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## Granite State Invitational

**BRIAN STAS, NEIL SIMPSON  
& RICHARD SHERMAN ARE TOP THREE  
RICHARD TAKES SPORTSMAN AS WELL**

May 1, 2011 – FRANKLIN, NH – This was it, opening day of the 2011 season. Eight contestants were on hand for this event hosted and cd'ed by Jeff Vader. Jeff, as always, had coffee and doughnuts waiting for everyone as we arrived. Weather conditions were seasonably warm, sunny with a light breeze. A great day for combat.

Round one saw Brian Stas and Jeff Vader take the early lead both posting 620 point wins. In round two they squared off against each other and flew to what would have been a one cut apiece draw had it not been for a mid-air right at the end. Meanwhile both Dick and young Richard Sherman used good round two wins to climb into contention. At the halfway point Dick led the way with five other guys within a handful of points. In Round three there were three fairly low scoring matches, amongst the leaders, which served to tighten things further.

Going into the final round it was anybody's contest to win or lose. Jeff had 1540 points, Dick had 1535 points, Brian had 1530 points followed by Richard, along with Glenn and Neil Simpson, all in the 1400 point range. Chris Sarnowski was just off that pace, also close enough to make a run at the "gold". In the first match of the final round Chris and Jake Vader flew to a one cut apiece draw. In the next match Brian took the clubhouse lead with a two cut to one win over Richard. Next Glenn and Dick mid-aired early, hurting both their chances in the process. In the final Neil Simpson earned a one cut win over Jeff. When it all sorted out Brian had the contest win followed by Neil, Richard, Dick, Jeff and Chris.

Richard Sherman, who finished third overall, took home the Sportsman "gold" in the process. Thank You to everyone who shared in the judging and thank you to Jeff Vader for a yet another good contest.

Granite State Invitational - Formula GX Combat  
8 Contestants (6 from MA) (2 from NH)  
16 Matches-2 mid-air

(E) Brian Stas - Kingston, MA	2255pts
(E) Neil Simpson - E.Brookfield, MA	2055pts
(S) Richard Sherman - Andover, MA	1820pts
(E) Dick Sherman - Andover, MA	1735pts
(E) Jeff Vader - Franklin, NH	1640pts
(A) Chris Sarnowski - Brookline, MA	1635pts
(E) Glenn Simpson - Worcester, MA	1530pts
(S) Jake Vader - Franklin, NH	1210pts



**Brian Stas and Dick Sherman  
Granite State Invitational  
May 1st, 2011**

# ***2011 CONTEST SCHEDULE***

**All GX Combat unless noted otherwise**

- 5/29**                    **Wingbuster Spring Kick Off-Middleboro, MA**  
**F2D Combat - single airplane rules**
- 6/5**                      **Granite State Championships -Franklin, NH**
- 6/12**                     **Silver Lake Invitational-Kingston, MA**
- 6/14-18**                **Brodak Fly-In**  
**6/19**  
**6/26**                     **Len Minick Memorial Combat Challenge-East Hampton, CT**
- Wk of 7/4**              **U.S Nats            F2D/Speed Limit/1/2A/Fast**  
**7/10**  
**7/17**                     **Wingbuster Summer Sizzler – Middleboro, MA**  
**F2D Combat - single airplane rules**
- 7/24**  
**7/31**                     **107th RC Flyers GX Shootout-Saugus, MA**
- 8/6 & 8/7**              **2011 New England Cup of F2D**  
**F2D Combat - international rules**
- 8/14**                     **Salmon River Shootout-East Hampton, CT**  
**8/21**  
**8/28**                     **New England Championships -Worcester, MA**  
**9/4**  
**9/11**                     **Wingbuster Invitational-Middleboro, MA**  
**F2D Combat-single airplane rules**
- 9/18**
- 9/18**                     **Middlesex, NJ**  
**Super Slow and 1/2A**
- 10/2**                     **Fall Finale -Worcester, MA**
- 10/9**                     **North County Shootout-Leominster, MA**  
**10/16**
- 10/23**                   **Wingbuster Shootout-Middleboro, MA**  
**F2D Combat-single airplane rules**
- 10/30**                   **GX Fall Fly-Off / Post Season Contest - Middleboro, MA**

