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Meetings are held on odd numbered months after the Monthly Contest at Southfork Ranch. On even numbered months we meet on the second Monday at Lake Highlands Recreation Center located at 9940 White Rock Trail (White Rock Trail at Church) at 6:30. Club dues are \$20 per year payable to Perry Dunlap. Contributions to the newsletter are encouraged. Visit our Web site at:
www.slnt.org

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From The Prez By Dan Ahearn

Welcome all to the dog days of summer! As one of those "Damn Yankees" you know, one of those who moves down and stays. I'd call this summer, my eighth, feels pretty mild. Funny thing, some of my colleagues at work, who are based in Boston, are convinced we're living on the face of Mercury!

With this weather and work schedule, I have to admit I'd be batting about zero this month if it wasn't for that little Radian. In fact I took her along on a trip to the Outer Banks for a week of vacation. Just threw her in the back of the family truckster and I was the talk of the town at mile post 13 for a week. You see, the beach is kite country, and when you show up with an e-glider and a lawn chair, it gets pretty interesting. It was fun to grab a flight between swims and made for a great week of surf and flying. Though I'm still finding sand in the servo bay, here's a little pointer for beach flying, tape over that sand scoop on the belly.

SLNT will be hosting the LSS this weekend which will be the start of a ramp up for the TNT. Next weekend we'll be re-stringing the winches after the hand launch contest, we'll also be setting up the website to handle TNT registration and entry fee collection.

Finally, expect to see some new faces around the field. The website seems to be getting some attention, in particular, the slope site. We've had a few pilots up on the hill, and we're encouraging them to join us at the contest field and practice sites. As you know, we're always looking to add to our ranks, so if you see a new guy wander up, please take a moment to say hello.

See you at the field....

**This months meeting is on Monday,
August 10, at Lake Highland Recreation
Center at 6:30**

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July Contest

Perry Dunlap - CD

We had 13 Brave Heat Seeking pilots for our July Contest. And we had the heat, over 100 by the time we finished. We flew 5 Rounds and the Lift was very good and the scores were very Close. My Thanks to Jerry Walton, Tim Bennett and Gary Warner for bringing the equipment and all of the people who helped set it up and take it down and a special Thanks to Hal Ussery for being there and making the pictures...he does a great job. It was a good contest and went along very well and the scores are as follows:

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|-------------------|------|
| 1. Tamez | 2432 |
| 2. Luetke | 2374 |
| 3. Claycomb | 2371 |
| 4. Williams ,Mark | 2256 |
| 5. Davis | 2245 |

As you can see a few seconds and a landing can make a big of difference as to how you will end up. Thanks to all of you for coming out.

Class A Man-On-Man

By Tim Bennett - CD

The July monthly Class A Man-On-Man contest was held at Eastfield College on schedule on the 19th. Nine flyers flew six rounds of the Class A scramble event using the 50 meter upstarts. Winds were light and variable causing some down wind launches, but the lift, when it was present, was easy to find. Many five-minute flights were posted with multiple contestants posting maximum scores in those rounds.

Jim McNeal flew his new Garnet and after sorting out control throw issues posted a 4 and a 3 on his last two flights. John Bourland had an unfortunate crash that saw his Xterminator nose in out of bounds from considerable height after completing a maximum time flight. He says it is repairable. We hope it is.

The results follow:

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| 1. Gary Warner | GL Special | 23 |
| 2. Tim Bennett | Blaster | 19 |
| 3. Arnold Claycomb | GLS-6 | 18 |
| 4. Andrew Lawson | Blaster | 17 |
| 5. Jack Hamilton | Omega | 16T |
| 6. Bobby Dixon | Monarch | 16T |
| 7. Bill Maserang | Monarch | 15 |
| 8. Jim McNeal | Garnet | 11 |
| 9. John Bourland | Xterminator | DNF |

Our next contest will be the Sunday August 16, 2009 at Eastfield College. Pilots meeting will be at 9:30 with first flights at 10:00. We will fly from the 50-meter upstarts.

SLNT/LSS Contest

By Henry Bostick - CD

The August 9th club contest will also be the 2nd round of the LONESTAR SOARING SERIES.

We will fly RES and OPEN. Pilots meeting will be at 8:45 am, followed by 3 rounds of RES. The OPEN class will consist of 4 rounds following RES, but not before 11:30 am. Task will be announced prior to each round, and a runway landing will be used.

Water will be available at the field, bring your own food. Remember to enter through Gate 4.

We look forward to seeing you Sunday August 9th.

Henry Bostick CD
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SOARING TOP GUN 2009

Place	Name	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	TNT	Nov	Total	Drop 2
1	Bostick, Henry	6	7		13	8	6					40	
2	Tamez, Julian		6		9	6	13					34	
3	Bennett, Tim	8	5		8	3	8					32	
4	Luetke, Jochen				11	9	12					32	
5	Warner, Gary	5	9		7	7	3					31	
6	Williams, Mark	3	8		10		10					31	
7	Amonett, Rodney	7			12		7					26	
8	Claycomb, Arnold	2			2	10	11					25	
9	Bourland, John	4	4			5	4					17	
10	Hamilton, Jack				6	5	5					16	
11	Dixon, Bobby	1			5	4	2					12	
12	Bermudez, Tony		10									10	
13	Maserang, Bill		2		3	4	1					10	
14	Davis, Rob						9					9	
15	McNeal, Jim		1		4	2						7	
16	Ahearn, Dan		3		1							4	

Class-A Man-On-Man TOP GUN 2009

Place	Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	TNT	Nov	Total	Drop 2
1	Warner, Gary	8	10			7	8	9					42	
2	Bennett, Tim	4	7			5	4	8					28	
3	Claycomb, Arnold	3	9			4	2	7					25	
4	Hamilton, Jack	7	3			2	7	5					24	
5	Dixon, Bobby	5	5				5	4					19	
6	Bourland, John	1	6			3	6	1					17	
7	Maserang, Bill	2	3			6	3	3					17	
8	Lawson, Andrew		2					6					8	
9	Moreland, Mike		8										8	
10	Ussery, Hal	6	1				1						8	
11	McNeal, Jim					1		2					3	

August 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Monthly Contest	10 Monthly Meeting	11	12	13	14	15
16 Hand Launch Contest	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Monthly Con- test & Meeting	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Hand Launch Contest	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



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Reminders

Sunday August 9 - Monthly Contest

Sunday August 16 - Monthly Hand Launch Contest

Soaring League of North Texas 2009 Contest Schedule			
Date	Event	Class	
August 9	LONESTAR SOARING SERIES - Dallas	Open and RES	Henry Bostick
September 13	TNT Warm-up	Open, RES and maybe Hand Launch	Dan Ahearn, Julian Tamez, Tim Bennett
October 16-18	TNT	Hand Launch, RES & Open	Dan Ahearn, Julian Tamez, Tim Bennett
November 8	Man on Man	Open	Julian Tamez
November	LONESTAR SOARING SERIES - San Antonio	Open and RES	
December 13	Pro-Am	Open	Rob Davis