

**TRIPOLI** CENTRAL CALIFORNIA  
*Central Valley Rocket News*

Serving the Central Valley Chapter of the Tripoli Rocketry Association - April 2006

April 15<sup>th</sup>  
Launch  
Photos



Dave Springer's *Ezekiel* lifts off on an M1297.

# President's Message

Hey Everyone

I just wanted to thank everyone for their help and support on a Beautiful sunny day of launching rockets. We were thin on our turn out but the weather was at it's best.

We had two level one cert flights, a level two and one level three and they all passed. All of the Cert flights were great and the level two was our very own Ben Sandoval. Congratulations to all the flyers.

I also want to welcome Bruce Rohn as he was elected as our new club Prefect. Welcome aboard Bruce.

Next stop is Dairy Aire 2006, so round everyone up and lets have our best attendance record ever. May 19th, 20th, 21st. EX day will be Friday, then Saturday and Sunday will be commercial motors. We have a Blues band lined up for Saturday night. We also booked Mr. Ed's BBQ for Saturday lunch and Saturday dinner. They will be serving Hotlink's and Tri-tip sandwiches with potatoe salad for lunch and for dinner it will be a 3 way plate that will consist of Chicken, Pork spare ribs, Hotlink with green salad and scallop potatoes. It will come with one drink of choice. Desert is peach cobbler. Bret from CK's said they will be there but I don't have there menu yet.

Confirmed vendors will be What's Up Hobbies, Mojave Desert High Power, and Just Rockets. Duane Uhl and Barry from Loc/Precision will be there also bringing 40 special Dairy Aire kits last I heard.

We have all new signs for the middle row and the away pad, which look pretty darn good and brand new seats for the porta potties so what more do you need then to bring your rockets out and fly them.

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## NEW PREFECT

The photo at left shows Jack Garibaldi introducing Tripoli Central CA's new Prefect, Bruce Rohn.

Bruce has been a part of Tripoli Central CA and High Power Rocketry for many years. Look for Bruce at the Dairy Aire launch and get acquainted.

There will be a personal profile in the next edition of CVRN.

THANKS BRUCE!!



## Dairy Aire Shirts!

Shirt Pre-Orders should be submitted ASAP to Rod Lovley at...Ralovley@sbcglobal.net

## Live Musical Entertainment

We have successfully booked a very hot blues band for Dairy Aire '06!!!!!! The band is Tre Tosh's who is a guitar phenom. You will have to hear him to believe the hype. Plays Stevie Ray Vaughn style blues and classic rock. You won't be disappointed.

*Richard King (major Tre Tosh fan)*

# Dairy Aire 2006 - May 19, 20, 21

## April 15th Launch

Well, after a gruelingly wet spring, it was a bit touch and go whether the weather would let up for us to get in a warm-up to next month's DAIRY AIRE, but the rocket gods and the BIG GUY upstairs smiled on us for the Easter weekend.

I think everyone that came out to the April launch was pleasantly surprised by the great field conditions. Let's send out a big THANKS to Steve Maddox for providing such a great site. We were located in a freshly cut alfalfa field, so we couldn't have asked for a better day or a better site.

There were a total of 47 launches by 22 different flyers. They burned 5 A's, 5 B's, 6 C's, 4 D's, 1 E, 3 F's, 5 G's, 6 H's, 9 I's, 5 J's and 1 M. The following pages chronicle many of the flyers and flights for the day.

## GREAT FOOD!!

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### Lunch

Includes 2 Side Orders  
Beef Or Pork Ribs..... \$7.00  
Tri-Tip..... \$7.00  
Chicken..... \$7.00  
Hotlinks..... \$7.00

### Sandwiches

Include 1 Side Order  
Tri-Tip..... \$6.00  
Hotlink..... \$5.00  
Chicken..... \$5.00  
Beef or Pork Ribs..... \$6.00

### Combination Plates

Includes 2 Side Orders  
2-way Hotlinks, Beef or Pork Ribs..... \$9.00  
3-way Hotlink, Chicken, Beef or Pork Ribs..... \$12.00  
4-way Hotlink, Chicken, Beef & Pork Ribs..... \$15.00  
5-way Hotlink, Chicken, Beef & Pork Ribs, Tri-Tip... \$18.00

### Fish Friday

Include 2 Side Orders  
Catfish or Redsnapper..... \$9.00  
Shrimp..... \$9.50  
Shrimp & Fish Combo..... \$12.00  
Catfish / Red Snapper, Shrimp... \$15.00

Tri-Tip or Chicken Salet..... \$6.25  
Slabs of Pork Ribs (include 3 large side orders)..... \$24.00  
Tri-Tip Roast (include 3 large side orders)..... \$26.00

### Side Orders:

	Small	Medium	Large
Black Eye Peas	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Pork and Beans	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Green Salet	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Potato Salet	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Green Beans	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Mac & Cheese	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Scalloped Potatoes	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Dirty Rice	\$1.75	\$3.00	\$4.00
Red Beans & Rice	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50
Culinary Greens	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$4.00
Yams	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$3.00

### Deserts

Peach Cobbler...\$2.50 Pie/Cake...\$1.50

### Sodas

\$1.50 with 1 refill

PLUS...

