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Presidential Notes

Hello everyone,

The first race of the NMPRA Championship Series is now history. That race was held in Phoenix in February. Congratulations to Dave Shadel for taking first place; you couldn't tell that he had taken any time away. A full report of the race will be found in Travis Flynn's article.

The second NMPRA Championship Series race is scheduled for April 22nd and April 23rd in Fort Lauderdale FL; I hope to see many of you there. I know that there is a conflict with a race scheduled at the Basin on the same dates. This is unfortunate, but both races were scheduled early; the problem seems to be that both sites belong to the local parks, and they have limited numbers of times when they can schedule events.

Since some people have asked, let me again mention that the Gold Cup Series is no more, but we're continuing on with the same format under the NMPRA Championship Series banner.

Let me also mention that we have added one more race to the series for 2006. This race will be held on September 16th and 17th in Wichita Fall, TX. I understand that they have an excellent flying site and outstanding course equipment so it should be a great race. We will have a race flyer in the near future.

NEW MEMBERS

I want to welcome and recognize the following new members. If you know any of these people, please be sure to thank them for joining the NMPRA and helping to support pylon racing. We need more members, both young and not so young.

Mark Mellott of AZ

Michael Poulin of FL

Roger Forgeron of AZ

Mark Warning of WI

I also wish to welcome back the following member who has returned after several years.

John Jennings of TX

Thanks for joining us.

NMPRA DUES

Have you paid them? Do we have the correct contact information for you? I sent out an email to a number of 2005 members who placed in the top 20 in one or more of our points events and was surprised to see how many were returned due to bad addresses.

NATIONAL POINTS

Just to let everyone know, we have a small group that is working on our points system to better refine it. You can review the current rules on our web site, but understand a few changes may be in order.

One area we need to address is how to separate the 424 and 428 points. Last year we broke out 424 so that those fliers could be recognized, and I have received nothing but good reports from those people. We now have a situation where many clubs are holding 424 races only, and some of our regular 428 and 422 members are entering those events to help support the hosting clubs and because it is the only game in town. Under the current rules, as created by Bill Vargas last year, those regular 422 or 428 fliers are not allowed to accumulate 424 national points. While I agree that they shouldn't earn 424 points, we do need to recognize their efforts in some way; perhaps we should count those points as 428 points. To do so, we would probably need to have those people declare their intent. I have polled the district vice-presidents for their thoughts and have received a few responses, but I would like to get more input. Care to share your thoughts?

NEW SECRETARY/TREASURER

David Doyle has volunteered to be the new NMPRA Secretary/Treasurer, thanks David. We met while in Phoenix for the Q-40 series race in February, and I

turned over the check book and the NMPRA records to David. He is now up to speed and everything is running smoothly. The contact information for David is as follows:

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I am pleased to announce that PowerMaster has signed up to continue their support for the series with fuel for racing and Friday practice.

I also want to welcome our new sponsor, Jett Engineering. Dub Jett, owner of Jett Engineering, has volunteered to help with the funding of trophies for the series. This is welcome support after losing the support of Horizon.

2005 YEARLY AWARDS

Are you wondering about what happened to the shirts and jackets for 2005? Well, they are on order, a bit late due to the confusion on some of the points and then trying to find the correct shirt sizes for the people scheduled to receive them.

SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY

I want to wish Guy Laine a speedy recovery. In case you haven't heard, Guy was injured recently while he and Gino Del Ponte were running engines on a test stand. One of the engines broke loose from the stand and hit Guy in the face causing significant damage which will require plastic surgery. The bottom line is to be careful and get behind that running engine as quickly as possible.

TOUCHY SUBJECTS

Is your engine legal, you know, stock with no changes other than the approved substitutions? Some of our members question this, and the talk goes on and on. How do we make sure? For openers, it has been suggested that all engines on winning airplanes, that is all winners of trophies including fast time, be torn down and checked for displacement and alterations. Maybe this is a good idea; it certainly caught one member

in a 424 race last year. What are your thoughts? Ideally, we would have no one cheating, but there is the perception. I need input, please.

This is new one; I have been told of pilots and callers using radio communications to talk to each other. While I'm not sure this is a problem, it does open the door to have remote spotters to advise the pilot and caller as to how they are doing at the number one pylon. That's not a good thing. My position on this, even though it is not covered in the rules, is that we don't need to go there. Radio communication between the pilot and the caller is not needed and should not be allowed. Please send your comments so that we can cover it in the rules.

