

# The Fog Bowl

## First Feb Floater Event Fog Bound but Fun

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The first opportunity for a February Floater event was on the 5<sup>th</sup> but got rained out. The next weekend (12<sup>th</sup>) looked to be much better as no rain/wind was forecast.

Unfortunately, when we did arrive for some RES flying, there was massive fog and cold conditions to deal with. Although we did lose a few pilots due to the conditions, a few hearty ones stuck it out for the fog to dissipate enough to fly around 12:30. If you were careful and didn't launch too high or wander too far away, you could see the plane fairly well. So we decided to hold a mini three round contest of 10min max and no landing (other than it be on-field.) Scores were just raw seconds. Interestingly, when you flew in the fog, lift was enough to easily make the max time. However, when the ceiling lifted enough to see higher, the lift also went away. Congratulations to Jim Gibson who was the proclaimed "Fog King" and all those that flew.

Results (1800 pts possible)–

1) Jim Gibson	1736
2) David "GDP" Portwood	1443
3) Tom "Grampa" Brightbill	1428
4) Ken "KYS" Eaton	1385
5) Chris Staats	1359
6) Tom "CD" Culmsee	1273
7) John Long	1241

