



QUEENSLAND CHALLENGE 2009

**22nd - 26th July 2009
Suncoast Model Flyers, Coolum Qld.**

The organizers and sponsors of the Qld Challenge once again take pleasure in inviting IMAC competitors to participate in a scale aerobatics competition that has become the premier event in Australia.

We continue to aim for the following goals for the competition:

- To provide an event where competitors can compete against some of the best competitors in their class.
- To provide an event that is not only enjoyable for the competitors, but is also an event that will become a spectacle to the whole RC modeling community.
- To provide an event that will attract international competitors. We want to showcase Australian pilots to the rest of the world and give ourselves the opportunity to learn and develop as a group.
- To provide an event where our pilots can get together, have some fun and enjoy the camaraderie that has developed within our community.

Event details as follows:

1. There will be a limit of 48 entrants in IMAC. The organizers reserve the right to distribute the entries as required across the offered classes to provide the best possible competition from the expressions of interest received, Sportsman thru to Unlimited. **Basic class will not be offered**
2. There will be a limit of 12 freestyle entrants. To qualify for **freestyle the pilot must compete in an offered IMAC Class** at this event, which will be the class in which the entrant currently competes
3. Pilot selection for freestyle will be by name in hat draw, pilots that submit an expression of interest, will be placed in a hat, and the first 12 drawn, will be allocated a position in the competition.
4. To qualify for consideration, applicants will have to compete a work sheet supplying details for competitions flown in the period 01 January 09 – 30 April 09. Points will be awarded based on performance at these contests, points allocated will be 15 points for 1st place, 14 points for 2nd place and so on, down to 1 point for 15th place. Additionally, the pilot gets 1 point for each pilot they beat. Total points taken for consideration to enter the event will be taken as the total sum of the pilots highest 3 scores, ie; finishing second in a field of ten pilots will give a higher total than finishing first in a field of five. *Example: Second = 14 + 8 = 22 Vs First = 15 + 4 = 19*. Only points gained in the intended class will be eligible, should a pilot fly the first part of the season in basic, then promote to sportsman, only points gained in sportsman will count toward that pilots total. Expressions of interest will close at midnight 04 May 09.
5. Any competitor that elects self promotion during the 2009 competition year, after allocation of a position, and prior to the Qld Challenge 2009, is not guaranteed a position in the gaining class, and dependant on numbers, may forfeit their position in the competition.
6. The organizers reserve the right to invite pilots in any class including freestyle
7. Successful entrants will be notified by email by 11 May 09, at this time they will have until midnight 22 May 09 to pay entry fee, if no payment is received by the organizers by this time, a new candidate will be selected for that class, if there is no other candidate for that class, that position will be allocated to another class, this will be determined by the organizers as to which class the vacant position will be allocated.
8. This is an **IMAC Style event**, and as such is not an ASAA sanctioned event, ie: no pilot ranking points or any other championship type points will be accredited for this contest.
9. Rounds of known and unknown will consist of 1 sequence only

10. Final scores Friday will be calculated all flights flown and 1 Known round dropped, all unknown scores count to decide semi finalists for Saturday. Final scores Saturday will be calculated on all flights flown and dropping 1 known and 1 unknown to decide Sunday finalists. The final contest results will be calculated with dropping 2 known, and 1 unknown, being the 2 lowest known rounds and the lowest unknown round for the competition from all flights flown. Dropped rounds during the contest are **not** permanently dropped.
11. Saturday semi finalists will consist of the top 8 of the field from all classes. Sunday finalists will consist of the top 5 of the field from all classes.
12. Freestyle will be flown 1 round Saturday and 2 rounds Sunday,
13. Freestyle, if three or more rounds completed, the worst will be dropped.
14. Definition: **Known**, a sequence that is known to the pilot prior to the commencement of the competition. **Unknown**, a sequence that only becomes known to the competitor after the commencement of the competition, and may not be practiced in any manner with aircraft or simulator.
15. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, all known sequences will be flown from the 2009 IMAC sequence catalogue.
16. In the event of a round not flown due to delays for weather, etc, that will negate that discipline dropping a round in the final score for that class or classes. That means if for instance Saturday known rounds are not flown, only 1 known round will be dropped for the competition, should 2 known rounds be missed during the contest, all known rounds will count.
17. Entry fee of \$200.00 AUD (IMAC) \$100.00 AUD (Freestyle)
18. All aircraft if eligible will be required to have a current Heavy Model permit
19. Only frequencies allocated by the MAAA for use on model aircraft will be allowed. Any overseas competitors will be required to use only approved frequencies.
20. **Pilot judging will be occurring and therefore all competitors that fail to reach the finals are required to remain for the weekend judge positions**
21. **For all enquiries contact Qld Challenge CD, Mick Dakers, m_dakers@bigpond.com, 07 5465 4815 or 0438 877 327**

Footnote: Whilst this event has been previously and affectionately known as the **DA Challenge**, this is a contest for pilots, regardless of the engine, aircraft or radio of which they fly, any uncertainty in this area should be directed to the CD for clarification.