

# Air Scoop



## RESEARCH WINS OVER A AND TS UNDER PROTEST

The high light of the Carnival last Saturday was a grudge match between the A and TS (Aged and Tired Supermen) and the Reckless Research Rough-housers. The main purpose of the softball game was to play off last year's fiercely disputed, never-settled contest which ended up this year in another fiercely disputed battle.

T. Melvin Butler, Captain of the Administrative and Technical Service team, pointed out that Research took a 10-8 win under protest and that the complaint has been sent to Commissioner Happy Chandler.

Despite the fact that the Research Rough-housers were warned last year of their unsportsmanlike behavior, they again pulled the same low blows. For the past two years it has been an agreement between the two team captains that no one under thirty and no professionals would participate in the game. It was noted that quite a few professionals were among the line up of the winning team with Don Baals, professional pitcher for the Tank team in the NACA League, serving on the mound.

In addition to the breaking of the "one-sided" agreement, "Slugger" Stack, player for the "winning" team, admitted verbally that the game was fixed and batters stacked in the last three innings so the three winning runs could be brought in. Not only is the game being protested, but steps are being taken to have Umpire Mercer thrown out of the National League since he admitted knowing the batting order was fixed but, being a Research man himself, failed to call it.

At the end of the fourth, Technical Service was well ahead 7-4 but Research sent in the heavy end of the batting order for three consecutive innings to score six more runs and "win"

8. Stars for the winners were "slugger" Stack, "Red" Neihouse,

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Francis J. "Stumpy" Howard

## HOWARD REACHES 25 YEAR MARK

Celebrating his twenty-fifth year of service with the NACA is Francis J. "Stumpy" Howard, Instrument Construction.

Born November 12, 1900 in Malden, Massachusetts, "Stumpy" entered the Newport News Shipyard Apprentice School in 1917. After graduation in 1922 he spent the following year at the Augusta Military Academy. On June 9, 1924 he entered on duty at the Laboratory as a machinist and has worked in the Machine Shop, Power Plant, Engine Research Section, and Instrument Construction.

When old-timers at the Laboratory get together for a chat, the conversation invariably reverts to the old NACA baseball team, which played some of the best amateur nines in Tidewater Virginia before finally disbanding in the late Twenties. In order to keep the opponents confused, the team usually switched from a left handed pitcher to a right handed one. "Stumpy" and "Lefty" Forrest, Transportation, took turns serving on the mound for the team with Percy Keffer, Mechanical Maintenance, completing the battery.

One of the big days in "Stumpy's" life came on February 23, 1925 when he deserted the bachelor ranks to marry Mary Alma Gardiner of Southern Maryland. They are the proud parents of two daughters.

## CIVIL SERVICE NOTICE

The Fourth U.S. Civil Service Region in Washington, D. C. has announced that applications for the Civil Service examination for Engineer, Mathematician, Physicist, and Metallurgist, P-1, will not be accepted after the close of business on Thursday, June 30. Non-permanent employees, serving in these positions, who have not filed for the unassembled examination or who have received ineligible ratings, should file for the examination immediately. For further information or for application forms, call the Board of Examiners, telephone 2226.

## GOLF TOURNAMENT IN SECOND ROUND

Now that the "Air Scoop's" Fourth Annual Golf Championship Tournament is in its second round of play, things are beginning to shape up but it is still anybody's match. Now left in the first flight to battle it out for the championship are George Griffith, Structures Research, winner of the 1948 tournament; Walter Bressette, Pilotless Aircraft Research, a new comer to the NACA golfing ranks; Jim Bertoci, 16-Foot Tunnel, winner of the tournament in 1946; and Melvin Gough, Flight Research, winner in 1947 and runner-up last year.

The second round of the tournament will end tomorrow and the third round will be held from June 19 to June 25. On Sunday, June 26 the finalists in each flight will tee off to determine the winners. The winners in each flight will

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## BRAINBUSTER NEWS

By Jesse Shepherd

At the Brainbuster Gas Model contest held last Sunday, L. A. Hobbs, of the Portsmouth "Aeronauts" Model Club took first place with a three flight total time of four minutes, 43.5 seconds. Second place was won by Jack Zanks, FID, who has been placing consistently "in the money" in all the recent contests. His total time was three minutes, 30.2 seconds. Coming in third with 3 minutes, 11 seconds was Paul Marchal, West Engineering.

