

Score Board

IHLGF A Success

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Once again, the IHLGF was a major success and something to be proud of for our club.

The contest actually gets started on Thursday the before the actual contest on the weekend with the two practice days potentially being the best part. It is a chance to see old friends who share common interests that you don't get to see except maybe once a year. It's the first chance to see what the Seattle gang has cooked up for this year. It's a chance to watch people psych each other out with new airfoils and designs. To the contest's credit it's also a chance to welcome international visitors and discuss flying in other contries. But' that's just the start. The real fun comes when you test yourself against the best.

This years contest presented the contestants with a challenging set of flying conditions. Saturday had some quite windy conditions testing all contestants.

Sunday was actually disconcerting. For some time, it looked like our famous San Diego weather was going to let everyone down. It was actually raining hard with everyone running for shelter thirty minutes before the first round. Fortunately the rain stopped and the day went from light lift to challenging thermals ending with wind and moderate thermals in the fly off round.

As a contestant, the thing that continues to amaze me is how much people learn. Novice flyers gain confidence and make the leap to experienced. Experienced pilots learn new lessons in the "taste" of humility. Everyone learns how to better prepare for next year.

And there are always new trends set in glider design. The "6063" airfoil flown by Joe Wurts is worth more exploration. The Logic from NSP flown by Daryl Perkins shows promise in a radical design. The Tactical Err sidearm launch improved significantly. While at the same time, classics like the Epsilon, Mapleleaf, D-Lite, and Wizard continue to hold their own.

As they say in sports, just wait until next year! ✨

IHLGF Scores

OPEN CLASS

PI	Name	Score	PI	Name	Score
1	Joe Wurts	11634	27	Mark Howard	6715
2	Daryl Perkins	11460	28	Nowell Siegel	6639
3	John Roe	11371	29	Merrill Brady	6584
4	Gordon Jennings	11363	30	Patrick Dionisio	6579
5	Arthur Markiewicz	10870	31	Mark Gumpercht	6550
6	Ben Clerx	10828	32	Chris Brose	6466
7	George Joy	10768	33	Peter Williams	6443
8	Joe Hahn	10618	34	Jim Wakefield	6417
9	Paul Anderson	10562	35	Patrick Conway	6256
10	Steve Condon	10330	36	Mickey Baron	6166
11	Mario Scolari	8025	37	Tom Clarkson	6059
12	Bruce Davidson	7981	38	Joe Rodriguez	5994
13	Paul Siegel	7932	39	Tom Hoopes	5756
14	Adam Weston	7890	40	Jim Thorne	5539
15	Mark Navarre	7830	41	Bruce Hobbs	5265
16	Stan Sadorf	7595	42	Mike Ziaskas	5242
17	Jim Pearson	7430	43	Terry Trimble	5126
18	Larry Jolly	7419	44	Cliff Hunter	4854
19	Randy Spencer	7304	45	Jerry Fry	4848
20	Phil Pearson	7263	46	Matt Gewain	4737
21	Don VanGundy	7226	47	Carl Anderson	4562
22	Terry Hahn	7029	48	Tom Henscheid	4550
23	John Erickson	6977	49	David Judson	3873
24	Darwin Barrie	6964	50	Jerry Craft	3728
25	Randy Elkins	6928	51	David Imhoff	1849
26	Garth Warner	6838	52	Robert Cavasos	1141

EAGLE CLASS (55+)

1	Ron Scharck	8399
2	Don Richmond	7918
3	Paul Clark	7175
4	Al Nephew	5889

JUNIOR CLASS (15 and under)

1	Chris Jolly	7943
2	Sam Siegel	7734
3	Ryan Fry	7440
4	Jason Nicholas	7276