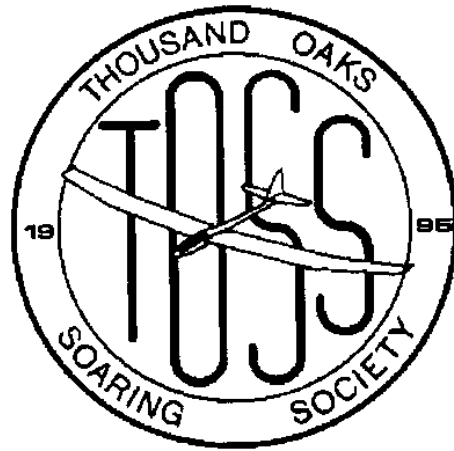


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NEWSLETTER

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NEXT CONTEST:

DATE:	January 14th., 1996
PLACE:	Redwood School
TIME:	9:00 a.m.
C/D Larry Jimenez & Edgar Weisman	

NEXT CLUB MEETNG:

DATE:	December 27h., 1995
DAY:	Wednesday
PLACE:	Cameron Center
TIME:	7:30p.m.

TOSS TALK

NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

OLD BUSINESS: 1) Additional discussions were held on the Man on Man format monthly contests. Improvements would include 2 flyers per round when using three winches and the use of retrievers for all winches.

NEW BUSINESS: 1) Treasurer Report - Larry says that we have approximately \$220 in the kitty when the outstanding bills are included. It was suggested that any excess money will be used for new turn-arounds and replacement parts. 2) Attending members nominated the following for 1996 Officers:

President - Don Northern, Edgar Weisman, Mike Reagan
Vice President - Charles Babcock
Treasurer - Chase Keightly
Secretary - Thomas Akers
Newsletter Editor - Thomas Akers
Assistant Editor - Bob Swet
Field & Meeting Room Manager - Edgar Weisman
Safety Officer - Don Northern
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3) Larry Jimenez discussed the possibility of having a "Paragon Only" contest during 1996. With the number of member owning a Paragon, this would be quite reasonable. Hopefully, it would attract a number of flyers from other clubs. Larry would provide the trophies for first through third place. A trial run was decided to be held on January 14, 1996 as an additional class to the regular club contest.

SHOW & TELL 1) Jonathan Spoer brought in a new hand launched glider kit which he is reviewing. It looked like a pretty nice kit. Sorry Jonathan, but I forgot to jot down the details. 2) Bob Swet brought in some prototype frequency flags which he is generating via computer and laminating with plastic. Costs runs around 10 cents each. He hopes to make them available at no charge to TOSS members in the early part of '96.

RAFFLE RESULTS (see Charles Babcock)

TREASURES REPORT:

We have approx. 300.00 in our account.

PARAGON CONTEST UPDATE:

The Paragon only contest is set for January 14th.1996, to be held in conjunction with our January monthly contest (see flyer for info).

EDITORS' NOTE:

This newsletter is my last official duty as your newsletter editor, it has been fun, but I'm looking forward to permanent retirement from the newsletter job. Many thanks to Bob Swet for helping me this year.

NEW MEMBERS:

Welcome Roger Herbison and Martin Usher to our club.

END OF YEAR RAFFLE:

Remember to bring all your unwanted hobby related stuff for our SUPER RAFFLE. We will have the usual good stuff to along with the GRAND PRIZE an Airtronics Stylus radio_(empty box).



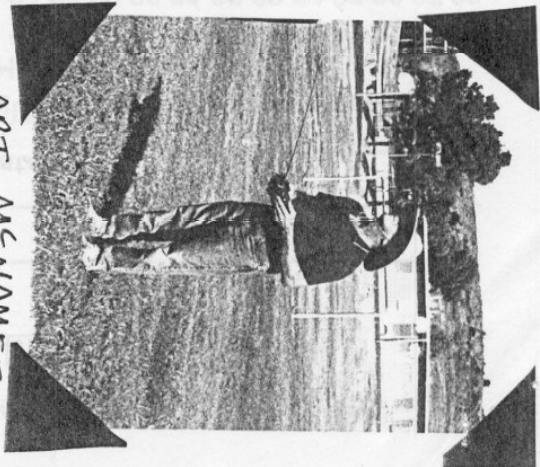
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Edgar & Art



