

COMING: November 1 - 5, 2017

Red Flag is, and will be, a lot of things but it may be easiest to explain some things it is "Not", or "Will Not" be! For example, it is not for the timid, it is not for the procrastinator; it is not for the average guy and is not for "non-competitive" modelers.

RED FLAG is a second year **ALL JET** event coming to Lakeland Florida's Paradise Field this November. It will be a scored event, meaning a competition, with the emphasis on Aerobatics with some attention on craftsmanship and appearance thrown in. It will be an invitational, but people who think they may be qualified may "ask" for a slot to compete. Or, pilots may be recommended by others. (We don't know everybody in the World) There will be a purse, not enough to buy a new car, but enough for Bragging Rights. Nice Awards too.

Red Flag will have 4 classes, Scale Pro-Aerobatics, Sport Pro-Aerobatics, Individual Free-Style and one for Team Demo Flying. Maneuvers will be flown from a list; some of them mandatory and a few will be pilot choice. Takeoffs will not be judged but landings will. Maximum planes in the air at one time? That would be 2. It will be a Wednesday thru Saturday event with all awards given out Saturday night as part of the Red Flag award dinner. Sunday November 5 is a planned open flying airshow day provided a competition catch up day is not required due to inclement weather.

Ray Labonte is Co-Contest Director, and he is helping with logistics, scoring and sits on the Board of Directors who make the initial decisions. He has produced an overview of exactly HOW Red Flag will work. We realize that there will be some who agree and some who do not agree with the rules and procedures, and we sincerely sympathize, but for the second year, that's too bad.

We will make every effort to blanket the World with information and keep everyone posted!

Frank Tiano