



Glitch Busters

September 2019



EVENTS

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AMA #197

FROM THE EDITOR

We are dedicating this month's Glitch to the annual Lums Pond IMAC Challenge. The IMAC is currently the only AMA sanctioned competition held by the Delaware R/C Club. It is a model aerobatic competition requiring skill and precision. Competitors begin arriving early Friday. Usually the club field is open for member flying on Friday, with members asked to share the field with competitors who wish to practice. The actual competition is held on Saturday and Sunday ending in the Free Style competition.

Free Style is the part of the event that spectators love. It is aerobatics set to music. Anything goes in Free Style. Pilots are judged on originality, musicality, and general piloting skills. Pilots go all out during Free Style, and the performances are amazing. Even if watching aerobatic competition is not your thing, you should at least show up at the field on Sunday to watch the Free Style event.



LUMS POND IMAC 2019 - by Roger, Scott & PJ

The IMAC is the International Miniature Aerobatic Club. It holds scale aerobatic competitions on a global level. Competitors must be AMA members, but do not have to be members of the IMAC itself.

The IMAC differs from AMA pattern competitions in that the airplanes must be scale, and have a pilot figure. The maneuvers flown in IMAC competition are the same as those in full scale aerobatic competitions. There are no size limitations on aircraft used in IMAC competitions, as there are in AMA pattern.

There are five classes in IMAC competitions: Basic, Sportsman, Intermediate, Advanced, and Unlimited. Each level increases in difficulty from fundamental maneuvers to the most challenging sequences. Competitors in the top 4 levels of competition must fly two types of sequences: known and unknown. Known sequences are published each

year so competitors may practice them before the competition. Unknown sequences are presented to the pilot at the competition.

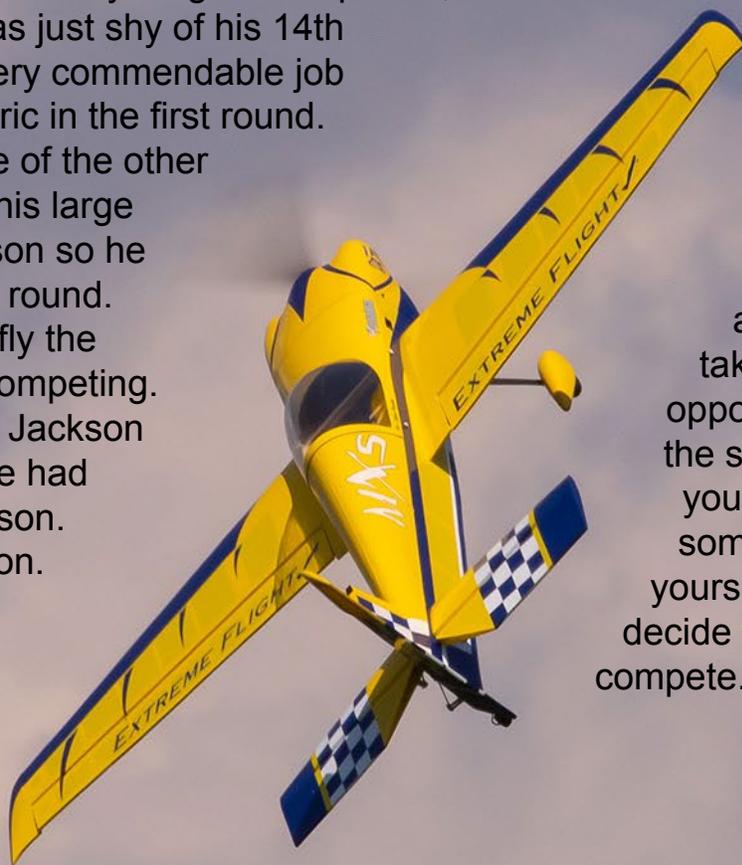
Obviously the unknown sequence is a true test of pilot skill and nerves.

Basic class pilots may fly any plane of any size. They do not need to be scale models of an aerobatic airplane, nor do they need a pilot figure. Airplanes must be single engine. They can have either electric or internal combustion motors. This means that any AMA member can grab their favorite airplane and compete. The sequence to be flown for Basic can be downloaded from the IMAC website, along with helpful information about how the maneuvers should be flown.

There are no age limits. A few years ago we had an 8 year old boy flying his father's airplane in



competition. This year our youngest competitor, Jackson Baynes, was just shy of his 14th birthday. He did a very commendable job flying his small electric in the first round. Between rounds one of the other competitors loaned his large scale plane to Jackson so he could fly the second round. Jackson only got to fly the plane once before competing. In the second round Jackson flew the plane like he had been flying it all season. What a transformation.



Visit the next IMAC. Watch how the competitors fly. Talk to the competitors and judges. Learn what it takes to fly aerobatics (as opposed to boring holes in the sky). You might find that you are challenged to try some of the maneuvers yourself. You might even decide that you like it enough to compete. You never know.















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