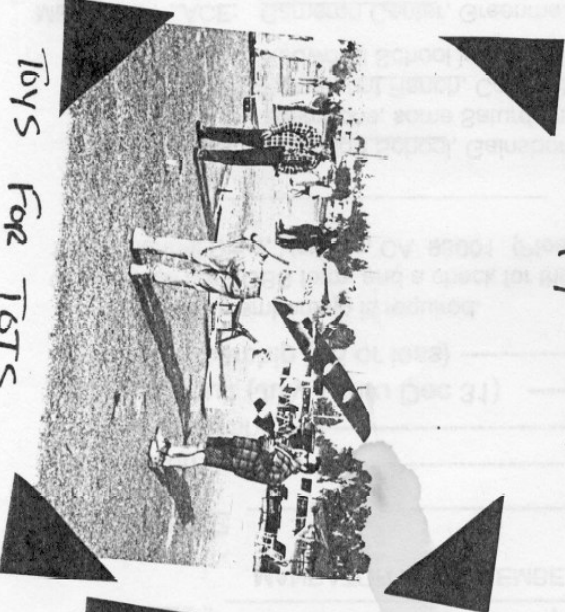
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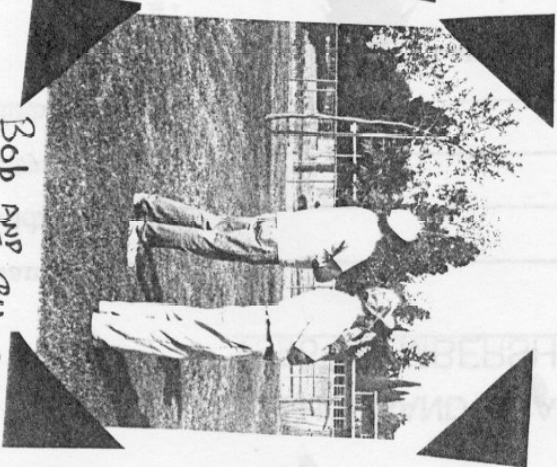
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Toys For T&TS



Bob and Charlie

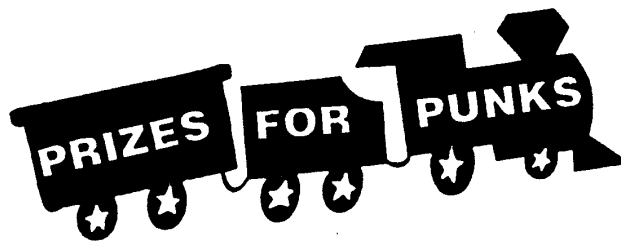
1995 Toys for Tots results

December 3, at the SULA field

1	Ben Clerx	2992	41	Ron Scharck	2950.8
2	Randy Spencer	2991.2	42	Mike Ziaskas	2950.4
3	Steve Condon	2990.2	43	Bob Hardy	2946.2
4	Joe Rodriguez	2988.8	44	Jim Skinner	2944.4
5	Joe Wurts	2988.4	45	Terry Throop	2938.8
6	Gordon Jennings	2987.2	46	Patrick Conway	2936
7	Mike Aguirre	2986.2	47	Larry Jimenez	2930.2 ←
8	Arthur Markiewicz	2986.2	48	Kevin Joyce	2927.6
9	John Bikle	2984.8	49	John Callahan	2925
10	Larry Jolly	2984.8	50	Kevin Anderson	2909.6
11	Brendan Lugo	2984.4	51	Al Cron	2908
12	Don Edberg	2984.4	52	Robert Wolfe	2906.8
13	Merrill Brady	2983.6	53	Manny Tau	2889.8
14	Norm Kutch	2981.8	54	Scott Condon	2888.6
15	Ross Thomas	2981.6	55	Harry Gilbert	2884
16	Matt Forquer	2981.6	56	Bob Pope	2874.8
→ 17	Art McNamee	2981	57	Scott Tooher	2840
→ 18	Mike Reagan	2980.2	58	Don Van Gundy	2805.4
19	Dan Wilson	2980	59	Imroze Khan	2782.2
20	Patrick Dionisio	2979.6	60	Jim Parsons	2770.8
→ 21	Paul Trist	2979.4	61	Chris Jolly	2766.2
→ 22	Ed Weisman	2977.6	62	Craig Townsend	2764.8
23	Jim Markle	2977.6	63	Joe Nave	2764.2
24	George Boss	2977.6	64	Dave Schat	2747
25	Roger Lackey	2976.8	65	Myrle Holloway	2710.8
26	Stan Sadorf	2976.4	66	John Stossel	2699.6
27	Tom Vincent	2975.8	67	Dennis Brandt	2690.6
28	Rick Briggs	2973.6	68	Frank Kammer	2586.4
29	Steve Addis	2973.4	69	Roger Saville	2406
→ 30	Bob Swet	2972.6	70	Dennis DeMarco	2311
→ 31	Thomas Akers	2972.4	71	Randy Martin	2271
32	Steve Hendry	2970.6	72	Chris Rau	2239.8
33	Dwayne Lane	2970.2	73	Dan Fink	1955
34	Mike Carrico	2968.6	74	Mark Puchalski	1881.4
35	Ali Khani	2965.8	75	Thomas Pils	988
36	Bill Klatskin	2965	76	B.J. Weisman	987.4 ←
37	Bill Duncan	2962.4	77	Dick Long	814
38	Pat Stoker	2962.2	78	Browne Goodwin	727
39	Don Richmond	2957.4	79	Alan Sewell	0
40	Jim Smith	2951.4			

The flyoff for the Stylus radio was won by Larry Jolly.

