

1-26 Association Sweepstakes Results for 1999, Magic Number = 3

<Eastern Division>	Bronze	No Pilots Qualified			
Anderson, Kevin	Maryville, TN	5/19	615	Straight Line	32.21
<Eastern Division>	Silver	First Place			215.61
Reid, Jayne	Jefferson, SC	5/10	604	Out & Return	88.24
Reid, Jayne	Jefferson, SC	6/01	604	Zig Zag	80.32
Reid, Jayne	Jefferson, SC	7/09	604	Zig Zag	47.05
<Eastern Division>	Silver	Second Place			129.56
Daye, Jeff	Salisbury, NC	9/04	039	Polygon	54.27
Daye, Jeff	Salisbury, NC	9/06	039	Triangle	42.92
Daye, Jeff	Salisbury, NC	9/05	039	Out & Return	32.37
<Eastern Division>	Silver	Flights Not Used for Scoring			
Cullis, Kevin	Columbia, SC	5/30	028	Out & Return	81.51
Cullis, Kevin	Columbia, SC	4/18	028	Out & Return	48.49
<Eastern Division>	Gold	First Place			118.71
Ford, Kevin	Columbia, SC	5/09	157	Dog Leg	41.19
Ford, Kevin	Columbia, SC	2/13	157	Triangle	39.08
Ford, Kevin	Columbia, SC	4/10	157	Triangle	38.44
<Eastern Division>	Gold	Flights Not Used for Scoring			
Ford, Kevin	Columbia, SC	10/24	157	Dog Leg	32.13
<Western Division>	Bronze	No Pilots Qualified			
<Western Division>	Bronze	Flights Not Used for Scoring			
Bowman, Jeff	Anacortes, WA	5/08	442	Straight Line	67.02
Bowman, Jeff	Anacortes, WA	6/24	442	Straight Line	34.81
Hanks, Christopher	Las Vegas, NV	7/25	032	Straight Line	44.06
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<Western Division>	Silver	First Place			423.15
Gregory, Joedy	Vista, CA	6/11	187	Triangle	197.20
Gregory, Joedy	Vista, CA	6/10	187	Dog Leg	133.65
Gregory, Joedy	Vista, CA	6/08	187	Dog Leg	92.30
<Western Division>	Silver	Flights Not Used for Scoring			
Clements, Merle	Alpine, CA	6/09	019	Straight Line	68.65
Clements, Merle	Alpine, CA	6/11	019	Straight Line	50.56
Gregory, Joedy	Vista, CA	6/05	187	Dog Leg	76.58
Gregory, Joedy	Vista, CA	6/06	187	Dog Leg	76.58
Walker, Wayne	San Diego, CA	6/09	366	Dog Leg	112.56
Walker, Wayne	San Diego, CA	6/11	366	Dog Leg	76.58
<Western Division>	Gold	First Place			777.46
Levy, Doug	Oceanside, CA	6/24	317	Zig Zag	333.56
Levy, Doug	Oceanside, CA	7/16	317	Zig Zag	224.37
Levy, Doug	Oceanside, CA	8/28	317	Dog Leg	219.53
<Western Division>	Gold	Second Place			708.04
Dickson, Garry	Spring Valley, CA	6/06	024	Zig Zag	263.11
Dickson, Garry	Spring Valley, CA	8/19	024	Zig Zag	225.26
Dickson, Garry	Spring Valley, CA	6/10	024	Zig Zag	219.67
<Western Division>	Gold	Third Place			428.02
Powell, George	Bonita, CA	9/11	050	Straight Line	157.70
Powell, George	Bonita, CA	6/12	198	Straight Line	148.20
Powell, George	Bonita, CA	8/22	050	Straight Line	122.12
<Western Division>	Gold	Flights Not Used for Scoring			
Blomquist, Del	Chula Vista, CA	6/09	144	Straight Line	192.52
Blomquist, Del	Chula Vista, CA	6/11	144	Straight Line	98.92
Dickson, Garry	Spring Valley, CA	6/09	024	Zig Zag	213.78
Dickson, Garry	Spring Valley, CA	7/16	024	Zig Zag	199.66
Levy, Doug	Oceanside, CA	6/09	317	Zig Zag	202.57
Levy, Doug	Oceanside, CA	6/11	317	Zig Zag	194.60
Powell, George	Bonita, CA	6/25	198	Straight Line	121.90
Powell, George	Bonita, CA	4/18	378	Polygon	118.74
<Central Division>	Bronze	No Flights Submitted			
<Central Division>	Silver	No Flights Submitted			
<Central Division>	Gold	First Place			618.52
Shaw, Charles	Hobbs, NM	8/16	196	Polygon	214.05
Shaw, Charles	Hobbs, NM	7/26	196	Polygon	204.67
Shaw, Charles	Hobbs, NM	8/18	196	Polygon	199.80
<Central Division>	Gold	Second Place			613.14
Hard, Jim	St. Paul Park, MN	5/18	271	Straight Line	251.21
Hard, Jim	St. Paul Park, MN	6/29	271	Straight Line	211.20
Hard, Jim	St. Paul Park, MN	8/08	271	Out & Return	150.73
<Central Division>	Gold	Third Place			606.99
Winters, Kathleen	St. Paul Park, MN	5/24	271	Straight Line	263.45
Winters, Kathleen	St. Paul Park, MN	7/10	271	Straight Line	180.03
Winters, Kathleen	St. Paul Park, MN	6/23	271	Straight Line	163.51
<Central Division>	Gold	Flights Not Used for Scoring			
Hard, Jim	St. Paul Park, MN	9/16	271	Triangle	107.37
Hard, Jim	St. Paul Park, MN	10/04	271	Straight Line	101.52
Shaw, Charles	Hobbs, NM	8/27	196	Dog Leg	196.05
Shaw, Charles	Hobbs, NM	7/15	196	Polygon	188.81
Shaw, Joann	Hobbs, NM	7/09	196	Polygon	48.61
Winters, Kathleen	St. Paul Park, MN	9/29	271	Straight Line	149.39
Winters, Kathleen	St. Paul Park, MN	10/13	271	Straight Line	70.28

