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From the President: Glen Spickler - 4208 Santa Cruz St. Bakersfield, California 93307

Here we go into a new year, and it looks as if it's going to be a good one. By now most of you should have your new patches and decals. We have Bud Anders to thank for coming up with the new patch design, and I think he did a great job.

I talked with Ed Rankin and Don Downing the other night regarding the 1975 Championship Race which will be held Oct. 25-26 in Mesquite, Texas. The field is on Hwy 1-20, East of Dallas. Don is Contest Manager, and Ed will be C.D. with Oscar Slaughter. The meet will be sponsored by the Dallas R.C. club and the Fort Worth Thunderbirds. Ed and Don tell me that the plans are being made to have a workers! raffle again as we did in Miami. For those of you that have not tried it, this is a great way to tell the workers "thanks". It also helps assure plenty of help. In the past, the Champ race has been held over Thanksgiving weekend. This has led to complaints from the wives who would like to have hubby home for Thanksgiving. For this reason plus weather problems that late in the year, we have decided to move the date ahead. This in turn created another problem. for the contest will be limited to two days. unrealistic to expect the workers to take time off during the week to help us. I had originally intended to try to include Quarter Midget along with F.A.I. and Formula I. For this race, instead, we are going to sacrifice and have Formula I only. I expect some static on this decision, but it's our only way out. This does not mean we cannot have Championship races for 1/4 Midget and F.A.I. It only means we can't have everything at the same place. F.A.I. interest is pretty well limited to the N.E. and if enough people want it, there is no reason we can't hold a race for the event in the N.E.

Quarter Midget can be handled the same way. If this doesn't work out, we are open to any and all suggestions on how to rectify the problem for "76".

Ed Rankin also tells me they are going to sponsor at least two sportsman races this year. They will use rules similar to those proposed by Cliff Weirick and require front intake engines. The N.E. District had sportsman racing sponsored by M.A.N. last year. We need more of this sort of thing to help get new blood into racing. As I have said many times, it isn't the speed or size of a contest that counts, it's competition that matters. Remember, racing breeds more racing!

We had a very good year in "74"; activity was up as was membership in NMPRA. Let's try to keep it growing....

Due to the Championship race being moved ahead, the Form I point season will end the last of September. The best six races will be used to determine who will qualify for this race.

I intend to make some changes in District Boundries this year to make them conform better to the racing activity. We have had numerous requests along this line and welcome any recommendations you members might have. The only way we can give you what you want is if you tell us what it is. Try to be objective in your thinking; ask yourself, will my idea help racing or am I just trying to help myself. By helping the sport, you will be helping yourself.

From the Editor: Jay Replogle

As you've probably noticed by now, Loretta Hall has bowed out as editor, and I'm the new pidgeon, I mean kid, on the block. Can you call yourself a kid at age 36? Well, anyhow, I'm going to try to keep the news flowing the best I can. To do so means I need your cooperation to make this an interesting paper. Please send your contest reports as timely as possible and plan on getting material to me by the 25th of the month for anything you would like to see in the following issue. I will be sending each issue out between the 10th to 15th of the month. I'm open to criticism as long as it's positive. Glen says it's 0.K. for me to edit, so that's what I'll do when articles get too long.

As a word of background, l've been racing for four or five years on the Southern California circuit. I'll be out here trying again this year to get it all together and, the Lord be willing, I'll not have to build more than four or five ships this year.

Bud Anders has given me a copy of the decal sheet to run in this issue. I'm only sorry that we can't run it in color.

It's a beauty and goes along just great with the new NMPRA patches. I'd like to remind you to get your dues in if you haven't already done so. You won't receive another copy of the news letter till you do. Sorry bout that, but costs are a bit prohibitive for non-paying members. What's a non-paying member? Below, you'll find another renewal form, so use it. You'll be glad you did.

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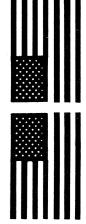


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Congratulations are in order to Frank Szekula, the new So. Cal. District Vice Pres. Humor has it that Frank has been working hard arranging for the awards banquet for the 1974 season. We understand it is scheduled for March 1 at Larch Mont Hall in Los Angeles. I'm sure Frank would appreciate all the help he can get this season. Frank can be reached at home, phone no. 714-9627657 or at work 213-5916844. . . Give him a call.

