FLIGHT LOG

July 3, 2005

# Name	Manuf./Model		Manuf./Motor		Result
1 Cam Aument	PML	Callisto	AT	G64-7RMS	GF
2 Cam Aument	PML	Callisto	AT	G64-7RMS	GF
3 Tom Aument	PML	Quasar	AT	G64-7RMS	GF
4 Mark Beever	Estes	Maxi-Alpha	Estes	D12-5	GF
5 Mark Beever	Estes	Maxi-Alpha	Estes	D12-7	GF
6 George Beever	Aerotech	Initiator	AT	F22-4RMS	GF
7 George Beever	Kosrox	Saturn 1B	AT	F21-4	GF
8 George Beever	Edmonds	CiCi	Estes	A8-3	GF
9 Mike Brubaker	Estes	Seahawk	Estes	D12-5	GF
10 Mike Brubaker	Launch Pad	Martin Pescador	AT	F12-5RMS	GF
11 Mike Brubaker	Scale Rockets	Phoenix	AT	F24-4RMS	GF
12 Mike Brubaker	Launch Pad	Martin Pescador	AT	F12-5RMS	GF
13 Nate Comp	Scratch	7 th Planet Probe	Estes	D12-5	GF
14 Nate Comp	LOC	Mini-Magg	AT	G80-4	GF
15 Nate Comp	Scratch	Purple People Eater	AT	G80-4	GF
16 Tony Comp	Scratch	Tritium	Estes	B6-4[3]	GF
17 Tony Comp	Scratch	Warlord	Estes	D12-3[3]	GF
18 Tony Comp	Scratch	Warlord	Estes	E9-4[3]	GF
19 Tony Comp	Scratch	Gyroc 3.1	Estes	E9-4	GF
20 Tony Comp	Scratch	Cerebus	Estes	E9-6	GF
21 Tony Comp	Estes	Explorer Aquarius	Estes	D12-3	GF
22 Glenn Feveryear	Edmonds	Arcie II	Estes	D12-3	GF
23 Glenn Feveryear	Edmonds	Arcie II	Estes	D12-3	GF
24 Dale Greene	Estes	Super Big Bertha mod	Estes	E9-6	GF
25 Dale Greene	NCR/Estes	Big Brute	AT	G40-7	GF
26 Chris Land	Scratch	Cringing Dale	AT	G80-4[2]	GF
27 Chris Land	Scratch	Emily's Wishing	AT	G40-7	GF
28 Chris Land	Scratch	Target Glenn	AT	G40-7	GF
29 Chris Land	Scratch	Cringing Dale	AT	G80-4[2]	GF
30 Ron Saul	PML	Tiny Pterodactyl	AT	G64-7RMS	GF
31 Mick Spencer	Scratch	Who's Your Daddy?	AT	G80-4	GF
32 Mick Spencer	Scratch	Short Fat Rocket	AT	F25-4	GF
Motors Used:					
Estes – 19		A-1	E - 6		
Aerotech Single Use – 13		B-3	F - 6		
Aerotech RMS - 8		D - 10	G - 14		
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The 17th anniversary of SPAAR's second ever sport launch was held on July 3......OK, that's a pretty weird way to start this report. Sorry. But it's true – SPAAR's second club launch was held on July 3, 1988. And how do I know this, you ask? Because I have a strange knack for remembering useless bits of information, that's why.

This launch might be remembered for all of the G motors that were flown, and for the fashion that Chris Land flew four of them. Amidst a lot of head shaking, Mr. Land proceeded to prove that yes, you can ignite clusters of composite motors with Aerotech Copperheads, of all things. Forget about all of the fancy-shmancy clustering techniques you may have read about, especially when clustering composite motors. Yup, just stick a couple of Crapperheads up there, hook 'em up to a clip-whip or two, and push the darn button. No problem! The whole process un-nerved Dale Greene so much that Chris decided to call the model "*Cringing Dale*". And to prove it wasn't a fluke, he flew it again.

On the other end of the ignition spectrum were my pathetic attempts to ignite a rather aged G64 re-load. Copperhead, squibs, thermolite.....never did get that *Big Brute* going. I did mange to ignite an equally old F22 the first time, though. And I did get a 1/70-scale *Saturn 1B* going on an F21 on what I thought was a perfect maiden flight – until I examined it closer later on. The ejection charge fried the motor mount tube. Gotta love it.

Ron Saul has the lead in the 2005 *John Yost Determination Award*. I thought John had the most determination in finding lost rockets, but Ron may top him. He flew a rather small PML model on a G64 with somewhat predictable results – like a lot of people saying, "Where did that one go? At the last moment someone saw it heading for a tree far, far away. Ron later reported, "I drove back the road farther to a farm. I found a kid around 16 years old I'm glad he went up the ladder. We could only get the ladder to 30 foot because of the branches. Well he was 10 foot short so up he went. I gave him a twenty." Hey, ya gotta do what ya gotta do.

Our old buddy Mick Spencer finally had a weekend where all the stars were in their perfect alignments and he was able to make it to a launch. He took a lot of good-natured [read: jealous] kidding about the fantastic quality of his finishing techniques. One of his models was the aptly named *Short Fat Rocket*, and it flew great on an F25. At the same time, we found that Mike Brubaker is "The Grasshopper" to Mick's "Sensei". Mike's finishing jobs are on the same level with Mick's, especially on a very nice *Phoenix AGM-54* from Scale Rockets. Dale Greene had no problem flying his *Big Brute* [as opposed to mine] on an Aerotech G40. I think it lit on the first attempt. He says he has switched to a new product called "Squiggys". Hmm.........

The Glidermeister, Glenn Feveryear, flew his radio-controlled *Arcie II* twice [say that 10 times fast]. They looked to be good flights, but I recalled seeing Glenn standing at the edge of the soybean field looking off into the distance – and I'll be dipped in pyrogin if I can figure out just what he was looking at. To me, the besides Chris' Copperhead-clustering, the highlight was a model flown by Nate Comp called *The Purple People Eater of Death*, which he flew on a G80. According to his father Tony, "It was a tribute to the DesCon 10 winner (E.M.R.R.), *Flying Purple People Eater of Death*. It actually flew fairly straight, with those spindly fin struts wiggling the whole way. Despite being entertaining, they functioned poorly as landing gear ... two of them cracked. Well now he has something to work on until the next launch." Can't wait to see that!!!!