Despite high winds, thirteen contestants entered the event. Several crackups were the result of the gusts which averaged about 20 miles per hour. The only model missing after the contest was Tommy Kurtyka's comet "Sailplane". It is believed that the model may have been picked up by someone when it landed near the road past the golf course. The model is white with black trim, has a 78-inch wing spread, and has a Thunderbird engine. Anyone having information concerning the model is asked to contact Tommy Kurtyka at West Machine Shop, telephone 4471.

## NACA MERITORIOUS SERVICE EMBLEM

Word has been received from NACA Headquarters, Washington, D.C. that finished samples of the NACA Meritorious Award Emblems have been submitted for final approval.

The emblem, which resembles the official NACA wings, will bear the letters NACA and the number of years the employee has served the Committee. All pins will be gold with the 20 year pin having a ruby stone, the 25 year pin an emerald, and the 30 year pin a diamond. It is expected that a supply of these emblems will be forwarded to each laboratory before June 30.

FOR SALE: 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  speed graphic and accessories - \$150. McSmith, Dynamic Model or Hampton 6661.

WANTED: Alternate driver from Hilton Village to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Hunter, 2264.

WANTED: Ride from 30th and Washington to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Audrey Danley, 4520.

WANTED: 2 girls to share 6 room apartment. Lois Eanes, 2257 or Hampton 3-4322 after 5 p.m.

WANTED: Passengers to Providence, R.I. over July 4 week-end. Faber, 2264.

## LIFE AT THE LABORATORY

June seems to be . . . . .

a busy month for the stork as well as Dan Cupid. Keeping the Leroy Spearman household awake nights is seven pound, three ounce Michael Lynn who arrived on Tuesday, June 7. The proud father works in 4-Foot Supersonic Tunnel and the mother, Lilliebell, is formerly of the Editorial Office.

Word has just . . . . .

reached the Laboratory that Mary Morris and John Houbolt, both of Structures Research, were married Tuesday, June 14 at the Methodist Church in Farnborough Hants, England. For the past six months John has been on a tour of duty in England as an exchange research scientist with the Royal Aircraft Establishment. Following a honeymoon in England the couple will return to Hampton.

A new six pound, eight ounce . . . . .

daughter, Diana Joan, was delivered to the John Riebe household on Sunday, June 5. The proud father works in 7 X 10-Foot Wind Tunnels.

Another Laboratory maiden . . . . .

who is making plans to become a June bride is Helen Asbell, Purchase Office. Helen is engaged to Carol Spencer Cardwell and the big event will take place tomorrow at the Orcutt Avenue Baptist Church in Newport News.

Wedding bells . . . . .

rang Thursday, June 9 when Cora Crockett, East Cafeteria, and Sam Everhart, Maintenance, took their final vows in Jeffs, Virginia.

IRD hit the . . . . .

Jack-pot this week when number 18 and 19 arrived. Rumor has it that the Division's birth rate for 1949 will reach the 30 mark. On Thursday, June 9, eight pound, three ounce Susan Joy was delivered to the Paul Vavra household and on Saturday, June 11 eight pound, four ounce Steven James arrived at the Vick Regone household.

Sporting a new . . . . .

sparkler on the third finger left hand is Rosemary Barba, Low Turbulence. She is engaged to Stormy Hanson, Purchase Section, and wedding bells will ring sometime this Fall.

Word has just . . . . .

reached the Laboratory that Pete Kline, formerly of 7 X 10, will take his final vows with Janet Forrestal of W<sub>a</sub>ynesboro, Virginia on Saturday, June 25. Paul Hunter, Flight Research, will serve as best man.

Celebrating the . . . . .

arrival of a new heiress is Walter Sopstyle, Flight Research. The young lady was delivered on Thursday, June 9.

So far this season . . . . .

the Nacas seem to be getting more than their share of points in the sailing races at the Hampton Yacht Club. In the Hampton One Design series just completed Les Schneider, 7 X 10, came in first; Hal Johnson, also of 7 X 10, second; and Don Reisert, Gust Loads, third. In the Penguin class Ray Hooker, Engineering Service Division, came in second.

