

F3S EDF JET PATTERN EVENT

Saturday, 6 August 2022

The Rogue Eagles held its annual "Club" Jet pattern contest. Two rounds of preliminary and one final round were flown with the 2022 F3S EDF schedule. Pilots throw out the lower of the two prelim. rounds and must count the final round to end up with a two round final score.

Saturday morning broke beautifully weather wise with a calm breeze down the runway and 70's and 80's temps. There was some gamesmanship on display right off the bat as Scott "Maverick" Hudson showed up with the coolest shirt to make the rest of us nervous. Scott also had some "Administrative tactical" tricks that he pulled out at opportune times. We suspect Terri has been coaching him up!

The competition aircraft were evenly split between Avanti's and Vipers which all proved more than capable to execute this pattern. Sean "Commander" Mersh proved once again to be the best of the best as he won every round and simply flew away from the pack. The fight was for second with Jay barely edging out Scott and Jerry Stinson very close behind.

There are a lot of EDF Jet drivers in the club and this event is all about us getting better at flying our jets in a low pressure competitive event so we would really like to see it grow. This type of flying is not only the best way to improve on your piloting skills and crash proof your bird, it's simply a lot of fun!

A special thank you to our expert judging staff; Paul Chapman, Art Kelly, Rich Josephson and Phil Swinford. Without the great job they did, we could not have had an event. In closing, let me urge you to get out there, "Turn and burn!" and we'll see you all next year!

Final placing and scores

- 1. Sean Mersh, Sebart 90mm Avanti- 917 pts.**
- 2. Jay Strickland, E-flite 90mm Viper- 900 pts.**
- 3. Scott Hudson, FMS 80mm Avanti- 891.5 pts.**
- 4. Jerry Stinson, Taft 90mm Viper- 879.5 pts.**