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2015 Eastern Mass Invitational

**NEIL SIMPSON, PAUL KUBEK
AND BRIAN STAS ARE THE TOP THREE**

May 24, 2015 - HALIFAX, MA ó The weather was sunny, not a cloud in the sky, light breeze, cool when we first arrived and then very warm by mid-day. It was a great day for the first New England F2D contest of the season. Five pilots were in attendance. The grounds at the Wingbuster club field were manicured, as weøve come to expect. We certainly appreciate the clubø willingness to share this fine facility with us.

After two rounds two pilots had been sent packing. Paul Kubek and Brian Stas were undefeated while Neil Simpson had one loss. Paul and Neil faced off and after one re-fly Neil got past Paul giving him his first loss. In the next match Paul got past Brian leaving all three remaining pilots at two wins and one loss. Next Brian and Neil had a non-stop well flown barn burner of a match that was certainly action filled. Neil squeaked by two cuts to one despite losing some airtime at the start. This left only Neil and Paul to fly for the contest win. Neil got a string cut early and then ran like a rabbit to preserve the match win and take home the øgoldö.

Eastern Mass Invitational
F2D Combat
5 contestants

Neil Simpson/East Brookfield, MA	4 wins 1 loss
Paul Kubek/Brockton, MA	3 wins 2 losses
Brian Stas/Kingston, MA	2 wins 2 losses
Chris Sarnowski/Bedford, MA	0 wins 2 losses
Greg Wornell/Wellesley, MA	0 wins 2 losses

2015 Wingbuster 1/2A Championships

**NEIL SIMPSON IS
SHOOTOUT WINNER
CHRIS SARNOWSKI IS RUNNER-UP**

JUNE 6, 2015- HALIFAX, MA - This yearø 1/2A Championships attracted only four pilots. This prompted a contest day switch from traditional AMA rules to our Shootout rules which are inspired by a rule structure, from the Pacific Northwest, which is the brainchild of Gene Pape. The rules are so simple that the pitmen can judge the event. This is necessary because if you only have four guys two are flying, two are pitting and there is no one left over to judge the event. The event was flown in triple elimination format. The weather was seasonably cool, around seventy degrees for a high, partly sunny with a fairly strong breeze as the day progressed.

Following two rounds of action Neil Simpson, Paul Kubek and Brian Stas each had one wins and one loss while Chris Sarnowski had two losses. In round three Chris got past Brian when Brian had a bladder tank problem. In the same round Neil got past Paul one cut to none. In round four Neil got a win over Chris when Chris came down during a line tangle with both pilots tied at one cut apiece. In the next match Brian and Paul squared off with the winner to move on and face Neil in the finals, however when both came down before the end of the match they both earned a loss and Neil got the øshootout winö as a result. Brian, Paul and Chris ended up in a three way tie for second with Chris emerging the winner of the three-way fly-off to secure runner-up position in the contest.

Wingbuster 1/2A Combat Championships
4 Contestants (all from MA) 8 matches

Neil Simpson-E.Brookfield, MA	3-1
Chris Sarnowski-Bedford, MA	1-3
Paul Kubek-Brockton, MA	1-3
Brian Stas-Kingston, MA	1-3



The trophy winners at the Eastern Mass Invitational were Neil Simpson (1st), Paul Kubek (2nd) and Brian Stas (3rd)



Neil Simpson and Chris Sarnowski finished 1-2 at The Wingbuster 1/2A Championships

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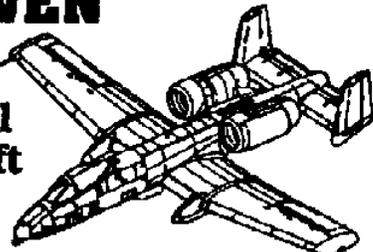
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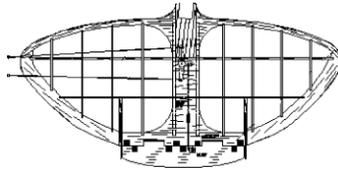
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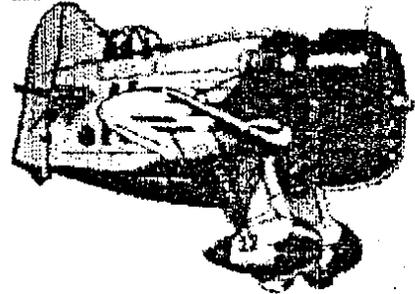
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2015 Eastern Mass Invitational
Photos courtesy of Paul Kubek