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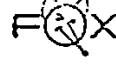
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## **F2D News - May 2011**

**Mark Rudner**

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**BIG ANNOUNCEMENT:** The 2011 New England Cup is on! Be here August 6-7, 2011 for what could be the biggest, baddest contest of the year. Like last year, we will fly on the pristine grounds of Silver Lake Regional High School, in Kingston, MA. If you'll travel here by air, get your tickets now and don't miss this opportunity for an awesome weekend of flying, fun (and five dollar lobsters if you're into it) in New England. This will also be a great opportunity for a final tune-up before the Team Trials. More details will be posted soon.

This coming Sunday, May 29, will be the official opening day of F2D in New England, as we assemble in Middleboro, MA for the Wingbusters Spring Kickoff. In principle 2011 rules are in effect, but because I failed to distribute mufflers early enough we will allow last year's legal 8 mm outlet mufflers as well (this time only!). I will be flying with 6 mm, and encourage everyone else who has had a chance to test the new equipment to do so as well. More importantly, though, we want to make sure that everyone can fly and get that adrenaline pumping again. I apologize for the mix up and look forward to another great year of F2D in the northeast!

See you in the circle!

ps - I just received word that the Fly Over Niagara contest in Buffalo, NY, scheduled for June 11-12, has been cancelled. This is an unfortunate blow to the Can-Am combat calendar, as this was shaping up to be a great contest. Hopefully they will be able to run it again next year!

### ***Wingbuster Spring Kick Off***

**Wingbuster Club Field  
Middleboro, MA  
May 29th , 2011**

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



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# Control Line WORLD

Feature Article:  
**DICK SHERMAN**

**The man, his models,  
and his model museum**

by Dick Carville and Dick Sherman Jr.



*INSIDE THIS ISSUE*  
*Fast Foam Wing Fix*  
*Detailing Half A Cockpits*  
*Traveling Smoothie*  
*and much more!*

Check out the April Issue of Control Line World for a great article on Dick Sherman

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## ***2011 Granite State Championships***

**Franklin Elks Lodge Field  
South Main Street  
Franklin, NH  
June 5th, 2011**

**Formula GX Combat Four Rounds  
Prizes for 1st and 2nd  
plus first in Sportsman  
First Match 10:00 am  
AMA Sanctioned**

## ***2011 Len Minick Memorial Combat Challenge***

**Salmon River State Forest  
Located on Route 16 Approximately  
halfway between Routes 149 and 196  
East Hampton, CT  
June 26th, 2011**

**Formula GX Combat Four Rounds  
Prizes for 1st and 2nd  
plus first in Sportsman  
First Match 10:00 am**



## ***Silver Lake Invitational***

**Silver Lake Regional High School  
Kingston, MA  
June 12th, 2011**

**GX Combat 4 Rounds  
Prizes for 1st and 2nd  
plus 1st Sportsman  
First Match 10:00 am AMA Sanctioned**

**2011 Granite State Invitational - May 1st - Jeff Vader Photos**



The trophy winners were Brian Stas (1st), Neil Simpson (2nd) and Richard Sherman (third overall and 1st sportsman)



