

pilots and the machines under all conditions. As conditions improved so did the performance. The standings held steady and close. To the very last no one of the top men could be sure of his place. The contest is primarily to determine the Nation's Soaring Champion. It was no walk-away for the champ. This in itself an attribute to both him and his fellow competitors. Analyze the statistical data presented and you will agree.

It requires skilled pilots and good sailplanes to turn

in outstanding performances, but they must have the full support of these people who stand faithfully by. They are crewmen, statisticians, computers, operations personnel, headquarters personnel, tow pilots and others. We take this opportunity to thank all for the time and effort they so willingly contributed to the success of the contest, especially those who took time from their business throughout the long preparation period and those who used their vacations to do the hard work of operations.

AWARDS AT THE 17th NATIONAL (Continued from page 7)

Billy Cunneyngham, first man to complete Silver "C" rating during contest — Briggs-Weaver Mach. Co. Cash Award, \$25.00.

Best Two-Place Performance

Hummingbird Team — Harry Perl and Les Arnold—Nylon Tow Rope, donor Alexis Dawydoff, 2 year sub. to Cross Country News.

Air Show Performances

Balloon Popping—Paper Cutting—Aerobatics — Soaring Exhibition — Braiding Ropes

Ken Flaglor — Texas Hat; donor, Marvin D. Evans Company.

Dave Boone — Texas Hat; donor, Adco Industries.

Betsy Woodward—Texas Hat; donor, Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company.

Curt Holzhauser—Texas Hat; donor, Standard Parts & Equipment Co. Bill Ivans — Texas Hat; donor, Standard Press Steel Company.

Del Miller — Texas Hat; donor, A. Davis Company.

Ray Parker — Texas Hat; donor, Precision Aircraft Parts Company.

Dick Lyons—Texas Hat; donor, J-Y Sales Company.

Kim Scribner—Texas Hat; donor, Reynolds Aluminum Company.

Lyle Maxey — Texas Hat; donor, Dow Chemical Company.

Chas. Kohls — Texas Hat; donor, Aluminum Company of America.

Beaumont Cooley—Texas Hat; donor, Ft. Worth Linotype Company.

Earl Menefee—Texas Hat; donor, Panther City Supply Company.

Texas Private Fliers Cup donor T. P. F. A. \$10.00 Cash award by Barada and Page Co.

Aerobatic Events

AEROBATIC CHAMPION, Kim Scribner—Texas Private Fliers' Trophy; T. V. Hanlon, Jr., Cash Award \$100.00.

2nd place, Ray Parker—Parker and Co. Cash Award, \$50.00.

3rd place, Wally Wiberg—Texas Stetson Hat given by Elastic Stop Nut Corporation.

Beechcraft Speed Event

1st place, Kim Scribner, 36.5 m.p.h., \$150.00.

2nd place, Lyle Maxey, 35.2 m.p.h., \$125.00.

3rd place, Ray Parker, 29.8 m.p.h., \$100.00.

4th place, Les Arnold and Harry Perl, 27.7 m.p.h., \$75.00.

5th place, Dave Malkemus, 26.1 m.p.h., \$50.00.

Goal Prizes

Dick Johnson—Odessa, Texas, 318 miles cash prize \$150.00 by J. W. Stafford.

Dick Johnson—Abilene, Texas, 157 miles cash prize \$150.00 by F. S. Oldt.

Paul Schweizer — Wichita Falls, Texas, 122 miles cash prize \$150.00 by Ralph Harper.

Lyle Maxey—San Angelo, Texas, 220 miles cash prize \$150.00 by E. L. Dalton Co.

Beaumont Cooley—Coleman, Texas, 153 miles, cash prize \$100.00 by Chamber of Commerce.

Stroukoff Award

for Goal and Return Flights

1st place — Hummingbird Team (Ted Nelson, Harry Perl, Les Arnold) Grand Prairie to Waco and return—79 miles, \$200.00.

2nd place — Bill Coverdale, Grand Prairie to Stephenville and return—78 miles, \$100.00.

3rd place—Ray Parker, Grand Prairie to Navarro and return—63 miles, \$50.00.

Northrup Award

(for best flight for pilots under 21)

Irving Gere—15 years old, For an altitude gain of 9309 feet above release in California July 3, 1950. Cash Award, \$100.00.

Fred Obar—20 years old, 78 miles goal flight made March 22, 1950 at Mississippi State College. Cash Award, \$100.00.

Warren E. Eaton Memorial Trophy

Paul MacCready, Jr.—For greatest contribution to Soaring during 1949-50.

Miscellaneous Awards

Every pilot remaining for the Awards Meeting, regardless of his point standing, won a prize. The following who had not won special or goal prizes were given their choice of the miscellaneous prizes in the order of their contest standing:

Jack Stephenson Ralph Salisbury
Pat Mulloy Howard Kiltgord
Pop Krohne Andy Tagliafico
Dallas Wise Fred Matteson
Shelly Charles Ralph Watkins
Thayer Smith Curt Kiltgord
Eugart Yerian By Baker
Nylon Tow Rope—donor, Columbia Rope Company.

Safe Flight Indicator — donor, Safe Flight Instrument Company.

Jensen Computer—donor, Weems Navigation Company.

Navigation Text — donor, Weems Navigation Company.

Magnesium Servitrays—donor, Dow Chemical Company.

Dozen golf balls—donor, U. S. Rubber Company.

Thommen Pocket Type Altimeter—Range 15,000 feet, 50 ft. Cal. donor, Longine-Wittnauer Company.

Thermos Ware Picnic Set—donor, B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company.

Dalton Dead Reckoning Computers—donor, Majestic Reproduction Co.

American Airlines Navigation Computer—donor, Bell Reproduction Company.

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