Brian Stas and Neil Simpson



Neil Simpson and Greg Wornell



Brian Stas



Chris Sarnowski

2015 Wingbuster Triple Elimination 1/2A Meet

Photos courtesy of Paul Kubek



Pit Action



Neil Simpson and Joe Fustolo



Chris Sarnowski and Brian Stas



Final Round Action



Neil Simpson and Chris Sarnowski



These rules, minus a few tweaks, were conceived by Gene Pape. Gene may or may not approve of the tweaks, however, in the interest of giving credit, where credit is due, Gene is the gentleman who is the inspiration behind this concept.

Each match will have a 1 minute staring period where the pilot will start his own engine, get to the pilots circle, and be ready for his plane to be launched. At the end of that one minute period, pilots not ready to launch will forfeit the round. If both pilots are ready to launch, the signal to start will be given. Both planes will be launched from 180 degrees apart, and combat will begin immediately for a 3 minute match period. The match will be scored with 1 point for the first cut, 2 points for the second cut and 3 points for each additional cut. The first string cut counts. In the event 1 airplane crashes, or lands for any other reason before the end of the 3 minute period, the other will win the match. If both pilots land before the end of the 3 minute period both forfeit the round. Ties will be re-flown. Can be flown single, double or triple elimination

Rumors, Facts Etc.

CONTEST FUND: This month we received a generous donation from Joe Fustolo . . . Thank you Joe !!!

SCHEDULE CHANGE: The Summer Sizzler F2D contest scheduled for 6-28 has been moved to Saturday August 1st.

Wingbuster Summer Sizzler

**Wingbuster Club Field
Halifax, MA
Saturday August 1st, 2015**

**F2D Combat-Single Airplane Rules
Prizes for top three
First Match 10:00 am
AMA Sanctioned**

2015 Wingbuster Summer Classic

**Wingbuster Club Field Halifax, MA
July 26th , 2015
Formula GX Combat**



**Prizes for top three
First Match 10:00 am
AMA Sanctioned**



2015
Central Mass
Championships

East Brookfield
Elementary School
East Brookfield, MA
August 9th, 2015

Formula GX Combat
Prizes for top three

First Match 10:00 am

COOKOUT: There will be a cookout at Neil's house following the August 9th Central Mass Championships in East Brookfield. Everyone attending the contest is invited. Beth will be preparing most of the food and she expects all her "fly-guy" friends to be there.

2015 Wingbuster GX Shootout

Wingbuster Club Field Halifax, MA
August 16th, 2015

Formula GX Combat
Prizes for top three

First Match 10:00 am AMA Sanctioned

New England Contest Fund

8/1/2014 through 6/18/2015

6/17/2015

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Date	Description	Category	Amount
BALANCE 7/31/2014			1,377.00
8/10/2014	Central Mass Championships	Entry Fees	75.00
8/10/2014	Central Mass Championships	Trophy Expense	-6.00
8/10/2014	Central Mass Championships	Permit-Sanction Expense	-45.00
8/23/2014	Wingbuster Shootout	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
8/23/2014	Wingbuster Shootout	Entry Fees	75.00
8/23/2014	Wingbuster Shootout	Trophy Expense	-6.00
8/23/2014	Brian Stas	Contribution	5.00
8/23/2014	Joe Fustolo	Contribution	5.00
8/31/2014	New England Championships	Trophy Expense	-273.00
8/31/2014	New England Championships	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
8/31/2014	Paul Kubek	Contribution	10.00
9/6/2014	Jet Rally	Trophy Expense	-6.00
9/14/2014	Jim Gall	Contribution	20.00
9/21/2014	Wingbusters M.A.C	Permit-Sanction Expense	-250.00
9/21/2014	Wingbuster Fall Champs	Trophy Expense	-6.00
9/21/2014	Wingbuster Fall Champs	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
10/12/2014	Fall Finale	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
10/12/2014	Fall Finale	Trophy Expense	-6.00
10/19/2014	Eastern Mass Championships	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
10/19/2014	Eastern Mass Championships	Trophy Expense	-6.00
11/2/2014	Season End Awards	Trophy Expense	-246.00
11/2/2014	Season End Awards -Shirts	T-Shirt-Hat Expense	-160.00
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11/9/2014	Fall Fly-Off	Trophy Expense	-6.00
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5/3/2015	GX Icebreaker	Entry Fees	50.00
5/3/2015	GX Icebreaker	Permit-Sanction Expense	-45.00
5/3/2015	GX Icebreaker	Trophy Expense	-6.00
5/3/2015	Chris Sarnowski	Contribution	45.00
5/24/2015	Eastern Mass Invitational	Entry Fees	50.00
5/24/2015	Eastern Mass Invitational	Trophy Expense	-12.00
5/24/2015	Eastern Mass Invitational	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
6/6/2015	Wingbuster 1/2A Champs	Entry Fees	40.00
6/6/2015	Wingbuster 1/2A Champs	Trophy Expense	-6.00
6/6/2015	Wingbuster 1/2A Champs	Permit-Sanction Expense	-25.00
6/6/2015	Joe Fustolo	Contribution	200.00
8/1/2014 - 6/18/2015			-539.00
BALANCE 6/18/2015			838.00
TOTAL INFLOWS			750.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS			-1,289.00
NET TOTAL			-539.00

