI History page located on the club's website <http://www.avti.org/>. Any pictures, newspaper or magazine articles, event fliers that you may have would be welcome. Oral history (stories) would also be welcome. Materials would be returned if requested. Please email myself the Newsletter editor or the Webmaster.



General Meeting Minutes

07 January 2016

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- Meeting called to order 1900
- 10 Members were Present
- Minutes and Treasurer's Report were read and voted.

Old Business

- Waste Management extended our lease to June 2017
- Christmas party was a success with good food and plenty of raffle winners.

New Business

- Please renew your AMA membership. You must have a valid AMA membership to fly at the field
- Indoor meet will be scheduled soon
- Winter Pattern Contest is scheduled for February 13th and 14th.

Meeting Adjourned

General Meeting Minutes

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- Meeting called to order 1900
- 22 Members were Present
- President and Secretary were not present due to illness

Old Business

- Membership discussion

Meeting Adjourned



2016 Lancaster, Ca. 4th Annual Winter Classic Pattern Contest

By Robert Fish

West Coast Regional Director

Classic Pattern Association

The 4th Annual Winter Classic Pattern contest was held at the Antelope Valley Tailwinds airfield at Lancaster, Ca. on Saturday, February 13th, 2015. This was a one day event. The morning greeted us with calm skies, and soon the air was filled with classic pattern airplanes on practice runs.



CD Tony Frackowiak called the pilot's meeting at 8:30, and we were "wheels up" soon thereafter. With ten entrants, the contest ran smoothly, operating one flight line. Traffic flowed smoothly, and we were able to get in all four rounds with plenty of time to tear up the sky after the contest was over.

This contest saw three of the new Kaos ARFs in competition; two were flown in Novice class by Mike Whitacre and Lonnie Morrison, while the other one was flown in Masters class by Robert Fish. The design proved to be at home at either end of the skill level spectrum.

Our Pre-Novice 2015 Regional Champion Marta Horvath was back to take the win in Pre-Novice. Novice Regional Champ Mike Whitacre campaigned his Kaos to first in Novice class. Cal Orr flew his 1969 World Champ replica Kwik Fli III to victory in Advanced class. Cal does custom 2.4 conversions of older Kraft (and other) radios, and he flew his Kwik Fli with a period correct Kraft transmitter. No dual rates, expo, or any of the "creature comforts" that we take for granted today. Masters was the usual battle between Tony Frackowiak and Robert Fish, with Tony taking the win.

Here are the results:

Pre-Novice

- 1st - Marta Horvath
- 2nd - Jim Whitacre
- 3rd - Vic Anderson

Novice

- 1st - Mike Whitacre
- 2nd - Lonnie Morrison

Advanced

- 1st - Cal Orr
- 2nd - Don Fox
- 3rd - Scott Holmes

Masters

- 1st - Tony
- 2nd Robert Fish



Of course a contest does not happen on its own. Many thanks to:

- Antelope Valley Tailwinds for hosting, and for the use of the airfield for the day.
- Tony Frackowiak for CD duties for a well run contest.
- Jennifer Fish and Donald Fox for handling the scoring duties.
- Preston Knepper, our chef.
- Thanks to Matt Griffit for getting in the judging chair, and donating the Esprit Models "Bling" given away to our winners.
- Personal thanks to Tony F. for letting my fly his Kaos in the event.
- And to each of our pilots, without whom we would not have a contest!

Gear up!!!



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* Membership Meeting *

October 1, 2015
7:00 PM WJF Terminal

* Board of Directors Meeting *

TBD Please See Website

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