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— Reggie Paulk

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COMMENTARY / EDITOR'S LOG

## Third Time's the Charm?

Try five!

**AS I WRITE THIS, THE WORLD** Aerobatic Championships (WAC) has just concluded its Program 1 (Known) portion of the competition. Rain and weather have played a major role in shaping the outcome of this year's WAC, but weather and flying go together like bread and butter. Of course, this issue isn't about the WAC—we'll

als title to their trophy closets. You'll get to read about that adventure in a future issue as well, but this month, we're featuring nearly everyone who flew at Nationals in 2013.

New this year are two new regional competitions called the IAC East/West Open Championships. You'll get to read about the competitions and their winners as Doug Lovell covers the action for us.

In an echo from the past, and for the first time in a very long time, Oshkosh hosted an aerobatic competition after this year's AirVenture had concluded. The thought of organizing a competition right after the big show seems a daunting task. But Paul Poberezny's granddaughter Audra Hoy—and her husband, Michael—were up to the challenge. From all accounts, the competition was a success, and they are already making plans for next year. I'd like to thank Stephen Ruby for his write-up and Kate DeBaun for her photos of the event.

No letter from the editor in November would be complete without wishing everyone a happy and healthy Thanksgiving. Please enjoy your turkey and take an extra nap for me, would you?

**IAC**

## This month focuses on Nationals—

be covering that in a future edition of the magazine. This month focuses on Nationals—a contest with decidedly better weather—even though it was held in the exact same place!

In the October 2013 issue of *Sport Aerobatics*, we spoke with Rob Holland and Jason Stephens together for a dual interview that covered the gamut from glider to power competition. Last year, Rob secured his second Unlimited Power victory at Nationals, while Jason had won his fourth. This year was a repeat, and both men have now added one more Nation-

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# IAC Open

## East and West 2013

BY DOUG LOVELL

**2013 WAS THE INAUGURAL YEAR FOR THE IAC OPEN** East and West Championships. The IAC Open East and West are regional aerobatic competitions with a national title for the winners of each category. This year the Wildwoods Acroblast in Lower Township, New Jersey, at Cape May Regional Airport (WWD) held the IAC Open East in June. The Beaver State at Eastern Oregon Regional Airport (PDT) in Pendleton, Oregon, hosted the IAC Open West in August.

Twenty-six pilots competed at Wildwoods. The contest had a late start due to weather preventing arrivals.

Contest Director Craig Wisman kept the word out that the contest was on hold for them, encouraging most to wait-out the weather and make the trip. Competition commenced on Saturday afternoon. Three flights for each category were complete by Sunday afternoon in time for most everyone to make it home in daylight. Long summer days make this possible.

Morey's entertainment and Morey's Piers were prime sponsors at Wildwoods, which has great box and a family-friendly resort location. This is the East Coast contest that attracts the most attendance from



Howard Kirker and Goody Thomas



Hans Bok



competitor families because they have so much fun at the beach while a family member flies, then enjoy all of the good company in the evening. MT-Propeller and Para-Phernalia parachutes also provided support.

Contest Director John Smutny reports that 18 pilots competed at Pendleton. Forecast weekend thunderstorms, mechanical problems, and western fires thinned attendance. Those who made it found excellent conditions for aerobatic competition. Thunderstorms held off until well after the end of the contest.

Pendleton had sponsorship from many sources including Lightspeed, B&C Specialty Products, King Schools, Oregon Aero, Softie Parachutes, Northwest Insurance, Hooker Harness, Aurora Jet Center, Transwestern Aviation, Cirrus Aviation, and David Clark.

The IAC Open Champions in Unlimited are Goody Thomas in the East and Howard Kirker in the West. Goody is well known as a contender for Unlimited National Champion and member of the U.S. Unlimited Aerobatic Team. He lives with his family in Rochester, New York, and flies for the airlines when not flying his Extra 330SC. His flights were clearly superior, the most memorable performance.

Howard Kirker flies with Livermore, California, Chapter 38. He was the 2013 Southwest Regional Series Advanced Champion in 2012, and flew a Lazer, the airplane of choice also for our IAC Open East Advanced Champion.