That's it for this issue. I wish you the best in your racing endeavors.

Bob Brogdon

District 1, Travis Flynn

Well, our district's season is off and running. While many parts of the country are shoveling snow, we are only dealing with a little rain but mostly sunshine.

Sunshine must be the reason our Phoenix Q40 Classic attracts racers from all over the world, literally. We had competitors visiting from Canada, Mexico (welcome back, Manuel), Venezuela (first timers, I think), and Hong Kong. In total there were 65 racers battling for some really sweet Kachina's, again picked out by Jim Allen, including a new style Raven for the fast time this year.

This race has been getting so large over the years that some guys are showing up as early as Tuesday to get some serious practice in. I didn't get in until Thursday night, but I hear Thursday's practice was as packed as on Friday. I know on Friday you might have to wait an hour or two before you even got a test flight in.

Saturday morning started with a brief pilots meeting. Since Jim Allen started printing out the rules, it sure speeds up the process and we were off and racing before 9:00 a.m.

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After four rounds the top ten were separated by only a few points. There were a few guys still perfect though. On top of the list was the man, the legend, “Dave Shadel.”

Now to the best part of the weekend! Saturday night we had one heck of a Texas style BBQ organized by Tim and Jen Lime. The man who deserves the most credit though is Dennis “Roscoe” Cranfield. Can this guy cook or what? I think Dennis cooked up 45 rib eye’s and New York’s. He could definitely market his secret seasonings and retire a rich man. Excellent food and a great time was had by all. I also want to thank Mark Mellott for celebrating his birthday at the BBQ. His dad brought an awesome cake. Most of you probably didn’t even see it. The cake was set down real close to Randy Bridge and myself - enough said.

After all the food was gone, it was time for another great Tim Lime idea: the first annual FAI team funding Texas Hold’em Poker Tournament. We had 12 guys buy in for \$20 each. At the end the money would be split between the winner and the team (F5D this year). We had a lot of fun. Thanks to Doug Killebrew for running the show and keeping the cheating to a minimum except for an occasional “yeah I would go all in.” There were a few of us rookies there that needed some help. We played for about an hour with it coming down to Mark “Radar” Parker and Matias Salar in the final two. “All in” and Radar was the champion; he was also generous enough to donate his part of the winnings to the F5D team. Thanks for the support.

Sunday... We had four more rounds of competitive racing with some definite changes in the final outcome. Except did I mention - the legend was there. Mr. Shadel ran an almost flawless weekend losing only one round to Lyle Larson. He still had a one-point lead

over second, so he was declared the champ.

There were a lot of ties from 2nd to 10th place, though Gary Schmidt and AJ Seaholm would be the only guys involved in a flyoff. They were competing for 2nd and 3rd. These two guys had a great flyoff and battled all the way to the end. Gary managed to pull out the victory to finish in 2nd for the contest.

6th through 10th all finished with the same points. With five guys it was decided to go by times instead of trying to figure out the fairest way to do a flyoff.

Here is the list of the top 10 guys:

- 1st Dave Shadel
- 2nd Gary Schmidt
- 3rd AJ Seaholm
- 4th Travis Flynn
- 5th Craig Grunkemeyer f/t 1:00.99
- 6th Mark Parker
- 7th Lee Ulinger
- 8th Roy Andrassy
- 9th Dub Jett
- 10th Gary Freeman Sr

Again, what an awesome weekend of racing! It really doesn’t get much better. We all need to thank the entire Speedworld team for putting on a great contest for all of us.

There really isn’t much more to talk about this month. Our next event will be April 22nd and 23rd at the Sepulveda Basin. I am sorry to say this is the same weekend as the NMPRA Q40 series race in Florida. Sometimes it is hard to schedule all the events so that there are no conflicts. Let’s hope this series continues and that next year we can try and keep these issues to a minimum. We all need the entries at our competitions. Nobody wins with schedule conflicts.

Until next time, keep practicing!

