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THE CONTROL LINE COMBAT NEWSLETTER OF NEW ENGLAND



Jeff Vader-Franklin, NH

First Place-Wingbuster Invitational

Advanced Champion-2nd Overall-New England GX Season Points

Third Place MACA Top Twenty

A very successful 2006 Season

2007 CONTEST SCHEDULE
This is a work in progress
All GX Combat unless noted otherwise
All dates are tentative

4/15	Middlesex, NJ – Speed Limit and 1/2A
4/22	
4/29	Wompatuck Ice Breaker - Hingham, MA
5/5&6	Wingbuster Spring Kick Off - Middleboro, MA (Formula GX-Saturday and F2D Combat-Sunday)
5/13	Mother's Day
5/20	Granite State Invitational – Franklin, NH
5/26&27	Ron Connors Memorial Spring Stunt Trials - Wrentham, MA (Formula GX-Saturday and F2D Combat-Sunday)
6/3	
6/10	Eastern Mass Invitational - Kingston, MA
6/17	
6/24	Len Minick Memorial Combat Challenge – East Hampton, CT
7/1	
7/9-14	U.S Nats F2D/Speed Limit/1/2A/Fast
7/22	
7/29	Granite State Championships – Franklin, NH
8/5	East Coast Championships – Hershey, PA (1/2A and Speed Limit Combat)
8/11&12	Eastern Mass Championships - Middleboro, MA (Formula GX Saturday and F2D Combat Sunday)
8/19	
8/26	Salmon River Shootout - East Hampton, CT
9/2	New England Championships - Worcester, MA
9/9	
9/16	Middlesex, NJ – Speed Limit and 1/2A
9/23	
9/30	Wompatuck Invitational - Hingham, MA
10/7	North County Shootout - Leominster, MA
10/14	Fall Finale - Worcester, MA
10/21	The Last Shootout - F2D Combat - Hingham, MA
10/28	
11/4	Wompatuck Fall Fly-Off / Post Season Contest - Hingham, MA

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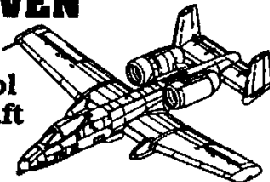
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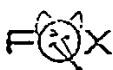
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F2D News

Mark Rudner
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If I had to sum up the recent conditions in Boston with one word, it would have to be ``glacial." I was hoping to get to do a little flying this long President's day weekend, but mother nature put a stop to that pretty harshly. A recent snow storm followed by rain then extremely cold temperatures has left the city covered in a giant sheet of ice. I guess now we know how those wooly mammoths feel.

When conditions are like this, sometimes it's hard to imagine that things will ever be nice enough to fly again. However, there are places in this country where the weather is good and the first signs of the new season are already popping up. In fact, even as we speak the Jacksonville Flying Rebels in Jacksonville, Florida are preparing to host their first major F2D competition of recent years. The contest will be at Herlong Airport in Jacksonville, FL on April 14 and 15 of this year. Cash prizes will be awarded based on attendance.

It's really exciting to see more competitions springing up around the country. I know these guys are putting in a lot of work to try to make this a first class competition. I'm planning to be there, and I hope as many of you as possible will find your way there to show them your support by competing. There's been a lot of talk in recent years about how we need to see growth in our combat ranks. This is the real deal, so let's enjoy it and make something of it.

Once you realize that you should go, you can call Bill Duane for more information and directions (email: weduane@bellsouth.net, tel: (904) 422-1519). And remember, cash prizes claimed on or after April 15 don't have to be reported until next year's tax return.
(contest flyer on next page)



The photo above is Ken Hargreave's "Sweet Sweep" - From time to time Ken likes to build an older design - The "Sweet Sweep" finished second at the 1956 Nats