FOR SALE: 5 room bungalow in Sherwood Pk. Hampton 7746.

FOUND: Gold signet ring. Call "Air Scoop" Office, 2376.

## SOFTBALL NEWS

Only two teams, Full Scale and East Model, remain in the undefeated column. Full Scale has a record of 5 wins and no losses and East Model has 3 wins and 0 losses.

Low Turbulence marred their clean slate last week by losing two in a row. In their first defeat of the season, Low Turbulence lost a one-sided 15-4 game to East Model. Winning pitcher Lewis gave up 4 hits while losing pitcher Cecil was nabbed for 10. In their other defeat, Low Turbulence lost a close 12-11 game to IRD. At the beginning of the seventh the game was all tied up 10-10. Low Turbulence scored one in the seventh to take the lead but IRD came back to score 2 runs and win. Winning pitcher Eichmier gave up 8 hits while Newman allowed 11.

PARD evened things up last week with a win and a loss. In a game with Construction Engineering they lost a close 4-2 battle. PARD was held scoreless until the sixth when they scored one and added another in the seventh to fall two runs short of tying the game. Winning pitcher Dykes gave up 7 hits and losing pitcher Chauvin allowed 6. In a closely fought battle which was tied at the end of the seventh 9-9, PARD came through to score 9 runs in the eighth inning to take a one-sided 18-9 win over West Model. Winning pitcher Himmers allowed 9 hits while Clickner gave up 20.

Behind the one-hit pitching of Andy Anderson, Structures came through with a 12-0 shutout over Spin Tunnel. While holding the opponents scoreless throughout the game, the winners managed to score in every inning. Losing pitcher Todd Burk was nabbed for 12 hits.

Full Scale continued in the undefeated column by taking a close 5-2 win over Construction Engineering. Full Scale scored their runs with 3 in the first and 2 in the sixth. Winning pitcher Roy Lange allowed only 3 hits and losing pitcher Dykes gave up 6.

With the lead changing hands throughout, Apprentice finally managed to end up on the winning end of a 13-9 game with Flight. Flight was ahead 9-7 at the end of the fifth but the Apprentice boys added six more in the sixth to win. Winning pitcher Forrest gave up 11 hits while Whitten allowed 12.

West Sheetmetal took a one-sided 23-7 win over IAL. The winners' big inning came in the seventh when they chalked up 15 more runs. Slade was big gun with 2 home runs. Winning pitcher Cunningham

## DECALS REPLACE NACA IDENTIFICATION TAGS

It has been announced by Laboratory officials that new NACA automobile decalcomanias will be issued to replace the present metal NACA identification tags. It has been decided to use decals instead of the metal tags for identification and security purpose and also because the application of the metal tags to license plates in a uniform location is becoming more and more difficult.

The application of these decals to the windshield has been approved by the Department of State Police, Commonwealth of Virginia, and must be placed thereon in accordance with their instructions. The State Police request that the decal be placed in the blind spot immediately behind the rear-view mirror on the side farthest away from the driver. Application of these decals at any place other than as directed may be considered a violation of State Traffic Regulations.

These decals must be used on all employees' cars which have a rear-view mirror on the windshield. For vehicles which do not have a rear-view mirror on the windshield, the present NACA automobile identification tags shall be used.

The new decal will be distributed to employees in their respective sections and all NACA automobile tags which are replaced by NACA decals must be returned to the Property Office by August 1.

FOUND: Fountain pen. Owner may call Holladay, 4587.

allowed only 3 hits while Jervas was nabbed for 14.

In a closely fought battle that was won in the seventh inning, Low Turbulence came out on the winning end of an 11-10 game with Loads. Top batters were Cothren, Loads, and Smith, Low Turbulence, with a home run each. Winning pitcher Cecil gave up 12 hits as did losing pitcher Walls.

IRD added another win to their record by defeating 9-Inch 15-6. The score was close at the beginning of the fifth with IRD leading 7-6, but the winners put on a power drive to add 8 more and win by a one-sided score. Winning pitcher Eichmier was nabbed for 9 hits and losing pitcher Falk gave up 15.

