

First POPS Nationals

23,24 Aug 1969

Lebanon, Indiana

FIRST NATIONAL POPS MEET - AUGUST 23, 1969

Hosted By The Indianapolis Skyhawks

Combs Field, Lebanon, Indiana

Meet Director: Chuck Spidell

	NAME	POPS #	1st	2nd	3rd (Hit & Rock)	TOTAL
1.	Morris	216	0.32	0.14	12 sec 60	106
2.	Willich	268	0.92	0.78	23 sec 115	285
3.	Grace	273	1.90	0.42	15 sec 75	307
4.	Swope	74	2.64	4.63	10 sec 50	777
5.	Rhyne	305	9.87	0.31	12 sec 60	1078
6.	Spidell	195	3.70	6.75	17 sec 85	1130
7.	Scott	326	2.88	8.06	17 sec 85	1179
8.	Kline	223	4.00	7.15	19 sec 95	1210
9.	Volkov	92	3.10	8.28	17 sec 85	1223
10.	Jabellie	180	4.70	7.50	35 sec 125	1395
11.	Shaffer	34	7.10	6.96	19 sec 95	1501
12.	Hibton	204	3.42	8.84	No jump 300	1526
13.	Boyle	206	1.500	0.66	14 sec 70	1636
14.	Bupan	221	10.64	5.65	14 sec 70	1699
15.	Johnson	43	0.47	1.500	60 sec 300	1847
16.	Restriction	37	4.90	13.75	9 sec 45	1910
17.	Engle	19	1.500	3.34	25 sec 125	1959
18.	Dalney	50	1.500	2.51	60 sec 300	2051
19.	Zuffall	36	5.58	14.10	32 sec 160	2128
20.	Clark	208	9.11	1.500	41 sec 205	2616
21.	Thompson	242	1.500	1.500	37 sec 185	3185
22.	Riggs	203	1.500	1.500	No jump 300	3300

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THE FIRST POPS NATIONAL MEET

By
Chuck Spidell POPS #195

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This gave everyone plenty of time to drift down to our local watering hole, the "Gub-Tan" for the Awards Banquet. After the 16 oz. T-Bones with trainings and whatever the individuals liquid capacity allowed, Chief Judge, Gold Finger Larry Schell presented the trophies.

Emett Norris POPS #216 from Harrisburg Pa. took first place, closely followed by Mike Willich #262 Chicago and Roy Grace #273 of Michigan. The spread was a little more for Jack Scope #77, Indiana and Bob Flynn #305 Michigan.

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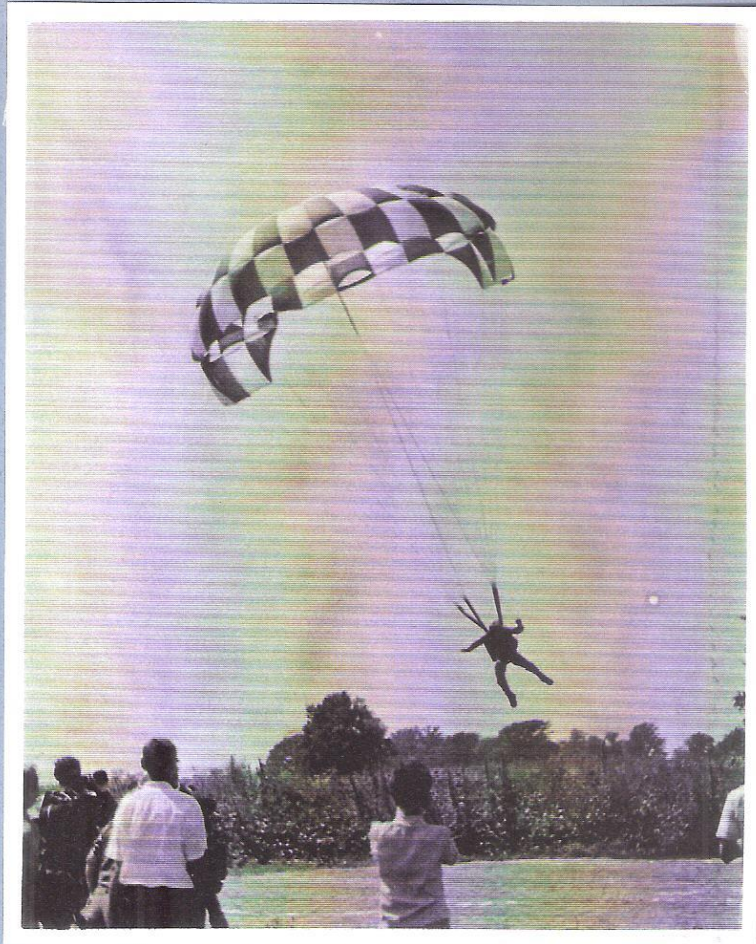
This writer, as Meet Director, owes many thanks to the members of the Skyhawks for making the meet not only possible but successful.