Proposed 2015 Schedule

Updated 5/26/15

A great deal of this is based on last year's schedule . . . many of the permissions are not in place, it is very tentative and there will surely be changes and adjustments.

6-Jun	Wingbuster 1/2A Championships (triple elimination) Saturday Contest	1/2A	Halifax, MA
14-Jun	Brodak Week-June 15th to 20th		
21-Jun			
28-Jun			
5-Jul			
12-Jul	Nats Week-July 13th to 18th		
19-Jul	Nats Week-July 13th to 18th		
26-Jul	Wingbuster Summer Classic	GX	Halifax, MA
1-Aug	Wingbuster Summer Sizzler Saturday Contest	F2D	Halifax, MA
2-Aug	East Coast Championships Speed Limit and single elimination 1/2A		Hershey, PA
9-Aug	Central Mass Championships	GX	E.Brookfield, MA
16-Aug	Wingbuster GX Shootout	GX	Halifax, MA
22&23-Aug	Lee Stunt Contest		Lee, MA
30-Aug	Wingbuster Fall Championship	GX	Halifax, MA
5-Sep	Sanford Jet Rally/Mass Cup	GX	Sanford, ME
5&6-Sep	Mass Cup Stunt Contest		Wrentham, MA
13-Sep	Middlesex, NJ Speed Limit and single elimination 1/2A		
20-Sep	Wingbuster F2D Fall Challenge	F2D	Halifax, MA
27-Sep			
4-Oct	October Air War Speed Limit Combat	SL	Vincentown, NJ
11-Oct	Fall Finale Combat Tournament	GX	Halifax, MA
18-Oct	Eastern Mass Championship	F2D	Halifax, MA
25-Oct	Philly Flyer's Speed Limit Contest	SL	Philadelphia, PA
1-Nov	Fall Fly-Off post season contest	GX	Halifax, MA

2015 Control Line Combat Team Trials and AMA Nationals

Muncie, Indiana July 11 – 18



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			Mandatory Pilots Meeting and Dinner 6PM ¹	F2D Team Trials ²	F2D Team Trials (cont.)
		Fields open for practice		Triple Elim – Full F2D Rules	
Mon July 13	Tue July 14	Wed July 15	Thr July 16	Fri July 17	Sat July 18
AMA Nats	AMA Nats	AMA Nats	AMA Nats	AMA Nats	AMA Nats
F2D ³	F2D (cont.)	F2D Fast ⁴	Speed Limit ⁵	1/2A ⁶	Fast ⁷
Triple Elim – Full F2D Rules		Double Elim First Round – Guaranteed Two Matches			

¹ Dinner and meeting at AMA HQ

² Event run per MACA Team Selection procedures

³ F2D – current FAI rules

⁴ F2D Fast – AMA 328 with 2010 or later F2D equipment

⁵ Speed Limit – unofficial event – 75mph speed limit, AMA 329 scoring

⁶ 1/2A – AMA 330 on 42' lines

⁷ Fast – AMA 328 “big block” fast combat

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