CK's will have their usual menu!

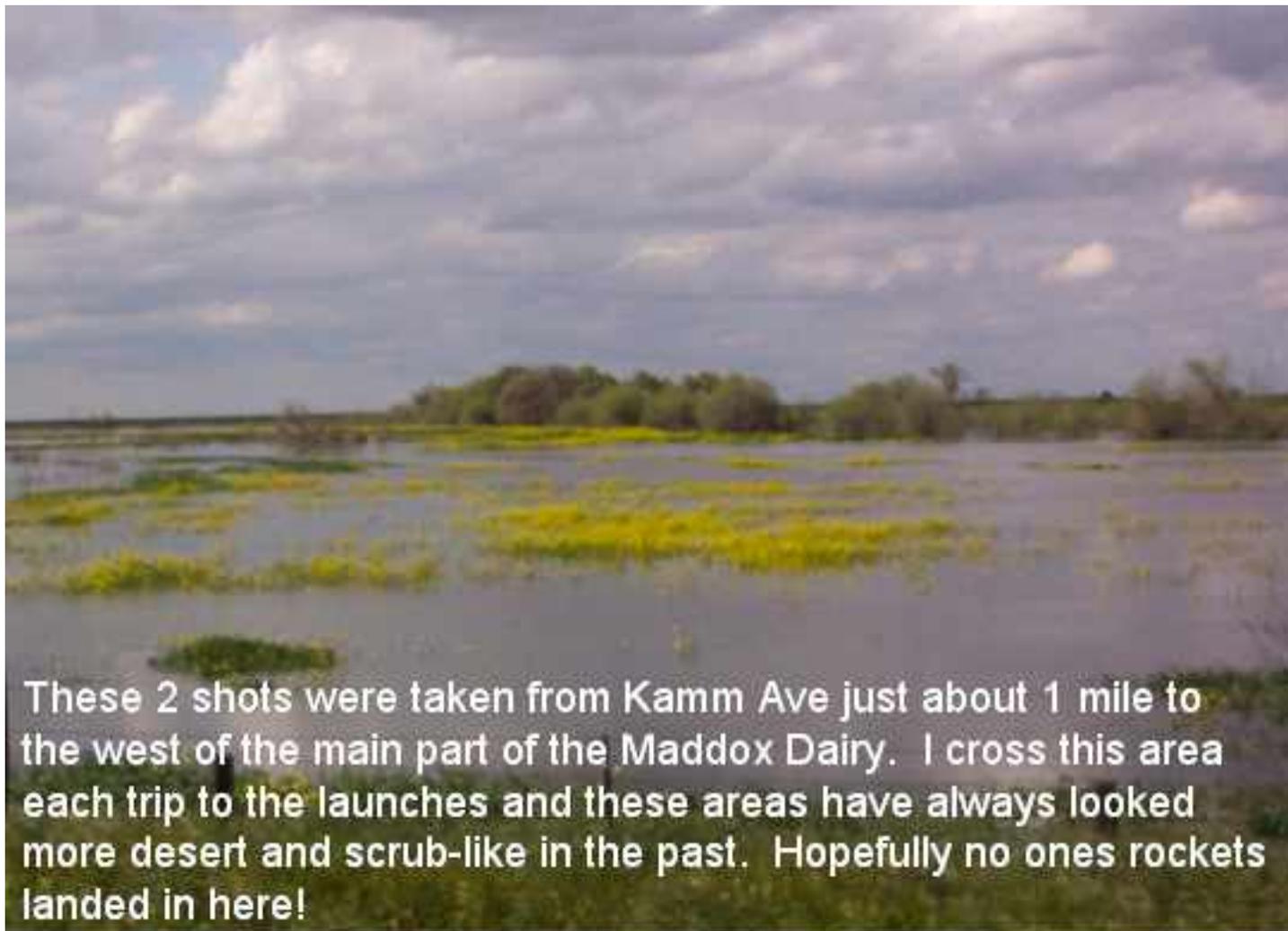


TCC President, and resident handyman, Jack Garibaldi, made up a great new set of pad number signs (note the metal-flake paint on the rods!!)

