

## LAUNCH REPORT

Three Oaks, Michigan, 11/24-25/2007

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**We may have set a new record for attendance (both flyers and spectators), number of flights, and fees received.**

I say "may have" because the only records I have are those created since I began as vice-prefect. But in my 7 year involvement with Michiana Rocketry, I don't think I've seen a better launch weekend. And I doubt there was a better one before that (?)

The weather was near perfect both days. Mostly blue skys with some off & on lower ceiling. And NO BREEZE to very light breeze. It was "cool" of course but it's late November in Michiana after all. We did have to "pack up" about 4:00 Sun. as clouds & snow moved in.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING:

	Sat	Sun	Total
Flyers	23	32	55
Flights	54	134	188

Motors used, not counting clusters: A - 2, B - 8, C - 42, D - 16, E - 5, F - 16, G - 17, H - 10, I - 8, J - 5, K - 2, L - 2, M - 1

SOME HIGHLIGHTS:

Gus Piepenburg excited the crowd with three AMW Skidmark powered flights on Saturday. *Nuclear Banana* with a K-1000, *Color Me Gone* with a I-315 and *Diablo* with an M-2200 (this one required our new 16,000' call-in waiver).....thanks Gus for the great flights!

Member Michael Adams had 2 successful flights with his very bright and groovy *Groovy Baby*. One Sat. and one Sun., each was powered by an L-850.

There were several certification flights.....unfortunately I do not have notes on those flights.

Bert Wise had one flight with one of the new Aerotech, Mojave Green motors....a J500G.

There were just too many great flights to mention.

A FEW CREATIVE NAMES FROM THE FLIGHT CARDS:

*Junkyard Dawg* - Chris Hundley

*Little Polish Thunder* - Bob Jablonski

*Tinkerbelle Tumbler* - Isabella Davila

*Stupid Thingy* - Kristin Tapper

*Sponge Bob Sky Pants* - Abby Hillman

*Billy Bob Joe* - Dave Brunsting

We are getting more volunteer help than in the past.....THANK YOU for those that helped out. There is still however, too much work done by a very few people! I had planned on taking pictures but unfortunately, time didn't allow it.