Travis

District 2, Matt Russell

The PROPS Winter Series is over. Congratulations to Tim Strom, winner of the APRA event and to Brian Richmond, who won the 428 event as well as the season fast time. The racing at Shelton was great, with the Sanderson R/C Flyers club providing course help as well as providing the wonderful site. Thanks to the club and especially to those club members who gave up their time to help out. The complete results can be found at nwprops.com

The Wenatchee date has been moved to September 8th-10th, which leaves the schedule for district 2 as follows:

- April 7th - 9th
in Littlerock, WA— Q-500 only
- May 20-21 in Spokane, WA
- June 16th - 18th
in Whidbey Island, WA
- Early July in Muncie, IN
(2006 US Nationals)
- July 21st - 23rd in Spokane, WA
- August 11th - 13th in Shelton, WA
- August 18th - 20th in Medford, OR
- September 8th - 10th
in Wenatchee, WA— Q-500 only
- September 22nd - 24th
in Arlington, WA
(PROPS Season Championship)
- September 30, October 1
in Spokane, WA

The last info that I had was that the NMPRA Championship Race will be held in Medford in October.

We are continuing to build our wireless race course equipment in Spokane. I received a message from Germany regarding the Cairros equipment, and it doesn’t appear that their technology will be in our hands any time soon. They are still working out issues with soccer and football. Maybe some of you smart electronics types could pool your brainpower and come up with a way to employ RFID technology in our sport.

NMPRA Q-40 Championship Series

February 25/26 Phoenix, AZ

April 22-23 Ft. Lauderdale, FL

June 3-4 Bowie, MD

Sept. 16, 17 Wichita Falls, TX

October 21-22 Medford, OR



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Bob recently solicited opinions regarding handling of points for racers who elect to fly both 424 and 428. If you have thoughts on this, contact your VP and let him know how you feel.

Our next race is at Littlerock, WA on the 7th-9th of April. If you need any assistance, guidance, or just an injection of enthusiasm, contact me and I'll find you what you need.

Matt Russell

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District 3, Richard Moldenhauer

The month of March is almost over, but there's no sign of racing in sight. As I write this, there are three or four inches of snow forecast for tonight. Great for the ski hills but not so much for the flying fields around us. Four of us from District 3 took a break from the snow and attended the Q40 Classic in Phoenix, AZ at the end of February. A good time was had by all once again. Roy Andrassy placed 8th overall and took home one of the coveted Kachina dolls. Atta-boy, Roy. You done good! Many thanks to Randy Dauer, Jim Allen and all the Speedworld RC Flyers club members who worked very hard to put on another great contest. We love coming down to Phoenix to race and take in some sunshine and gentle breezes.

In the last newsletter, I published our District 3 race schedule, but since then there has been a change made by the Regina Windy Flyers club. To accommodate some of the sport flying activities in their club, the race date has been moved to June 10, 11 for Regina. Here is the complete District 3 schedule once again.

District 3 Race Schedule for 2006

June 10 & 11 Regina, Saskatchewan

June 24 & 25 Swift Current, Saskatchewan

July 29 & 30 Calgary, Alberta

August 12 & 13 Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

**August 26 & 27 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
(District Championship)**

All races are held with Quickie on Saturday and Q40 on Sunday.

There's not a whole lot more to report from District 3 this time of year, but I do recall learning a nifty racing tip from Dennis O'Brien when I was in Muncie at the Nats last year.

While assembling an engine, have you ever heard that nauseating "ping" as the wrist pin clip you are trying to install into the wrist pin hole of the piston flies across your workshop never to be seen again? Dennis recommends a very simple and effective way to prevent the loss of the cir-clip when it inevitably goes "ping." Go to your local grocery store and buy a box of the large Glad freezer bags used for storing and freezing food in. When it comes time to install the wrist pin clip into the piston, pull out one of the freezer bags and perform the assembly work within the inside of the freezer bag, all the while observing from the outside. When the "ping" occurs (and it will), there is a very good chance that the pesky cir-clip will be captured within the freezer bag and you can try-try again. Thanks, Dennis. That's a great tip.

Still waiting for Spring...

Randy Smith

District 4, John Williams

no article submitted

District 5, Dan Kane

Well, another couple of months have passed, and it is still snowing here in the Midwest. Hopefully, the weather will make a turn for the better.

