July Launch Report

Despite not being able to launch since January because of the bad weather, the way the fields were planted this season, we were able to fly this past weekend. The good news is that we'll be able to fly all summer!



Andrew Kleinhenz (left) flew his 5.5" diameter, 6 foot tall rocket called "Earth, Wind and Fire" hence the "Funk" sticker on it. It flew on a Research 54mm three grain RCS Purple for a perfect flight to 2970 feet. Then another flight on a 54mm 3 grain NASSA K2 Fast which weathercocked badly and nearly landed on the turnpike.

At right is a take-off pic of the second flight.





Les Kramer (left), a past-president of the Skybusters, our affiliate club, came to the launch with a tub full of rocket stuff left over from his retirement/getting out of the hobby sale. He flew this rocket eight times! We all wish Les the best in his retirement from the Cleveland Police Department.

Mark Coburn (right) flew his 3" "Bullpuppy" with an AT G80, which took it to 1300 feet.





John Fleischer (left) flew a two-stage stage Estes "Firestorm" with a D12/C6 combo which when it staged it went horizontal and was lost. He also flew this Estes Pro Series rocket with an E12.

John Ulizzi (right) flew his SM-80 (tube fin) three times, twice with AT F50's which took it to about 500 feet. He also flew his "Megavortex" on AT F26 motors.





Mark Hanna (left) flew his Aerobee 300 on an F51, which took it to 1400 feet

Steve Eves (right) flew his "EZI-65" clone with a Propulsion Industries H140 motor.





Chris Pearson (left) flew an unnamed rocket that he got from Andrew Kleinhenz with a CTI H158 Green motor to an altitude of 1100 feet. The gusting winds that day made dual deploy a necessity. Even with the winds we managed to recover almost all of the rockets on the hay field, and none landed in the corn!

Mark Coburn (right) with his LOC "Forte" which he flew with an AT H165 Red to 1900 feet.



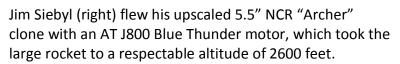


(Left) Jim Siebyl (left) and Bill Manthey (right) Bill's LOC "Athena" which he flew with an AT H182 Red motor for his successful NAR L1 certification flight.





Mike Momenee (left) was finally able to make it to one of our launches and brought his scratch built 6" V-2 which he flew with an AT K1000 motor to an altitude of 2622 feet (above).







Mark Hanna (left) flew his "Black Brant VC" on a CTI I242 to an altitude of 1675 feet.

Steve Eves (right) flew his 4" scratch built "Demon" on an AT 54mm I232 Blue to 2100 feet.





Mark Coburn (left) flew his many times repaired LOC Graduator with an AT G40 to 1700 feet.

Jim Siebyl (right) had the highest flight of the day with his 2.6" Madcow "Mantis" which he flew with an AT I500 DMS motor to 4800 feet.





Steve Eves (left) flew his "Eight Ball" with a research I169 motor, which hit an altitude of 1800 feet.