Special thanks goes to Ken Zufall #36, whose idea it was, and his wife Betty for the care and improvements on the DZ and club area, Honorary member Neva Raubenspeck as Chief Scorer, Bob Cooper as Manifestor, and Assistant Judges, Gold Winger Bob Branch and Skyhawk President and AGO Tom Drake.

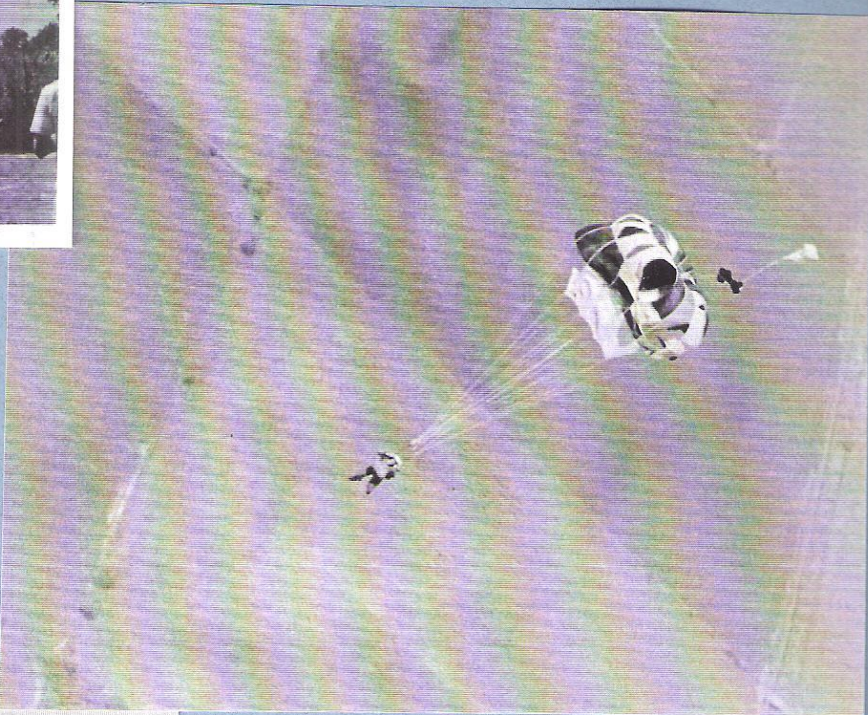
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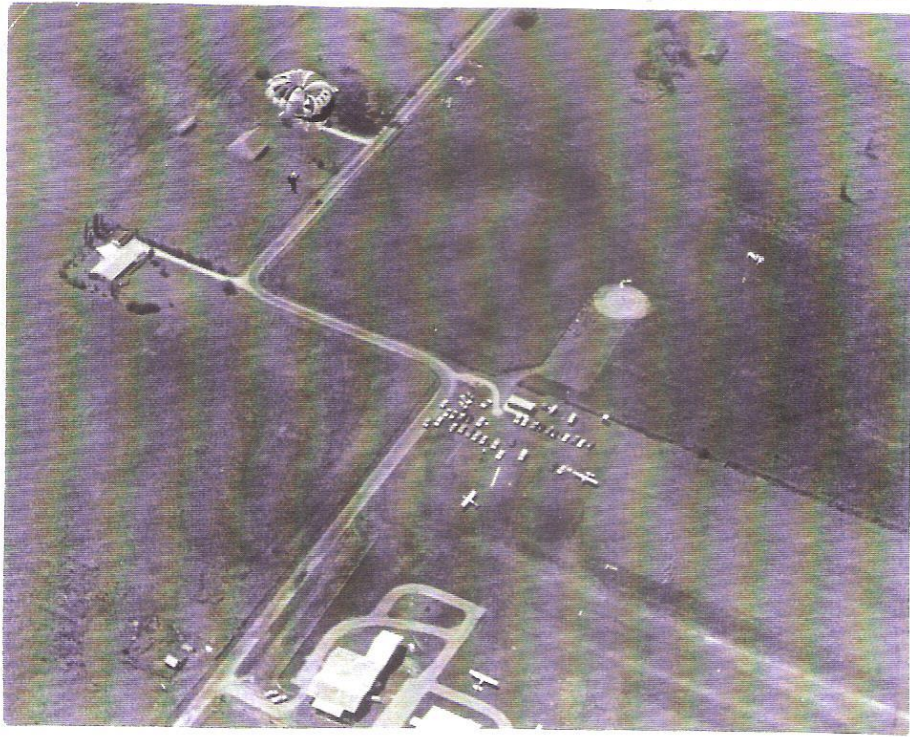
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Novice Accuracy Meet

Santa Nella D. Z., Los Banos, Calif.

13 December

Novice Accuracy: 1-50 jumps, hit & run for trophies. Jumpmasters will be available. Jumpmaster Accuracy: 50 and more jumps, 1 Jump for \$50 cash prize.

Free party provided by Fairchild Semi-Conductors Co. Employees' Parachute Club. For more information contact: Gene Pounds, 2249 Vonroc St. Apt. A, Santa Clara, Calif.