I recently returned from the Phoenix QM race where District 5 was well represented. We had the MN crew of Pat Galarneault, Dave Norman, Jerry Elert, Jerry Bednark, and Lee LaValley from Wisconsin. Others included Mike Deneve, Ray Blake, Tom Scott, and Craig Grunkemeyer. My apologies if I have missed anyone. Everyone should make an attempt to travel to this race; it is certainly one of the BEST!! The weather is great; the Speedworld crew is second to none; and it is just a good time. Congrats to Dave Shadel and Gary Schmidt (caller) for showing everyone how to do it. And to our own Itchy and Scratchy crew of Tom and Grunk for taking home fast time. By the way, the top three fastest times came from Dist 5.

Upcoming events:

April 15th at the grassfield in MN. Contact Richard Stiene for information.

May 20th and 21st in Lucasville, OH. Contact Terry Frazer for information.

May 20th Hilbert, WI. Contact George Reynolds for information.

424 seems to be gaining some steam. I would like some feedback from our 424 followers concerning equipment used. If anyone has any district information they would like included, please contact me.

Again, see you at the races,

Dan



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District 6, Steve Baker

Racing is just around the corner in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. Below is the NEPRO schedule for this

year. Note that you must pre-register by the previous Friday to be eligible to race. Please consult the NEPRO website at www.nepro.org for maps to their fields.

Race Date	Location	Event	C.D.
May 7, 2006	Hadley, Massachusetts	NEPRO 424	Dave Fogg 413-593-5454 DF.Fogg@verizon.net
June 11, 2006	Farmington, Connecticut	NEPRO 424	John Hinze 860-677-1688 jhinze@comcast.net
August 12 & 13, 2006	Ellington, Connecticut	NEPRO 424	Kevin Cyr 860-871-8316 kmcyr@yahoo.com
Sept. 17, 2006	Hadley, Massachusetts	NEPRO 424	Dave Fogg 413-593-5454 DF.Fogg@verizon.net

The PGRC 2006 racing schedule is also finalized. Note that if fewer than 9 contestants register for 428, that portion of the contest will be replaced with additional rounds of 424 heats. In a few instances where the weather was uncertain, we have had a poor showing for the 428 event, and to prevent hosting a triathlon of running up and down the field for only 2 or 3 heats per round of nearly identical heats, we will forgo the event in favor of 424. Frankly, I hope we never have to do this, and I personally think the Championship Race should not have this same attendance clause, as it's typically our premier racing event. Please make your plans now to attend and keep 'big-block Quickie' alive in the Mid-Atlantic.

Date	Event	CD	Phone number	Entry Fee
5-13-06	Q-500 424, 428**	Steve Baker	(301) 352-4580	\$30/\$50
		Dan Myer	(301) 251-5284	
June 3-4 *	Q-40 422	Chic White	(703)768-6347	\$75
June 24	Q-500 424	Rick Moreland	(301) 261-7366	\$30
September 16	Dist. 6 N.M.P.R.A. Championship Q-500 424, 428**	Steve Baker	(301) 352-4580	\$30/\$50
		Dan Myer	(301) 251-5284	
October 14	Q-500 424, 428**	Warren Gillette	(410) 799-8575	\$30/\$50
		Gene Bass	(610) 494-4833	

Notes:

* Field is open for test flying on Friday, June 2, after tech inspection.

** For 428, if fewer than 9 entries, 428 is cancelled. Additional 424 rounds will be flown.

The verdict still isn't out on the MAPRA points for 2005. Gene will probably have them by the next installment.

There's not much else happening in the Mid-Atlantic.

Our first Q-500 contest is Saturday, May 13. Hope to see you there.

Steve Baker, AMA District IV Contest Board Member
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NMPRA 15R

District 7, Tom Dobyns

no article submitted

District 8, Dennis Cranfill

Hello from District VIII,

I know it has been a while since I have reported. I apologize, but I have spent most of my time lately with a new job.

It's almost time to go racing again. For some of us, we already have. Since I wrote last, we had a great NMPRA Championship Race held in Houston at Scobie Field. The weather was great, and the competition was better. Thanks to the club for hosting the event, and thanks to Randy Ritch of Ritch's Brew racing fuels for donating the fuel. Also thanks to Randy's dad Dickie for the excellent BBQ at the banquet. The results of the race are posted on the NMPRA website. A good time was had by all at the champ race. Congrats to Randy Bridge for taking the 2005 NMPRA champ title.

