

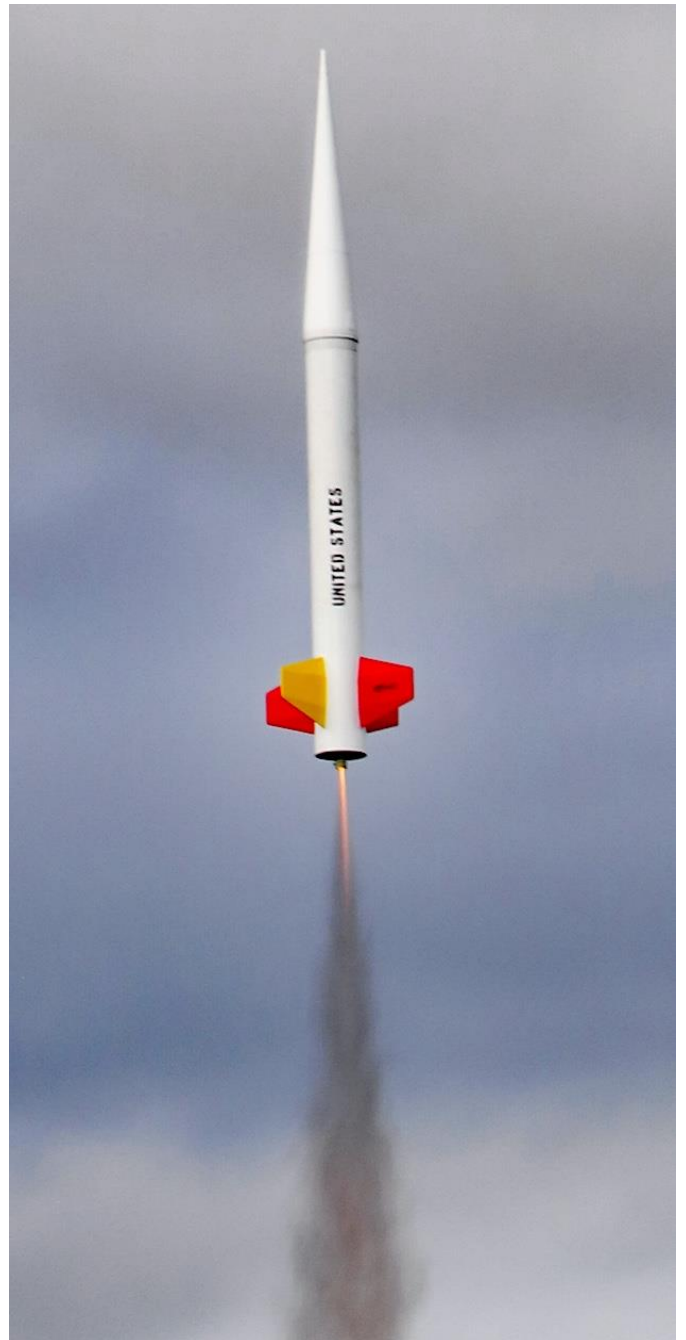
October Launch Report

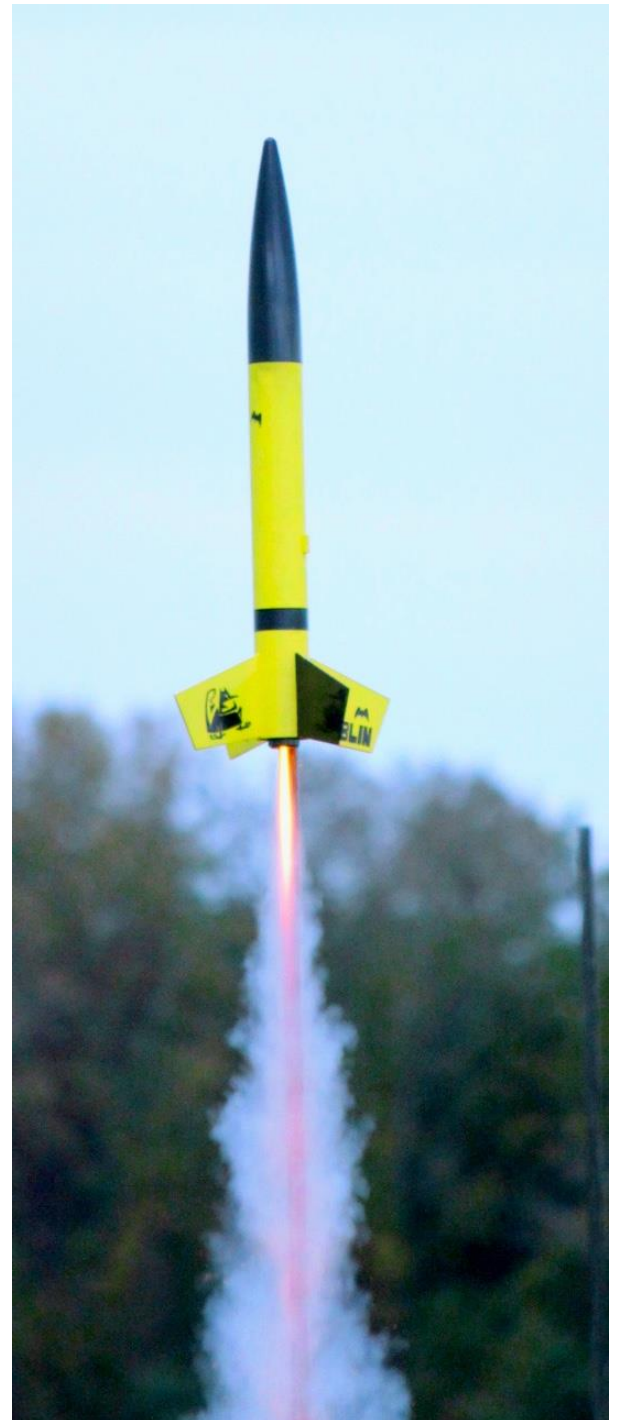
For the first time in years, we held a launch in October because in years past the field was too wet from Fall rains, but today it was dry and perfect. It was overcast but the cloud ceiling was high, and the winds were light. Even the rockets using apogee deployment were landing on the field, many times close to the launchers. We escaped some rain early in the PM and had a Scout troop show up to fly rockets with us.

All launch pics courtesy of Katie Lane, Chip Jenkins and Ken Potter.



Dennis Calo flew his Estes "Nike-Smoke" with an AT F50 motor for a great flight! Almost everyone was using Chute Releases or Dual-Deploy and many used beepers because of the high corn to the east.





Randy Jenkins brought his 4" "Goblin" to the launch and flew it with an AT I357, which make for a fast lift-off from the pad! It flew to 2300 feet and was recovered with a Jolly Logic Chute Release.