Advanced IAC Open Champions are Paul Russo in the East and Kathleen Howell in the West. Paul flies with New England IAC Chapter 35. He has flown the Northeast circuit for years, working up the categories and recently started making the Nationals. Paul still owns and flies his starter airplane, a Super Decathlon, as well as his current competition machine, a Lazer Z-230. Six pilots contended in Advanced at WWD. Mark Stewart with his Panzl S-330 was seven hundredths (0.07) percentage points behind Paul. That was 4.5 points overall; half a point score on one roll.

Kathleen Howell, 2013 IAC Open Advanced Champion West, is a leader with the very powerful Chapter 26 out of Delano, California. She was second in the Southwest Regional Series Intermediate category two years running and has moved up to Advanced only this year. She beat seven other Advanced pilots with her Extra 300 to win the title at the IAC Open West.

In Intermediate, we have Hans Bok at WWD and Christopher Branson at PDT. Hans in his Sukhoi SU-29 cleaned up a six-pilot pack at the IAC Open East to earn the Intermediate title. Hans, a longtime Chapter 35 leader, earned 84.51 percent of possible points, Gold on the Known, Gold on the Unknown, and Silver on the free. A sweet performance.

Chris Branson also served as Co-CD for the Beaver State. It was his third contest as an Intermediate. Chris is a meticulous and good pilot who bested two



Paul Russo

other pilots in his Pitts S-2B.

Sportsman had eight pilots at the Open East and five at the Open West. East Champion is Brad Kline from IAC Chapter 11. West Champion is Barbara Higbee from Chapter 67. Brad won the title by flying 25 points behind the leader on the Known, one point behind the leader on the Free, and 51 points ahead of the next best pilot on the Unknown, all with his Pitts S-2C. Barbara won Gold on all three flights flying John Smutny's Wolf Pitts S-1. This was her first contest since 2011.

The IAC Open East Champion for Primary is James Stickney, flying an ACA Super Decathlon in a field of two. The IAC Open West did not fly the Primary category.

Thank you to Margo Chase and Chase Design Group for the IAC Open Logo design. Congratulations to the nine winners of IAC Open Champion titles in the inaugural year. Thank you to IAC Chapter 58, Craig Wisman, and the Wildwoods Acroblast for hosting the first IAC Open Championship East. Thank you to IAC Chapter 77, John Smutny, and the Beaver State for hosting the first IAC Open West. Here is a salute to IAC Open Champions and Championships past and future. May the best pilots claim the titles. You have to be in the box to be a contender. Look forward to seeing you at the 2014 IAC Open regional contests.

#### **IAC Open Champions, 2013 East & West**

**Unlimited:** Goody Thomas & Howard Kirker

**Advanced:** Paul Russo & Kathleen Howell

**Intermediate:** Hans Bok & Christopher Branson

**Sportsman:** Brad Kline & Barbara Higbee

**Primary:** James Stickney & (not flown)

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# 2013 U.S. National Aerobatic Championships



Aerobatic competitions happen all over the United States throughout the competition season. The Super Bowl of aerobatic competition happens once a year at the North Texas Regional Airport in Grayson County, Texas. If you plan to

fly against the best the United States has to offer, this is the place to be. From Primary to Unlimited—glider to power, you can see how everyone stacks up in the following pages.





## Glider Intermediate



Edwin Kingman



Aaron Dripps

### Contest Results: Intermediate Glider Overall

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	Unknown	Totals	O/all %
1	Edwin Kingman	DG-1000S	N503DG	1128.21	931.00	875.00	2934.21	65.205
2	Aaron Dripps	DG-1000S	N503DG	1006.64	790.93	685.00	2482.57	55.168

Contest Director: John Smutny (USA), Contest Chief Judge: Charlie Harrison (USA), Scoring Director: Carol Brinker (USA). Judges: Tom Adams (USA), Charlie Harrison (USA), Marty Flournoy, Sequence Chief Judge Kevin Campbell, Daniel Wisehart, Doug Sowder, Peggy Riedinger, John Ostmeyer, Fred Weaver, Sheri Davis, Tom Rhodes, Paul Thompson, Julia Wood, John Morrissey. Judges Assistants: Robbie Gibbs, Cameron Jaxheimer, Mike Hoyer, Liza Weaver, Bart Royce, Sam Roland, Matt Matticcola, Matt Villanueva, Charlie Benham, Stan Moye, Jerry Riedinger.