Several district VIII competitors including myself took off to Phoenix at the end of Feb. for the QM 40 Classic. The Phoenix weather was classic, excellent racing weather. The turnout



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was very good as well. One of our newest competitors, James Hornsby, made the trip out to Phoenix and had some success turning some personal best fast times for the Q40 event. A returning district VIII pilot, Norm Johnson, came out of semi-retirement for the event. I personally performed terribly, but my intention was to go and have a good time. With my lack of practice, I did not really plan to perform well. I did have a great time, however.

So far we have three confirmed District VIII races confirmed for the 2006 schedule. There will be one or two more. I'm just trying to nail down the dates per field availability. Also there will be a NMPRA series race held in Wichita Falls, TX this year. I'm pretty sure the date will be toward the end of September. There will be more info posted on the NMPRA site as it becomes available.

The first race will be held at TX City, TX on the first and second of April. The second will be May 6 and 7, held at Scobie Field in Houston, TX. The third will be at Wichita Falls, TX in June 10 and 11. There will be one or two more to come as soon as I get the dates confirmed. It is looking like August and mid Sept. or October in Houston and Ft. Bend.

Make your plans to attend these races and support district racing.

See ya at the races,
Dennis

Championship Series and Q40 Points VP, Joanne Coffey

2006 Q40 Points after 5 Races - NMPRA Members only

Championship Race - Houston - Oct05

Phoenix Race - Nov05 (Saturday)

Phoenix Race - Nov05 (Sunday)

Apopka Race - Dec05

Championship Race - Phoenix - Feb06

Place	First Name	Last Name	Points	Fast Time
1	Fred	Burgdorf	418.9	1.02.30
2	Travis	Flynn	405.6	1.03.07
3	Randy	Bridge	288.3	1.01.71
4	Gary	Freeman, Jr	264.3	1.03.22
5	Thomas	Scott	258.8	1.01.63
6	Gary	Freeman, Sr.	254.6	1.04.56
7	Jim	Allen	227.1	1.04.26
8	Gino	DelPonte	218.6	1.03.68
9	Lee	Ulinger	216.0	1.03.01
10	Gabriel	Tahhan	205.1	1.01.94
11	Craig	Grunkemeyer	195.1	1.00.99
12	Dan	Kane	192.3	1.01.20
13	Gary	Schmidt	186.3	1.02.25
14	Scott	McAfee	178.2	1.06.98
15	Matias	Salar	176.9	1.03.43
16	Michael	Tallman	174.7	1.06.59
17	Dub	Jett	159.4	1.03.57
18	Tony	Lopez	154.7	1.07.42
19	Doug	Killebrew	151.3	1.05.03
20	David	Doyle	148.9	1.07.74
21	Dave	Norman	145.4	1.03.75
22	Mike	Helsel	141.2	1.02.19
23	Mark	Parker	140.7	1.01.76
24	Ray	Brown	137.8	1.03.85
25	Jerry	Small	133.0	1.06.19
26	Bruce	Coffey	132.9	1.01.19
27	Dave	Shadel	112.5	1.02.21
28	AJ	Seaholm	109.0	1.05.47
29	John	McDermott	107.1	1.05.69
30	Roy	Andrassy	100.3	1.03.30
31	Jacob	Raquet	95.8	1.05.00
32	Bob	Brogdon	90.9	1.06.63
33	Randy	Smith	84.6	1.04.49
34	Norm	Johnson	83.6	1.04.50
35	Clark	Leadbetter	83.0	1.06.37
36	Norm	Teague	82.4	1.08.20