FROM THE SECRETARY, Bud Anders

IMPORTANT -- PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!!

Don't sweat your new memberships, as we are mailing them now. If you don't receive yours by April 1st, write me direct. You will receive a decal sheet and shirt patch with your membership. Extra decal sheets are \$1.00/ea and shirt patches \$1.50/ea. We Also have a new $4\frac{1}{2}$ " jacket patch \$0.50/ea, and the Pylon Race Book \$0.50/ea \$1.00 postage.

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RESULTS OF ELECTION FOR 1975 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT 94 Glen Spickler Frank Morosky District Vice Presidents North Central West Pat Jones 6 Simon Dreese YSouth Central East Bill Helms 14 Bob Brogdon 7 West Ron Sheldon No Opposition 6 North West Nelson Eddy 5 No Opposition Southern Calif. Frank Szecula 25 J. Silverman Mexico Joaquin Alba 10 No Opposition North Central East Bill Weesner 9 No Opposition Don Downing South Central West No Opposition 4 Adam Sattler North East K. Landerfield 1 14

^{***} CONGRATULATIONS AND THE BEST OF LUCK TO ALL ***

S.E.M.P.R.A. NEWS

By Award Winning Journalist
JIM THE FLASH MAKI

For the thousands of you ... heartbroken by the news that I would be retiring from the pages of print which brought so much joy into your lives, rejoice and be merry, for I have glad tidings for you. It's all true. It is only by the request of your new President that additional poetry on paper, has been allowed to contaminate your first issue for the new year.

I have been asked to write a few words on the Tangerine International R/C Championships, held in Orlando over the New Year's weekend. Unfortunately, that period of time in my life was very much tied up with the many basics of surviving the Flu. It is extremely difficult to absorb much of what is going on around you, when your body is demanding your full concentration on things like inhaling, exhaling, and remaining conscious.

The Formula I racing event was perhaps the highlight of the five day contest, especially for the 25 Formula I contestants who came to Orlando to race. I understand that I didn't win the race, but someone must have. I know Irwin Funderburk didn't, because he was having some kind of trouble with his equipment. Evidently, Irwin had some bad vibration problems and sucked a screw into his sportsmanship in the second round. It completely wiped out his number one sense of humor, and he didn't have a back-up. I know Bob Violett didn't win, because he isn't winning anything these days. Bob did show us all a neat trick though; he's using some kind of a modification in his radio installation which makes it real easy to get the servo tray in and out. He's evidently got it hooked up some way so he can work the thing in the air.

For those of you not particularly interested in the losers, the guys that got trophies were the very same people who ended up with all the points. Bill Preis ... Price? ... anyway, Bill took Third Place honors, with a fine consistent job of correcting us whenever we pronounced his name wrong. Newcomer to racing, Erick Meyers, captured the Second Place trophy and promises to be a real threat in the future ... especially when he gets his own plane, props, engines, and fuel. Right now, he has to share most of what he uses with his caller. First Place went to SCE District's '74 Caller of the Year, Bill Williamson. Bill had more points than anyone else, and certainly deserved to win. He was awarded the coveted Tangerine Perpetual Trophy, First Place Trophy, and 22 gallons of Ramada Inn Swiming Pool water. Congratulations to all the winners, and we'll see the rest of you losers who keep trying, around the circuit this coming season. Many thanks to Walt Schoonard and his R.C.A.C.F. crew for the great race and the jiffy johns right by the scatter pylon. Sure helps things when you're in a hurry.