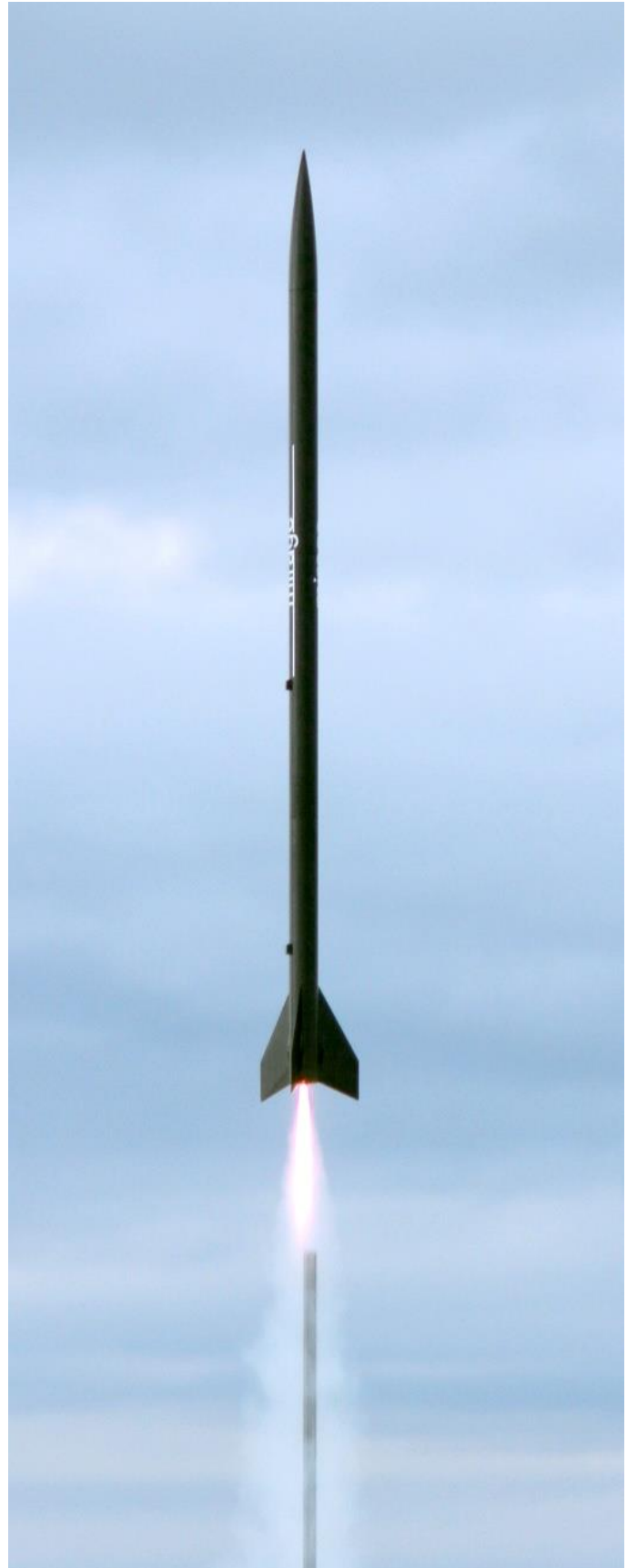
Jeff VanScyoc flew his Estes "Executioner" with an EX F39T motor, which was Aerotech Blue Thunder propellant in a Research case. It got to 1300 feet and was recovered on the field.



Randy Jenkins (above left) takes his LOC/Precision "Wolverine" to the launch pad. He flew it with an AT I211 to an altitude of 2200 feet in a flight which impressed all the Scouts and their parents!