Thanks to all the members of SULA, EDSF, and HSS who worked hard to make this event a success, and thanks to every flier who donated a toy.



Edgar and B.J. Weisman

SOLVING THE MYSTERY OF THE MISSING GLIDER

On Sunday, December 3, 1995, B.J. and I went to the Toys for Tots yearly glider contest, held at the SULA field, at the Cal State Domingus Hills field, in Compton California.

While B.J. was sleeping in his pick up truck between the first and second round his glider, placed on the ground next to his truck, was stolen.

It took about two hours to solve the mystery of the missing glider.

BAD

The glider was stolen

B.J. woke up and could not find his glider

We could not find the thief so we had to call the police.

The police said the area the the boys went to was very "rough".

Most of the missing plane was in the police car but was broken into pieces 6" long.

AMA only insures the plane if it is stolen from a locked vehicle.

Conclusion.

Never leave your plane unattended.

GOOD

Frank Chastler saw two young boys carry the glider away.

The C D announced over the loud speaker that a glider was stolen.

The police were provided with descriptions and direction of the thieves.

The police came back to the contest site with the glider in the police car.

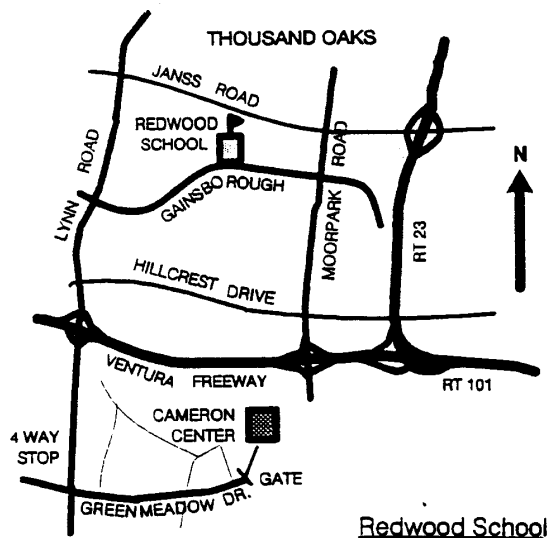
The AMA insures stolen planes .

The servos and reciever look like they are O.K.

1st. ANNUAL PARAGON THERMAL CONTEST

THE THOUSAND OAKS SOARING SOCIETY

By popular demand will hold the
1st. Annual Paragon Only Thermal Contest
on **Sunday January 14th. at 9:00am, Redwood**
School in Thousand Oaks. This contest will be held
along with our regular monthly contest. The
contest is open to all Paragon sailplanes. This
contest will be a thermal duration contest with
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This letter concerns your article titled "Radio Control Soaring" by Dave Garwood in your January issue.

My son, B.J. Weisman, was the Overall Glider Contest winner and the winner of the Two Meter glider contest at this year's National Contest.

He was not mentioned in your article, which I find objectionable and insulting.

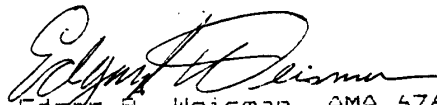
This was the first National Contest that he attended and his winning was certainly due to his expert flying abilities. He finished the Two Meter contest with a borrowed glider with which he had never practiced with before. The glider he had entered in the contest was trashed in a midair crash during the contest.

To win a contest with a glider that you have been practicing with is difficult enough, but to fly a glider that you were not familiar with and then to win a very competitive contest by enough points to also win the overall Glider competition should be worth some discussion and mention in your article.

B.J. has won many glider contests whose contestants included Joe Wurts, Darrell Perkins, Aaron Valdez, and many other outstanding glider pilots.

His winning with a borrowed glider is also a statement of the reliability and interchangeability of the Mark Levoe "V" tail family of gliders, which B.J. has been flying and winning with for the last few years.

There are so few young men that have taken up our hobby that I believe recognition and subsequent encouragement of the ones that do fly and win is necessary for the survival of our sport.



