



ABERDEEN AND DISTRICT SOARERS

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7, Ashgrove Road West,
Aberdeen.

1983 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year's AGM will be held on Monday 21st November at 7.30 pm. The meeting will be held at 7, Ashgrove Road West this year. As many as possible please come.

AGENDA

1. Chairman's report
2. Treasurer's report
3. Election of new committee. Please note that according to the terms of the constitution, Mike Pirie retires having completed three years on the committee. John McConville and Graham Donaldson are both available for re-election.
4. Budget for 1984
5. Competition report including programme for 1984
6. A.O.C.B.

MAKE A NOTE OF THE DATE - 21st November

MAKE A NOTE OF THE PLACE - 7, Ashgrove Road West

LEISURE FOR PLEASURE

This year the Leisure for Pleasure Exhibition is to be held in the Music Hall on Saturday 5th November. As usual, it is hoped to set up our display during the Friday evening from 7.30 pm. Volunteers will be required to man our stand during Saturday. Models will be required for display. Please contact any committee member.

SCOTTISH NATIONALS REPORT 13/14 TH AUGUST STRATHALLAN

Saturday started with 100S which eventually got underway when the alternative site problems were sorted out. The weather was beautiful with a windspeed of 10-12 kts which gradually increased during the day. With the %age slot/matrix system being used, possibly for the first time at a major competition in Scotland it was very interesting to see that in nearly all the slots, the times were very close and the good air/bad air/luck elements were virtually eliminated. The overall standard was high with Keith Graham eventually running out winner.

Sunday again had almost perfect weather apart from the wind which reached 20-25 kts. Most competitors opted for 100S sized models with virtually all using lead and plenty of it. Again slot times were very close and there were a few mx time slots flown with 2 or 3 models still airborne all going for the spot with less than 5 seconds left. After lunch, the wind became such (30 kts) that even F3B type models were not making much headway. John McConville elected to fly the Galaxy 'Witch' and after much laughter from the flight line, outflow everone else to have a maximum 3000 points before the fly-off. Unfortunately he landed 2ft outside the field boundary on the first round of the fly-off, putting an end to his chances. Nick Wright put in a very polished performance to win the fly-off.

Overall a reasonably well attended competition was enjoyed and considering the wind, very few models were bent. Finally many thanks to Pat Spiers and family for the excellent organisation and for the operation of the computer scoring system and TX control.

100S Results

1. K. Graham
2. J. McGaff
3. P. Spiers
4. A. Lewis
5. C. Sparrow
6. S. McIntyre

Open % Slot

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| 1. J. McConville |) | |
| 2. N. Wright |) | Fly-off |
| 3. H. Curzon |) | winner :- |
| 4. A. Lewis |) | |
| 5. T. Preston |) | N. Wright |
| 6. A. Mitchell |) | |

OVERALL WINNER - K. Graham

SOARING FOR SCOTLAND

Subsequent to the World F3B Championships held in York earlier this year, some modellers in the lowland SAA area have become interested in forming a Scottish F3B team for the 1984 World Championships in Holland. A letter has been sent to all Scottish National competitors asking if they would be interested in participating in team trials. One of the possible locations would be Montrose. All of this is at a premature stage at present, but there has been some positive interest from the Northern Area SAA and also ADS. We will keep all members of ADS up to date with developments as they occur.

TREASURER'S REPORTAccounts for the period 31. 10. 82 to 31. 10. 83Income

ADS membership fees	58.00
Donation (anonymous)	3.00
Sale of stickers	0.95
Interest on deposit account	6.41
	<u>£68.36</u>

Expenditure

Stationary and postage	14.25
Payment of SAA membership fees *	6.00
Bottle of whisky to Mr. Ingram	7.39
Contribution towards gifts for Bert Morgan (retirement) and Teun (farewell)	36.00
Cash in hand	4.72
	<u>£68.36</u>

Membership fees handled on behalf of SAA £106.50

* Free membership was given to Sany Tough as a token of appreciation for the construction of the club power winch.

Balance

Year ending 31.10.82	118.72
Cash in hand	4.72
Year ending 31.10.83	<u>£123.44</u>

TAYLOR TROPHY REPORT

Hosted by Elgin Aeromodellers and flown this year on Sunday 25th September at Darklands Farm, Lhanbryde, the Taylor Trophy competition proved to be an excellent day out. A large tent housed the wives who supplied tea, coffee, soup and eats.

The competition was a precision/duration event designed to give the novice a chance right up to the end - a pleasant change from standard competitions. The event had a 15 minute target time over three flights. The first two rounds had seven minute slots and the third a twelve minute slot. Thus nobody is eliminated until the final round (barring crashes).

The competition which attracted 14 entries got off to a turbulent start with winds of 20/25 mph. These conditions saw the demise of a couple of models in the first round. Times were fairly consistent among those who landed back in the field. After a short break (time for a cuppa) the 2nd round flights got under way. The wind had moderated and the times were up slightly on the first round. Another break gave time to feed and drink and also the C/D Tom Taylor to work out the final times required by the remaining ten competitors. A good final flight by Pat Thomson- matching his consistency throughout the competition- gave him the edge to take the Taylor Trophy.

The main event was supported by an open 1/2age slot competition. This was entered by eleven competitors and all the slots were very close with nobody breaking away. In spite of keeping the competition on a tight rein, it was 6 pm when the fly-off was announced. The wind had dropped to about 8 mph. Visibility was fading and so a four man one round fly-off was the order of the day (or night?). The fly-off was very close, one pilot requiring a relaunch after a line break. Local man Pat Thomson (what him again?) triumphed again.

The prizegiving was held back at the tent with trophies in the Taylor Trophy going to the top nine competitors and the top three in the Open. There was also a trophy for the top placed 100S model in the Taylor Trophy. This went to , yes you guessed it, Pat Thompson.

All in all a very enjoyable day was had by all. The C/D's job was made easier and more pleasant with virtually no complaints. Thanks must go to the ladies in the tent which provides the atmosphere which makes the Taylor Trophy what it is. Thanks also to the Elgin Aeromodellers and the farmer, Mr Silvestri, who kindly let us have the use of his field.

ResultsTaylor TrophyOpen

1.	Pat Thompson	Pat Thompson
2.	Norrie Kerr	John Barnes
3.	Bill Mustard	Bill Mustard

Late News

There is a strong possibility that RADIOGLIDE '85 will be held in Scotland. Therefore your support for BARCS league events is required during 1984.