

NATSNEWS



CL SPEED

Friday, August 3, was the last day of the 92nd National Championships. It was the best day weather wise. We had three events, C and D Speed, and Fast Jet.

The “C” and “D” competitors were first on the circle and turned in some good times in the cool morning air. Chris Montagino put up a 184.84 mph D flight, followed by team New Hines Math with a 184.76 mph. It was evident that the competition was going to be fierce.

When the Jets rolled out, Patrick Hempel blasted a fine 191.32 mph. Carl Layman follow with a 189.47 mph run. Next out, Steve Perkins gave everyone notice that he was trying to defend his National Championship from last year with a 192.7 mph flight, which hovered about 12 inches from the ground. New Hines Math put up a 188.45 mph. The game was on.

In C Speed, Chris Montagino and your reporter, Warren Gregory, were also very close together, separated by .26 mph.

That separation remained, and Chris became the National Champion for 2018.

In D Speed, on their third attempt, team New Hines Math rolled out a fine 189.71 mph and became the National Champions for 2018.

The Fast Jets remained the same and Steve Perkins was again crowned as the National Champion and was the Doc Davis award recipient for his 192.7 mph earlier flight. He was followed by Patrick Hempel in second place and Carl Layman in third place at 189.47 mph.

At the awards presentation, Chris Montagino won the High Speed award and the High Point award for 2018. Congratulations, Chris.

Hope to see all of our CL Speed friends in 2019.

See you then. 🚀

—Warren Gregory



Wingfoot at work.



Wingfoot getting out of the way.



Chris and his D Speed model.



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Fast Jet winners.



High Speed award winner, Chris Montagino.



D Speed winners.



CL SPEED SCORES

EVENT C SPEED					
CONTESTANT	1	2	3	4	BEST
Gregory Warren	179.28	176.84	178.63	—	178.28
Montagino Chris	175.77	179.54			179.54
Doering Howard	149.86				
Layman Dave	ATT	ATT			—

EVENT D SPEED 304					
CONTESTANT	1	2	3	4	BEST
Montagino Chris	184.84	183.71	186.58	—	186.58
New Hines Math	184.76	184.64	189.71	—	189.71
Doering Howard	ATT				
VanSant Glen	ATT	183.58	ATT		
Layman Carl	174.41	173.99			
VanSant James	166.06	163.95			

EVENT Fast Jet 309					
CONTESTANT	1	2	3	4	BEST
Hempel Patrick	191.32	187.3			191.32
Layman Carl	189.47	ATT	ATT	ATT	189.47
Perkins Steve	192.7				
New Math Hines	188.45				
Gitchel Jeff	177.97				177.97
Hazel Mike	159.71				



National Champion in Fast Jet, Steve Perkins.



National Champions in D Speed, team New Hines Math.



Doc Davis Award winner, Steve Perkins.



National Champion Chris Montagino.

CL RACING

Unless something unexpected happens, this will be my last Control Line Racing article for the *NatsNews*. I try to make my articles informative, and every once in a while, throw in a little humor, but sometimes wonder if anybody really reads what I write. Then I get told by someone about the mistakes I make in my articles.

I could not have done this, however, without some help. Tara DeGraff kindly stepped in to take pictures for me when I was occupied with other duties. Don't worry; Tim Stone has already volunteered to take my place. He has written the CL Racing articles for the *NatsNews* in the past and will do an excellent job.

Friday, August 3, was the day scheduled for the Muncie 500—a 500-lap Sport Goodyear event. At the NCLRA annual meeting, we had three people say they would be pilots for the event. Unfortunately, one of the pilots changed his mind and didn't show up, leaving us with two willing pilots.

This was a winner-take-all event and the entry fee was \$1 per team.

The teams that flew were Bill Bischoff and Mike Greg (aka Biscuits and Gravy), and the father and son team of Charles and Chuck Barnes (aka Ground Chuck and Up Chuck).