1974 FINAL SOUTH CENTRAL EAST DISTRICT NATIONAL POINT STANDINGS

(Formula I)

Pos.	NMPRA	#	NAME	YTD T	BEST 7	PC	s.	NMPRA	#	NAME	YTD7
1.	22 T	J.	MAKI	801.9	648.5	2	9.	03R	J.	NICKLES	117.9
2.	48Q	1.	FUNDERBURK	615.9	615.9	72	0.	06 T	N.	HOLLAND	117.7
3.	21T	В.	WILLIAMSON	659.9	566.4	3	1.		C.	COLLINS	103.6
4.	118	D.	MAY	527.8	527.8		2.	868	Bc	. PICHMOND	96.2
5.	23Q	Τ.	BAKER	572.9	522.7	3	33.	20T	Η.	BARNETT	91.5
6.	78 S	В.	BROGDON	508.4	506.0	3	4.		Α.	MYERS	87.4
7.	270	D.	BUCK	456.8	455.6	.7	55.		J.	MCDERMOTT	73.4
8.	0 7S	G.	DOE	467.1	434.4	.7	66.	12T	L.	POTTER	60.8
9.	23T	J.	FEHLING	371.1	371.1		7.		s.	BINGHAM	59.7
10.	69T	$H \bullet$	COLESON	37 0.2	370.2	3	88.	93B	T.	PRATHER	5 7. 8
11.	$35\mathbf{T}$	\mathbf{T} .	POWNALL	323.6	323.6	3	9.		M.	BODENHEIMER	54.0
12.	$56\mathbf{T}$	J.	MOOREHEAD	284.9	284.9	4	0.		В.	STEWART	50.5
13.	042	J.	KATZ	282.5	282.5	4	1.	44T	· C .	KRUEGE⊇	46.4
14.	010	C.	TELFORD	280.4	280.4	4	2.		D.	BROWN	42.7
15.	OlR	В.	VIOLETT	272.1	272.1	4	3.		D.	LOWE	31.4
16.	23P	В.	PREIS	247.5	247.5	4	4.		C.	YARBROUGH	29.5
17.	39 S	В.	SILWANICZ	243.3	243.3	4	5.	67 S	E.	WEITOCK	28 •7
18.	31 Q	J.	STEGALL	212.4	212.4	4	6.	11V	S.	DARLINGTON	23.8
19.	24 T	S.	KOVACH	192.5	192.5	4	7.	18R	Μ.	HOWELL	23.0
20.	09U	C.	BRUNNER	189.0	189.0	4	8.		C.	NICKLES	20.7
21.	04R	\mathbf{D} .	PEARCE	179.8	17 9.8	4	9.	85S	Br	RICHMOND	20.1
22.	57 T	Α.	CHAMBERS	162.4	162.4		5O.	261		THOMAS	18.3
23.	808	В.	JONES	154.5	154.5		51.			BLACKWELL	17.3
24.	878.	D.	O'BRIEN	153.3	153.3		·2•			MISHOE	15.1
25.	220	O •		150.5	150.5		53.		Ρ.	ROURK	13.3
26.	281		LEIDNER	149.0	149.0		4.		E.	IZZO	12.5
27.	N/M		FORD	148.6	148.6		55.		D.		8.1
28.	04Q	Μ.	GRADY	134.6	134.6		56.			VAIL	7.3
CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION CUT-OFF POINT 57. J. GRIER 1.2											

A total of EIGHT people who either automatically qualify, or qualify out of another District, are not NMPRA Members; or have confirmed that they will not race ... have fixed the cut-off point for eligibility to the NMPRA National Championship Race at position #28. Congratulations to all SCE Cualifiers!!

No pre-qualification is necessary to enter F.A.I. Registration for F.A.I. will open at the flying site early Friday morning and close at 8:30 AM. All contestants, including Bob Violett, must register by this deadline as the matrix will be made immediately after the close of registration. Form-I registration will be onen until 12:00 PM noon. F-l aircraft must be at the field Friday morning for processing and handicap judging.

Do not forget to make plans on attending the annual N.M.P.R.A Awards Banquet to be held at the Marriott Hotel, Saturday evening. Everyone is invited to attend. Also, an Open House will be held at Ralph Leidner's house Friday nite; bring your own toothbrush.