8th Annual South Florida

Winter Invitational

Indiantown, Florida

27-28-29 December

Events: Individual Accuracy, 5 jumps, 2500 feet, 0-5 second delay, all jumps count. Team Level, 4-man, 1 jump with star and accuracy, 5500 feet. (One 4-man team jumps with control. SI of a 4-man star with extra points given for a "caterpillar" formation after the star hit. SE with 30-second working time.) Team Event, 4-man 1 jump, 3300 feet, accuracy.

Qualifications: Invitation and more than 100 freefall jumps. Entrance fee: \$60, \$10 while registration fee to be charged on late entry. Limit: 80 contestants. Registration: A deposit of \$10 must accompany entrance form and received by SFPI NLT 20 December. Final registration will be at the Circle T Ranch " 8 A.M., 27 December.

Prizes: Individual Accuracy • I - \$300, II - \$200, 3 - \$100 (plus trophies); Team Accuracy - I - \$400, 2 - \$300, 3 - \$200 (plus trophies).

For more information contact: South Florida Parachute, Inc., P.O. Box 246, Circle T Ranch, Indiantown, Florida 33456; Telephone 305-597-2736.

4th Annual Mardi Gras Meet

Covington-V incent Airport

Covington, Louisiana

7-8 February

For more information contact: Leon and Priscilla Riche, P.O. Box 878, Hammond, Louisiana 70401; telephone 892-6311.

1970 Western Conference Championship

4 - 5 April

Bids are now being accepted for the above Championships. Western Conference Director, Paul Tag, has announced there will be five (5) accuracy, three (3) style, and three (3) 8500 ft. relative work jumps in the 1970 competition.

Bids, Tucson, Arizona 85705 no later than 5 February 1970.

\$1,500 Money Meet

Jewett Airport, Mason, Michigan

9-10 May

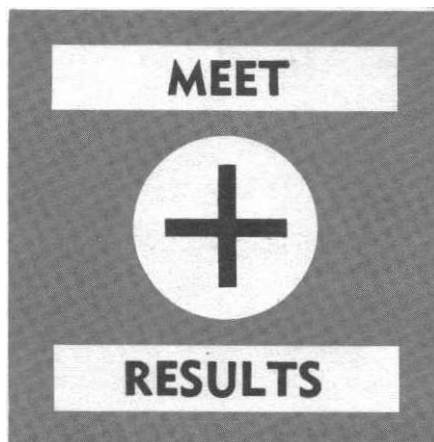
Event I (Under 200 jumps): 3 jumps, 2500 feet, \$25 entry fee. Prizes: 1 - \$200, 2 - \$100, 3 - \$50.

Event II (Over 200 jumps): 4 jumps, 2500 feet, \$35 entry fee. Prizes: 1 - \$400, 2 - \$300, 3 - \$200, 4 - \$100, 5 - \$75, 6 - \$50, 7 - \$25.

Entry fee includes free party Saturday night. Medals awarded to top three in each class. Practice jumping from noon, Friday, 8 May. 75-foot soft pea gravel target. WDI drop 8:30 A.M. Saturday, competition begins immediately thereafter. Contestants may enter until completion of first round.

Reasonable and ample motel space available within short distance. Write if you like a reservation.

Money Guaranteed!! Judges: LoweU Bachman and Jack Huntsberger. For further information contact: David Sauve, 539 N. Hagadorn Rd., East Lansing, Michigan 48823; telephone: 517-332-5619.



8th Annual Northwest Skydivers Meet

Minnesota Skydivers Club

Lakeville, Minnesota

23 - 24 August

Expert Accuracy: 1 - Richard Dickherber (\$1,000), 2 - Tom Schapanski (\$500), 3 - Gary Lewis (\$350), 4 - Jim Stoyas (\$150).

Intermediate Accuracy: 1 - Jim Clark, 2 - Dave Gagnow, 3 - Roger Higgins, 4 - Jeff Holland.

Novice Class: 1 - Jay Wilson, 2 - Thomas Carlson, 3 - Gary Joyner, 4 - Gerald Wheaton.

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Bavarian Invitational Military

Parachute Meet - 1969

Bad Toelz, Germany

29-30-31 August

Individual Accuracy: 1 - Frank Norbury, SF Det-Eur; 2 - Jean Tramoni, France; 3 - Rolf Tangen, Norway; 4 - Jean Buschmann, France; 5 - Edouard Backe, Belgium; 6 - William Winters, USAF-Eur; 7 - Theodor Vermeulen, Belgium; 8 - Guy Reniers, Belgium; 9 - Bob Walters, U.K.; 10 - Borden, 10th SFG.

Team Accuracy: 1 - Vermeulen, Reniers, Baeke, Belgium; 2 - Norbury, Morrow, Stanley, SF Det-Eur; 3 - Tramoni, Buschmann, Gailand; 4 - Kramer, Schultz, Roth, Germany; 5 - Tangen, Johansen, Lunde, Norway.