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Bob Kerr, Doug Mayer and Dave Hull rubbing elbows at the Virgil Wilbur Memorial Contest October 10-11.

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PRESIDENT- Melvin Schuette

To My Fellow NCLRA Members;

For those who haven't heard, for all but C/L Scale the 2016 AMA Control Line Nationals will be held from July 16th thru 23rd. C/L Racing will be held from Monday July 18th thru the 23rd.

All event fees will be \$10 for both official and unofficial events. AMA will charge a \$50 late fee for anyone who does not enter prior to 30 days before the start of the C/L Nationals.

The Schedule will be as follows.

Monday: FAI Team Race Quickie Rat

Tuesday: Class I Mouse NCLRA Clown Race

Wednesday: Scale Race Sport Goodyear (Dallas Rules)

Thursday: Slow Rat Super Slow Rat

We are still looking for people to volunteer to be the event director for all of the C/L Racing events or people to volunteer to run one day or one event. Please contact me if you are willing to be an event director at the nationals.

As president and knowing the interest in Sport Goodyear that is flown in the central part of the country at the 2014 NCLRA annual meeting I announced that I would be sponsoring Sportsman Goodyear at the 2015 Nationals. As the sponsor I knew that I would be responsible for providing the trophies for the event. The event entry fees were given to the NCLRA. The event had one of the largest entries for all of the racing events in 2015. In 2016 the Dallas club will be sponsoring Sportsman Goodyear at the Nationals. Does the NCLRA need to adopt the Dallas Sportsman Goodyear event as an NCLRA event or do we need to create our own version of a Sport Goodyear event?

For future nationals how does someone go about proposing an event to be flown at the nationals? Is the person or sponsoring club responsible for providing an event director?

After the Nat's planning meeting I got an email from Tony Stillman from AMA. The email asked the Special Interest groups to consider changing the unofficial events that we have year after year at the nationals into official events. One of the advantages of changing unofficial events into official events is that AMA will provide the trophies for the events and the NCLRA would continue to collect the event fees for the events. But turning them into official events takes a lot of the control over the event away from us. Currently if we want to change the rules we can do so easily like we did with the line length rule in Clown

Racing. While the time it takes to change a rule for an official event takes two years. Yes we can use modified event rules at the Nationals like we did this year for Class II Mouse, but to make it a permanent change for an official event it takes two years.

In 2016 the NCLRA will elect president, vice president, and secretary/ treasurer. As I stated earlier, I will not be running for president, and have been told that Dave Rolley will not be running for secretary/treasurer. Nominations will be accepted from March 1st until April 30th. I will put a reminder in my future article reminding everyone of the nomination time period and how to nominate or volunteer as an officer.

Hopefully everyone had a good Thanksgiving and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Melvin

NORTHEAST- Phil Valente

RESULTS: Middlesex Modelers

Middlesex, NJ October 18, 2015

CD: Al Ferraro

Phil Valente, reporting

FOXBERG (140 laps with 3 pit stops)

1 st .	Al Ferraro	9:58:10
2 nd	Tom Schaefer	10:04:40
3 rd .	Dave Edwards	138 Laps

HEAVY METAL (100 laps with 2 pit stops)

1.	Dave Edwards	5:44:58
2.	Tom Schaefer	6:51:44
3.	Al Ferraro	7:24:56

SPORTSMAN CLOWN (7.5 minutes)

(NOT to exceed 140 laps)

1.	Tom Schaefer	133 Laps
2.	Dave Edwards	129
3.	Raul Diaz	128
4.	Al Ferraro	87

RESULTS: South Jersey Aeromodelers

Middlesex, NJ November 1, 2015

CD: Phil Valente

Phil Valente, reporting

Super Slow Rat (100 laps with 2 pit stops)

1 st .	Dave Edwards	6:56:04
2 nd	Tom Schaefer	8:34:37

HEAVY METAL (100 laps with 2 pit stops)

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|-----------------|---------|
| 4. Dave Edwards | 5:56:94 |
| 5. Tom Schaefer | 6:41:44 |
| 6. Al Ferraro | 7:02:56 |

SPORTSMAN CLOWN (7.5 minutes) (NOT to exceed 140 laps)

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| 5. Tom Schaefer | 140 Laps |
| 6. Dave Edwards | 135 |
| 7. Al Ferraro | 132 |
| 8. Raul Diaz | 121 |
| 9. | |

FAST RAT (70 laps 1 Pit)

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| 1. Al Ferraro | 2:59:36 |
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RESULTS: South Jersey Aeromodelers

Middlesex, NJ November 15, 2015

CD: Phil Valente

Phil Valente, reporting

SPORTSMAN CLOWN (7.5 minutes) (NOT to exceed 140 laps)

