

L'AQUILONE SAM 2001 TOMBOY RALLY 2015-2016.

Hi everybody! It is with great pleasure I introduce you the report of the 8th edition of TOMBOY RALLY P.C. As in every edition, the contest starts on the 1st of June and ends on the 31st of May. Our never ending contest is arrived yet at its 9th edition, which obviously ends on 31st of May 2017.



My apologize to all the followers of the Postal Contest for the delay I have prepared the report of 8th edition but I was very busy during past months due my job. I want to dedicate this edition to the memory of my great friend Bruno Valeriano Tascone, who passed away on April 25th 2016. Bruno, known as “Segull Valeriano” to his friends, has always supported me since the first edition of this contest with his help, evaluable advises and participating with his perfectly refined Tomboy. Goodbye “Seagull” Valeriano.

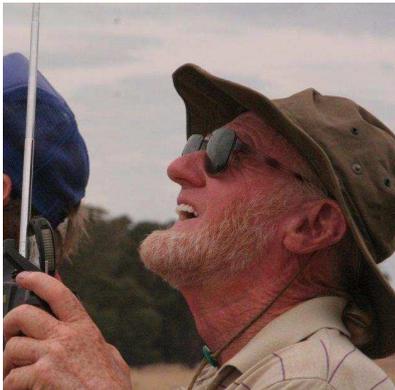
This edition saw a good participation of models: 15 from Australia, 10 from Italy, 2 from France, 1 from Swiss, 1 from Argentina, 1 from Slovakia and 1 from Great Britain. The

participating models were divided into 2 categories:

- 1) 24 models in the 36/44”
- 2) 5 models in 48”. Moreover, a model was awarded with Free Flight prize and, for the first time, a prize was given also in “Idro version”.

TOMBOY RALLY 36” EVENT

The winner in our “classic” event this time is a well known and skilled Australian modeler who won in 36/44” and 48” event, like in 2012/2013 edition: Brian Deason. His best flight was on April 11th 2016 with a flying time of 26’46”, enhancing in this way his personal record hit in 2012/2013. For this reason, the president of L’AQUILONE SAM 2001, Paolo Montesi, decided to give a special prize to Brian, who is the first modeler to win two edition in both events. A Niuport 11 Sterling Kit is going to fly to Brian! Enjoy your prize with the compliments of all SAM 2001 members!



The second place is, in ex equo, for Gianfranco Lusso, from Swiss, and Ray Silbereisen, from Australia, obtained with a time of 22’35”. For several years, Ray took part in SAM 270 TOMBOY RALLY EVENT held in Oakford field and organized by SAM 2001’s friend, Paul Baartz.

He wrote me: “Hi

Santoni, Our Tomboy rally was held last Sunday (December 4th) on a cool day with moderate breezes and fine, Thermals were not easy to find as we started early at 8am and apart from several structural failures resulting in serious model damage most of us had a good time of it. Rod McDonald was unlucky in having the best time of the day but landing outside of the area and thus the flight was not eligible. Several flyers did find lift and recorded very good scores.” However SAM 270 “platoon”, as every year, He has gain good time in the final rank



like Rod Mc Donald placed 4th with a good 18'15" (remember this is second attempts because He best time was not eligible for landing outside of the area) Greg Mc Lure 5th place time 13'54"; Mike Butcher 9th place time 9'50"; Ian Dixon 10th place time 9'25"; Hans Van Leeuwen 15th place time 6'34" (44" IC powered): Chris Edwards 21th place time 3'22"; Rod Mc Donald 22th place time 2'05" (EL powered) and Kavin Hooper (no flight this time, but I am sure than next time You will be the best, OK?). Many Thanks to all, my Down under friends. And now talk about the other 2th placed, my friend Gianfranco Lusso. During



the months of 2015 winter, He had health problem due a wrong diagnosis by a doctor, which have make "out of order" Gianfranco up to April 2016 : So Gianfranco, just He have can do it, had carry on his Tomboy and have drove to Club Modeliste Pais de Gex – France- for made annual attempts, were He have made your best flight. Dete Hasse, from Australia, has gained the 3th place, time 19'24", with his electric powered Tomboy; Dete write to me: Hi Curzio, *Thank-you for thinking of me, and I send apologies for not corresponding sooner. I only did one flight with the Electric Tomboy 36" this year and felt it was not very good. Monday 7th March 2016 flew 19 min 24 sec. We have had a lot of windy weather this year, and*

so our flying opportunities have been limited.:" . Instead it is a good time, Dete, not the best of ever, but a good time. Stephane Courvoisier from France, 6th place time 12'25" is a member of CMPDP which He has always used RTF models for flying but a day , look at the Tomboy of Gianfranco Lusso, he have decided to build a model in the old fashioned way. I think he actually did a good job and I hope that Stephane will take part in TRPC the next years too.

