

BIPLANE CLASS
TOP QUALIFYING AND RACE SPEEDS BY YEAR

1964

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - There was no qualifying in 1964 at the one race that was held at Reno.

TOP RACING SPEED - 144.57 MPH - Clyde Parsons in #11, Parsons Twister, at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1964

1965

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 152.80 MPH - Bill Boland in #3, Boland Mong, at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1965

TOP RACING SPEED - 152.32 MPH* - A new record - Clyde Parsons in #11, Parsons Twister, in Heat 4, at The Los Angeles National Air Races, Lancaster, Calif. - June, 1965

1966

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 151.26 MPH - Bruce McIntire in #17, McIntire Pitts, at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1966

TOP RACING SPEED - 148.76 MPH - Skeeter Royall in #21, Royall Pitts I, in the Championship Race at The St. Petersburg International Aviation Exposition, St. Petersburg, Florida - May, 1966

1967

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 157.62 MPH* - A new record - Lee Mahoney in #1, White Starduster, at The Cleveland National Air Races, Cleveland, Ohio - Sept., 1967

TOP RACING SPEED - 156.17 MPH* - A new record - Bruce McIntire in #17, McIntire Pitts, in the Championship Race at The Texas National Air Races, Ft. Worth, Texas - May, 1967

1968

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 178.62 MPH* - A new record - Dallas Christian in #99, "Mongster", at The Maryland National Air Races, Frederick, Maryland - July, 1968

TOP RACING SPEED - 177.16 MPH* - A new record - Dallas Christian in #99, "Mongster", in the Championship Race at The Maryland National Air Races, Frederick, Maryland - July, 1968

1969

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 183.01 MPH* - A new record - Dallas Christian in #99, "Mongster", at The Florida National Air Races, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida - February, 1969

TOP RACING SPEED - 184.02 MPH* - A new record - Dallas Christian in #99, "Mongster", in the Championship Race at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1969

1970

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 181.82 MPH - Bill Boland in #3, Boland Mong, at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1970

TOP RACING SPEED - 177.45 MPH - Bill Boland in #3, Boland Mong, in the Championship Race at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1970

1971

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 180.00 MPH - Bill Boland in #3, "Prop Wash", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1971

TOP RACING SPEED - 181.67 MPH - Bill Boland in #3, "Prop Wash", in the Championship Race at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1971

1972

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 190.48 MPH* - A new record - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1972

TOP RACING SPEED - 189.72 MPH* - A new record - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", in The Championship Race at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1972

1973

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 213.75 MPH* - A new record - Sid White in #1, "Sundancer", at The California National Air Races, Mojave, California - Oct., 1973

TOP RACING SPEED - 201.47 MPH* - A new record - Sid White in #1, "Sundancer", in Heat 1 at The California National Air Races, Mojave, Calif. - Oct. 1973

1974

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 204.03 MPH - Sid White in the #1, "Sundancer", at The California National Air Races, Mojave, California - Oct., 1974

TOP RACING SPEED - 204.60 MPH* - A new record - Sid White in #1, "Sundancer", in the Championship Race at The California National Air Races, Mojave, California - Oct., 1974

1975

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 212.26 MPH - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", at The California National Air Races, Mojave, California - June, 1975

TOP RACING SPEED - 208.81 MPH* - A new record - Sid White in #1, "Sundancer", in Heat 1 at The California National Air Races, Mojave, California - June, 1975

1976

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 208.90 MPH - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1976

TOP RACING SPEED - 204.28 MPH - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", in Heat 1 at The California National Air Races, Mojave, California - June, 1976

1977

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1979

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 210.53 MPH - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", at The Cleveland National Air Races, Cleveland, Ohio - Sept., 1979

TOP RACING SPEED - 201.02 MPH - Don Beck in #89, "Sorceress", in the Championship Race at the Cleveland National Air Races, Cleveland, Ohio - Sept., 1979

1980

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 218.57 MPH* - A new record - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1980

TOP RACING SPEED - 223.40 MPH* - A new record - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", in The Championship Race at The Cleveland National Air Races, Cleveland, Ohio - Aug., 1980

1981

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 220.13 MPH* - A new record - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1981

TOP RACING SPEED - 224.90 MPH* - A new record - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", in Heat 2 at The Reno National Championship Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1981

1982

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED/SPORT BIPLANE DIVISION - 185.98 MPH - Don Fairbanks in #5, "White Knight", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1982