John Bryan with his Estes "Great Goblin." Just like the last launch, we had lots of Goblins and Der Red Max's on the field! John flew it with an Estes F15 motor. The rocket is very light and gets a good altitude even with just a BP F15 motor.



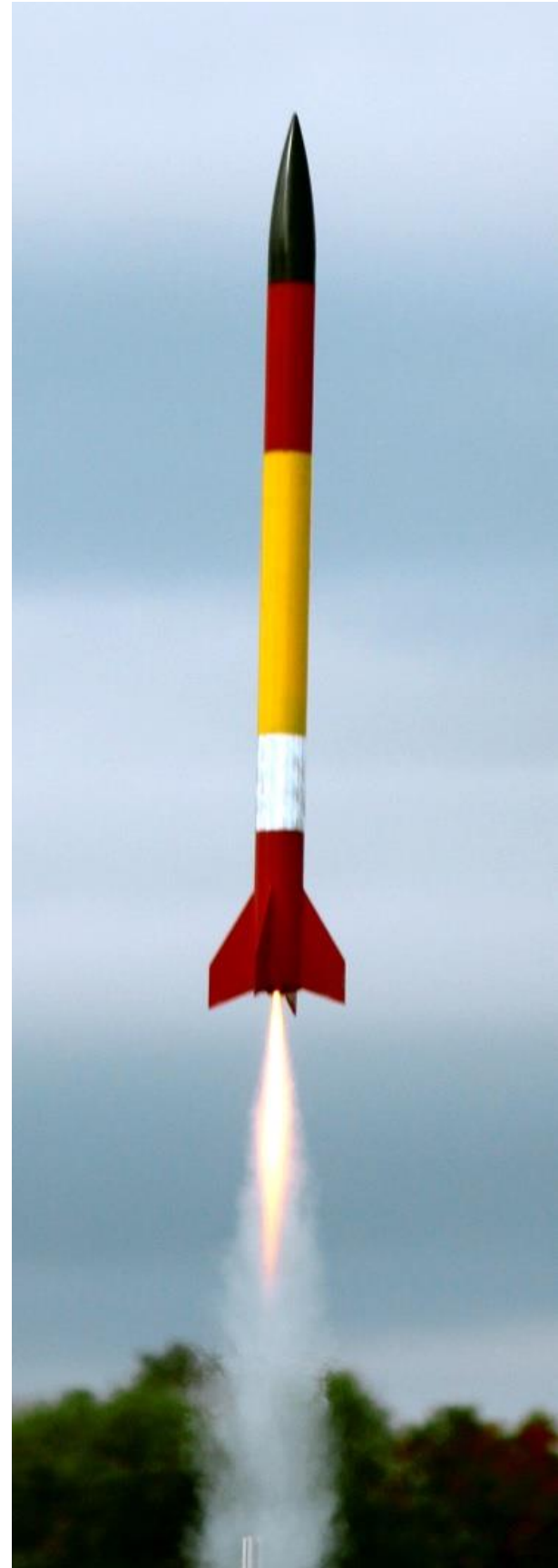
Mike Thomas, who brought a number of Scouts and their parents to the launch gets his Aerotech "Mirage" ready for flight with an AT G74W motor. The rocket had a leisurely flight to 700 feet.