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Q 40 Points, Continued

37	Rusty	Van Baren	81.2	1.03.68
38	Matt	Russell	76.0	1.05.23
39	Pete	Reed	74.2	1.06.78
40	Dennis	O'Brien	72.5	1.06.91
41	Lee	LaValley	71.6	1.10.05
42	Jaime	De La Vega	70.7	1.04.58
43	Mario	Travieso	69.0	1.08.33
44	Marcus	Blanchard	63.6	1.03.64
45	Patrick	Galarneault	62.5	1.07.16
46	Doug	Houston	62.0	1.05.00
47	Jim	Lime	56.8	1.05.85
48	Barry	Leavengood	56.7	1.10.49
49	Darrol	Cady	55.1	1.06.43
50	Murray	Hamula	53.4	1.05.04
51	Danny	Coe	48.2	1.09.41
52	Gerald	Elert	45.8	1.09.25
53	Dennis	Cranfill	44.1	1.03.81
54	Tim	Lime	44.1	1.06.56
55	John	Perdue	42.8	1.09.04
56	Tony	Pacini	41.9	1.04.48
57	Joe	Llanos	37.6	1.07.59
58	Manuel	Martiarena	36.0	1.08.42
59	Jim	Hornsby	32.5	1.13.66
60	Tanner	Pacini	30.7	1.06.83
61	Oscar	Mijares	29.0	1.06.18
62	Ray	Blake	27.3	1.17.12
63	Matthew	Fehling	27.2	1.05.69
64	Lyle	Larson	25.5	1.06.27
65	Mark	Mellott	22.1	1.14.97
66	Kai	Chandler	20.3	1.06.4
67	Mike	Deneve	13.4	1.06.98
68	Mike	Funk	13.1	1.22.00
69	Joanne	Coffey	12.8	1.07.30
70	Joe	DeAscentis	9.9	1.12.61
71	Melvis	Cranfill	7.2	1.19.50
72	Jim	Perdue	6.4	1.18.21
73	Frank	Wong	6.4	1.12.00
74	Mike	Walther	4.2	NT
75	Drew	Telford	2.9	1.06.34

10	Gary	"Freeman, Sr."	96.8
11	Tom	Scott	95.1
12	Fred	Burgdorf	93.3
13	Jim	Allen	91.6
14	Dan	Kane	89.9
15	Randy	Bridge	88.1
16	Gary	"Freeman, Jr"	86.4
17	Randy	Smith	84.6
18	Matias	Salar	82.9
19	Rusty	Van Baren	81.2
20	Ray	Brown	79.4
21	Doug	Killebrew	77.7
22	Matt	Russell	76.0
23	Pete	Reed	74.2
24	Dennis	O'Brien	72.5
25	Jaime	De La Vega	70.7
26	Mario	Travieso	69.0
27	Gabriel	Tahhan	67.3
28	Gino	DelPonte	65.5
29	Dave	Norman	63.8
30	Doug	Houston	62.0
31	Jerry	Small	60.3
32	Norm	Johnson	58.6
33	Jim	Lime	56.8
34	Darrol	Cady	55.1
35	Murray	Hamula	53.4
36	Scott	McAfee	51.6
37	Bruce	Coffey	49.9
38	Mike	Tallman	48.1
39	Pat	Galarneault	46.4
40	Mike	Helsel	44.7
41	Tim	Lime	42.9
42	Bob	Brogdon	39.4
43	John	McDermott	37.7
44	Manuel	Martiarena	36.0
45	David	Doyle	34.2
46	Jim	Hornsby	32.5
47	Tony	Pacini	30.8
48	Oscar	Mijares	29.0
49	Ray	Blake	27.3
50	Lyle	Larson	25.5
51	Jerry	Elert	23.8
52	Mark	Mellott	22.1
53	Kai	Chandler	20.3
54	Tony	Lopez	18.6
55	Lee	LaValley	16.8
56	Barry	Leavengood	15.1
57	Mike	Deneve	13.4
58	Joanne	Coffey	11.6
59	Joe	DeAscentis	9.9
60	Jacob	Raquet	8.2
61	Frank	Wong	6.4
62	Tanner	Pacini	4.7
63	Drew	Telford	2.9
64	Dennis	Cranfill	1.2

2006 CHAMPIONSHIP RACE SERIES

(NMPRA Members only)

Point Standings After Phoenix Feb '06

Place	Name	Points
1	Dave Shadel	112.5
2	Gary Schmidt	110.7

3	AJ Seaholm	109.0
4	Travis Flynn	107.2
5	Craig Grunkemeyer	105.5
6	Mark Parker	103.8
7	Lee Ulinger	102.0
8	Roy Andrassy	100.3
9	Dub Jett	98.6