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This was another interesting year for the 1-26 Sweepstakes. The magic number this year was 3, which will disappoint at least 5 pilots who submitted only two flights and consequently missed receiving awards in their class. Remember that the magic number is drawn after the end of the season and can be 1 through 5, and that this is the minimum flights required to be scored. To be sure that your flights are counted, try to submit 5 flights to be safe.

The participation in the East is growing, especially at Bermuda High Soaring. Kevin Ford won the First Place Gold this year. Jayne Reid won the First Place Silver followed by Jeff Daye in Second Place. Both of the Silver Category finishers beat Kevin's total distance in the Gold category. Only one flight was submitted in the Bronze Category for Kevin Anderson's Silver Distance flight.

The closest race was in the Central Division Gold. Charles Shaw took first place followed by Jim Hard and Kathleen Winters, all of whom flew more than 600 miles in 3 flights and finished within 12 miles of each other. If the magic number had been 1, Kathleen would have won, and if it had been 2, Jim would have won. Of the three pilots, Kathleen flew the longest distance in a single flight qualifying her for a new 1-26 feminine straight distance record at 263.45 miles. There were no flights submitted in either Bronze or Silver Categories in the Central Division this year.

The Western Division Gold was won again by Doug Levy followed by Garry Dickson and George Powell. Doug and Garry put up a fight, both flying over 700 miles in 3 flights and finishing within 70 miles of each other. George however was nearly eclipsed by Joedy Gregory, the Silver Category winner, who totaled only 5 miles less than George. Joedy completed his Gold Badge in 1999 and will be able to take on George head to head this year.

Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to everyone who has taken the time to submit their flights. Also special thanks go to Garry Dickson who is busy preparing the awards plaques for the winners.

This year I had to completely rewrite the sweepstakes scoring software both due to the rules changes a couple of years ago (some flights had to be scored by hand) and due to a real Y2K bug in the old DOS based data base program. The new scoring software runs in Windows, and I will make a copy available on the 1-26 Association web site after I fix a couple of user interface problems.

Happy Soaring, Rich Gillock