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There have been a few questions regarding the points totals and scoring during the Mid-South Soaring Championships 2005. I hope this will clarify the situation.

1) I mistakingly did not reset the maximum FLIGHT points per round to 900 and left it at my test value of 1000. Since all events used Flight Group or Normalized scoring, the effect was uniform.

1A) The events with LANDING points added an additional potential 100 points. Consequently, this created the 1100 points awarded for a perfect round.

2) A sporadic ROUNDING error was discovered Friday evening. The initial investigation indicated only the Accumulated Score was affected, not the individual round values. At most, the Accumulated Score would be off by one if a manual summing of the individual round scores was performed. I deemed no entrant's FINAL position was going to be impacted and decided to await a less stressful environment to correct the error.

2A) Detail investigation and proofing of all the routines involved proved the original Saturday evening synopsis. These PDF's incorporate the correction.

3) The Accumulated Time displayed on all reports prior to these PDF's was from the wrong data field. The correct Normalized value WAS USED for ALL scoring calculations; i.e. a reported TD time of 10.03 would normalize to 9.57 for Scoring and Accumulative Time purposes. The correct Normalized Accumulative Time is now displayed.

4) RES on Friday required an additional or fifth round to be added. This application was designed to prevent that occurrence if scoring had commenced. I attempted to kludge the addition of the fifth round and didn't quite make it. I failed to protect the ORIGINAL four rounds Flight Group assignments during the attempt. The application generated and assigned different Flight Groups for the first four rounds. When the final Standings Report was generated, the entrants' scores for the first four rounds differed. When the error was pointed out, we had to recall the awards and rankings.

4A) A by-hand reentry of the Flight Group assignments for the first four rounds commenced. A total verification of all Flight Time/Landing entries for the event occurred. A corrected Standings Report and awards presentation occurred.

5) A few concerns were voiced about round scores changing between

reports. I made the decision to go ahead and print the Standings Reports even though an entrant's Flight Log had not been submitted in a reasonable time, especially when the entrant could not be immediately located and was out of the top five. An entrant would show a zero for that round.

5A) An attempt was made to verify all data at the end of every round; it was necessary to skip a round in some instances, due to the workload. In every event there WAS a COMPLETE verification of all Flight Time/Landing entries prior to the final standings. After the RES problems and due to the shifting of Flight Groups during TD on Saturday and Sunday, a complete verification of Flight Group assignments was also performed. If the round was skipped, the change would not be noticed until the next round or within the final Standings Report.

My most sincere apology for ANY confusion created.

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