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Salmon River Shootout

**NEIL SIMPSON, MATT STAS,
JEFF VADER AND GLENN SIMPSON
ARE TOP FOUR**

SHAYLENE VADER TAKES SPORTSMAN

AUGUST 27, 2006 – EAST HAMPTON, CT – Nine New England combat pilots were on hand for this one. The weather was just overcast to start, however by round two the rain came and stayed.

By day's end the Salmon River State Forest was rain soaked and so were all the participants.

Shaylene Vader jumped into the early lead with a two cut round one win. In round two, Jeff Vader posted his second consecutive good win to lead at the halfway point. Neil Simpson also had a good round two win and was running a close second to Jeff. Round three started with Neil and Jeff flying to a low scoring draw. Matt Stas then turned in his third good flight seizing the contest lead in the process. Going into the final round Matt had 1965 points, Jeff had 1860 points and Neil had 1645 points.

In the final round Glenn Simpson and Neil Simpson finished their day with good wins over Will Rogers and Shay Vader, respectively. In the final match Matt and Jeff flew to a low scoring draw allowing Neil to steal the contest win. Matt finished second, Jeff third and Glenn fourth. Shaylene was fifth overall taking home the Sportsman "gold" in the process.

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New England Championships

**BRIAN STAS, NEIL SIMPSON,
JOE FUSTOLO & DICK SHERMAN
ARE THE TOP FOUR**

SHAYLENE VADER IS THE SPORTSMAN WINNER

SEPTEMBER 4, 2006-WORCESTER, MA -This year's New England Championships attracted ten pilots for the seventeenth annual running of this very successful Formula GX happening. The location was Boynton Park in Worcester, Massachusetts. The weather, after a rainout Sunday, was near perfect, on Monday, except for a strong breeze that was pesky at times.

Jeff Vader got off to the best start posting a three cut win. Brian Stas, Paul Kubek and Neil Simpson were close each posting two cut wins. In round two Jeff and Brian flew to a one cut apiece draw while Neil got a three cut win over Paul to take over the contest lead. Joe Fustolo and Shaylene Vader each used good round two wins to move into contention. Round three started Jeff and Neil mid-airing early in there match to sink back towards the field. Brian got a three cut win over Shay while Joe got a two cut win over Paul to take over first and second place at the three quarter point. Dick Sherman took over third with a three cut round three win while Neil and Jeff were clinging to fourth and fifth. Going into the final round it was Brian (2065pts), Joe (1855pts), Dick (1850pts), Neil (1650pts) and Jeff (1440pts). The final two flights of the contest would prove meaningful. In the first of these Neil Simpson got a two cut win over Dick Sherman to put pressure on the leaders. In the final Joe faced off against Brian. Joe got a cut early but Brian came back with a cut of his own to get a draw in the match and the contest win in the process. When it all shook out the top four were Brian (2575pts), Neil (2380pts), Joe (2365pts) and Dick (2250pts). Shaylene Vader took home the Sportsman "gold" finishing with 1730 points.

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Salmon River Shootout

Formula GX Combat

9 contestants (5 from MA) (2 from CT) (2 from NH)
18 matches (2 mid-air)

(E) Neil Simpson-East Brookfield, MA	2475pts
(A) Matt Stas-Kingston, MA	2375pts
(A) Jeff Vader-Franklin, NH	2270pts
(E) Glenn Simpson-Worcester, MA	1835pts
(S) Shaylene Vader-Franklin, NH	1725pts
(A) Brian Stas-Kingston, MA	1630pts
(S) Vinnie Langella-Meriden, CT	1140pts
(E) Will Rogers-E.Hartford, CT	1010pts
(A) Ken Hargreaves-Worcester, MA	500pts

NEW ENGLAND CHAMPS (continued from page one)

The top four flyers plus the sportsman winner received beautiful awards. Every competitor received a T-shirt to commemorate their participation in this annual GX happening. In addition, every pilot also received a raffle prize which included a OS Max engine, ready to fly airplanes, fuel, props, GRW tanks and T-Shirts. GRW Model Products, J&J Sales, The Corehouse, Hog Heaven Hobbies and the Connecticut Ringer Model Airplane Club all made serious cash or merchandise contributions. Thank You to all these great sponsors from all of us. A special thank you to Ken Hargreaves who donated a beautiful brand new GX foamy as a raffle prize.

