

Snoopies

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Thank you Grant for the summery (<http://www.avcom.co.za/phpBB3/viewtopic.php?f=62&t=105953>)

Once again an amazing competition at Snoopy's Squadron. Many thanks to the members that patiently waited for us to finish and to those that came to watch.

Driving out there at 5:30am in the morning, the weather looked like it would scupper our first competition of the year. As I got closer the clouds cleared and apart from a bit of wind 15kts gusting 22kts (which pattern pilots have become used to) it turned into a great day's flying.

We had a few new faces, which made a pleasant change. Byron Freeman flew a mid sixties with his 40 size stick in Novice and Hadri Lombaard scored just under 68% in his first pattern comp in Sportsman class. Hopefully we will see them again.

There was a real battle in Sportsman between Hadri and Van Zyl. It is interesting to note that Hadri wins on "normalised" score even though Van Zyl has a higher percentage score. The normalised score is designed to cancel out discrepancies between different judging panels where some judges will be more generous than others. If the same judging panel is used then the two results should give the same pilot order.

The way it works is that if the top pilot gets (say) 60% he gets 1000 normalised points for the round. If the next best pilot gets 30% he gets 500 normalised points etc etc. For a three round competition the best two normalised points rounds count. Got it??

Next comp is North West Provincial Championships on 2/3 February at Klerksdorp Radio Flyers. PM me if you want more info.

Don't forget to buy the March copy of SA RC Modeller <http://www.sarcmodeller.com/> for Byron's article on the Snoopy's comp

Results:

Novice:

1. Byron Freeman 2000 normalised points (65.89%)

Sportsman:

1. Hadri Lombaard 2000 (67.83%)
2. Van Zyl Koegelenberg 1989 (68.04%)

Ray Jamieson had control problems on his first flight and motor problems on his second and withdrew. Dereck Butow blew his ESC practicing the day before and did not fly

Advanced (New A14 FAI schedule)

1. Stadler Brits 2000 (58.61%)
2. Max Buizer 1944 (56.33%)

Masters (New P13 Schedule)

1. Danie Steyn 2000 (67.50%)
2. Francois Gerber 1917 (64.67%)

3. John Brink 1892 (61.67%)

F3A

1. Andre Stockwell 2000 (76.61%)

2. Clinton Carter-Brown 1837 (70.36%)

3. Grant Brook 1739 (66.64%)

So you soon in Klerksdorp or then at NERF (<http://www.gautengaerobatics.co.za/events.html>) on 10 Feb 2013!

Regards

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