Catherine Calo shows her Estes "Door Knob" on the way to the launch pad. Another mid-power kit like the "Great Goblin" built with light-weight model rocket parts, the model was flown with an Estes E16 motor to a respectable altitude.



Steve Eves with his scratch-built "Wizard" which he flew with a Research F61 motor using old Propulsion Industries propellant. Even with apogee deployment, because of the light winds the rocket landed on the field.



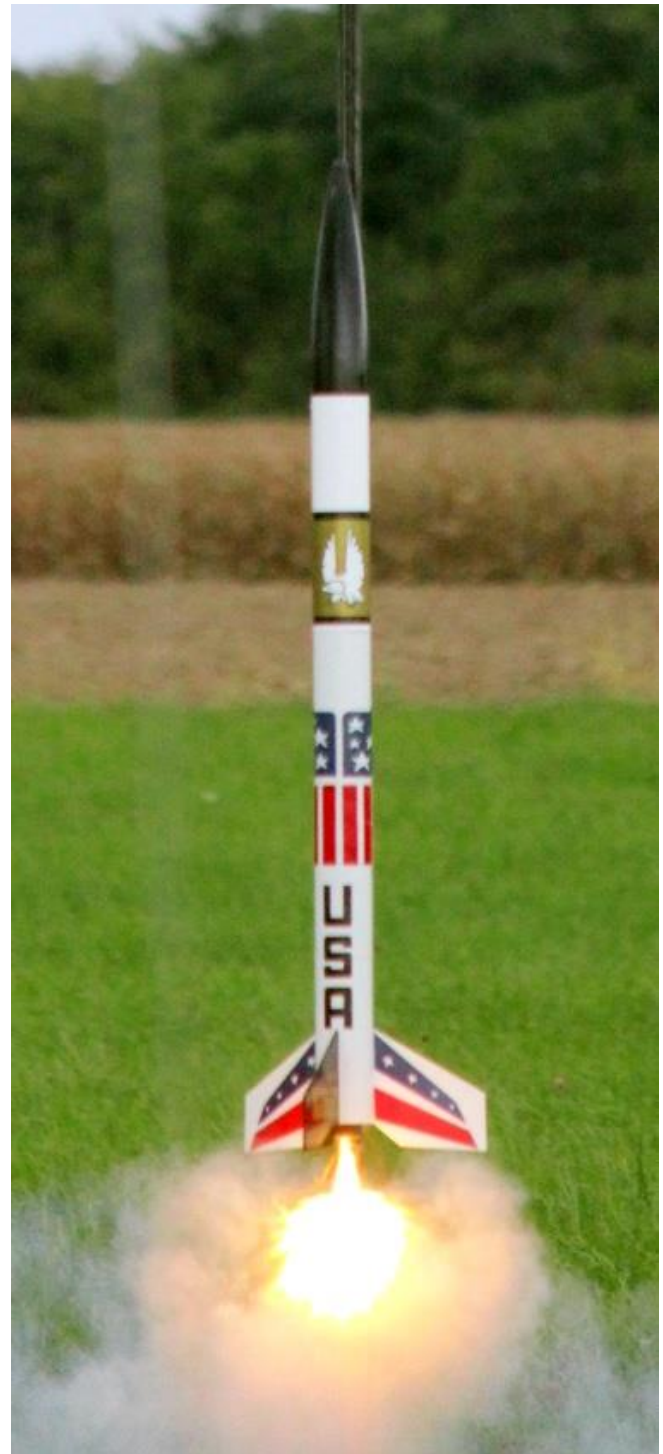


Chip Jenkins flew his 3 inch Estes "Cherokee" once again with a on-board video camera. He flew it with an AT H128 motor.