- AND took time to install some new seats in the club portables. Is this guy dedicated, or what?!



Photos by Gary Walker



These 2 shots were taken from Kamm Ave just about 1 mile to the west of the main part of the Maddox Dairy. I cross this area each trip to the launches and these areas have always looked more desert and scrub-like in the past. Hopefully no ones rockets landed in here!





**Dave Springer of Creston Aerospace made a successful Level 3 flight with his 33 lb *Ezekiel* on an M1297.**

Photos by Gary Walker



Visalia's Ben Sandoval certified Level 2  
with his *Another Bad Photo* powered by a  
J350W.

Photos by Gary Walker



**Mike & Mikey Smith flew Mike's *My Mistress* on a J540 Redline.**

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**Cliff Sojourner assisted the Laguna Creek High School Rocketry Team. Their 89" rocket made it just over a mile high using a J415 for power.**



Jeff and Cole Pennington had their fleet of scale rockets on hand. This was the 1<sup>st</sup> flight of their Neubauer Redstone kit.

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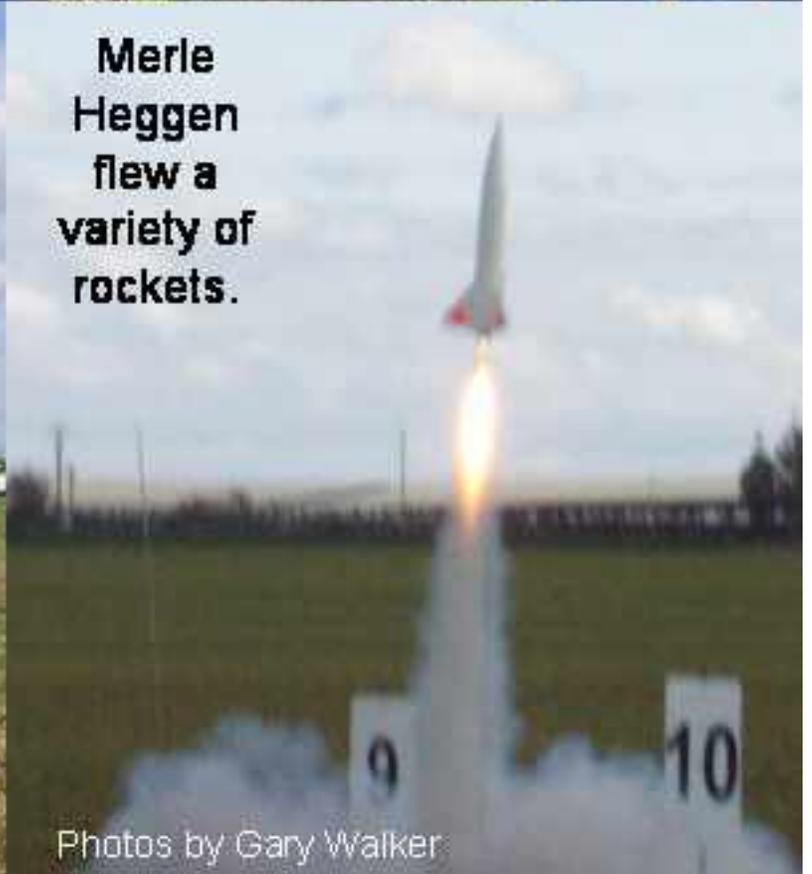


**James Marino's *Maxi Mag & Laser-X.***

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**Bill Puckett's *Dart and Fantom.***



**Merle  
Heggen  
flew a  
variety of  
rockets.**

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Scott Christiansen's *Elmo* on an I357T.



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**Mikey Smith  
and Cole  
Pennington  
took some  
hard  
landings in  
stride.**





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Brian Dalby.

## Tripoli Central California

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## The Rumor Mill...

Persistent rumors abound that Jack Garibaldi is working on a project housed in one of the barns at the Maddox Dairy. When asked, puzzled milkers said that Mr. Maddox told them that the project is just the installation of a new milk storage tank.

Silage truck drivers have also reported some strange happenings. They seem to think that the silage smells different lately and that the "new silage" is now being packed into large cylindrical shapes with hollow cores under the direction of a new silage inspector from Tracy. The inspector is reportedly not very talkative, but has been heard to mutter..."Wimpy Red my a^&%^\*^!!".

*The photo at left was smuggled out of the dairy by an under-cover photographer in overalls.*

