

# ps — Table of Scores — 1961

	AUGUST 7 FREE DISTANCE			AUGUST 10 80.9 MI. GOAL RACE			PILOT
	DIST. MI.	DAILY PTS.	CUM. PTS.	SPEED MPH	DAILY PTS.	CUM. PTS.	
(3)	276.5	988 (4)	3564 (3)	42.2	1000 (1)	4564 (1)	Smith, A.
(4)	243.0	868 (8)	3392 (5)	40.0	953 (3)	4345 (2)	Evans, W.
(7)	278.2	994 (3)	3453 (4)	34.7	841 (7)	4294 (3)	Allemann, R.
(10)	278.5	995 (2)	3388 (6)	36.1	870 (6)	4258 (4)	Bikle, P.
(6)	214.5	766 (21)	3243 (9)	41.0	975 (2)	4218 (5)	Drew, C.
(5)	225.0	804 (17)	3282 (7)	37.1	891 (4)	4173 (6)	Johnson, R.
(9)	238.0	850 (9)	3273 (8)	36.7	884 (5)	4157 (7)	Thomson, G.
(1)	259.0	925 (5)	3597 (2)	72.4*	457 (19)	4054 (8)	Ryan, J.
(2)	280.0	1000 (1)	3661 (1)	56.0*	353 (31)	4014 (9)	Schreder, R.
(8)	198.0	707 (29)	3134 (11)	53.3*	336 (32)	3470 (10)	Abels, G.
(15)	229.5	820 (13)	2934 (13)	79.4*	501 (15)	3435 (11)	Sebek, F.
(18)	226.5	809 (16)	2592 (20)	31.6	774 (8)	3366 (12)	McClanahan, E.
(12)	208.0	743 (24)	3022 (12)	52.5*	331 (33)	3353 (13)	Randall, J.
(14)	201.5	720 (23)	2924 (14)	62.0*	391 (28)	3315 (14)	Coverdale, W.
(22)	219.0	782 (20)	2470 (21)	28.7	712 (13)	3182 (15)	Moore, R.
(23)	221.5	791 (18)	2412 (22)	30.7	755 (11)	3167 (16)	Coder, G.
(21)	248.0	886 (6)	2639 (16)	80.9*	510 (14)	3149 (17)	Ray, G.
(11)	227.5	813 (15)	3148 (10)	—	—	3148 (18)	Yeates, C.
(20)	238.0	850 (9)	2594 (19)	78.0*	492 (16)	3086 (19)	Pallmer, P.
(17)	221.5	791 (18)	2598 (18)	70.3*	443 (21)	3041 (20)	Zauner, O.
(16)	209.0	746 (22)	2720 (15)	50.5*	318 (34)	3038 (21)	Brown, R.
(19)	235.0	839 (11)	2615 (17)	63.3*	399 (26)	3014 (22)	Jensen, H.
(25)	229.5	820 (13)	2170 (26)	29.1	721 (12)	2891 (23)	Maxey, L.
(26)	208.5	745 (23)	2065 (28)	31.6	773 (9)	2838 (24)	Slack, J.
(25)	232.0	829 (12)	2236 (24)	75.2*	474 (17)	2710 (25)	Bierens, J.
(29)	202.0	721 (25)	1912 (29)	31.6	773 (9)	2685 (26)	Svec, D.
(13)	—	—	2208 (25)	72.0*	454 (20)	2662 (27)	Carris, B.
(24)	189.0	675 (30)	2240 (23)	62.6*	395 (27)	2635 (28)	Derujinsky, G.
(27)	245.0	875 (7)	2155 (27)	70.3*	443 (21)	2598 (29)	Schweizer, P.
(31)	182.5	652 (32)	1795 (33)	72.7*	459 (18)	2254 (30)	Audette, J.
(30)	200.5	716 (28)	1871 (30)	60.4*	381 (30)	2252 (31)	Johnson, D.
(33)	200.8	717 (27)	1796 (32)	65.8*	415 (24)	2211 (32)	Licher, L.
(34)	180.5	645 (33)	1536 (34)	68.7*	433 (23)	1969 (33)	Pratt, L.
(32)	189.0	675 (30)	1811 (31)	22.2*	140 (35)	1951 (34)	Ross, H.
(36)	148.0	529 (34)	1266 (35)	65.8*	415 (24)	1681 (35)	Emons, J.
(35)	119.0	425 (35)	1223 (36)	60.9*	384 (29)	1607 (36)	Litle, R.