Chris Sarnowski and Richard Sherman



2011 Granite State Invitational - May 1st - Jeff Vader Photos



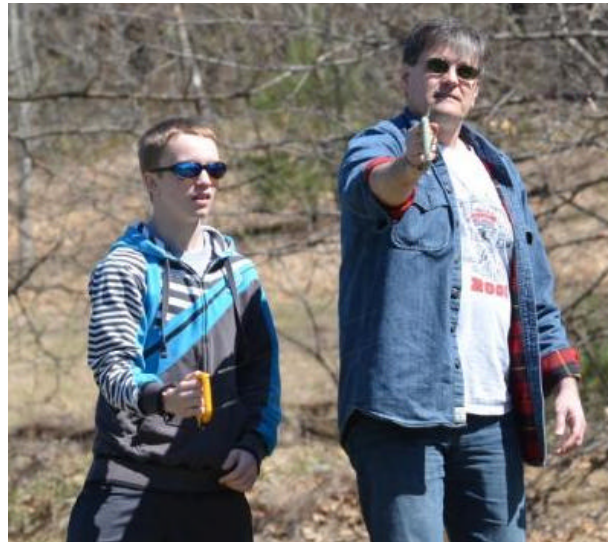
Brian Stas and Jeff Vader



Jeff Vader and Chris Sarnowski



Glenn Simpson



Jake Vader and Chris Sarnowski



The Shermans - Dick and Richard

**From the  
Brian Stas  
Stable  
Spring 2011 Collection**

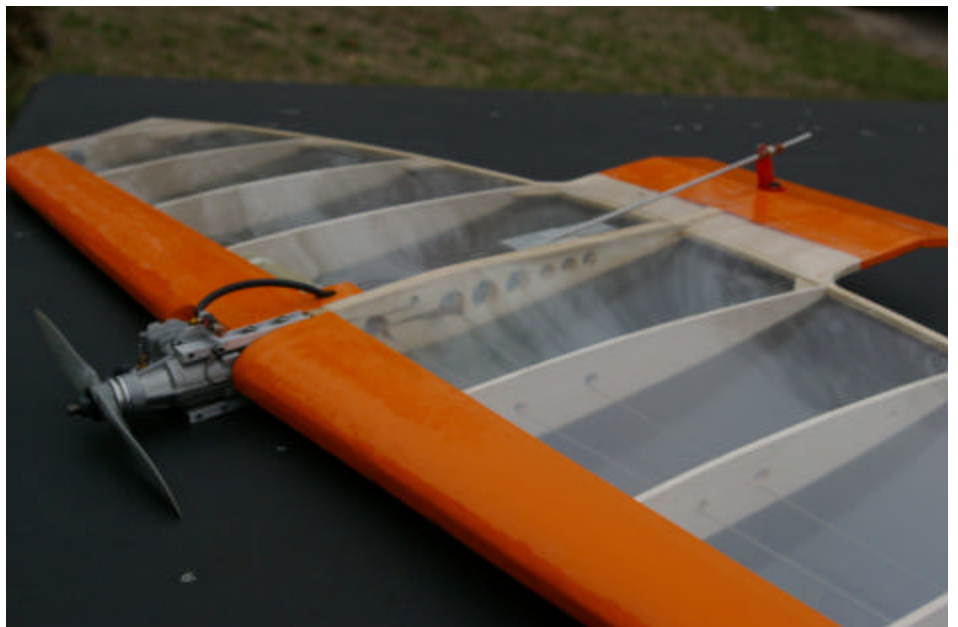
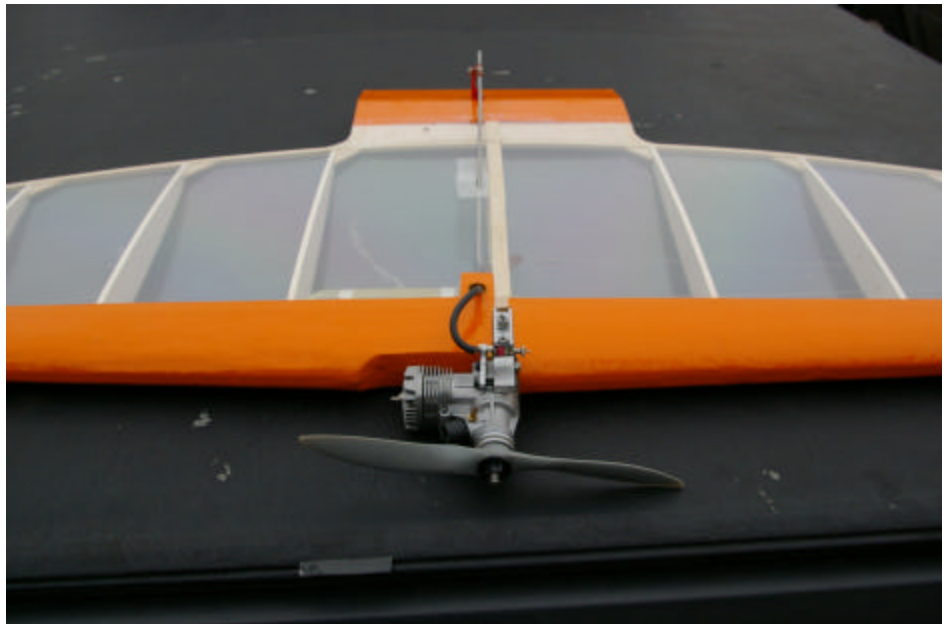
**The GX  
Wakkerman  
Clone**