## Glider Unlimited



Jason Stephens



Eric Lentz-Gauthier



Lukas von Atzigen

### Contest Results: Unlimited Glider Overall

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	Free Unk	Totals	O/all %
1	Jason Stephens	SZD-59	N59SZ	1584.44	2175.16	1510.39	5269.99	76.156
2	Eric Lentz-Gauthier	MDM-1 Fox	N35ZZ	1572.42	2057.63	1609.97	5240.03	75.723
3	Lukas von Atzigen	Bielsko SZD-59	N59SZ	942.36	1814.54	576.73	3333.63	48.174

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Eric Stubblefield



James Gregory



James Nicklas



Jean-Luc Duckworth

### Contest Results: Advanced Overall – Glider

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	Unknown	Totals	Overall %
1	Eric Stubblefield	DG-1000S	N503DG	1218.78	1377.97	987.10	3583.85	70.272
2	James Gregory	DG-1000S	N503DG	1113.66	1383.03	1060.38	3557.07	69.747
3	James Nicklas	DG-1000S	N503DG	796.71	1365.41	1074.01	3236.12	63.453
4	Jean-Luc Duckworth	DG-1000S	N503DG	989.88	1080.80	1092.66	3163.34	62.026
5	William Jacks	DG-1000S	N503DG	1036.42	958.99	1023.02	3018.43	59.185

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## Contest Results: Unlimited Power Overall

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	FreeUnk1	Totals	O/all %
1	Rob Holland	MXS	N540JH	3546.28	3684.47	4074.92	11305.68	81.512
2	Jeff Boerboon	Extra 300SC	N73KG	3293.64	3649.62	4017.27	10960.53	79.023
3	Nick Timofeev	MXS	N800XT	3321.64	3557.19	3965.75	10844.58	78.187
4	Goody Thomas	Extra 330SC	N580BG	3261.52	3637.04	3764.21	10662.77	76.876
5	Hector Ramirez	Extra 300SC	N330EX	3269.72	3467.14	3825.96	10562.81	76.156
6	Tony Wood	Sukhoi 26	N596TJ	3176.18	3482.61	3802.04	10460.83	75.421
7	Debby Rihn Harvey	CAP 232	N232DD	3213.32	3614.39	3379.95	10207.66	73.595
8	Benjamin Freelove	Edge 540	N540BF	3029.93	3292.39	3630.26	9952.58	71.756
9	Robert Noonan	MX2	N487MX	3032.45	3223.27	3651.79	9907.50	71.431
10	Brett Hunter	MXS	N800XT	3373.10	3551.54	2939.50	9864.14	71.119
11	Michael Gallaway	Extra 300S	N540BG	2869.22	3382.06	3562.32	9813.59	70.754
12	Dagmar Kress	Extra 300S	N60DK	2597.23	3279.48	3370.59	9247.31	66.671
13	Sergey Prolagayev	Sukhoi 26	N226PS	2471.36	3308.56	3341.00	9120.92	65.760
14	Ann Marie Ward	Edge 540	N540AW	2743.84	3284.91	2990.96	9019.71	65.030
15	Joe Brinker	CAP 232	N930RM	3057.69	3129.25	2720.32	8907.27	64.220
16	Michael Racy	Sukhoi 31	N310BW	3379.66	3500.04	1904.32	8784.02	63.331
17	Patrick Dugan	Extra 300	N319PH	2973.62	2798.33	2709.00	8480.94	61.146
18	Paul Androncou	MX2	N487MX	2871.15	3090.82	2076.07	8038.04	57.953
19	Hanspeter Rohner	CAP 232	N659DM	2797.58	3242.66	1797.38	7837.62	56.508
20	Rory Moore	Extra 300LX	N15LX	2399.70	2713.69	1160.94	6274.34	45.237

