

CENTRAL VALLEY ROCKET NEWS
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The first launch of the year saw beautiful weather as 91 flights took to the air. There were several certification attempts, not all successful. Christopher Raimondi was the frequent flyer of the day, with 12 flights, while Alyssa Amoranto celebrated her birthday with 4 flights. Mike Smith, Rod Lovely and Jim Norton took care of the oh wow end of the scale flying K or L motors. Many thanks to those who provided photos for this issue.

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Photos by Cliff Sojourner, Jim Norton, [Gene Engelgau](#), [Steve Sawer](#) and [Rod Lovely](#)

Flyer list

[Jim Abrames](#)

[Alyssa Amoranto](#)

[Armand Amoranto](#)

[Nicholas Amoranto](#)

[James Douherty](#)

[Jack Garibaldi](#)

[Gene](#)

[Robin Grist](#)

[Randy Helmonds](#)

[Julie](#)

[Justin](#)

[Keith ?](#)

[Ashley Lightfoot](#)

[Tom Lipscomb](#)

[Rod Lovely](#)

[Martin Hall](#)

[James Marino](#)

[Mongoose](#)



Ross Ohmen

Christopher Raimondi

David Raimondi

Steve Sawyer

Mike Smith

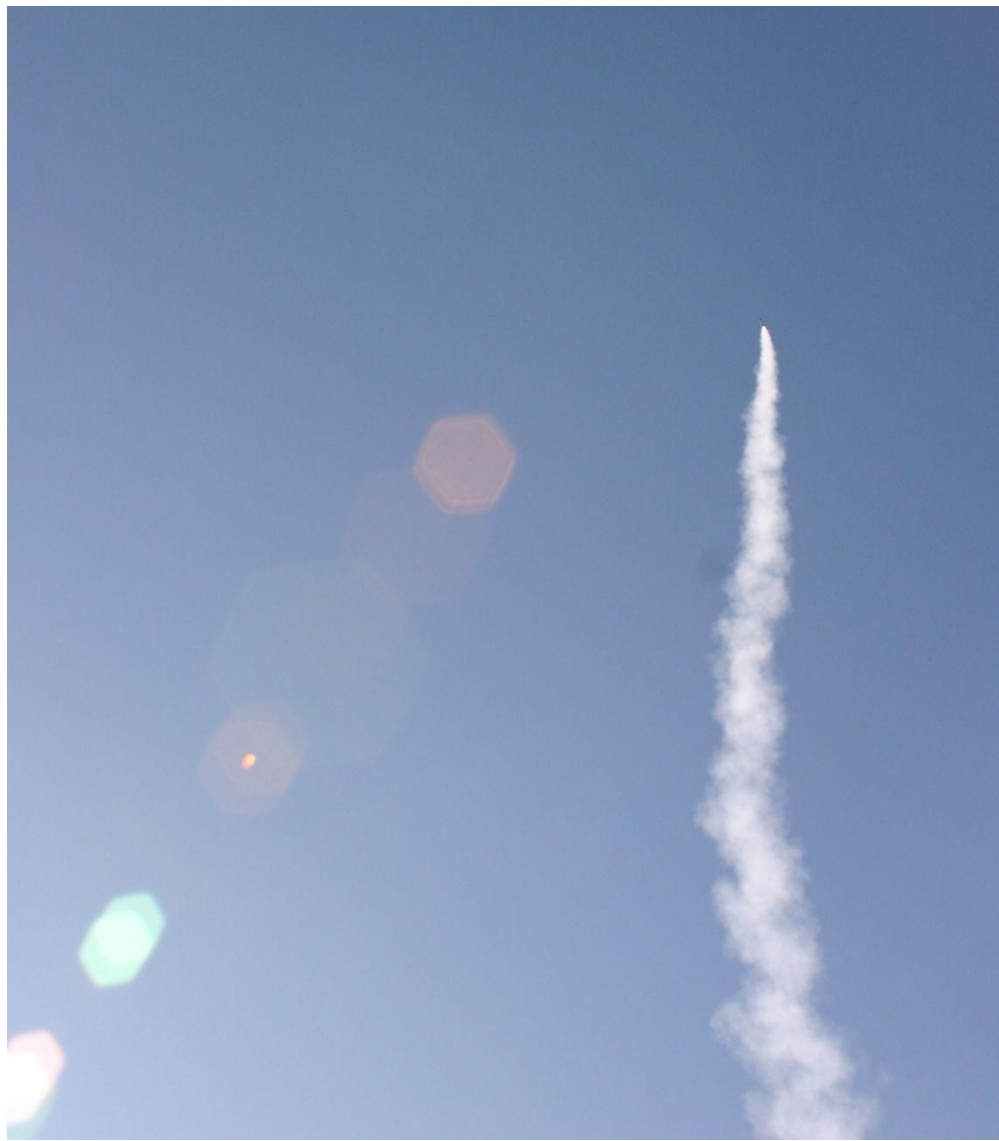
Cliff Sojourner

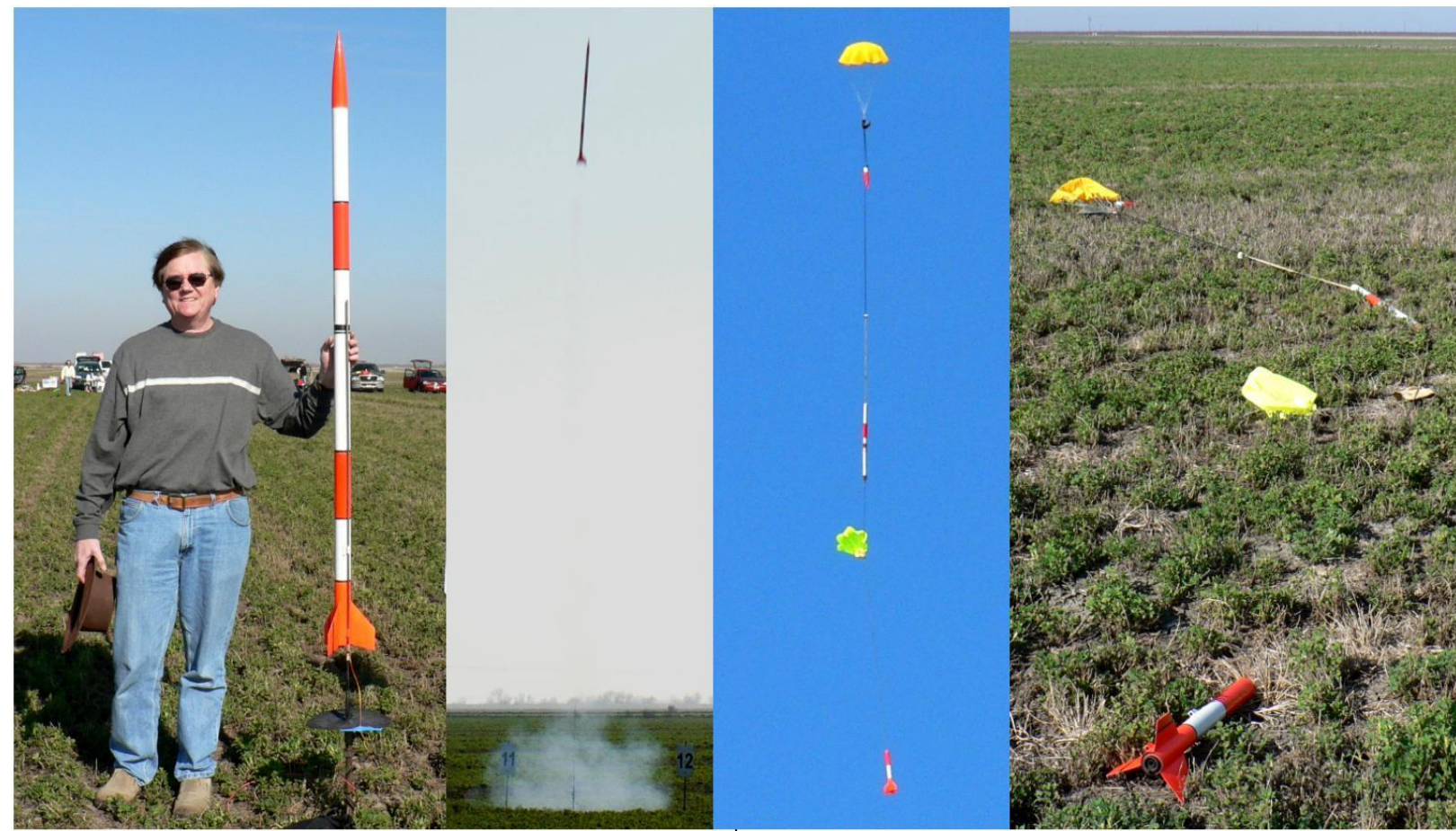
Dale Soutas

Rob Stratton

T. Joseph ?

Tom





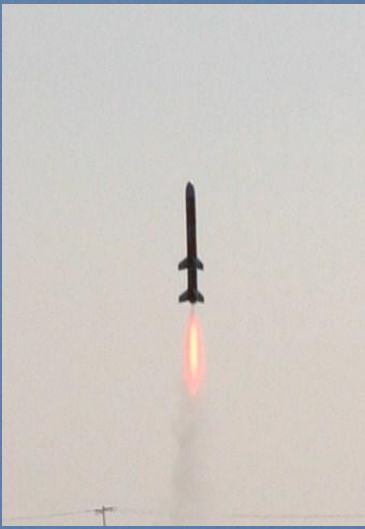
January 2008 – Steve Sawyer’s Stretch Barracuda on an H238T to 2000 ft. ART2 for dual deploy.











Cleaning party