**Very Nice!  
If it goes as good as it looks  
It should be hard to beat**

***Rumors Facts Etc***

**CONTEST FUND:** This month old friend and fellow competitor, Mister Jim Carpenter, sent us a very generous donation. Chris Sarnowski also contributed to the cause by covering the cost of the sanction for the rained out contest in Saugus. Thanks go out to both these gentlemen.

**2011 CONTESTS:** Permits and sanction applications are in place for the second New Hampshire contest, the two Worcester contests and the two Salmon River contests. The five Wingbuster contests and the June Kingston contest are set, as well. Chris has rescheduled the rained-out Saugus meet, at the 107th club field, to July 31st. Thank you to Chris, Brian and Jeff for all your good work.



**Jim Carpenter  
has two  
“New Additions”  
to his Fleet**

**Double Trouble  
Two Brodak 15's  
46" Span  
34.2 oz**

**Vampire  
OSLA 25  
Brodak Kit**

**both shown bare bones  
and finished**



### Chris Sarnowski's Latest Project

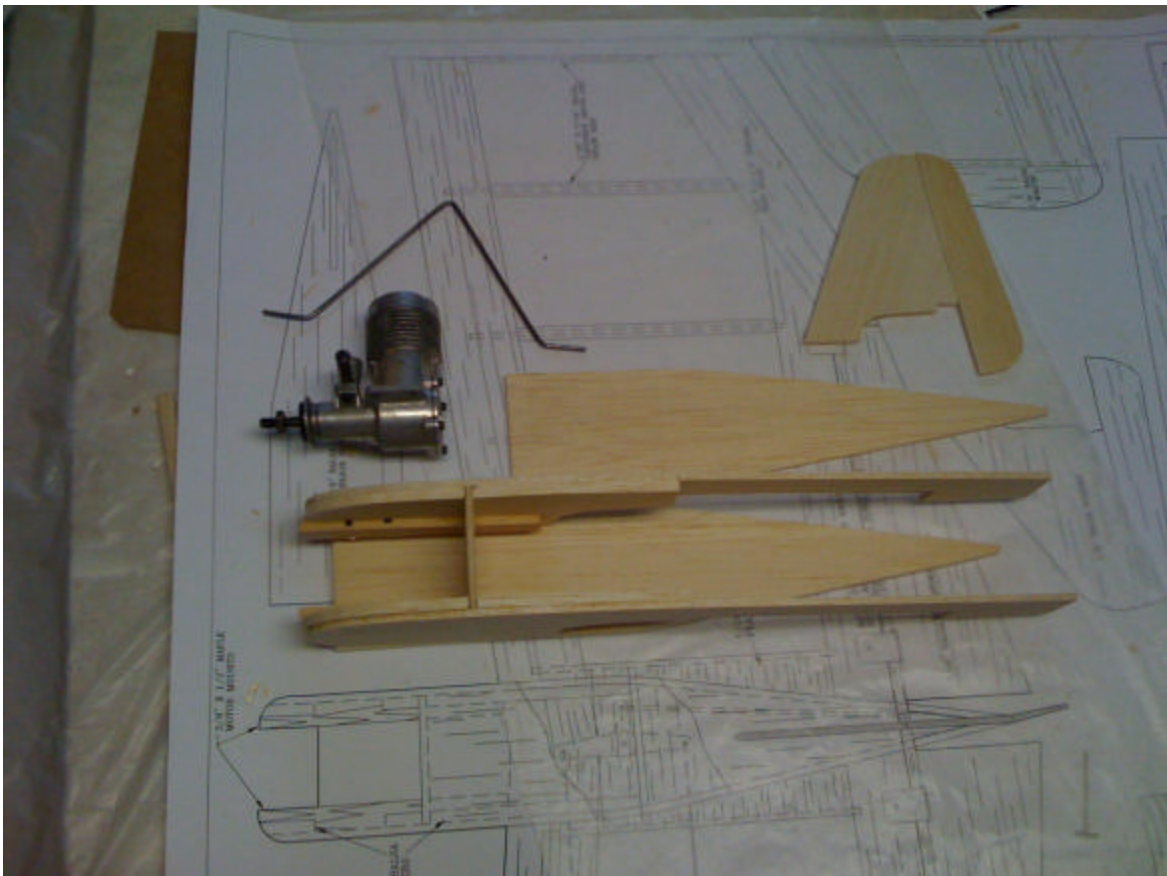
Thought you might like to see a couple of photo's of the Demeco Sportwing that I am working on.