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|-----------------|----------|
| 1. Tom Schaefer | 140 Laps |
| 2. Dave Edwards | 135 |
| 3. Al Ferraro | 132 |
| 4. Raul Diaz | 121 |

NCLRA CLOWN (60 ft lines 7.5 minutes)

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|-----------------|----------|
| 1. Al Ferraro | 134 LAPS |
| 2. Tom Schaefer | 132 |
| 3. Dave Edwards | 126 |
| 4. Raul Diaz | 82 |

FOXBERG (100 laps with 2 pits)

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|-----------------|---------|
| 1. Dave Edwards | 6:43:66 |
| 2. Al Ferraro | 8:25:28 |
| 3. Tom Schaefer | 8:56:19 |

MIDWEST- Bob Heywood

The Dayton Buzzin' Buzzards will hold their December meeting the first week of the month. We will be setting our event schedule for 2016. A race meet will be on the agenda.

I have decided to promote a contest for Sportsman Goodyear, Quickie Rat, and Fox Race / SSR combined. The date will be published as soon as the information is available.

That's it for now.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year...

SOUTH WEST- Ron Duly

Virgil Wilbur Memorial Results, Oct, 10-11

* **Bold Denotes Entrant**

1/2A Mouse 50 lap heat 100 lap final

Dave Hull/Les Akre 2:41.75 5:09.19

Dave Hull/Les Akre 2nd entry 3:23.88 5:32.07

Doug Mayer/Don Burke 3:40.61 57 laps bad fuel

Doug Mayer/Don Burke 2nd entry 2:46.18 32 laps bad fuel

F2CN 100 lap heat

Dave Hull/Les Akre 4:56.61

Ron Duly/**Don Burke** 32 laps NVA problem

Quickie Rat 70 lap heat

Bob Kerr/Les Akre 3:10.87

Bob Kerr/Les Akre 2nd entry 3:14.32

Ron Duly/Don Burke 3:30.31

Ron Duly/**Don Burke** 2nd entry DQ lost wheel

S.C.A.R. Goodyear 100 lap heat 200 lap final

Bob Kerr/Les Akre 4:13.06 8:44.74

Doug Mayer/Jed Kusik 5:43.35 11:10.10

Dave Hull/Dave Dawson 4:32.84

Bob Kerr/Les Akre 5:20.73

Dave Hull/**Dave Dawson** 2nd entry 5:54.29

NCLRA Clown Race 60' foot lines 15 minute race

Dave Hull/Les Akre 277 laps

Ron Duly/Don Burke 146 laps Kangaroo landing, broke stab

Super Slow Rat/Fox Race

Not flown

SOUTHEAST- Jim Bradley

Here it is almost building season for many again.

Hopefully you have started on all of your new stuff for next year and the NATS. Elsewhere in this issue I'm sure you see the 2016 NATS schedule and notice B Team Race, AMA Rat Race, and F2CN have been eliminated from the schedule because of low entries in the 2 previous NATS. That doesn't mean they are gone forever. They can be brought back if interest is shown. Also new events can be added if support is shown as was the case for Sport Goodyear.

The popular events are the slower events probably because of the advanced age of our few remaining flyers and pit guys. We all need make every effort to recruit new people into racing and also try to get people back who dropped out for whatever reason.

Sport Goodyear had a very good turnout at last year's NATS using the Dallas rules and it is going to be back again this

year. There is some talk about making it an official NCLRA event which I think is a good idea. The current model rules are fine but the real difficult item is the engine(s) rules. Currently only the Fox 15 and the Magnum, along with all its clones, (ASP, SC, and another one I forget) are the only allowed engines. This will work for a while but sooner or later these engines will fall out production. These engines produce about .45 HP and are easy to acquire and run. This is not an action that needs to be solved now but we should be thinking about it.

Nothing is going on here in the Southeast. We still need to find a good place to hold some racing contest. A place where we could set up 2 circles is preferable but we can make do with one circle if we have to.

Jim Bradley, bmp4carbon@aol.com

SOUTH CENTRAL: Bill Bischoff

The 2015 season has come to a close. Although the DMAA Fall Finale got rained out, we had a good contest in Houston to end on a high note. Looking ahead to next year, I am planning to add a few new activities to our February Sportsman Goodyear race. Everybody will fly 80 lap heats, a 160 lap final, 16 laps proto speed, and 8 timed laps including a pit stop. All these will get points assigned based on order of finish. The top 3 point winners will go on to a 320 lap "double feature" race. Should be a lot of fun!

