



SMAA

ADVANCING TO THE TOP

23 JULY

“WILD CLOVER HAD SO KINDLY RESCHEDULED THERE EVENT TO ALLOW US TO HOLD LEAGUE 7, WHICH HAD BEEN SCHEDULED ON THE 16 BUT DUE TO THE WEATHER HAD TO BE POSTPONED. THANKS NIC AND HIS TEAM”



A great venue and great weather witnessed so real close and exciting flying, it was also Neil Allen last event before he leaves SA and heads off to the USA, good luck and you will be missed.

Opening the event Sportsman pilots Jack and André had a close battle on round one, but André showing Jack the way. But Jack had the upper hand on the two remaining rounds, André a little to fierce on his take-off run dug the prop into the ground and aborted

his take-off. this allowed Jack to improve on his score and he also did on his third flight, André may have been rattled some what was consistent but some way behind Jack.

And some say we do this for fun!!

Advanced class is turning out to be a real competitive class. For many seasons now Cobus has had no real

competition but at this event he has been rattled and it showed.

Michael in only in first season in this class and flying his shadow finally broke into the sixties. In fact all three rounds he improved, round two if it wasn't for a zero his score would have been a high sixty this gave that round win to Cobus, phew!! If only Michael hadn't scored a zero he would have won all three rounds.

So that was the fight between Cobus and Michael

but lets not forget the two Jacques, Jacques Botha also improved and and got into the sixties, couldn't quite match Michael but I this he soon will then Cobus could be relegated to third! Finally Jacque Borman, this his only second event in Advanced battled with the schedule but was very consistent with mid forties. Well done to all and a very exciting class but if there was a award for the best flying of the day it would go to Michael...



This left only one class left, Masters. With two pilots dropping out left the usual four entries. Rodney and Ernie needing and good score to qualify for the Masters had to find there best performance.

The first round scores between the top three was incredible close but it was Ernie ahead and one nil up. Rodney hit the sixties and a great start. Stuart smash the rest with a super flight and a high sixty leaving Ernie and Neil scoring zeros, Rodney second will his best flight of the day.

With this being Neil's last event I was sure he was going to pull all the stop out to win round three. With Ernie and Rodney not improving on there previous flights it was a battle between Stuart and Neil.

Neil had a superb flight and a good mid sixty score, Stuart made a couple of mistakes to end just over 1% behind for second, it was an incredible contest between the four Masters pilots just look and the Normalized scores, very close.

What a fantastic event, great weather

although a cold breeze, great flying, great competition and to end the event, a visit to the brewery and lunch and a cold beer.

Thanks to our three judges, Martin, Kas and Ludwig for there time and sitting in that cold wind all morning. The last League (8) will be back at HRF in August and the final event in October, the Western Province champs and SA Masters.

If this event is to go by, the next events are going to be real crackers.

	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	FINAL	
SPORTSMAN					
Jack Derman	45.07 / 968	49.60 / 1000	58.67 / 1000	54.13 / 2000	1
André Vogel	46.53 / 1000	0.00 / 0	47.20 / 805	46.87 / 1805	2
ADVANCED					
Michael Borchers	60.65 / 1000	63.26 / 990	64.57 / 1000	63.91 / 2000	1
Cobus Malan	55.51 / 915	63.91 / 1000	62.25 / 964	63.08 / 1964	2
Jacques Botha	59.13 / 975	59.71 / 934	61.30 / 949	60.51 / 1924	3
Jacques Borman	46.59 / 768	45.94 / 719	45.36 / 703	46.27 / 1487	4
MASTERS					
Neil Allen	63.78 / 998	59.17 / 894	64.33 / 1000	64.06 / 1998	1
Stuart Nix	63.17 / 989	66.17 / 1000	63.11 / 981	64.67 / 1989	2
Ernie Smith	63.89 / 1000	59.78 / 903	59.89 / 931	61.89 / 1931	3
Rodney Potter	60.89 / 953	63.94 / 966	59.67 / 927	62.42 / 1919	4



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