District News



Quickie 500 Points VP, Barry Leavengood

It's an exciting time in Q500 racing. Two new Q500 kits were released over the winter. Both are composite painted in the mold wings with laser cut wood fuse planes. The first, available from Super-T www.supertrc.com, is available with either a NACA 66-12 (Vortex) wing or Shotgun style wing. The Super-T kit is also available with a Bill Vargas Racer II wing for 424. The Super-T Q500 fuselage is based on Dave Norman's Seeker and is available without wing for \$47.00 plus shipping. Super-T composite wing kits are priced at \$325.00 plus shipping. The second, the Pacemaker, is available from www.lcsperformance.com. It, like the Super-T kits, has a laser cut balsa and ply fuse. The Pacemaker will be available with foam cores for the true DIY guys, a bagged wood wing or full composite wing. The composite wing uses a NACA 66-12 airfoil while the 424 wood wing uses a NACA 65-12. The prices on the Pacemaker are just being finalized but should be in the \$85.00 to \$90.00 range for the basic kit to somewhere in the low \$300.00s for the composite wing. Both these companies offer an array of racing gear.

The NMPRA will continue to track 424 points along with 422 and 428 for NMPRA members this year. Since I'm the one who tracks Q500 points, I've got a couple of things to say about this. Last year was difficult at best. I attribute most of the problems to lack of a formal reporting system to ensure all results are accounted for and accounted for only once. This year I expect to get results from the district VP's only. I am not going to surf the web or e-mail/call racers or CD's to get results. So if you want your race results included in the standings, be sure they are forwarded to your district

VP. To make things easier, all race results should include the contestants' NMPRA number.

There has been a lot of chatter on the web lately about 424 records. There are no current AMA 424 records. I understand Marcus Blanchard will CD a race March 25th hosted by the Jedburg flyers and will submit Jr, Sr, and Open times as official records. I think this is a great thing and will help promote legal 424 racing.

There has also been some discussion about running 424 at the NATs. I personally think this would be a good thing and would further the cause of 424. Having said that, we must consider the mechanics of the NATs. Pylon racing at the NATs is currently managed by Mike Condon in conjunction with the CAPS club, not the AMA. Mike and the CAPS do a great job and generally don't get the credit they deserve. Running 424 at the NATs would increase the work load and time expended considerably. So let's keep the dialogue open and maybe one day we will see 424 at the Nats.

That's all for now.
Barry

428 Points

3 races from District 2 2 races from District 1

Ide	Eric	258.07
Holma	Paul	251.29
Schmidt	Gary	194.25
Strom Sr	Thomas	177.30
Del Ponte	Gino	173.95
Strom Jr	Thomas	155.78
Allen Jr	Jim	153.07
Burgdorf	Fred	151.09
Lopez	Anthony	141.34
Raquet	Jacob	139.37
Ponek	Robert	132.84
Huber	Tony	114.80
Flynn	Travis	111.07

Bridge	Randy	109.95
Hill	David	108.36
Hegland	Tom	104.33
Leavengood	Barry	101.85
Salar	Matias	101.74
Hesel	Mike	99.69
Tallman	Mike	97.64
Larson	Lyle	87.38
Thordarson	Dan	86.31
Teague	Norm	85.33
Pacini	Tanner	83.27
Leadbetter	Clark	79.17
Coffey	Joanne	75.82
Russell	Matt	73.47
Russo	Jim	70.96
McAfee	Scott	64.81
Freeman Jr	Gary	62.76
Coe	Daniel	60.70
Nalley	Dan	58.15
Hoppe Jr	Martin	43.87
Pacini	Tony	40.19
Coletto	Raniery	38.13
West	Mitch	34.03
Cloud	Wayne	31.61
Freeman Sr	Gary	17.61
Jett	Dub	15.56
Cady	Darrol	13.51
Killebrew	Doug	13.36
Batch	Bryan	7.36
Busse	Ken	3.25
Telford	Drew	1.20
Teague	Bliss	1.20
Albritton	John	0.00

424 Points

3 races from district 2 2 races from district 1

Schelling	Don	82.00
Davis	Stanley	70.27
Enstad	Gale	61.80
Lyon	Denis	21.40
Cook	Steve	13.90



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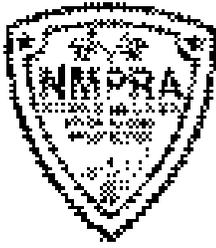
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Jim Allen presenting 1st place award to Dave Shadel



Team Canada at Phoenix
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 Standing L to R - Murray Hamula, Roy Andrassy, Doug Houston



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