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Rory Moore



## Contest Results: Intermediate Power Overall

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	Unk'n #1	Totals	Overall %
1	Aaron McCartan	S-330P	N330LS	1629.85	1733.88	1556.79	4920.53	86.325
2	Foster Bachschmidt	Extra 300 LX	N330FB	1576.65	1715.14	1497.72	4789.52	84.027
3	Thomas Braymer	Pitts S-1S	N88TF	1567.92	1626.68	1566.56	4761.16	83.529
4	Mike Plyer	Staudacher S300	N892M	1485.18	1719.04	1528.76	4732.98	83.035
5	Bill Denton	CAP 232	N232LR	1548.28	1744.15	1363.57	4656.01	81.684
6	Mark Killian	Extra 300L	N540MK	1537.29	1603.55	1504.03	4644.87	81.489
7	Michael Lents	Decathlon	N317JR	1475.87	1640.44	1498.18	4614.49	80.956
8	Curt Richmond	Pitts S-2B	N58DE	1554.13	1618.98	1280.74	4453.84	78.138
9	Chris Olmsted	Pitts S-2A	N49BR	1481.61	1533.18	1413.16	4427.96	77.683
10	Alain Aguayo	Pitts S-2B	N260AB	1446.15	1528.35	1404.39	4378.88	76.823
11	Chuck Cohen	Extra 330LX	N330SC	1407.23	1593.03	1371.60	4371.86	76.699
12	Darren Behm	DR-107	N23DY	1452.02	1496.29	1414.06	4362.37	76.533
13	Bob Buckley	Pitts S-1S	N313CA	1478.87	1440.20	1437.06	4356.14	76.423
14	Tom Hartvigsen	Pitts S-2B	N110PS	1503.63	1609.25	1226.99	4339.87	76.138
15	David Underwood	Extra 200	N9PB	1441.10	1363.49	1421.60	4226.20	74.144
16	Gregory Gilmer	Decathlon	N317JR	1461.18	1547.91	1204.99	4214.08	73.931
17	Bill Gordon	Pitts S-2B	N5310S	1428.07	1530.82	1251.19	4210.08	73.861
18	Jose Rojas	Pitts S-2B	N260AB	1381.98	1503.90	1242.13	4128.02	72.421
19	Paul Jennings	DR-107	N991DC	1374.54	1450.04	1144.22	3968.80	69.628
20	Stan Burks	DR-107	N105DR	1389.34	1386.19	1192.11	3967.63	69.608
21	Corey McGeeney	Extra 300	N300FU	1439.12	1573.06	804.79	3816.97	66.964
22	Dave Honaker	Pitts S-2B	N49LH	1377.59	1070.29	1337.62	3785.49	66.412

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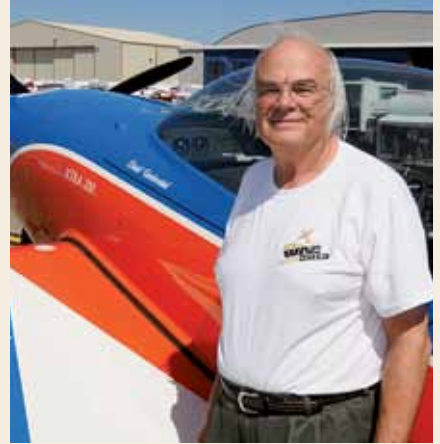




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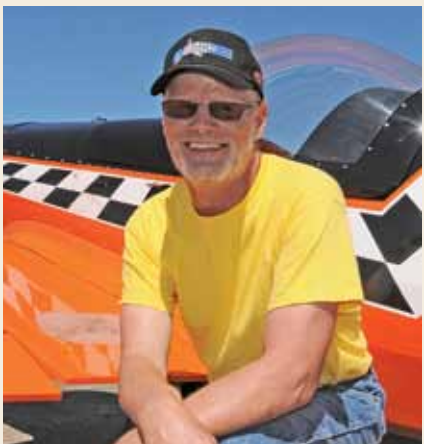
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Stan Burks



Dave Honaker



## Contest Results: Primary Power Overall

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Known #1	Totals	O/all %
1	William Sullivan	Decathlon	N317JR	539.60	540.41	1080.01	85.715
2	Greg Howell	Great Lakes	N3604L	527.58	528.96	1056.54	83.852
3	Jonathan Sievert	Decathlon	N317JR	519.00	533.71	1052.70	83.548
4	Pete Setian	Great Lakes	N3604L	515.19	536.91	1052.10	83.500
5	Amelia Gagnon	Decathlon	N317JR	509.51	524.47	1033.98	82.062
6	Rosemary Coe	Decathlon	N317JR	501.98	526.96	1028.94	81.662
7	Hollywood Hayden	Decathlon	N5057C	494.88	533.20	1028.08	81.594
8	Katie Marsh	Pitts S-2B	N269AB	490.26	517.35	1007.61	79.969
9	Jennifer Slack	Decathlon	N317JR	464.51	510.00	974.51	77.342