Speaking of next year, now is the time to start working on next season's plane(s). There were plenty of people this past year that expressed an interest in Sportsman Goodyear but didn't get a plane built. Next year, no excuses! Get busy now. That being said, I have been waiting a couple of weeks for it to be warm and dry enough to spray some paint on a new BooRay (built with the Brodak Streak trainer wing as described last time). But it will be ready for 2016!



Last issue the caption was missing from the picture of these fabulous Buster's. They belong to Mark and Andy Knight.

CONTEST REPORT Houston, TX November 14, 2015 Bill Bischoff

Five racers from the Dallas club drove down to Houston to race with Don Cranfill. Several "regulars" were missing but accounted for, although we haven't seen the Chuck and Charles Barnes since the Nats. Hope you guys are OK! We began with back to back, 3-up, 160's in Sportsman Goodyear. Tommy Fluker was on hand to give Bill and some Patrick some coaching in F2C style flying. Even at the slow speeds (compared to F2C), it was very helpful. All the race times were good, and Bill Bischoff's Margaret June turned its best time yet for the win.

We flew Super Slow rat 2-up. There were four entries. One dropped out, and we flew round-robin, re shuffling team members for one race. Bill Lee eked out the win on his second flight, but note that all three times were within five seconds.

For the last event, we revisited Sportsman Goodyear, flying a 250 lap race. Due to pilot fatigue, we flew two-up, and everybody got only one shot. Bill Lee and Mike Greb both had prop changes, and still weren't out of contention. On Mike Greb's last pit stop, his pilot (me) thought they were finished, and sat down outside the pilots' circle. Fortunately, hollering from the sidelines got my attention before Mike started and released the model.

SPORTSMAN GOODYEAR 160 laps

1)Bill Bischoff	8:30.2
2)Bill Lee	8:36.5
3)Mike Greb	8:40.9
4)Patrick Hempel	8:59.8
5)Don Cranfill	9:05.7
6)Phil Dunlap	9:11.8

SPORTSMAN GOODYEAR 250 laps

1)Patrick Hempel	13:25.5
2)Bill Bischoff	13:43.1
3)Don Cranfill	13:49.3
4)Mike Greb	14:09.5
5)Phil Dunlap	14:24.9
6)Bill Lee	14:26.

SUPER SLOW RAT

1)Bill Lee	5:25.6
2)Bill Bischoff	5:28.5
3)Mike Greb	5:30.6

2015 RACING TOP 20

MOUSE I

1)John McCollum	4:44.7
2)John McCollum	4:49.3
3)Bill Lee	4:54.5
4)Melvin Schuette	4:58.2
5)Mike Greb	5:39.4

6)Mike Greb	5:40.7
7)Bill Bischoff	5:41.0
8)Patrick Hempel	5:41.7
9)Patrick Hempel	5:48.3
10)Patrick Hempel	5:56.8
11)Patrick Hempel	5:58.7
12)Mike Greb	6:05.7
13)Phil Dunlap	6:11.1
14)Charles Barnes	6:21.2
15)Chuck Barnes	7:17.8
16)Mike Greb	7:38.5
17)John McCollum	7:58.4
18)Phil Dunlap	75 laps
19)Bill Bischoff	35 laps
20)Mike Greb	21 laps

GOLDBERG

1)John McCollum	9:19.7
2)John McCollum	9:22.5
3)Patrick Hempel	9:45.5
4)John McCollum	10:02.7
5)Patrick Hempel	10:24.6
6)Dale Gleason	10:53.2
7)Patrick Hempel	11:35.1
8)Dale Gleason	12:39.1
9)Stephen Jeansonne	120 laps

SPORTSMAN GOODYEAR 80 laps

1)Bill Lee	4:04.9
2)Mike Greb	4:05.8
3)Bill Bischoff	4:07.0
4)Bill Lee	4:10.5
5)Bill Bischoff	4:11.5
6)Mike Greb	4:13.7
7)Chuck Barnes	4:20.7
8)Patrick Hempel	4:21.3
9)Patrick Hempel	4:30.0
10)Bill Bischoff	4:30.7
11)Don Cranfill	4:33.3
12)Dale Gleason	4:46.1
13)Charles Barnes	4:48.8
14)Mike Greb	4:52.0
15)Stephen Jeansonne	4:55.7

SPORTSMAN GOODYEAR 160 laps

1)Bill Lee	8:27.0
2)Bill Bischoff	8:30.2
3)Bill Lee	8:32.8



Bill Bischoff's "Boo Ray" model is the newest addition to his ever expanding Sport Goodyear fleet.

CONTEST CALENDAR

NOTE! Confirm all contest details with Contest Director!

NCLRA cannot be held responsible for errors or omissions! This calendar is compiled from data collected at the NCLRA website nclra.org. and other published sources. Members can log in to NCLRA.org and submit contest details.