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F.M.P.R.A. FINAL YEAR END POINT STANDINGS

	FORMULA I				UGLY STICK	· .
1.	JIM MAKI	402.8		1.	JIM MAKI	543.6
2 🚡		334.7		2.	BOB SILWANICZ	38 8.8
3.	JACK FEHLING	315.8	•	3.	DENNIS O'BRIEN	342.9
4.	TOM POWNALL	262.1		4.		266.3
5.	GREG DOE	240.1		5.	BUCK JONES	247.8
6.	TOM BAKER	206.9		6.		245.6
7.	BOB SILWANICZ	193.4		7.		244.7
8.	BOB BROGDON	155.2		8.		131.6
9.	BUCK JONES	154.5		9.	TED HETTLER	113.8
10.	D. C. MAY	150.5		10.		111.3
11.	JOHN FORD	148.6		11.		109.0
12.	DALLAS BUCK	147.5		12.		98.8
13.	DENNIS O'BRIEN	139.9	•	13.	BILL WILLIAMSON	65.3
14.	KALPH LEIDNER	132.7		14.	TOM POWNALL	64.2
15.	NORM HOLLAND	117.7		15.		60.7
16.	IRWIN FUNDERBUKK	97.3		16.		49.3
17.	HARVEY BARNETT	86.5		17.		38 .4
18.	HAROLD COLESON	83.0		18.		31.8
19.	BRUCE RICHMOND	61.0		19.		3 1. 8
20.	LUKE POTTER	60.8		20.	JOE SOLOMONES	28.7
21.	SCOTT BINGHAM	59 .7		21.	RALPH CLOBRIDGE	21.8
22.	BILL STEWART	50.5		22.	BRIAN RICHMOND	21.6
23.	CHARLIE BRUNNER	46.7		23.	SHELDON STEIN	16.1
24.	ED WEITOCK	28.7		24.	CHIP MEYER	11.4
25.	MARV HOWELL	21.8		25.	JACK JACKSON	10.5
26.	DAVE THOMAS	18.3		26.	STEVE HETTLER	9.1
27.	STEVE KOVACH	8.2		27.	BOB LYONS	1.2
28.	DAVE DONAT	8.1		28.	X	0.0

Congratulations to all High Point Champions in both divisions! FMPRA Year-end Trophies will be awarded to finishers through Fifth Place at the Awards Banquet in Miami on November 30, 1974.

Special Congratulations goes to ace pilot and wuper star (lucky) JIM MAKT, who captured all three divisional titles; SCE District Champion, FMP?A F-1 and Ugly Stick High Point Champion. This is the first time all three awards have gene to the same person in one year. It just goes to show what a lot of hard work and dedication ... (and handling all the points) ... can do for you.

This closes the season standings for 1974. No points are awarded at the National Championships. The new season will start at the International Tangerine to be held at the R.C.A.C.F. field in Orlando, Florida over the New Year's weekend. Good Luck to all in the coming year! Think "safety" and fly fast.

RACE SCHEDULE AS OF JANUARY 22, 1975

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		4	-	Monroe	Formula I	
	MAY	18	_	Miami	Q.M Quickie	Tropic Aero Rules
×	JUNE	7-8	-	Bowie, Md.	Q.M Formula I	Non District Race
	JUNE	21		Monroe	Quickie - Sport Pylon	S.E.M.P.R.A. Rules
		22	_	Monroe	Formula I	•
	JULY	13		Miami	Q.M Quickie	Tropic Aero Rules
	JULY	19		Charlotte (C.A.M.)	Q.M.	
	JULY	20		Charlotte (C.A.M.)	Quickie	S.E.M.P.R.A. Rules
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	OCT.	25		Monroe	Quickie - Sport Pylon	S.E.M.P.R.A. Rules
		26	-	Monroe	Formula I	•
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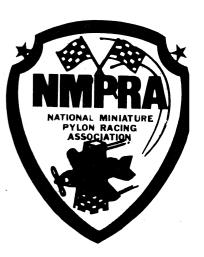
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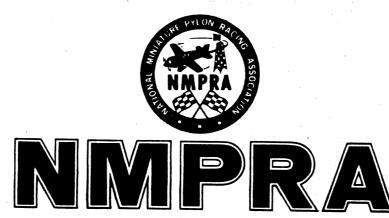
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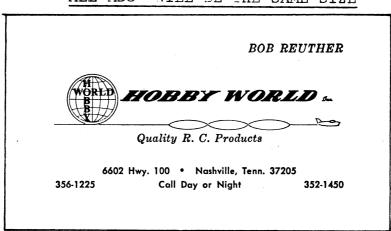
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