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Amelia Gagnon



Rosemary Coe



Hollywood Hayden



Katie Marsh



Jennifer Slack

**Contest Results: Advanced Overall Power**

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	FreeUnk1	Totals	O/all %
1	Mark Nowosielski	Edge 540	N540HT	2354.82	2604.52	2383.81	7343.15	79.129
2	Steve Johnson	MX2	N487MX	2286.56	2600.92	2324.44	7211.91	77.715
3	Julia Wood	Sukhoi 26	N596TJ	2172.56	2547.24	2423.86	7143.66	76.979
4	Sammy Mason	Pitts S-1S	N39XP	2294.95	2470.43	2319.15	7084.53	76.342
5	Marty Flournoy	Giles G-202	N202GP	2267.36	2488.08	2287.84	7043.28	75.897
6	John Howell	Extra 300	N300XA	2330.63	2531.16	2175.15	7036.94	75.829
7	Craig Gifford	Panzl S-330	N330CG	2385.29	2017.75	2476.37	6879.40	74.132
8	John Ostmeyer	Pitts S-1T	N230JM	2187.13	2481.40	2126.12	6794.66	73.218
9	Bruce Ballew	Pitts S-2B	N65PS	2267.54	2489.03	2027.45	6784.01	73.104
10	Michael Hartenstine	Extra 300	N300XA	2301.30	2434.96	2042.13	6778.40	73.043
11	Kevin Campbell	MX2	N69TK	2204.45	2437.43	2100.97	6742.85	72.660
12	Doug Sowder	Extra 300L	N25AP	2285.07	2400.07	2045.45	6730.59	72.528
13	Matthew Lane	Yak 55M	N55YZ	2226.25	2378.22	2020.86	6625.34	71.394
14	Margo Chase	Extra 300	N319PH	2080.19	2366.41	2100.28	6546.88	70.548
15	Mark Fullerton	Laser 230	N77LW	2122.34	2300.72	1956.33	6379.39	68.743
16	Kathleen Howell	Extra 300	N300XA	2118.79	2292.18	1773.84	6184.81	66.647
17	Kirill Barsukov	Sukhoi 26M	N226PS	2114.54	2445.28	1534.90	6094.73	65.676
18	Wm Luke Lee	Meyer - Hornet	N6366M	2087.88	2046.73	1940.01	6074.62	65.459

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## Contest Results: Sportsman Power Overall

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	Known	Free	Free #2	Totals	O/all %
1	Paul Thomson	Decathlon	N725JM	1282.28	1334.55	1331.67	3948.50	84.914
2	Jim Doyle	Skybolt	N619PD	1283.22	1309.06	1355.50	3947.78	84.898
3	Cameron Jaxheimer	Decathlon	N317JR	1278.15	1331.40	1298.60	3908.16	84.046
4	Bart Roye	Pitts S-2B	N189PR	1285.09	1329.18	1293.34	3907.61	84.035
5	Michael Hoy	Decathlon	N2891Z	1286.37	1310.87	1309.36	3906.60	84.013
6	Mitchell Wild	Decathlon	N5057C	1304.74	1269.51	1327.77	3902.02	83.914
7	Regina Killian	Extra 300L	N540MK	1198.71	1344.43	1330.45	3873.59	83.303
8	Joe Stockhausen	Pitts S-2B	N497H	1269.40	1282.77	1304.74	3856.92	82.944
9	Doug Jenkins	Pitts S-1S	N52B	1288.89	1288.85	1271.37	3849.11	82.777
10	AJ Wilder	Pitts S-2A	N49BR	1260.65	1295.88	1256.38	3812.91	81.998
11	Michael Breshears	Pitts S-2B	N260AB	1254.78	1265.12	1279.73	3799.62	81.712
12	William Barnard	Extra 300L	N444TM	1293.57	1315.86	1080.24	3689.67	79.348
13	Jonathan Sepulveda	Decathlon	N317JR	1239.73	1205.73	1230.54	3676.00	79.054
14	Jeremy Humphreys	Extra 300L	N540MK	1155.25	1277.73	1165.10	3598.08	77.378
15	Rus Howard	Pitts S-2C	N64LB	1250.10	1042.26	1288.23	3580.59	77.002
16	Russell Husbands	Pitts S-2B	N49CH	1223.97	1130.88	1213.39	3568.23	76.736
17	Irak Kidron	Decathlon	N330MS	1150.23	1177.71	1181.47	3509.41	75.471
18	Jay Henson	Pitts S-2B	N49LH	1203.61	1033.96	1194.23	3431.81	73.802
19	Justin Hickson	Pitts S-2B	N79A	1186.27	1031.41	1202.02	3419.70	73.542
20	Steven Davidsmeyer	Decathlon	N317JR	1134.79	1075.08	620.76	2830.63	60.874
21	Gregory Aldrich	Panzl S-330	N330JK	1183.95	297.45	1245.46	2726.86	58.642
22	William Marinangel	Laser 200	N199J	1292.13	1261.65		2553.78	54.920