NORTHEAST DISTRICT

None

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

None

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

None

MIDWEST DISTRICT

None

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

None

SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

None

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Whittier Narrows
Racing & Speed Calendar For 2015

Speed Events: All Speed events including electric, 301-310 & 606-607 + Perky, NASS Sport Jet, and C-Speed. Speed flying Saturday and Sunday.

Racing Events: Super Slow Rat/Fox Race, NCLRA Clown, NCLRA Quickie Rat, and SCAR Goodyear/AMA Nationals Sport Goodyear. All four classes flown at the six scheduled events Clown will be flown using 60 foot lines. Other Racing events may be flown if three entrants show up ready to race.

Racing Sunday only.

Carrier Events: April 2015 contest only.

Combat Events: Speed Limit and One-plane-F2d held at the April contest, same events at Toys For Tots, and Knight's Dale Kirn Memorial TBA

December 5-6 2015

Toys For Tots Speed & Racing

Musciano Log Racing, Speed Limit and One-plane-F2d Combat included in this contest.

Entry Fee: One new unwrapped toy, approximate value \$10-\$20

CD & Racing ED: Jed Kusik

Whittier Narrows Park now charges \$6.00 per weekend day entry fee! You can buy an annual pass from the bureaucrats at the Park Headquarters (weekdays only) for \$25.00 if you are a member of one of the local clubs. All events are AMA sanctioned. Membership is available on site. All pitmen must wear protective headgear while racing or during practice.

Before you set out on a cross-country trek, verify the event date and location have not changed.

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Don Burke (714) 329-1457



NATIONAL RECORDS

SLOW RAT (.25 engine)

Op (70 laps) 3:01.52 Jim Gall/ Les Akre 7/04/11
 (140 laps) 6:17.59 Russ Green/ Bill Lee 7/07/09
 (no Jr or Sr record)

½ A MOUSE 1

Jr (50 Laps) 2:37.57 Scott Matson 7/15/99
 (100 Laps) 5:17.68 Scott Matson 7/17/99
 Sr (50 Laps) 2:44.68 Dave Rolley Jr 7/15/99
 (100 Laps) 5:20.11 D.J. Parr 7/16/98
 Op (50 Laps) 2:12.3 Jim Holland 7/16/04
 (100 Laps) 4:22 Ryan&Gibeault 7/15/99

½ A MOUSE 2

Op (70 Laps) 3:01.24 MacCarthy/Kerr 7/11/03
 (140 Laps) 6:18.13 Whitney/Hallas 7/10/09

SCALE RACING

Jr (70 Laps) 2:50.65 Bob Fogg III 7/16/91
 (140 Laps) 6:08.55 Bob Fogg III 6/23/92
 Sr (70 Laps) 3:15.12 Doug Short 7/11/00
 (140 Laps) 5:40.05 Bob Fogg III 7/11/95
 Op (70 Laps) 2:39.38 Willoughby/Oge 7/15/97
 (140 Laps) 5:33.04 Bob Fogg Sr 7/16/91

F2C TEAM RACING

Op (100 Laps) 3:42 Fisher/Wilk 7/13/15
 (200 Laps) 6:43.32 Fisher/Wilk 7/16/12

F2CN (NCLRA RULES)

100 Laps 4:14.84 Bill Lee/ Russ Green 7/07/11
 200 Laps 8:37:10 Wallick/Brozo 7/15/13

NCLRA 'B' TEAM RACING

Op (35 Laps) 1:24.34 Burke/Duly 7/12/05
 (70 Laps) 3:05.73 Green/Lee 7/10/09
 (35+70 Laps) 4:33.91 Green/Lee 7/10/09
 (140 Laps) 6:08.80 Green/Lee 7/10/09

RAT RACING (.15 RULE)

Op (70 Laps) 2:44.6 Jim Holland 7/15/04
 (140 Laps) 5:33.1 Jim Holland 7/15/04
 Jr-Sr No record established

NCLRA FOX RACE

Jr (100 Laps) 5:57.11 Scott Matson 7/11/99
 Sr (100 Laps) 5:28.09 Scott Matson 7/16/02
 Op (100 Laps) 5:32.55 Tim Stone/Bob Oge 7/10/05

NCLRA CLOWN RACE

Op (7 ½ Min.) 150 Laps Bischoff/ Lee 7/15/15
 Op (15 Min.) 284 Laps Bischoff/Lee 7/15/15

NCLRA TEXAS QUICKIE RAT

Op (70 Laps) 2:58:72 Bill Lee/Bill Bischoff 7/18/13
 (140 Laps) 6:07.01 John McCollum/Bill Lee 7/14/05

NCLRA SUPER SLOW RAT

(100 Laps) 5:14.30 Bill Lee/Russ Green 7/05/09

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