Jack Garibaldi, Jim Abrames, Brett Wilkens, James Dougherty., Ben Sandoval., Shawn Stephens, Bruce Rohn, Mike Smith and Jim Norton got together at Mike Smith's place to clean and repair the equipment on Groundhog's Day. The equipment is now shiny and organized. In addition to providing a great place to work Mike provided a wonderful lunch. Thanks to all who participated.





Letters

A great big thank you to Jack, Bruce, and the TCC folks for putting on a great launch today!!! The weather was great with light winds all day long.

Special thanks to Bruce for making sure Christopher was keeping to his pace of a rocket every 20 minutes or so... Christopher had a great time today.

See you next month!

Dave and Christopher R.

I just wanted to thank everyone who came out to the equipment cleaning party today. I thought it was a great day, we got everything that we wanted accomplished. All the rails are squeaky clean, cleaned out the trailer, organized everything, replaced all the bad clips and wires, made spares, stocked up all the supplies, and my favorite Mike cooked us all Tri-tip and beans with drinks. Mike thank you for having us all over and for the great hospitality. Rod Rod is fixing one of the broken pads and I am getting new flight card holders so we are good to go for awhile. Thanks again to everyone for your help.

Tripoli Central California
President
Jack Garibaldi

What a day, I had a good time and the weather was great. A big thanks to Mike, what a great host. Everyone it was a pleasure to see you all again. Hope to see you all at the next launch. A good time was had by all. Till then.

Ben Sandoval