Florida F2D Flying Frenzy

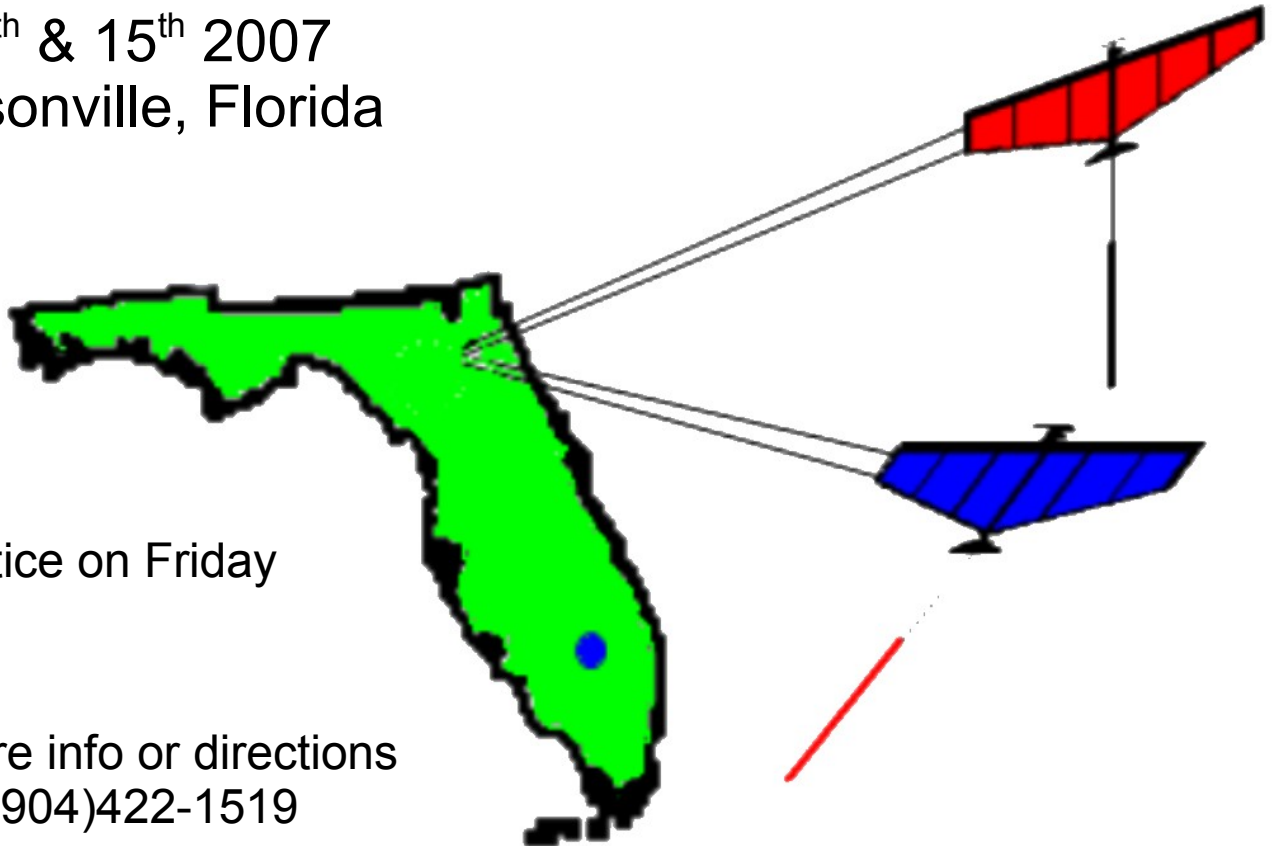
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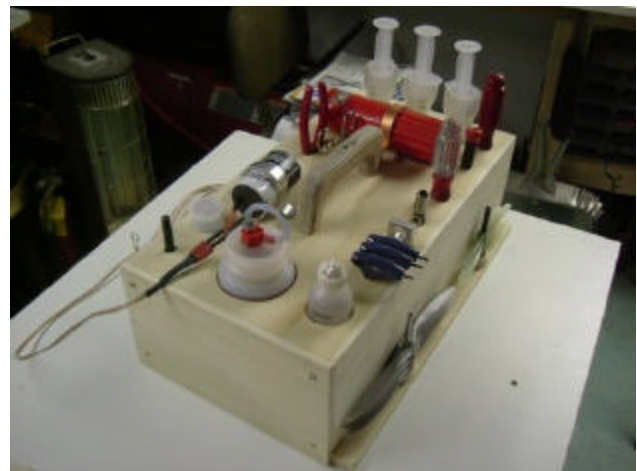
Winter Projects

That's "Kitty" the cat - "Kitty is in charge of quality control at Jim Carpenter's workshop - Kitty has given Jim's Mustang her seal of approval.



Below and to the right is one of Brian Stas' winter projects - Brian wanted one pit box to handle both F2D and GX events. The basic design was inspired by Ken Hargreave's 2006 pit box which had its' roots in a Louis Lopez design.

The box to the right, in the background, is for Jeff Vader. Jeff will add his own holes to suit his hardware.



