

The “Rubber Bowden” Old Warden, Saturday September 24th 2016

A new experimental free flight event is being introduced by John Ashmole, who also runs the “Masfield Trophy” competition. With free flight coming under increased pressure at present, this is an attempt to provide a positive initiative for sports flyers, and it is hoped that prospective competitors will enter this in the spirit of the event.

This precision task, structured into two rounds just like the power “Bowden” contest, is open in the first instance to any conventionally built rubber model, although if successful, the specification may be refined later.

At this stage this event is a ‘pilot’ event, and so not incorporated in SAM 35’s General Rules

Rules

1. **Models.** Any rubber powered job, conventionally built (no foam), no auto surfaces (apart from a d/t set for just over sixty seconds, if wished.)

2. Procedure

a. Competitors must sign on at the control tower by noon on the day of the event. A ballot will take place for flying order.

b. Competitors will be called upon to fly in turn, and will have two minutes in which to launch (may wind before this time). If no flight, or less than a 10 second attempt, go to back of queue for a second go.

c. Fly to a target time of 40 seconds. One point lost for every second deviation from the target. Overflying the sixty second max (or landing under d/t prior to 60 seconds) will entail a loss of 20 points (ie, no disqualification.)

d. There will be a short interval between the two rounds.

Second round: as before, but the flying order will be rearranged, best last.

Lowest loss of points wins.

3. **Awards.** Trophy for winner. Certificates for second and third.

4. **Entry Fee.** An entry fee of £2 will be charged to pay for the trophy.

5. **Disputes.** The decision of the contest director will be final in case of any adjudication being necessary.

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