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Len Minick Memorial Combat Challenge

**NEIL SIMPSON, CHRIS SARNOWSKI
& DAVE PARIZO
ARE TOP THREE**

SPORTSMAN TO JAKE VADER

JUNE 28, 2009 – EAST HAMPTON, CT – This was the sixth annual Len Minick Memorial Combat Challenge held in tribute to and in memory of our good friend and fellow competitor. The weather was partly cloudy, warm and humid with a threat of rain that, thankfully, never materialized. Seven contestants made the trip to the Salmon River State Forest and enjoyed a day of very competitive combat.

Round one saw Dave Parizo and Neil Simpson get off to a good starts each posting two cut wins. Dave and Neil, faced off in round two and after some good action early, a mid air ended things. Meanwhile, Chris Sarnowski was posting his second good win, this one, a two cut to one victory over Glenn Simpson. This gave Chris the contest lead heading into round three. In round three Neil and Chris had a good match with Neil squeaking out a one cut win. In the round four semi-final match Dave and Chris had a war with Dave prevailing two cuts to one. In the final Neil faced off against Paul Kubek and squeaked out, yet another, one cut victory. When the dust settled the final order of finish was Neil, Chris and Dave. The sportsman division winner was Jake Vader from Franklin, New Hampshire.

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Ron Connors Memorial

**NEIL SIMPSON, JOE FUSTOLO
AND JEFF VADER ARE TOP THREE
SPORTSMAN TO RICHARD SHERMAN**

JULY 12, 2009-WRENTHAM, MA-This weekend marked the annual running of “Ron Connors Memorial Stunt Trials”. This year the New England Stunt Team, again, invited the New England Combat Association to run a combat contest as part of their fine event. A Formula GX event was scheduled and twelve combat pilots were on hand to accept their generous invitation.

Round one saw Jim Carpenter and Paul Kubek get off to fast starts posting two cut wins. Neil Simpson and Joe Fustolo were just off that pace with one cut 620 point wins. In round two Jim and Paul faced each other in a match that, unfortunately, ended in a mid air early. In the next match Neil earned a one cut win over Joe in a well flown match. Meanwhile Glenn Simpson, Brian Stas and Jeff Vader were all putting in good round two wins to move into contention. In round three Neil earned a one cut win over Glenn while Joe was getting past Paul, also, with a one cut win. Round three also saw Brian and Jeff fly to a 410 point draw. Also, in round three Dick Sherman posted his second good win, this one over Matt Stas. Going into round four it was Neil (1860pts), Joe (1540pts), Brian (1440pts), Dick (1340pts), Jeff (1335pts), Glenn (1330pts) and Paul (1225pts). In the third to last match of the contest Jeff got a two cut win over Glenn in a match that ended late in a mid-air. In the semi final match Joe got an airtime win over Dick and Neil did the same against Brian in the finals. The final order of finish was Neil, Joe, Jeff, Paul with Brian and Chris tied for fifth. Young Richard Sherman got past Jake Vader to take home the sportsman “gold”..

Thank you, as always, to all the people who shared the judging responsibilities, to Rick Clark for all his great work and a special thank you to the New England Stunt Team for asking us to be part of their contest.

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SALMON RIVER (continued from page one)

Thank You, to everyone who participated and to those who shared in the judging. A special thank you to Ernie Carosella who acted as head judge for the majority of the matches. It was great to see Ernie again and also Dave Parizo, who was competing for the first time in a long time. Dave is a great pilot and certainly showed no signs of any rust.

Len Minick Memorial Combat Challenge
7 contestants (5 from MA) (2 from NH)
14 matches (2 mid airs)

(E) Neil Simpson-E.Brookfield, MA	2165pts
(A) Chris Sarnowski-Brookline, MA	1845pts
(E) Dave Parizo-Easthampton, MA	1650pts
(E) Glenn Simpson-Worcester, MA	1540pts
(A) Paul Kubek-Brockton, MA	1525pts
(S) Jake Vader-Franklin, NH	1220pts
(E) Jeff Vader-Franklin, NH	800pts

Ron Connors Memorial Stunt Trials
Formula GX Combat
Twelve Contestants (9 from MA)(3 from NH)
24 matches (2 mid-air)

(E) Neil Simpson-E.Brookfield, MA	2380pts
(E) Joe Fustolo-Stoughton, MA	2060pts
(E) Jeff Vader-Franklin, NH	1840pts
(A) Paul Kubek-Brockton, MA	1735pts
(E) Brian Stas-Kingston, MA	1640pts
(A) Chris Sarnowski-Brookline, MA	1640pts
(E) Glenn Simpson-Worcester, MA	1630pts
(E) Jim Carpenter-Salem, NH	1545pts
(E) Dick Sherman-Andover, MA	1540pts
(S) Richard Sherman-Andover, MA	1535pts
(A) Matt Stas-Kingston, MA	1525pts
(S) Jake Vader-Franklin, NH	1200pts



The GX trophy winners at the Len Minick Memorial were Neil Simpson (1st), Chris Sarnowski (2nd), Dave Parizo (3rd) and Jake Vader (1st Sportsman)



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Salmon River Shootout

Salmon River State Forest
East Hampton, CT
August 23rd, 2009

Formula GX Combat - Four Rounds
Prizes for top Three plus 1st Sportsman
First Match 10:00 am - AMA Sanctioned

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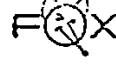
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2009 Ron Connor's Memorial-Wrentham, MA-July 12th

Photos by Jeff Vader



Team Stas—Brian and Matt



Chris Sarnowski and Paul Kubek



Jeff and Jake Vader



Neil and Glenn Simpson



Dick Sherman, Richard Sherman and Jim Carpenter



Joe Fustolo and Dick Sherman

GX Action at the Len Minick Memorial-June 28th, 2009

Jeff Vader Photos



Dave Parizo, Jonathan Parizo and Chris Sarnowski



Ouch !