Rumors Facts Etc

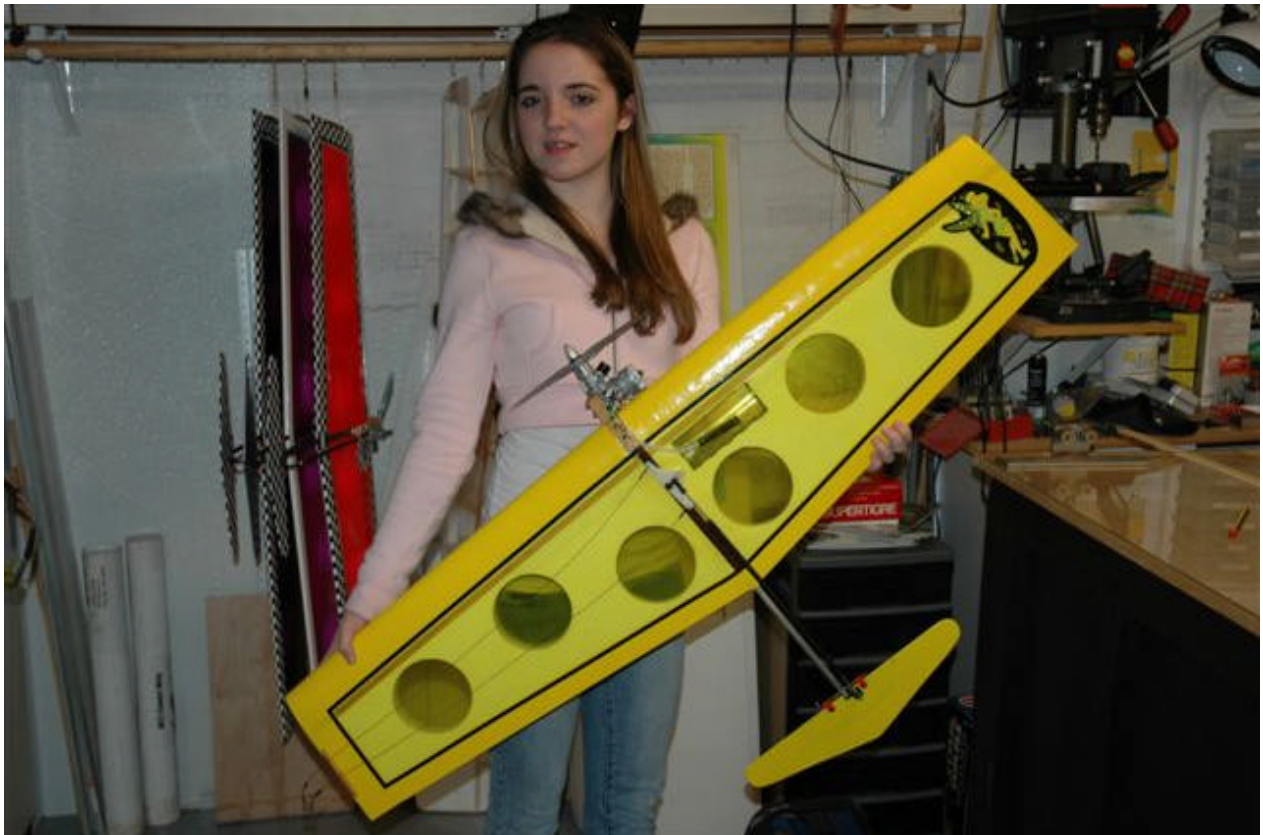
KEN HARGREAVES: Ken recently came by NECN headquarters and dropped off 200 professionally cut and tied F2D streamers-a very generous donation to the cause.

CONTESTS: Check out the schedule on page two - Rick Clark sends word that the Middleboro, MA and Hingham, MA dates look definite. Jeff Vader has approval for the Franklin, NH dates. Also note that the Ron Connor's Memorial, in Wrentham, MA, has been moved to Memorial Day weekend. We will run GX on Saturday May 26th and F2D will be added this year on Sunday May 27th. The District I Championships for F2D Combat, normally held this weekend, will be moved to a date later in the season.

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Date	Payee	Category	Amount
8/1/06	Balance		334.00
8/12/06	Eastern Mass Championships	Trophy Expense	(128.00)
8/12/06	Eastern Mass Championships	Entry Fees	140.00
8/27/06	Salmon River Shootout	Trophy Expense	(80.00)
8/27/06	Salmon River Shootout	Entry Fees	90.00
8/27/06	Ray DuFour	Contribution	35.00
8/27/06	Vinnie Langella	Contribution	25.00
9/4/06	New England Championships	Trophy Expense	(330.00)
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9/4/06	New England Championships	T-shirts	(192.00)
9/10/06	Colchester Combat Challenge	Trophy Expense	(80.00)
9/10/06	Colchester Combat Challenge	Permit/Sanction Exp	(45.00)
9/24/06	Mass Cup Championship	Trophy Expense	(129.00)
9/24/06	Mass Cup Championship	Entry Fees	160.00
10/1/06	Wingbuster Invitational	Trophy Expense	(83.00)
10/1/06	Wingbuster Invitational	Entry Fees	80.00
10/8/06	North County Shootout	Trophy Expense	(83.00)
10/8/06	North County Shootout	Entry Fees	90.00
10/8/06	North County Shootout	Permit/Sanction Exp	(25.00)
10/8/06	Len Thibault	Contribution	20.00
10/15/06	Paul Arsenault	Contribution	100.00
10/15/06	Brian Stas	Contribution	319.00
10/15/06	Fall Finale	Trophy Expense	(83.00)
10/15/06	Fall Finale	Entry Fees	110.00
10/15/06	Fall Finale	T-shirts	(156.00)
10/23/06	Wingbuster Fall Shootout	Trophy Expense	(83.00)
10/23/06	Wingbuster Fall Shootout	Entry Fees	60.00
11/4/06	Roy Glenn	Contribution	20.00
11/5/06	Paul Kubek	Contribution	40.00
11/5/06	Wompatuck Fall Fly Off	Trophy Expense	(83.00)
11/5/06	Wompatuck Fall Fly Off	Entry Fees	90.00
11/5/06	Season Ending Awards	Trophy Expense	(211.00)
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