The Muncie 500 required both teams to complete a minimum of nine pit stops. In order to keep track of how many pit stops each team made, the timers came up with two methods. One group decided to use a lap counter, while the other decided to place nine small objects in front of them. When the team they were timing made a pit stop, one of them would reach down and discard one of the objects.

The event director said go and both airplanes started on the first flip. Unfortunately, Team Barnes' plane nosed-over, requiring an immediate propeller change, putting them at a distinct disadvantage.

The results of the Muncie 500 are:

1st Bischoff/Greg, 27:52.38

2nd Barnes/Barnes, 30:29.00

Don't worry, even though I will not be writing these articles in the future, I still plan on attending the AMA Nationals on a yearly basis.

It has been fun. 🚁

—Melvin Schuette



To the victor goes the spoils.



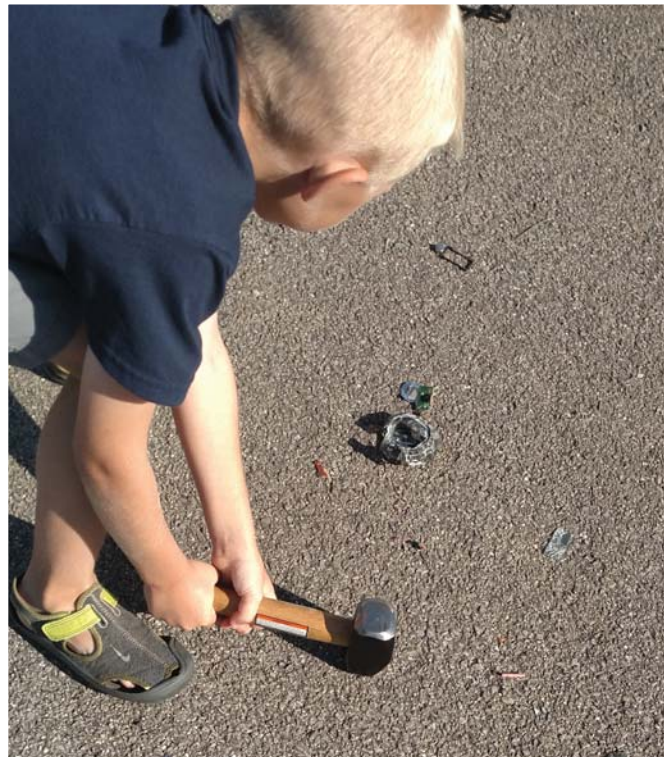
The Muncie 500 teams with Event Director Bill Lee.



Mike Greg warming up the engine before the race.



This is what we do with a stopwatch that quits working.



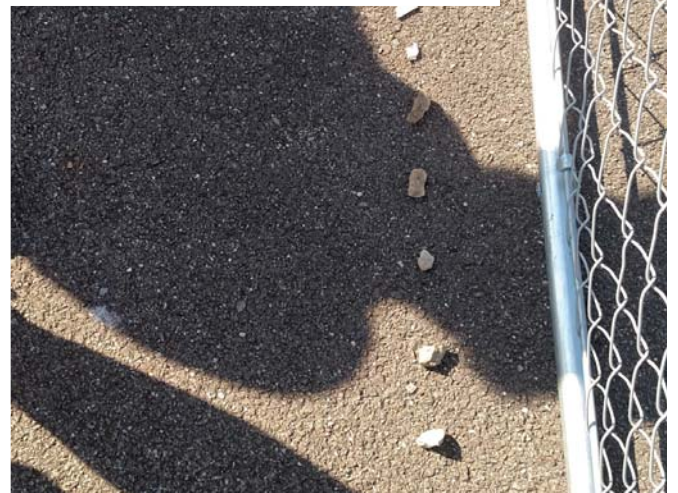
Pilots relaxing before the race.



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of pit stops.





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Chuck Barnes warming up the engine before the start of the race.

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