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## Contest Results: Advanced Team Overall Results

Ranked by scores

Rank	Pilot	Aeroplane	Registration	FreeUnk2	FreeUnk1	Known	Free	Totals	O/all %
1	Mark Nowosielski	Edge 540	N540HT	3054.18	2383.81	2354.82	2604.52	10397.33	78.589
2	Julia Wood	Sukhoi 26	N596TJ	2977.77	2423.86	2172.56	2547.24	10121.43	76.504
3	Sammy Mason	Pitts S-1S	N39XP	2863.73	2319.15	2294.95	2470.43	9948.26	75.195
4	Steve Johnson	MX2	N487MX	2531.98	2324.44	2286.56	2600.92	9743.89	73.650
5	John Howell	Extra 300	N300XA	2660.01	2175.15	2330.63	2531.16	9696.96	73.295
6	John Ostmeyer	Pitts S-1T	N230JM	2729.78	2126.12	2187.13	2481.40	9524.44	71.991
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9	Michael Hartenstine	Extra 300	N300XA	2633.42	2042.13	2301.30	2434.96	9411.82	71.140
10	Marty Flournoy	Giles G-202	N202GP	2350.72	2287.84	2267.36	2488.08	9394.00	71.005
11	Bruce Ballew	Pitts S-2B	N65PS	2246.39	2027.45	2267.54	2489.03	9030.41	68.257
12	Mark Fullerton	Laser 230	N77LW	2636.67	1956.33	2122.34	2300.72	9016.06	68.149
13	Margo Chase	Extra 300	N319PH	2446.19	2100.28	2080.19	2366.41	8993.07	67.975
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# 2013 Oshkosh AIR MANEUVERS CHALLENGE

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**AFTER A 33-YEAR ABSENCE, THE SKIES OVER** Oshkosh were filled with competitive aerobatic airplanes once again. The aim was to achieve top trophies in five categories: Primary, Sportsman, Intermediate, Advanced, and Unlimited. Twenty-seven pilots attended the first regional competition since the demise of the Fond du Lac Cup in 1999.

The tedious process of organizing an event was proposed by Michael and Audra Hoy, and IAC Chapter 1 out of North Chicago. Audra was the contest director, but her duties were administered in sponsorship, events coordination, all local volunteer assessment,

and implementation of those activities. It was, however, a coordinated event. The idea of having an IAC competition in Oshkosh is not new; the World Aerobatic Championships were held here in 1980, and Leo Loudenslager and Betty Stewart took the Grand Prize for Men and Women, respectively.

There is good reason for an event of this nature to grace the airspace over Wittman Regional Airport. It is home to both the EAA and the International Aerobatic Club. The IAC was formed in 1970 under the direction of Bob Heuer from Maple Grove, Illinois, and within a year quickly amassed 1,000 members. Much



of this also evolved from the U.S. Nationals and the U.S. Aerobatic Team. Several directors have held the helm over the years magnifying new chapter regimes emerging within the ranks of the International Aerobatic Club. Aerobatic contests are tightly scripted manuscripts in the world of aerial ballet. It is far different from the crowd-generating air show where the surface level remains the ultimate success, and gate receipts dictate the outcome of the show.

Michael Hoy had planned this contest about three years prior and began tossing it around to the EAA

community and local IAC chapters in hopes of having a Midwest regional event in late August. Directing a Midwest competition in Oshkosh means having a two-week window to allow the exhibitors time to tear down the exhibit areas after AirVenture—no small task. An event held in Spencer, Iowa, and Canada attracts other Midwest contestants, so the dates have to be manipulated to accommodate those other contests. Weather always plays an important role in the planning stages of a contest, and August seems to be the best bet for fair winds, blue skies, and moderate temps.

