Sacramento Area Modelers Present:

The Happy Hour Aerobatics Contests

May 18, 2024 (after the Atwood Pattern Classic)

October 5-6, 2024 (after the Garric Pattern Classic)

If you are new to pattern or just want to fly aerobatics with something that isn't a new fangled pattern plane, Happy Hour is the perfect opportunity to have some fun.

In addition to the standard pattern contests, we're adding "Happy Hour" contests after the AMA/FAI classes each day. Happy Hour will be a fun, relaxed, and simple contest that allows pilots to fly normal airplanes without any pressure or the need to invest a lot of time and money.

Happy Hour will feature: Club Class, Electric Ducted Fan (EDF), and Classic Pattern.

Happy Hour starts at roughly 2pm, after the completion of the Don Atwood and Bud Garric Pattern Classic competitions.

Register on site for the Happy Hour contests at 1:30pm.

Club class is perfect if you've never flown an aerobatics competition. It's open to any AMA-legal airplane. An airplane that will loop and roll is all that's necessary. Examples include the Kaos, Stiks, Cubs, Taylorcraft, Apprentice, and T-34. While the sequence does include a take-off, if you have a glider or other hand-launch airplane (e.g. E-Flight Conscendo), we will accommodate that, too. For a good article on Club Class, visit this link: https://www.amaflightschool.org/getstarted/what-pattern

EDF features any of the very popular EDF jets now available. For now, there are no limitations on size or battery cell count. These airplanes are generally fast and a bit harder to fly, but make for a very fun and challenging platform for aerobatics.

Classic pattern will be the most advanced class, but still doesn't require any fancy equipment or complex maneuvers. We will use a sequence of maneuvers used at full classic pattern contests.

Field location: 11000 Florin Road, Sacramento, CA 95830.

Maps, sequences, and calling cards at: http://sacramentoareamodelers.com/pattern.html

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