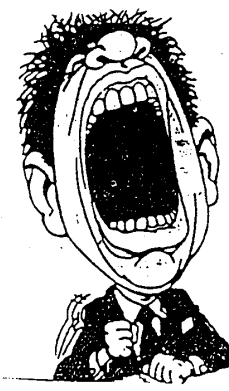
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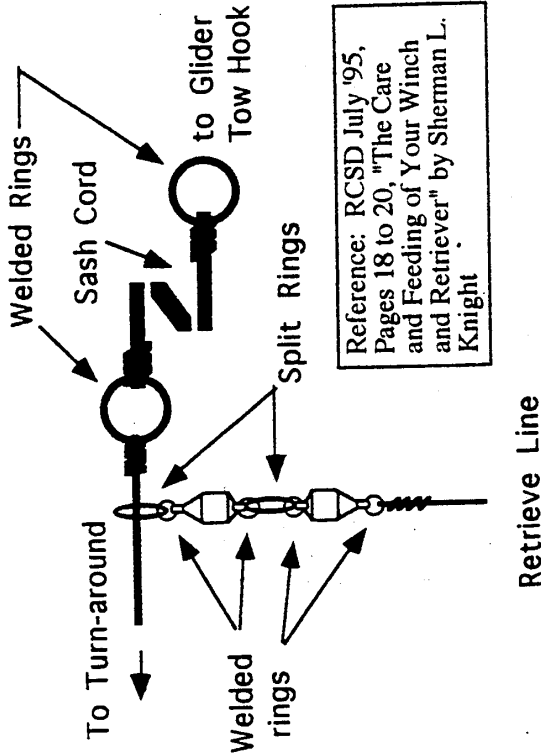


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Winch Line Retriever Systems

by Bill "Weeds" Rinkleib

The July and September issues of R/C Soaring Digest each had an article on the elimination of retriever line snarls, snags, breaks and frustration. I was exposed to the frustration at the last contest when we saw many retriever lines fail, and the eventual manual retrieve system established. This slowed the contest considerably. In an attempt to resolve this problem, ball bearing swivels were purchased and installed in the retrieve lines as shown below.



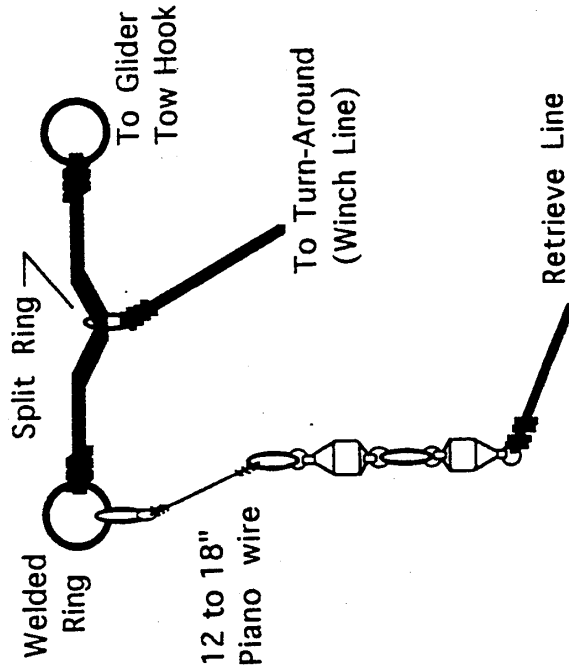
This system had not yet been tested because retriever lines needed to be replaced, and that had not yet been done at the time this was written. The advantage of the proposed dual back-to-back swivels is that they will eliminate all twist in the retrieve line, BUT THEY MUST BE INSTALLED IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS, (as shown) OR THEY WILL NOT WORK.

The September article addressed keeping the retrieve line away from snagging the sailplane. That proposal is shown below and was tested on Jerry Mensch's retriever after bad line was replaced. The problem encountered in any retrieval system stems from having slack line on the spool. (Continue on page 24)

Retriever Systems (Continued)

by Bill "Weeds" Rinkleib

This became very evident on the first launch when a whole string of "birds nests" were spooled off. A half hour later we were ready to try again. This time the launch went well and we were able to retrieve as we should, with no problems. The secret (which Neil Nolte and Jim Thompson have been preaching for years) is to start the retrieve as soon after release of the plane as possible (yes, while the line is still 600 feet in the sky). This will provide tension in the retrieve line as well as allow the new back-to-back swivels to do their thing. The next secret is to run the retriever non-stop until the tow harness is 20 or 30 feet out. DO NOT PULSE THE RETRIEVER. Pulsing will guarantee loose spots on the spool and eventual loops being thrown on launch. Try this it works.



Reference: RCSD Sept. '95, Page 59, "Winch Retriever Bridle" by Pancho Morris