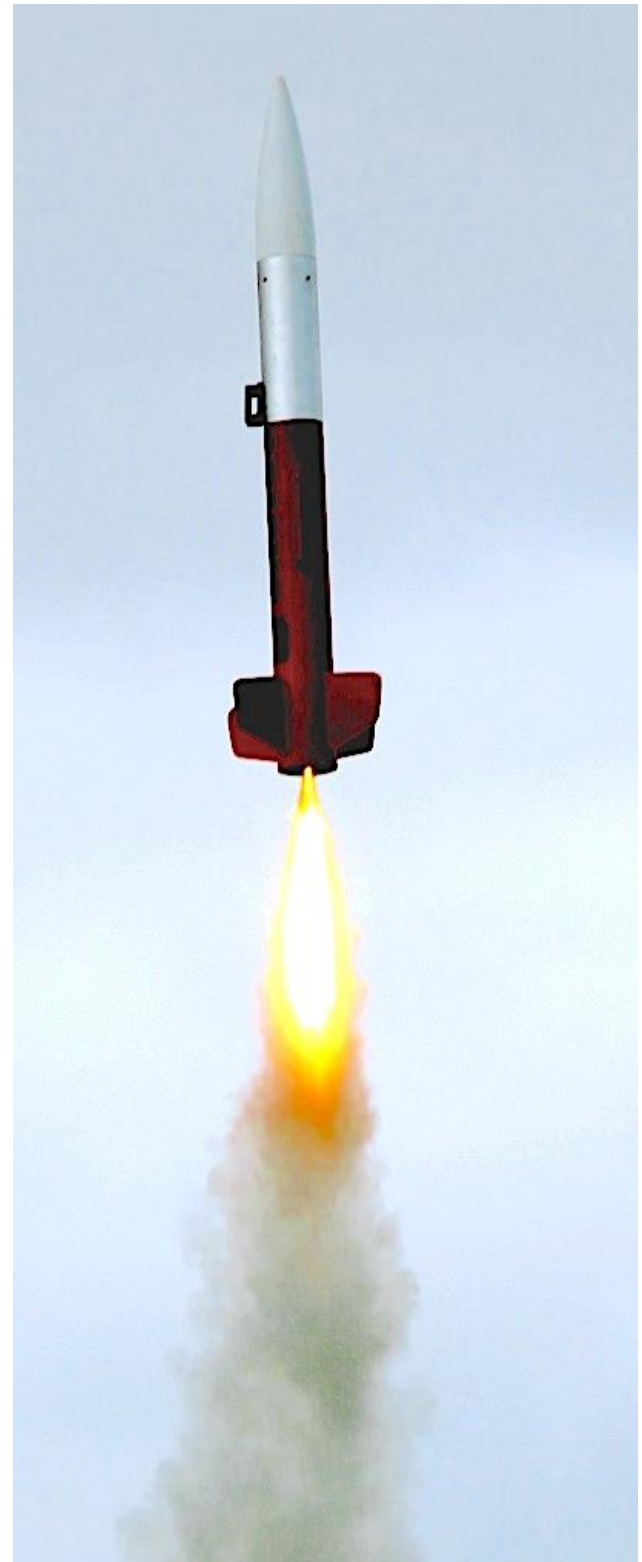
The video of the flight is on the NOTRA Facebook page.



