The Combat Scrapbook Volume One

Random pictures from random years too good not to share

These are random photos from random years that needed to be shared. If you have photos that you would like to see in the next volume of the combat scrapbook e-mail me the photo file or snail mail the originals, I'll scan them and return them promptly.

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Photo above and information below courtesy of Bob Mears

That is Me, Andy, and Pop, sitting next to Riley. Sitting next to him is one the Wilkins brothers, Ray or Raymond. Then Bill Young and last sitting in that row is Wayne Welch. Wayne has been in a wheel chair for 40 years now and has been a huge help in constructing some of my combat planes for the museum. I've had him out a few times flying last year and plan on doing some more with him this year. He's 80 now. Standing in the back. On the left I think is Lonnie Roper. Pop kept telling me it was Howard Henry. But Howard was about 6'6" and no fingers on his left hand....pretty sure its Lonnie Roper. Next to him I dont recognize and neither did Riley or Pop. On the end is the other Wilkins brother, Ray or Raymond (twins). I think that is Bentley Page horizontal in the front, but it could be Pete Jaden.



A great picture from the 1977 AMA Nats at Riverside California. Greg Hill, FAI Combat champion with mechanics Charlie Johnson & Paul Smith. All three are still active today, 40 years later.

The plane was an FAI VooDoo with a Hoffeldt Rossi.



Paul Smith and Charlie Johnson - Riverside 1977 Larry Borden photo





Ken Burdick sprinting to the handle-Eugene Oregon NW Regionals. (1980s)

Norm McFadden in the sombrero



Who is that clown and why is he putting his hand in front of Gary Frost's face? For a clue, look at he picture of the gent biting his airplane. This clown flew to Seattle several weeks later to take unner-up at 2nd Annual Bladder Grabber. Perhaps Combat boys need a touring circuit.

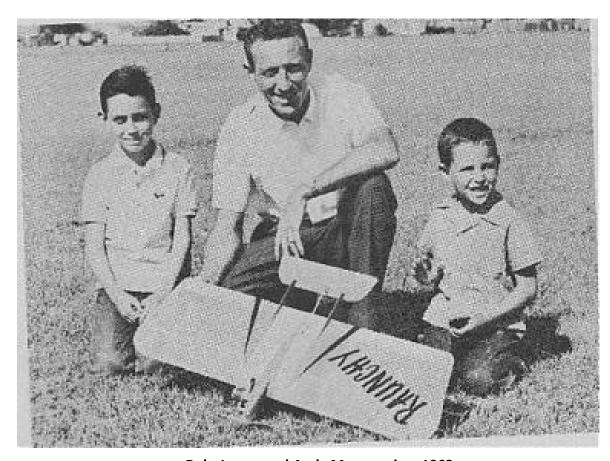


Howard Rush in the 1970s

RW Howe Slow Combat contest in Muncie Indiana at the peak of Slow Combat around 1996 or 97 when Andy Mears won and James Mears and Riley Wooten were pit men. Photos from Louis Lopez who attended the event..







Bob, James and Andy Mears circa 1962

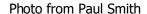


Bob Mears and Mike Wilcox circa 1974



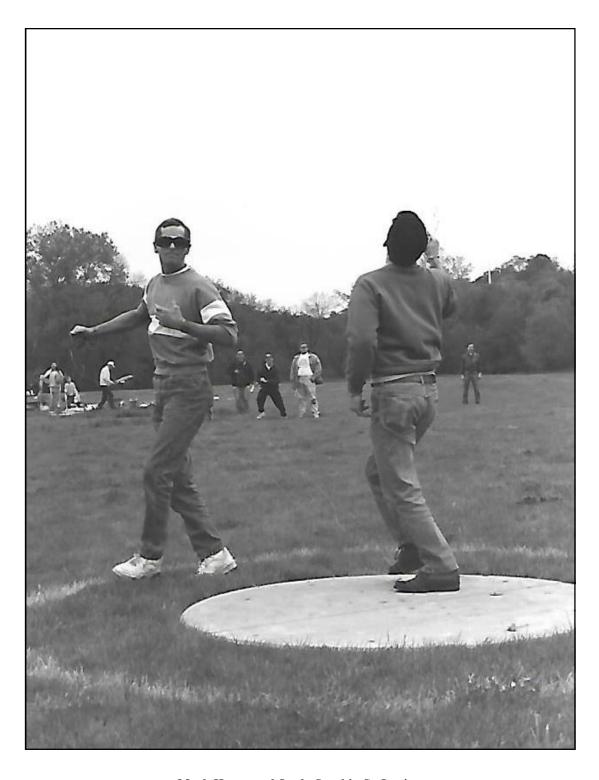
The team was George Cleveland, Richard Stubblefield and Chuck Rudner. Cleveland & Stubby had their boys in the photo. The other kid was future World Champion Michael Wilcox.