Jake Vader and Paul Kubek



Glenn Simpson and Jeff Vader



Tight GX Action

NECN CONTEST FUND

12/1/08 thru 7/15/09

Date	Payee	Category	Amount	Running Total
12/1/2008	balance		\$406.00	\$406.00
12/30/2008	Roy Glenn	contribution	\$20.00	\$426.00
2/24/2009	Will Rogers	contribution	\$75.00	\$501.00
3/7/2009	Streamer String - 5 Rolls	Streamer Expense	-\$11.00	\$490.00
3/14/2009	New England Championships	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$125.00	\$365.00
3/14/2009	Fall Finale	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$125.00	\$240.00
3/27/2009	Jim Carpenter	contribution	\$50.00	\$290.00
4/4/2009	Salmon River contests (2)	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$115.00	\$175.00
4/11/2009	New Hampshire contests (2)	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$50.00	\$125.00
4/17/2009	Brian Stas	contribution	\$120.00	\$245.00
5/16/2009	Eastern Mass Championships	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$210.00	\$35.00
5/17/2009	Wingbuster Sanctions	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$120.00	-\$85.00
5/17/2009	Glenn Simpson	contribution	\$50.00	-\$35.00
5/17/2009	Paul Kubek	contribution	\$10.00	-\$25.00
5/17/2009	Chris Sarnowski	contribution	\$10.00	-\$15.00
5/17/2009	Granite State Invitational	entry fees	\$70.00	\$55.00
5/17/2009	Granite State Invitational	trophy expense	-\$72.00	-\$17.00
5/18/2009	Ernie Carosella	contribution	\$20.00	\$3.00
6/7/2009	Eastern Mass Invitational	entry fees	\$130.00	\$133.00
6/7/2009	Eastern Mass Invitational	trophy expense	-\$126.00	\$7.00
6/7/2009	Joe Fustolo	contribution	\$40.00	\$47.00
6/7/2009	Brian Stas	contribution	\$10.00	\$57.00
6/8/2009	Gregory Wornell	contribution	\$100.00	\$157.00
6/14/2009	Granite State Championships	trophy expense	-\$72.00	\$85.00
6/14/2009	Granite State Championships	entry fees	\$80.00	\$165.00
6/25/2009	107th r/c Flyers GX Shootout	Permit/Sanction Expense	-\$25.00	\$140.00
6/27/2009	Len Minick Memorial	trophy expense	-\$72.00	\$68.00
6/27/2009	Len Minick Memorial	entry fees	\$70.00	\$138.00
7/12/2009	Chris Sarnowski	contribution	\$10.00	\$148.00
7/12/2009	Ron Connors Memorial	trophy expense	-\$72.00	\$76.00
7/12/2009	Ron Connors Memorial	entry fees	\$120.00	\$196.00
GRAND TOTAL			\$196.00	\$196.00



**This pretty stunter belongs to Dick Carville
2009 Ron Connor's Memorial**

2009 CONTEST SCHEDULE

All GX Combat unless noted otherwise-All dates are tentative

- 8/2 East Coast Championships -Hershey, PA-CD Phil Cartier
Speed Limit and 1/2A
- 8/9 Eastern Mass Championships -Middleboro, MA
F2D Combat
NOTE: NOW ONE DAY F2D COMBAT ONLY
- 8/16 107th R/C Flyers GX Shootout-Saugus, MA
- 8/23 Salmon River Shootout -East Hampton, CT
- 8/30
- 9/6 New England Championships -Worcester, MA
- 9/13
- 9/20 District I Championships -Middleboro, MA
F2D Combat
- 9/20 Middlesex, NJ-CD George Connors
Speed Limit and 1/2A Combat
- 9/27
- 10/3 October Air War-Vincentown, NJ-CD Roy Glenn
(single elimination 1/2A and Speed Limit Combat)
- 10/11 North County Shootout-Leominster, MA
- 10/18 Fall Finale- Worcester, MA
- 10/25 Wingbuster Shootout -Middleboro, MA
F2D Combat
- 11/1 Wingbuster Fall Fly-Off / Post Season Contest - Middleboro, MA

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2009 Eastern Mass Championships

Wingbuster Club Field
Middleboro, MA - August 9th, 2009

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

107th R/C Flyers GX Shootout

107th R/C Flyers Club Field
Saugus, MA - August 16th, 2009

Formula GX Combat - Four Rounds
Prizes for top Three
Plus 1st Sportsman
First Match 10:00 am - AMA Sanctioned

Rumors Facts Etc.

CONTEST FUND: Nice contribution this month from Chris Sarnowski . . . Thank you Chris.

JIM CARPENTER: Check out Jim's updated ad on page two. Jim has all the hard to get specialty stuff (venturies, metal mounts, center ribs etc that guys on the GX circuit need.

2009
New England Championships
Formula GX Combat

Boynton Park-Worcester, MA
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