Structures continued on their winning streak by taking a 12-0 shutout over 8-Foot. Winning pitcher Anderson allowed only one hit and struck out 10 while losing pitcher Millilo gave up 10. This marks Anderson's second one-hitter for the season.

## ANOTHER GAME ENDS IN DISPUTE

The Semi-Final Athletic feature of the Carnival weekend was the softball tussle between the "Sheep-skinned Ringers" from Electrical Engineering and the "Wire Twisters" of Electrical Service Section. The outcome is yet to be decided since the umpire Marv "Chicago" Forrest, after consulting the rule book, has reversed his decision on the final crucial play of the game.

This is what happened: It was the first half of the seventh inning, Electrical Service batting, with the count at two outs and men on first and second. The batter hit a hard line drive which struck the shoulder of the pitcher, careened off the umpire's hands, and struck the runner going to third base. The shortstop scooped up the ball and ran over and tagged the third base coach. "Umpire" Forrest called the struck runner out and hurried from the playing field. After consulting his rule book later, he reversed his decision and says the game now stands 11-8 in favor of Electrical Engineering with bases loaded 2 men out and Electrical Service's "Slugger" Getsug coming up to bat. The pertinent question now is who will win? Will "Slugger" Getsug just bring in the tying runs or will it be a victory?

## RESEARCH WINS

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Pete Korycinski, and Sid Battersson, all members or former members of the major league. Starring for the losers were "Lefty" Forrest, Percy "Patterson" Crane, Marvin Forrest, and "Speedy" Garbett.

FOR SALE: Deluxe 14-foot cedar-strip outboard runabout and 10 hp Mercury outboard motor. Backus, H-5892.

FOR SALE: Air-way Sanitizer vacuum cleaner, \$60. Kay DeSander, H-5494.

LOST: Eversharp repeater pencil - top half gold and bottom half gray. Buchanan, 4560.

WANTED: Passengers to and from Charlottesville weekly during summer school. Pierpont, 2347.

FOR SALE: Maytag washer. \$35. Joe Boyle, East Model Shop.

WANTED: Passengers to N.Y. June 23. Barrett, 4413.

# GOLF LADDER

The NACA Golf Association has established a playing ladder and set up a group of rules for challenging players. The ladder and rules are printed below.

Position	Player	Phone
1	Geo. Griffith	4469
2	Bertoci	4505
3	Bressette	4447
4	Brewer	4431
5	Livesay	4477
6	Bloxom	4489
7	Crane	2264
8	Mitcham	4427
9	Jenkins	2230
10	Hanks	4522
11	A. H. Geringer	2383
12	Helfrich	4521
13	Bates	2235
14	Braig	2381
15	J. G. Griffith	2324
16	F. S. Hart	2216
17	Norris	4427
18	Crate	2324
19	Barber	2324
20	Paulson	2235
21	Albertson	2254
22	Chittenden	2324
23	Clason	4557
24	Bennett	2235
25	M. E. Huston	4521
26	Campbell	2282
27	Sperry	2324
28	J. E. Geringer	4422
29	Harper	2285
30	Griffith	2285
31	Draper	2235
32	Schwalenberg	2254
33	Musil	2216
34	C. Rogers	2383
35	Rose	2235
36	Johnston	2229
37	Nelson	4507
38	Cheatham	2264
39	McNulty	2324
40	Luck	2230
41	Outten	2216
42	P. P. Smith	2230
43	McGhee	2355

### Rules of Procedure

1. A player may challenge any of the next three players above him.
2. A reasonable effort should be made to accept a challenge within seven days. The challenger shall have the right to demand a match within 7 days.
3. A player may accept as many challenges as desired, but is not required to accept more than 2 a month.
4. A player is not required to replay a person he had defeated within 30 days, but may if he desires.
5. New players may get on the ladder by submitting 3 scorecards to the handicap committee - Kraft, Crate, and Crane.
6. If the challenger wins the match he shall trade positions with the player challenged.