I remember this well. The biggest-ever TT. Held near Chicago with 40 entries. Biggest to date anyway. Also the last with unlimited nitromethane and all the air you could suck in. The WC was in Hungary. Also a great experience.





Louis Scavone - Sterling Heights, Michigan - 2001



Mack Henry and Jordy Segal in St. Louis

Notice Mack is walking around the border of the circle and his eyes are fixed on Jordy Segal's feet, not his own or Jordy's plane.

Photo courtesy of Gary Frost



Steve and Carol Saco from Stonington, CT-1984 season



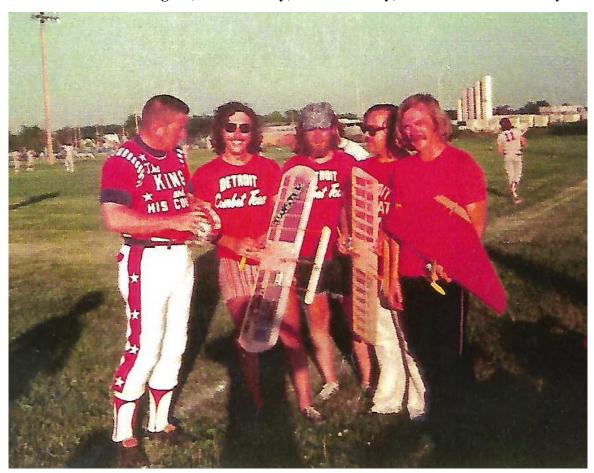
Henderson Combat Team - Grand Rapids, Michigan contest (1976)

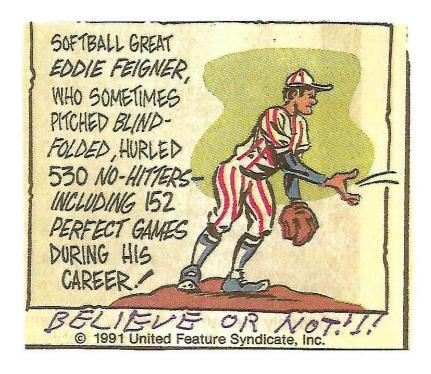
Top Row L tro R: Bob Henderson, skip two, Dick Stevenson, Al Dipiro, Scotty

Bottom Row: Julie Henderson, Ben Henderson, Bob Stevenson, Tim Price

Exhibition Combat prior to "King and His Court" Softball Game - July 1975 Detroit Combat Team

L to R: Eddie Feigner, Jim Morway, Mike Morway, Tim Price and Dan Hay

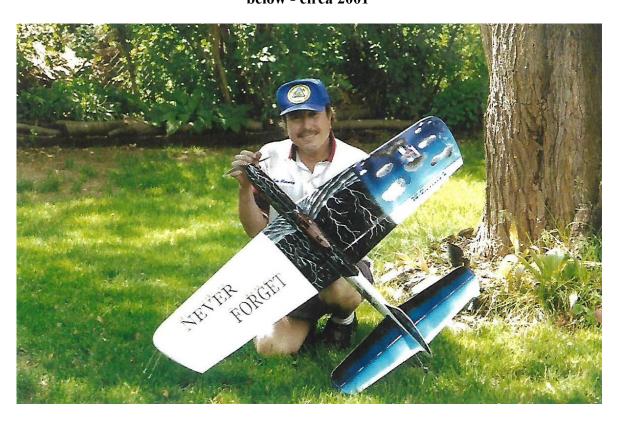








Jim Morway - Detroit Combat Team Photo above from 1993 below - circa 2001





1982 Nats-Lincoln, Nebraska

Bottom Row: John McClane and Aimee Olson's sister Abbie . . . Shane Thomas and Michael Wilcox in the middle. On the right I believe is John Hess. I'm not sure who's the guy on the left is.