

## CD's Report MATS ROUND 3 JULY 25, 2009

This time the rain did not win over the pilots!

The day started under a gray sky with 8 pilots running for the very prized MATS annual contest trophy: 3 from MATS, 3 from ORCC, one from C2VM and one Trois-Rivières. All courageous pilots that faithfully believed in our flawless weather guru, namely Duc Levan.

The squadron was composed of 3 Xplorers, One Star Light 3000, one BD, one Artemis, one NYX and one 2-meters Allegro.

We successfully ran 4 rounds before lunch and two more after lunch. It was a landing festival: most pilots successfully landed in the circle. There were only 5 bad landings out of 32 before lunch time!. The wind was calm with less than 10 kmh dying to 0 at times.

The morning finished with a rather tight score. Our good friend Danger Dan from C2VM ( sometimes called Dan McCrae, driving a brand spanking new red Toyota Prius ) leading the pack with 60 points, ahead of myself in second place and Aurèle Alain in third place. That was before we dropped the worst round. I fooled myself by dorking my Xplorer on the second landing thus scoring a nice 0 points for that landing.

By then we had sunshine and very humid conditions, still without any wind.

Pressure was on Dan to stay at the top of the pile. Sure enough, Dan cracked and had a terrible 5th round. More pressure on Dan... Will he shut up and fly or keep talking???

The sixth round was the key one to sort out things. Dan got bettered in his round by Luca Valle by a mere 1 second on the flying time. That was the deal breaker for Dan that came out of the round with a score of 1047,61, enough to lose the first place.

It is worth mentioning the incredible work done by Luca competing with a 2-meters Allegro against moldies. He managed to run two perfects rounds with 1050 points beating some moldies. He is hoping to be flying soon a 3.8 meters Aspire. Watch out boys!

This is going to be some serious business then.....

Final result was as follows:

Third place: Aurele Alain with 5168,89 or 98,55%

Second place: Dan McRae with 5242,85 or 99,96%

First place: Jacques Girard with 5245,19 ( less than 3 points ahead of Danger Dan )

We finished the day with a 15 minutes fly-off including the 3 best pilots of the day. Aurèle Alain crushed both Jacques and Dan with a 15 minutes flight and perfect landing. Bravo.

Thanks to all of those that participated to this round.

Next round will be held by ORCC in the weeks to come. Keep an eye on your messages for the official posting.

Jacques

