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## Wingbuster Spring Kick-Off F2D Combat

**MARK RUDNER, BRIAN STAS  
AND ALEX ROKOFIEV  
TAKE THE TROPHY SPOTS**

Wingbuster Spring Kick-Off  
F2D Combat (6 contestants)  
May 29, 2011

Mark Rudner/Somerville, MA	4-0
Brian Stas/Kingston, MA	2-2 won fly off
Alex Prokofiev/ S. Plainfield, NJ	2-2 lost fly off
Paul Kubek/Brockton, MA	1-2
Greg Wornell/Wellesley, MA	0-2
Jeff Vader/Franklin, NH	0-2



## Granite State Championships

**JEFF VADER, NEIL SIMPSON  
AND BRIAN STAS ARE THE TOP THREE  
RICHARD SHERMAN  
TAKES SPORTSMAN**

JUNE 5, 2011 – FRANKLIN, NH – The Granite State Championships, this year, drew eight competitors. The event was hosted and cd'ed by Jeff Vader. As usual, Jeff had coffee and doughnuts waiting for everyone as we arrived. Weather conditions were warm and sunny with a slight breeze.

Round one saw Jeff Vader and Brian Stas get off to the best starts each posting 725 point wins. They met each other in round two and flew to a one cut apiece draw and each, in the process retained a share of the contest lead. Neil Simpson and Dick Sherman were flying steady and were not far off their pace at the halfway point. Round three started with Neil and Jeff flying to a one cut apiece draw. Brian and Dick also flew to a cut apiece draw, in the very next match, keeping things close atop the leader board.

Going into round four it was Jeff and Brian at 1745 points followed by Neil at 1655 points and Dick at 1540 points. In the semi final match Neil took the clubhouse lead with a one cut win over Brian. In the final Jeff emerged the winner over Dick, when with things tied at one cut apiece, Dick had the ground come up, leaving Jeff as the match and contest winner. When the scores were tabulated Jeff was first, Neil second and Brian third. Young Richard Sherman, on this day, got past Jake Vader to take home the sportsman "gold". Both these kids are flying very well and making great progress. A head to head match between them ended in a one cut apiece draw and was very well flown.

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GRANITE STATE (continued from page one)

Thank You to everyone who shared in the judging and  
Thank You to Jeff for a good contest and a great day.

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

(E) Jeff Vader/Franklin, NH	2365pts
(E) Neil Simpson/ E. Brookfield, MA	2275pts
(E) Brian Stas/Kingston, MA	1945pts
(E) Dick Sherman/Andover, MA	1840pts
(A) Paul Kubek/Brockton, MA	1835pts
(S) Richard Sherman/Andover, MA	1730pts
(E) Glenn Simpson/Worcester, MA	1420pts
(S) Jake Vader/Franklin, NH	1410pts



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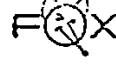
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## **F2D News - June 2011**

**Mark Rudner**

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This past month we had the first F2D contest of the year up here in the recently unfrozen northeast. The weather was excellent, and we had 6 amped up pilots on hand ready to get their combat on for another year of exciting flying in New England. Usually, anywhere in the world I would guess, the first contest of the year is a shaky one. There are lots of cobwebs to shake off, and reaction times may not be quite back up to speed yet. Throw in some wind, and it sounds like a recipe for a high carnage event. However, this year's Wingbusters' Spring Kick-off was nothing like that. Despite the wind, which at times was adding a good 10 miles per hour to the planes, the level of flying was quite high and quite clean (maybe one mid-air, if my memory is correct). Especially impressive was Brian Stas, who finished last year looking quite strong. It seems like the 6-7 month New England winter had no detrimental effect whatsoever on his flying. He's going to be a force to be reckoned with throughout the season. That's not to say that others were not flying well; all around it looked like everyone is heading in a great direction for the new season. In the end, the results were: Mark Rudner 1st, Brian Stas 2nd, Alex Prokofiev 3rd. I'm looking forward to the rest of the season!


In other news, the NATS are coming up. It's not too late to sign up. Alex, Greg, and I are going. It's time to make our National Championships a contest we can all be proud of.

Also, the New England Cup (Aug. 6-7) is right around the corner. Start making your travel/hotel plans now. It's going to be first class all the way; you won't want to miss this one!