New England Championships

Formula GX Combat

10 contestants (8 from MA) (2 from NH)

20 matches - 2 mid-air

(A) Brian Stas-Kingston, MA	2575pts
(E) Neil Simpson-E.Brookfield, MA	2380pts
(E) Joe Fustolo-Stoughton, MA	2365pts
(E) Dick Sherman-Andover, MA	2250pts
(A) Ken Hargreaves-Worcester, MA	2040pts
(A) Paul Kubek-Brockton, MA	1945pts
(A) Jeff Vader-Franklin, NH	1840pts
(E) Glenn Simpson-Worcester, MA	1820pts
(S) Shaylene Vader-Franklin, NH	1730pts
(S) "Lil-Sherm"-Andover, MA	1505pts

The Trophy Winners at this year's New England Championships

**Brian Stas (1st Place), Neil Simpson (2nd Place), Joe Fustolo (3rd Place), Dick Sherman (4th Place)
And Shaylene Vader (1st-Sportsman)**



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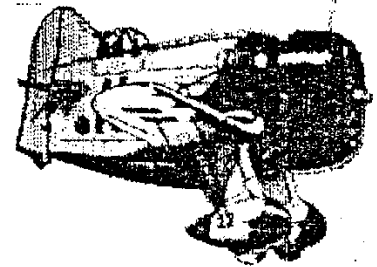
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4/30/06	Ken Hargreaves	Contribution	20.00
4/30/06	Wompatuck Ice Breaker	Trophy Expense	(78.00)
4/30/06	Wompatuck Ice Breaker	Entry Fees	100.00
5/7/06	Rick Clark	Contribution	10.00
5/7/06	Wingbuster Spring Kick Off	Trophy Expense	(124.00)
5/7/06	Wingbuster Spring Kick Off	Entry Fees	140.00
5/13/06	Conrad Wondolowski	Contribution	100.00
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GRAND TOTAL			114.00



Neil Simpson and Ken Hargreaves in a “Battle Royal” at this year’s New England Championships

2006 Regular Season Points Championship (thru Sept 4th)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Total Accum Points</u>	<u>Total Possible Points</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Simpson, Neil Wondolowski, Conrad	86	90	956
Sherman, Dick	15	20	750
Simpson, Glenn	27	40	675
Hargreaves, Ken	53	80	663
Vader, Jeff	46	70	657
Fustolo, Joe	59	90	656
Rogers, Will	26	40	650
Stas, Brian	13	20	650
Stas, Matthew	49	80	613
Kubek, Paul	23	40	575
Clark, Rick	17	30	567
Langella, Vin- nie	22	40	550
Vader, Shaylene	4	10	400
"Lil Sherm"	26	70	371
	9	40	225

Position in the season point standings is determined by the percentage column. The formula to determine percentage is total points accumulated divided by total possible points. Points are awarded in descending order for the first ten places in each contest (1st Place = 10pts, 2nd Place = 9pts etc.) Total possible points is the number of contests participated in multiplied by ten. Participation in no less than 50% of the New England regular season GX meets is the eligibility requirement for a season championship award.

2006 Mass Cup Championships

September 23rd and 24th

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Wrentham, MA
AMA Sanctioned

**Saturday-Formula GX Combat
Sunday-F2D Combat**

First match 10:00 am – both days

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New England Championships

Right: Jeff Vader and Brian Stas

Below left: "Lil Sherm"
and Paul Kubek

Below Right: Joe Fustolo and
Dick Sherman



Salmon River Shootout - August 27th, 2006



Will Rogers and Ken Hargreaves



Will Rogers and Glenn Simpson



The trophy winners were Neil Simpson (1st), Matt Stas (2nd), Jeff Vader (3rd), Glenn Simpson (4th) and Shaylene Vader (1st-Sportsman)

2006 CONTEST SCHEDULE

All GX Combat unless noted otherwise—bold type indicates firm date

- 9/17** **Fall Combat Challenge - Middlesex, NJ**
(**Speed Limit and 1/2A**)
- 9/23&24** **NEST Mass Cup - Wrentham, MA**
(**Formula GX Saturday and F2D Combat Sunday**)
- 10/1** **Wingbuster Invitational - Middleboro, MA**
- 10/7** **October Air War - Vincentown, NJ**
(**Speed Limit & 1/2A**)
- 10/8** **North County Shootout - Leominster, MA**
- 10/15** **Fall Finale - Worcester, MA**
- 10/21&22** **Wingbuster Fall Shootout - Middleboro, MA**
(**1/2A and F2D Combat**)
- 10/29**
- 11/5** **Wompatuck Fall Fly-Off / Post Season Contest - Hingham, MA**

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2006 Wingbuster Invitational
October 1st, 2006

Wingbuster Club Field - Middleboro, MA - AMA Sanctioned -Rick Clark-CD
Formula GX Combat-Four Rounds

Trophies for top four in GX plus first in Sportsman
Registration 9:30am to 10:00am-First Match 10:00am

Directions: Take 104 east to 106 east from Route 24 - Turn right onto Route 105-Go two to three miles turn left onto River Street - Look for gate on right with Wingbuster sign - drive up between corn fields

2006

North County Shootout

Leominster High School
Leominster, MA
October 8th, 2006

Formula GX Combat Four Rounds
Prizes for top four plus
first in Sportsman

First Match 10:00 am
AMA Sanctioned

2006 Wingbuster Fall Shootout
October 21st and 22nd, 2006

Wingbuster Club Field - Middleboro, MA - AMA Sanctioned -Rick Clark-CD
1/2A Combat - Double Elimination
F2D-Mark's Single Airplane Rules
1/2A-Saturday and F2D-Sunday

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Formula GX - Four Rounds

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