mittee on the last day of the 1961 Championships dictated a downwind goal race to Salina, Kansas, 80.9 miles to the north. A weak, supposedly cloudless front lay just south of the goal. Winds before the front were SW, 30 knots.

Everyone, and particularly the pilots and crews, were keenly aware of the closeness of the contest. It was evident that the results of the day's task would determine the 1961 National Soaring Champion—and so it did. By 4:30 P.M. the startling news was relayed to Wichita: only 13 pilots had landed at Salina, and notable by their absence were the two front runners Schreder and Ryan. It was significant that the 13 who succeeded in completing the task landed within 36 minutes of one another, all but one just barely making it. Smith, who had been in 3rd place, had the best speed of 41.2 mph and the 1000 points it gave him assured him of the Championship. Evans' 40.0 mph moved him ahead of Allemann (34.7 mph) into 2nd place, Allemann was 3rd and Bikle

(36.1 mph for the day) 4th in the final standings. Ryan's 457 points for his 72.4 miles dropped him into 8th place and Schreder, who made several different flights trying for the best conditions, waited too long and was also unable to gain enough altitude before the advancing front to glide in to the goal. His 56.0 miles for 353 points put him in 9th place, still only 550 points behind Smith, an indication of what a close contest it was.

Almost all the pilots and crew succeeded in reaching the Awards Banquet at the Municipal Airport terminal building that evening to applaud the 1961 elite in soaring, even if the time and opportunity to wash and dress for the occasion was not available to all. The banquet was very well attended. Seated at the head table were H. Marshall Claybourn, Contest Manager and KSA President; E. J. Reeves, Competition Director; Paul Bikle, SSA President; Dr. Harner Selvidge and Jon D. Carsey, former SSA presidents; as well as the Vice President and General

Manager of Cessna Aircraft Co.

The award giving was presided over by Dave Blanton of KSA who called on Lloyd Licher, SSA Executive Secretary, to present certain of the SSA awards.

The perpetual, SSA-administered Lewin B. Barringer Memorial Trophy was awarded to Joseph C. Lincoln for the longest soaring flight made during 1960 other than at the Nationals, 455.5 miles. Unfortunately, he was not present to receive it in person.

Harland C. Ross was presented with the SSA-administered Paul E. Tuntland Memorial Award for 1960 for his article "Cross-Country on the 'Marfa Dew Point Front'" in *Soaring* magazine, the flight which yielded the most scientific information recorded or written by the pilot.

A mounted certificate proclaiming his addition in 1961 to the Helms Hall Soaring Hall of Fame was presented to Jon D. Carsey and it was announced that another was in hand for Joseph C. Lincoln (absent).

Record diplomas from the F.A.I. were presented to Paul F. Bikle for the two world altitude soaring records he established on Feb. 25, 1961.

Lloyd Licher announced the winners of SSA's recent membership contest, listed elsewhere in this issue, and presented the prizes to those who were present.

KSA distributed gilded, engraved medallions set on walnut to all the Nationals contestants and key officials as mementos.

Special cash prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10, donated by Gus Briegleb, were presented to the three crews most deserving of recognition: Julien Audette's boys, Ed McClanahan's wife and her sister, and Bob Litle's parents.

Bob Litle received two special awards, a B-52 model donated by Boeing of Wichita for having come the farthest (Paris) to compete, and the Tail-end Tony Trophy, donated by Tony Page, as consolation prize for lowest score.

There were a few comical prizes given, two of the recipients being Julien Audette and George Coder. George took it good-naturedly and then produced the state flags for Texas and California which are the prizes in a friendly rivalry between the contestants from these two states each year. They went to Bill Evans