It is Old Time Stunt Legal so I am hoping to finish it in time for Brodak's this year.

I am planning to put a Fox 19 plain bearing in it. I think that is a 1970's vintage engine, and it is shown in the picture.

I should have some more work done soon, and should be able to send a couple more pictures.

-Chris



New England Contest Fund  
8/1/2010 through 5/20/2011

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BAL 7/31/2010			-225.00
8/15/2010	Silver Lake Shootout	Trophy Expense	-74.00
8/15/2010	Silver Lake Shootout	Entry Fees	135.00
8/23/2010	New England Championships	T-Shirt Expense	-218.00
8/23/2010	New England Championships	Trophy Expense	-285.00
9/4/2010	North County Shootout	Permit-Sanction Expense	-25.00
9/5/2010	Salmon River Shootout	Entry Fees	150.00
9/5/2010	Salmon River Shootout	Trophy Expense	-74.00
9/5/2010	Dave Parizo	Contribution	20.00
9/12/2010	Wingbuster Invitational	Trophy Expense	-57.00
9/12/2010	Wingbuster Invitational	Entry Fees	105.00
9/19/2010	107th GX Shootout	Entry Fees	90.00
9/19/2010	107th GX Shootout	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
9/19/2010	Chris Sarnowski	Contribution	20.00
9/19/2010	Ken Hargreaves (Fascal Roll)	Contribution	50.00
9/25/2010	NE Cup Expense Reimbursement	Reimbursement	205.00
9/26/2010	Ken Hargreaves (1/2A Airplanes)	Contribution	140.00
10/10/2010	North County Shootout	Entry Fees	135.00
10/10/2010	North County Shootout	Trophy Expense	-54.00
10/17/2010	New England Championships	Entry Fees	330.00
10/17/2010	Brian Stas	Contribution	20.00
10/20/2010	Robert Butler	Contribution	30.00
10/24/2010	Wingbuster Model Airplane Club	Donation Expense	-100.00
10/24/2010	Wingbuster Shootout	Entry Fees	75.00
10/24/2010	Wingbuster Shootout	Trophy Expense	-54.00
10/31/2010	Season End Awards	Trophy Expense	-201.00
10/31/2010	Fall Fly-Off	Entry Fees	120.00
10/31/2010	Fall Fly-Off	Trophy Expense	-54.00
11/1/2010	Ernie Carosella	Contribution	20.00
11/3/2010	2010 Streamers (340qty)	Streamer Expense	-38.00
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2/22/2011	Len Minick Memorial	Permit-Sanction Expense	-70.00
3/4/2011	Salmon River Shootout	Permit-Sanction Expense	-70.00
3/21/2011	Will Rogers	Contribution	75.00
4/23/2011	107th GX Icebreaker	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20.00
4/23/2011	Chris Sarnowski	Contribution	20.00
4/29/2011	Jim Carpenter	Contribution	50.00
5/1/2011	Granite State Invitational	Entry Fees	120.00
5/1/2011	Granite State Invitational	Trophy Expense	-54.00
5/1/2011	Elks Club	Donation Expense	-100.00
5/1/2011	Granite State Invitational	Permit-Sanction Expense	-25.00
BALANCE 5/20/2011			76.00

# 107th RC Flyers

## *GX Shootout*



**107th Club Field  
Saugus, MA  
Sunday July 31st, 2011**



**Formula GX Combat Four Rounds  
Prizes for top two plus first in Sportsman  
First Match 10:00 am  
AMA Sanctioned**

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