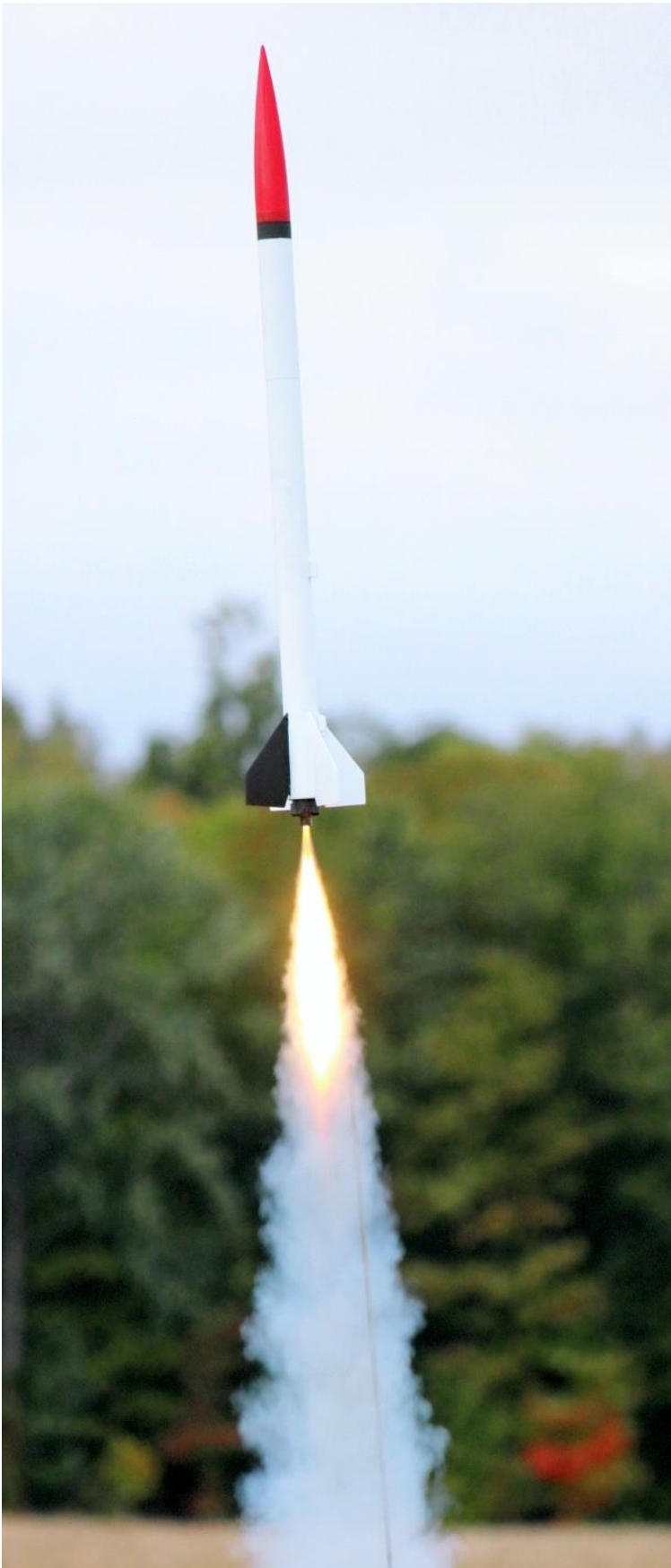
Dennis Calo heading out to the launch pad with his Estes "Big Der Red Max", done up in a carbon fiber wrap. He flew it with an AT F26FJ motor.



Jeff VanScyoc flew his upscaled Estes "Patriot" with an AT H128W motor to an altitude of 1800 feet.



Randy Jenkins poses with his Rocket R&D "Brutus" before taking it out to the launch pad. He flew it with an AT H123 motor.



John Ulizzi's "Tomahawk" takes to the skies with an AT F26 motor (left).



Steve Eves with his scratch-built "Green Machine" which he flew with a Research I141 motor to an altitude of 1800 feet.

Mike Crum's Aerotech "G-Force" in flight under the power of an AT G77R motor (left). It got to an altitude of 600 feet.



Mike Thomas' beautiful Apogee "Katana" in flight (right). Mike wanted to do a L2 cert flight but the dense clouds made him opt for a test flight with an AT H550 motor which really got the crowds attention! It got to an altitude of 1500 feet and was recovered successfully.



Chip Jenkins with his 25 year-old LOC/Precision "Stovi". Probably one of the original LOC kits! He flew it with an AT F37 motor.



Dennis Calo's Estes "Mega Max" in flight on an AT F50 motor. This one is done up in Halloween attire with a skeletal truck tailgate wrap and black nose cone.