Seventh placed is Pavel Rabec from Slovakia with a time of 12' 22". He flew on April 30TH 2016 in Mocenok airfield with a Cox 0.49 powered model. Pavel made two attempt with his pretty red and yellow Tomboy in a sunny day. Fortunately, he found strong thermals and, as the photo he sent me demonstrates, he needed even an "helper" to retrieve the model in the grass. Pavel, your dog is...GREAT!

The eleventh place goes to an old friend of the contest, Mike Walsh from Australia, with a time of 8'46". He took part in the contest with Jim Hardy, placed 19th (time 3'48"), both with IC powered model. Jim wrote me :*"* Curzio, I have to report a rather dismal result for our members in



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the Calvert Radio Aero Modellers Society's entry in the Tomboy Rally. Despite the numbers increasing by 50% (from 1 to 2) the flight times did not reflect such a dramatic increase. ENTRANTS : Mick Walsh AUS 29315, SAM 1788 member, Flight time 8 minutes 46 seconds. Timer W Hathaway. Jim Hardy AUS 9881 3 minutes 48 seconds; timer P Nightingale. Thanks for organising a most interesting competition." Thanks to you, Jim and welcome in Tomboy Rally PC. I hope you will have fun with our Tomboy Rally the next year too.

Now I want to give a special thanks to Bernard Deraudre from France (placed 16th scoring a time of 5'49"), who spread among French modelers ours contest with a special issue of his bulletin dedicated to OT modelers. Many Thanks Bernard from Gianfranco and Me. And now talking about of Italian participating in the competition. Giancarlo Di Chiara is the first in rank



placed 8th with a time of 11'30" gained during a F/F meeting held in Campo Felice (near l'Aquila) were was a helper of Giancarlo Wessely, placed 12th, which he had took part at the meeting with his Lulu. Both have found the time to try some attempts with them electric powered Tomboy. Silvano Lustrati, placed 13th, Santoni Curzio, placed 14th, Ugo Baldari, placed 17th, Maurizio Sagnotti, placed 18th, Eros Cavallaro, placed 21th are the others in the rank. And nowt is the time to talking about a contestant whose all the other Italian competitor are proud; Simone Baldari. Simone is the son of Ugo. Simone, six years old, is a schoolboy of primary school, which has every showed a great interest of the father's hobby, and so Ugo have let taught to Him to fly. Simone has showed a particular interest for the Tomboy of his father, which often have let fly Simone with his 36"ws,

powered Barbini B38 diesel. So I have thought of giving the Tomboy of my friend Valeriano Tascone, which is died some months ago, to Simone. I am sure then my friend Valeriano have smiled from the paradise, when Simone received the model. Go Simone, made this Tomboy fly high!!!!



TOMBOY RALLY 48"

Fortunately this edition saw a good participation of 48"ws entrants. I am so happy about it because I think that enlarged version of Tomboy is a great model, very stable and usable in most weather condition.



The winner of this edition is Brian Deason (time scored 37'08") to whom I want to give many compliments for his great result, although it was not his best score in this event. In fact, Brian won 48"ws event in 2012-2013 edition with a time of 41'29". Second placed is Les Davis (time scored 18'34"), another Australian model and Tomboy Rally's friend, who tried to surpass "Superman" Brian, anyway without success. Good luck for the next edition Les! Third place goes to Ian Dixon, from Australia too. Ian participated in 48"ws event for the first time. He

made his attempt in Oakford event with no good weather conditions. However, I hope Ian will keep using the enlarged version too.

Fourth placed is Giancarlo Di Ciara, from Italy with a time of 7'31" and then fifth placed Santoni Curzio 6'48". All the contestants have used electric powered models.

DAVID BAKER F.F.SPECIAL PRIZE



For the second time The David Baker Prize, reserved for F/F IC powered 36"Tomboy, was won by John Andrews, great F/F modeler an New Clarion Editor. He flew during Sunday Meeting held on May 15th 2016, where he participated also in Mini-vintage event with his "Pinocchio". John had gained a time of 3'30" "Not too good I'm afraid as model was damaged before I could do better" wrote me John because his 16 year old Tomboy was seriously damaged landing during the second flight. The prize of this year is a kit of "Ascender". Many Thanks John. This edition I have take part in F/F event during the annual meeting of Tomboy Rally held near Rome May, 21th 2016 with time of 2'40", where I have used the oldest of the two Tomboy of my friend Valeriano Tascone. Whereas was a sunny morning I decided

of switch off the radio, I filled the tank of 0.75 Mills Irvine and to leave the model, nose in the wind. The Tomboy was flying steady, turning slightly on left, landed, no damage, on the grass. Sincerely, those flight was been the best flight of this year; Many Thanks, Valeriano.

