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Drag race between Jimmy Franco's Architecture of Aggression powered by 4 D12-5s and his Draw the Line with 3 E9s.

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We once again lucked out weather wise at our February launch, with storm clouds gathering throughout the day and light rain starting after tear-down was completed. The day saw a total of 70 flights take off from our semi-permanent site. It also saw the first use of a new low power launch rack built by Jack Garibaldi. First off the new rack was Andrew Baumhenckel's Comanche 3. Jeff Steele obtained his L 1 certification using an H-123. Jared Ureno flew his two stage Orion using a G78 staging to a F25. Jack Garibaldi and James Daugherty drag raced their Little Dog rockets using I345 white thunder motors. Karl Baumhenckel flew his Red Baron on a Rattworks H70 but the ejection charge failed to go off and it required two-kid power to get the nose cone out of the dirt.

