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The facilities at EAA and the IAC building on the grounds seem to be the most logical consideration for hosting the Air Maneuvers Challenge, but hangar space can be at a premium. Michael then proposed offering the two local FBOs an opportunity to house airplanes, but then realized the EAA grounds had ample space to hangar the aircraft at no cost to IAC members. This was quickly decisive in accommodating the 27 entries and their guests. Close to 100 volunteers stepped up to the plate to help out in a variety of tasks that made this event a first-class affair.

Airspace considerations are everyone's top priority in planning a contest. This event went through a host of painstaking preparations for safety, ease of exit/entry, and, above all, good visibility for the judging concerns.

The aerobatic box had to be moved 500 feet from its original plan to allow for local transient traffic to





Contest director Audra Hoy

enter and egress without disruption of normal flight activities. Once the box was frozen, Friday appeared out of nowhere and registration commenced with practice slots following in short order.

### The Players

Audra Hoy is a marketing, communications, and publicist director. She is the granddaughter of the late, great Paul H. Poberezny, founder of EAA. Audra recently took a position with Women in Aviation, International. The skills she implemented at the Air Maneuvers Challenge involved coordinating activity in local industry for the T-shirts, awards trophies, banquet facilitation, and a host of enterprising endeavors that warrant honorable mention. Audra is a mother, certificated pilot, and a great pleasure to work with. Her qualifications excel in a variety of missions—which may be summed up as exponentially skillful.

Audra's husband, Michael Hoy, is a professional pilot, flying 747s for UPS. Besides a demanding schedule, he entertains himself in the aerobatic world by flying an original 150-hp 1978 American Champion Decathlon with fixed-pitch prop. He is currently constructing a Laser 200 similar to the airplane Leo Loudenslager flew to his World Championship. He took second place in the Sportsman category at the contest this year. Mike was the

originator of the event, where he transformed his multiple tasks into a very successful contest. When not flying, Mike also assumes the duties of family man, entertaining his daughter, Charlie, on the aspects of flight, which seem to run in the family.

Doug Partl is president of IAC Chapter 1. He was instrumental in planning, innovating, and executing the Air Maneuvers Challenge. He and his crew from Northern Illinois brought excitement, contestants, and an array of vibrancy to the contest.

### Primary

- 1st: Cory Johnson
- 2nd: Bryan "Hollywood" Hayden

### Sportsman

- 1st: Mitchell Wild
- 2nd: Michael Hoy
- 3rd: Bill Marinangel

### Intermediate

- 1st: Aaron McCartan
- 2nd: Curt Richmond
- 3rd: David Underwood

### Advanced

- 1st: Klaus Mueller
- 2nd: Bruce Ballew
- 3rd: Steve Johnson

### Unlimited

- 1st: Tony Wood
- 2nd: Brett Hunter
- 3rd: Craig Gifford

Oshkosh Air Maneuvers Challenge 2013 was an outstanding success, given that not much publicity was presented prior to the event. Without the help of Tony and Julia Wood, I'm not so sure such a contest would have had the influential media credentials and support that it did. Even more so, was the volunteer support this contest enjoyed with all of those who came forward and made the contest function. The high costs of aviation are encroaching on many of us, and the extra time contributed to an event after EAA AirVenture is admirable.

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Mark your calendars for these upcoming contests. For a complete list of contests and for the most up-to-date contest calendar, visit [www.IAC.org](http://www.IAC.org). If your chapter is hosting a contest, be sure to let the world know by posting your event on the IAC website.

### Sebring Aerobatic Championships

Friday, November 1 – Saturday, November 2, 2013  
Practice/Registration: Saturday, October 26 – Thursday, October 31  
Power: Primary through Unlimited  
Location: Sebring regional (SEF), Sebring, FL.  
Region: Southeast  
Contest Director: mike mays  
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### Tequila Cup

Friday, November 8 – Saturday, November 9, 2013  
Practice/Registration: Thursday, November 7  
Glider Categories: Sportsman through Unlimited  
Power: Primary through Unlimited  
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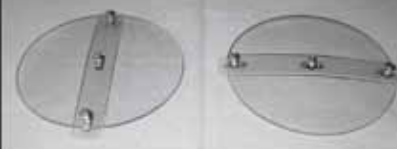
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