

2023 Ringmaster Fly-A-Thon, October 5-6, 2024...
Northwest Skyraiders
Auburn Roegner Parkt Site, Auburn, WA

October 9, 2024

We combined the results of both days, for our totals this year. Overall it was not a bad turnout with 8 guys flying 15 planes for a total of 122 flights, on one grass circle!

Here is the schedule of names and # of flights. Some of the Airplane/Engine data may not be totally accurate....this IS a low-key event, but they were all Ringmasters of some sort!

Pilots	No. of Flights	Airplane /Engine	Airplane / Engine
Rodney Claus	10	S-1 / Brodak 25	RingMonster I/Fox 78
Jim Schneider	7	S-1 / OS 25	RingMonster II/LA46
Jim Schneider	3	RM Jr./ Enya 15	
Jim McCartney	6	S-1 / Johnson 29	RM Jr. / OS 15
Steve Ashmore	56*	PJ RM 576/ Electric	RM Jr. / OS 15
Steve Holt	5	S-1 / OS 25FP	RM Flash / Fox 15
Will Tilse	4	S-1 / Fox 35	Baby RM / Cox 049
Kris Millard	29*	S-1 / Throttled OS25	
Jeff Potter	2	S-1 / OS 25	
TOTALS: 8 Pilots	122	9 planes	6 planes

All in all, a great time was had by everyone who attended. Saturday was clear and VERY sunny! (low 70°s), with only moderate some late morning wind.....not bad, just 'bouncy'. Sunday started much the same way, with a batch of successful flights, then some wind, then some closure.

*These 'multi-flights' involved 'controllable' airplanes, flying 5+ laps, then shutting back and landing, to complete rolling stop, then throttle up and take off for another 5 laps. There was some 'pitwork' in action, to allow some restarts and re-activating electric circuitry.

There is a selection of pics of some of the activity and lineups....and flyers in action...

Thanks to those who helped make it all work, including Jim McCartney, Rodney Claus, Randy Ling and Steve Holt and all the others (whose names I didn't write down....or remember!) gathered to enjoy the camaraderie that this event brings together.

It was my pleasure to be the 'fast and loose' event organizer, with, perhaps, a reasonable event tally and herding the loose cats!

Best regards,

Dave Gardner



A Pat Johnston RM 526E, well done by Steve Ashmore



Jim McCartney firing up the Johnson 29...unmuffled, but sweet!



A Pat Johnston RM+P (parabolic airfoil) (not legal for OTS, but a helluva flyer!



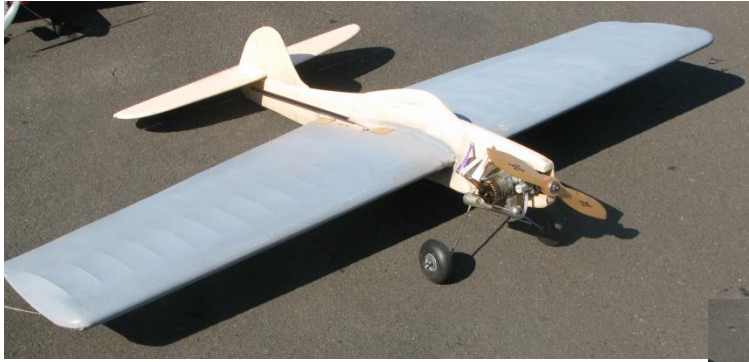
RingMonster I (left) and Ringmonster II (right).....78 vs .46.....they both work!



Jim Schneider.....Will Tilse (SAM 8...)



Let 'er rip.....!! Steve Holt...in action...!!!!



The RingMonster(150% linear scale,
63" w.s. (approx. 300% linear weight...!!)
Approx 96 oz, with Fox 78 (LARGE Fox 35!)
w/14-6 prop...approx. 2x disc area of 10-6.

RingMonster compared to stock RM.

Built by the late Bill Sodon, with full auto body shop
construction methods!

