

SAM 35 VOETSAK TRIBUTE RACING RULES.

1. Model to be built to the outlines & material dimensions of the 70% of full size Voetsak Tribute drawing available from Derick Scott at www.model-plans.co.uk, or the Vintage Model Company full kit or Belair part kit both now available, with 2.5" diameter balloon wheels (no streamlined or thin section wheels; 65mm foam type are OK).
2. 50ft. length control lines (model centre to handle centre) plus or minus 3.0", 0.012" thick, stranded wire. No line groupers allowed. Wrist straps must be worn. Carbon steel stranded lines are strongly recommended rather than stainless steel. This is in the light of the Barton MFC's recent experiences and new c/l rules, and this will become mandatory for the 2021 Voetsak Tribute season.
3. An AM 25 diesel engine is the only permitted power.
4. Any size of fuel tank may be used, though around 15cc is recommended. Fit a 2.0" diameter replica tin (or other material) canister tank on the front side of model for authentic appearance (mandatory). Do please fit a mini Ron Moulton pilot bust made by Dave Banks specially for this model if you possibly can, usually available from Steve Betney at events.
5. Hand-start only. No electric starters allowed. 1 minute warm up period once both models are brought into the circle before a race.
6. 60 lap heats, 2-up, for the qualifiers, & 60 laps final.
7. Maximum heat time is 6 minutes, to include at least 1 mandatory pit stop. Penalty for no pit stop will be +2 minutes added to actual time recorded for 60 laps. If no pilot completes the full 60 laps, the whole number of completed laps actually done will determine placing.
8. 2020 events will be run at selected venues & times to be announced (currently at the 3 events at Old Warden modelling weekends, starting at 10a.m. on the Saturday 9th May, 25th July and 19th September, plus 3 additional SAM 35 events at BMFA Buckminster starting at 1.30p.m. on Saturday April 4th, 10 a.m. on 27th Jun, and 10a.m. on 17th October.
9. 1 pilot, 1 pitman per model.
10. Hard hat compulsory for pitman.
11. Pilot's centre circle of 10 ft. radius to be marked out, & an outside circle to be marked out at 10 ft.+ 18" + line length = 61.5 ft. from centre.
12. Usual rules about good general standard of construction, & model must be fitted with a spinner nut of minimum nose radius 7.5mm, not the standard AM hexagon prop nut, to comply with BMFA c/l rules. (Note: the AM 25 has a 1/4" x 26tpi – BSF shaft thread.)
13. Wooden or plastic/nylon propellers only to be used, no carbon fibre or glass-filled APC etc. types.
14. Pilots to walk forward at all times whilst flying, not backwards, & no hogging the centre to make the other pilot have to walk around. Only one warning per heat will be issued to the pilot by the CD, and a second transgression will result in disqualification.
15. Pull test of 10G minimum.

SAM 35 VOETSAK TRIBUTE RACING LEAGUE TABLE.

A league table of race result will be compiled for at least the 2020 racing season covering all of the events, with points awarded to all pilots to be published in SAM 35 Speaks magazine. At the end of the season, the best 4 scores for each pilot out of the maximum 6 races will be used to determine overall league positions, and a prize fund of £210 will be allocated between the top 3 pilots/teams: £120 for 1st place, £60 for 2nd and £30 for 3rd.

Points at each race will be awarded for the top 10 pilots/teams with the award of 10 points for first place in the final, 9 for the runner up in the final, then 8 for the fastest heats time excluding the finalists, 7 for the next fastest time (or number of laps if less than 60 are completed) and so on down to just 1 point for 10th place, zero score for all others.

SAM 35 VOETSAK TRIBUTE TIMED LAPS EVENT RULES.

All rules are as above, except the event will be for the fastest time for 10 laps from a rise off ground (RoG) launch. This will give participants in a Voetsak Tribute event at least 2 flights on the day, subject to time constraints in the case of a large number of entries in the main racing event.

The average time from 2 stopwatches will be taken.

Certificates for top 3 places.

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