# GOLF TOURNEY

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receive awards and the runners-up will be presented a consolation prize. The presentation of the prizes will take place at the Club House immediately after the final rounds are completed on Sunday, June 26.

The results of the first round are as follows: **FIRST FLIGHT** - George Griffith over Grady Mitcham, 2 and 1; Walter Bressette over Jack Brewer, 2 and 1; Jim Bertoci over Abie Bloxom, 3 and 2; and Mel Gough over H. R. Livesay, 4 and 3.

**SECOND FLIGHT:** Dick Braig over Chris Kraft, 2 and 1; Frank Hart over John Hanks, 3 and 2; Harold Crate over Wiley Jenkins, 5 and 3; Jack Paulson over Albert Chittenden, 3 and 2; Harold Crane, over W. E. Hadaway, 6 and 5; A. H. Geringer over Harry Clason, 2 and 1; Billy Bates over Gordon Griffith, 2 up; and Harry Norris over Wallace Albertson, 1 up - 20 holes.

**THIRD FLIGHT:** Chuck Bennett over Charlie Donlan, 1 up; Bill Sperry over Ray Goodman, 5 and 3; J. H. Geringer over Lee Dickinson, 3 and 2; W. B. Dunn over John Draper, 1 up - 19 holes; Johnny Campbell over J. McNulty, 5 and 3; Sam Huston over Bob Rose, 8 and 7; and Gene Guryansky over George McGhee, 4 and 2.

# EXTEND THANKS TO POSY GROWERS

Coming in for their share of the honors in the success of the Laboratory's 1949 Biennial Inspection are the many employees who furnished flowers for the six day inspection tour. The attractive array on the luncheon tables spoke well for the gardening efforts of a number of employees and to each one goes the thanks of the Laboratory and particularly Mrs. Lucy Bainbridge who was in charge of floral arrangements.

WANTED: Ride for 2 from 25th and Maple to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Fromal, 2313.

WANTED: Passengers to Montgomery, Ala. June 24. May, 2281.

WANTED: Ride to Raleigh June 24. Margaret Clelland, 2231.

WANTED: Business woman to share 2 bedroom apartment in Kecoughtan Ct. Call Hampton 3-3848 or 5809.

FOR SALE: Ithica featherweight 12 gauge shot gun with polychoke and case. Call Hampton 7455.

# HAMPTON YACHT CLUB REGATTA

The annual Hampton Yacht Club Regatta will be held at the Hampton Yacht Club and adjacent waters in Hampton on July 2, 3, and 4. Power boat races have been given official sanction by the American Power Boat Association and the Sail Boat Races by the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association.

Sailing race classes include moths, penguins, snipes, Hampton one-design, knock-abouts, and the cruising class.

Power Boat races will consist of the following: Inboard - Classes C, D, & E, racing runabouts, service runabouts, 48 cubic inch, 135 cubic inch, and 225 cubic inch for the Virginia Gold Cup. Outboards - Classes A, B, C, & F, Class C runabouts.

Trophies will be awarded for first and second place in the sailing and inboard motor boat races and cash prizes will be awarded to winners in the outboard races.

Racing time will be as follows: Inboard races - Saturday, July 2, beginning at 10 a.m. Sailing races - first heat Saturday, July 2 at 2 p.m., second and third heats, Sunday, July 3 beginning at 10 a.m. Outboard motor boat races - Monday, July 4, beginning at 10 a.m.

A marine parade will be featured this year as in the past and all yachtsmen are urged to compete. A prize will be offered for the best decorated boat. The parade is held at night and boats are usually decorated with varicolored lights and searchlights and pyrotechnics are in order.

## Coming Events

Printed below is a calendar of events scheduled to take place at the Activities Building throughout the coming week.

- June 18 - IRD Party
- June 20 - Ping Pong Club
- June 21 - Bridge Club
- June 22 - Instrument Section Party
- June 24 - Official Party
- June 25 - West Engineering

FOR SALE: Divan type studio couch. Pennie Critzos, 8-Foot, N.M. 27305.

WANTED: 2 passengers to Los Angeles June 25. Doering, 2254.

WANTED: Ride from Yorktown to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Yates, 2229.

WANTED: Passengers to N.Y. July 1. Milwitzky, 4593.