### ***Wingbuster Summer Sizzler***

**Wingbuster Club Field  
Middleboro, MA  
July 17th , 2011**

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



# New England Cup

## Double Elimination F2D



**Kingston, MA**



**Silver Lake Regional School**  
**260 Pembroke St., Kingston, MA**  
**Pilots' Meeting: Saturday 9 am**

**Lunch on the field both days, feast Saturday evening**

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For lodging and local travel info: <http://F2DNews.homestead.com/NECup>





**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**  
**AMA Sanctioned**

**2011 Granite State Championships - June 5th - Jeff Vader Photos**



Jeff Vader and Brian Stas



Glenn Simpson

2011 Wingbuster Spring Kick Off - May 29th - Jeff Vader Photos



Mark Rudner and Alex Prokofiev



Alex Prokofiev and Jeff Vader



Brian Stas



Paul Kubek and Mark Rudner



Brian Stas and Mark Rudner



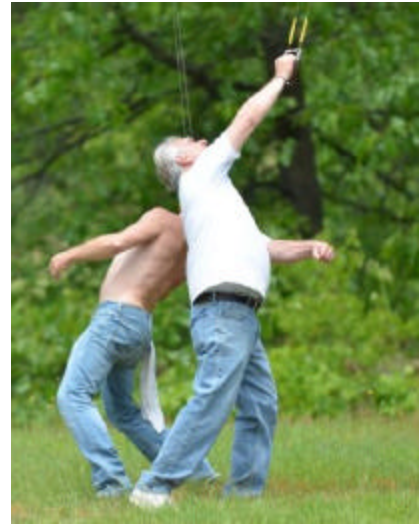
Alex Prokofiev and Greg Wornell



2011 Granite State Championships - June 5th - Jeff Vader Photos



Brian Stas and Paul Kubek



Jeff Vader and Neil Simpson



Dick and Richard Sherman



Jake Vader



The top finishers were Jeff Vader (1st), Nel Simpson (2nd), Brian Stas (3rd) and Richard Sherman (1st Sportsman)

## ***2011 CONTEST SCHEDULE***

All GX Combat unless noted otherwise

- 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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### ***Rumors Facts Etc***

**CONTEST FUND: This month we received a nice donation from Paul Kubek.  
Thanks Paul.**

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 10/1/2010 through 6/20/2011

Date	Description	Category	Amount
	BALANCE 9/30/2010		-63
10/10/2010	North County Shootout	Entry Fees	135
10/10/2010	North County Shootout	Trophy Expense	-54
10/17/2010	New England Championships	Entry Fees	330
10/17/2010	Brian Stas	Contribution	20
10/20/2010	Robert Butler	Contribution	30
10/24/2010	Wingbuster Model Airplane Club	Donation Expense	-100
10/24/2010	Wingbuster Shootout	Entry Fees	75
10/24/2010	Wingbuster Shootout	Trophy Expense	-54
10/31/2010	Season End Awards	Trophy Expense	-201
10/31/2010	Fall Fly-Off	Entry Fees	120
10/31/2010	Fall Fly-Off	Trophy Expense	-54
11/1/2010	Ernie Carosella	Contribution	20
11/3/2010	2010 Streamers (340qty)	Streamer Expense	-38
11/15/2010	Streamer String (6 Rolls)	Streamer Expense	-16
2/22/2011	Len Minick Memorial	Permit-Sanction Expense	-70
3/4/2011	Salmon River Shootout	Permit-Sanction Expense	-70
3/21/2011	Will Rogers	Contribution	75
4/23/2011	107th GX Icebreaker	Permit-Sanction Expense	-20
4/23/2011	Chris Sarnowski	Contribution	20
4/29/2011	Jim Carpenter	Contribution	50
5/1/2011	Granite State Invitational	Entry Fees	120
5/1/2011	Granite State Invitational	Trophy Expense	-54
5/1/2011	Elks Club	Donation Expense	-100
5/1/2011	Granite State Invitational	Permit-Sanction Expense	-25
5/29/2011	Wingbuster Spring Kick Off	Permit-Sanction Expense	-25
5/29/2011	Wingbuster Spring Kick Off	Trophy Expense	-54
5/29/2011	Wingbuster Spring Kick Off	Entry Fees	90
6/5/2011	Granite State Championships	Entry Fees	120
6/5/2011	Granite State Championships	Trophy Expense	-54
6/5/2011	Paul Kubek	Contribution	12
6/12/2011	Silver Lake Invitational	Permit-Sanction Expense	-120
	BALANCE 6/20/2011		45

# 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  
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