

## Field Notes for WestFAC 2023

- **Mass Launches may be done on a Delayed Launch method.** Props will be released on the ML Directors command and planes will be released 3-5 seconds later also on his command. The object is to burn off the initial torque burst and have the planes fly just on their cruise power. This is being done to cut down on the long death marches in the Arizona sun for retrievals. We will make a decision on this at the field.
- RV parking on the field overnight is fine but you must be off the road and in the mowed area along the road. Same applies to all cars---the road must be kept clear for farm machinery.
- A Porta-potty will be set up at the south end of the flight line by noon Thursday for the weekend festivities.
- We will not have a lunch wagon as in the past; however, we will have a sign-up sheet for sub sandwiches/drinks (or pizza/drinks on other days) to be completed by 10:30 and we will send a runner into Buckeye for the eats. Otherwise, plan on bringing your own lunch. Always bring lots of water too.
- “No Blue Max” events are open only to those who do not have a Blue Max. Those contestants can fly in any similar open event too.
- Please attend the pilot’s briefing at 8:00 am Friday morning as the details of sign-ups for events and compliance checks will be given at that time. Flyers will sign themselves up for individual events on appropriate clipboards at the GHQ tent.....*this is your responsibility.*
- We will use the Field Time Cards, as usual – they are available at the GHQ tent
- Note that Friday and Saturday are “open” days for flying the majority of events. Sunday has a set schedule of only certain events. Make sure your times are in on Saturday sunset as the winners and placings on those events will be done in the hotel that night.....late times on Sunday cannot be accepted.
- The contest will end Sunday at 4pm and awards will be given on the field. After take-down of tents, we can retire to a Goodyear Mexican restaurant for an order-and-pay-your-own-dinner. No formal banquet. **Arriba Mexican Grill, 15370 West McDowell Rd (McDowell Rd and Pebble Creek), Goodyear AZ. 6:30 – 7:00pm.**
- It should go without saying that we are guests, and very grateful ones, of the land owner, Jerry Rovey. Please treat his fields like your own lawn and pick up every scrap of trash when you leave. He comes out to the contest each year and enjoys seeing the activity. Please do say hello to him and express your appreciation if you get an introduction as he is a great guy.
- Many thanks to all the participants too, as your flying and good humor make this event one of the year’s best. See you in October’s alfalfa!