TOP RACING SPEED/SPORT BIPLANE DIVISION - 176.72 MPH - Dave Morss in #99, "Wildfire", in Heat 1 at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1982

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED/RACING BIPLANE DIVISION - 223.88 MPH* - A New Record - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1982

TOP RACING SPEED/RACING BIPLANE DIVISION - 209.74 MPH - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", in the Heat Race at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1982

1983

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED/SPORT BIPLANE DIVISION - 185.58 MPH - Don Fairbanks in #5, "White Knight", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1983

TOP RACING SPEED/SPORT BIPLANE DIVISION - 183.45 MPH - Mic Williams in #99, "Merlyn", in Heat 2 at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1983

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED/RACING BIPLANE DIVISION - 220.92 MPH - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1983

TOP RACING SPEED/RACING BIPLANE DIVISION - 217.60 MPH - Pat Hines in #1, "Sundancer", in The Championship Race at The Reno National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1983.

1984

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 192.37 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Don Fairbanks in #5, "White Knight" at The Reno National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1984

TOP RACING SPEED - 191.88 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Don Beck in #00, "Miss Tahoe" in Heat 2 at The Reno National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1984

1985

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 193.201 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Don Beck in #00, "Miss Lake Tahoe" at The National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1985

TOP RACING SPEED - 195.623 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Don Beck in #00, "Miss Lake Tahoe" in the Championship Race at The National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1985

1986

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 198.616 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Alan Preston in #00, "Miss Lake Tahoe" at the National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1986

TOP RACING SPEED - 197.321 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Ray Cote in #00, "Miss Lake Tahoe" in Heat 1A at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1986

1987

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 199.823 MPH* - A New Record for the Sport Biplanes - Tom Aberle in "Long Gone Mong" at the National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1987

TOP RACING SPEED - 196.473 MPH - Tom Aberle in "Long Gone Mong" in the Gold race at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1987

1988

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 207.718* - A new record for the Sport Biplanes - Tom Aberle in "Long Gone Mong" at the National Championship Air Races, Reno, Nevada - Sept., 1988

TOP RACING SPEED 205.918 MPH* - A new record for the Sport Biplanes - Alan Preston in #00, "Top Cat" in Gold Race at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, NV - Sept., 1988

1989

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 206.988 MPH - Tom Aberle in #40, "Wanna Play II" at the National Championship Air Races, Reno, NV - Sept., 1989

TOP RACING SPEED - 203.771 MPH - Tom Aberle in #40, "Wanna Play II" in Heat 1A at the National Championship Air Races in Reno, NV - Sept., 1989

1990

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 188.073 MPH - Danny Mortensen in #91, "Amsoil Pacific Flyer" at the National Championship Air Races, Reno, NV - Sept., 1990

TOP RACING SPEED - 192.278 MPH - Danny Mortensen in #91, "Amsoil Pacific Flyer" at the National Championship Air Races, Reno, NV., - Sept., 1990

1991

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 193.268 MPH - Ken Ueno in #18, "Sumari", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September, 1991.

TOP RACING SPEED - 195.700 MPH - Ken Ueno in #18, "Sumari", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September, 1991.

1992

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 203.675 MPH - Jim Smith in #88, "Glass Slipper", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September 1992.

TOP RACING SPEED - 194.058 MPH - Jim Smith in #88, "Glass Slipper", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September 1992.

1993

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 211.765 MPH - New Qualifying Record - Patti Johnson Nelson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September, 1993.

TOP RACING SPEED - 212.569 MPH - New Race Record - Patti Johnson Nelson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September, 1993.

1994

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 211.285 MPH - Patti Johnson Nelson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September, 1994.

TOP RACING SPEED - 214.985 MPH - New Race Record - Patti Johnson Nelson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie", at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada, September, 1994.

1995

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 217.229 MPH - Patti Johnson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie" at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - September 1995.

TOP RACING SPEED - 202.124 MPH - Patti Johnson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie" at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - September 1995.

1996

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 216.431 MPH Patti Johnson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie" at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - September 1996.

TOP RACING SPEED - 212.811 MPH - Patti Johnson in #40, "Full Tilt Boogie" at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - September 1996.

1997

TOP QUALIFYING SPEED - 204.009 MPH - Earl Allen in #21, "Class Action" at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - September 1997.

TOP RACING SPEED - 198.736 MPH - Earl Allen in #21, "Class Action" at the National Championship Air Races - Reno, Nevada - September 1997.