SPECIAL PRIZE VIC SMEED



Horacio Banus, from Argentina, is the first winner of VIC SMEED Special Price, reserved for rise of water model. This special prize was suggested directly by Vic Smeed to Gianfranco Lusso and me. Horacio has posted on YouTube a video called “Tomboy, primer despegue desde el agua” (<https://youtu.be/2WrDwLiOdd0>) in which he showed his flight with Tomboy idro. Unfortunately, the flight was not perfect due a not correct CG check. However he deserved the Special Prize Vic Smeed, a t-shirt with the SAM 2001 logo on the front. Your prize

was sent last week, so it is going to arrive! Bravo Horacio. I hope you will take part in Tomboy Rally next year too.



A SPECIAL WISH



I want to thank our friends of S.I.G. of M.F.N.Z., from New Zealand, who are organizing a Tomboy Postal Contest too, which is open to any modelers who is a member of a foreign Country’s recognized club. The contest is for 36”ws version only, divided into IC and electric classes. The rules we applied are the same of SAM 2001 Tomboy Rally in IC class, instead it is only allowed 360 mah-2s battery in Electric class. Your best time flight from 1/1/2016 up to 31/12/2016 must be submitted by e-mail to Allen Teal at allen@tealcare.org. or Wayne Cartwright.

Finally, as every year, I would like to give a warm thank you to all Tomboy Rally friends who took part in this edition and also to who could not attend the contest this year, such as: Stewart Mason, Mick Walsh, Graham Main, Manuel Rojo, Bob Slater, Zdenek Slapnicka and Mark Venter. Good luck to all of you and have fun with SAM 2001 TOMBOY RALLY.



Gianfranco Lusso and Curzio Santoni



CLASSIFICA 36”

CONCORRENTE	NAZIONE	EL/IC	Classifica
BRIAN DEASON	AUSTRALIA	EL	26,46
RAY SILBEREISEN	AUSTRALIA	EL	22,35
GIANFRANCO LUSSO	SWISS	EL	22,35
DETE HASSE	AUSTRALIA	EL	19,24
ROD MC DONALD	AUSTRALIA	EL	18,15
GREG MCLURE	AUSTRALIA	IC	13,54
STEPHANE COURVOISIER	FRANCE	EL	12,25
PAVEL RABEC	SLOVAKIA	IC	12,22
GIANCARLO DICHIARA	ITALIA	EL	11,33
MIKE BUTCHER	AUSTRALIA	EL	9,50
IAN DIXON	AUSTRALIA	IC	9,25
MICK WALSH	AUSTRALIA	IC	8,46
GIANCARLO WESSELY	ITALIA	EL	8,25
SILVANO LUSTRATI	ITALIA	EL	8,09
CURZIO SANTONI	ITALIA	IC	7,35
HANS VAN LEEUWEN	AUSTRALIA	IC44	6,34
BERNARD DERAUDRE	FRANCE	EL	5,49
UGO BALDARI	ITALIA	IC	4,15
MAURIZIO SAGNOTTI	ITALIA	EL	4,13
JIM HARDY	AUSTRALIA	IC	3,48
EROS CAVALLARO	ITALIA	EL	3,30
CHRIS EDWARDS	AUSTRALIA	EL	3,22
SIMONE BALDARI	ITALIA	IC	2,30
ROD MC DONALD	AUSTRALIA	IC	2,05

CLASSIFICA 48”

CONCORRENTE	NAZIONE	EL/IC	Classifica
BRIAN DEASON	AUSTRALIA	SRE	37,08
LES DAVIS	AUSTRALIA	SRE	18,34
IAN DIXON	AUSTRALIA	SRE	10,1
GIANFRANCO DICHIARA	ITALIA	SRE	7,31
SANTONI CURZIO	ITALIA	SRE	6,48
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TOMBOY RALLY PALMARES

2008/2009

Pietre Moerkerken Australia 24'12" type 36"

2009/2010

Gino Ursicino Italia 35'20" type 36 "

2010/2011

Ugo Baldari Italia 47'02" type 36"

2011/2012

Ugo Baldari Italia 39'40" type 36"

Brian Deason Australia 34'43" type 48"

2012/2013

Brian Deason Australia 25'35" type 36"

Brian Deason Australia 41'29" type 48"

2013/2014

Dete Hasse Australia 33'12" type 36"

Brian deason Australia 38'22" type 48"

2014/2015

Ian Dixon Australia 19'54" type 36"

2015/2016

Brian Deason Australia 26'46" type 36"

Brian Deason Australia 37'08" type 48"