

Hand Launch Links Gathered

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Handlaunch Planes: Oct 14, 2025

[Airfoils Thread](#) ; Links to the [Edge](#), [Synergy](#), [Zone](#), and [Zone V2](#) (corrections welcome)

[ArmSoar](#) ; Arctus, BAMF, Go, Go Mini, Vibe

[Aloft Hobbies](#) Hawk, Longshot 4, MAAT 1 & 3

[Art Hobby](#) ; Nice selection of HLG's

[BLH](#) ; ASPI 97 (in French)

[Charles River RC](#); Online plans for the SuperGee II, Apogee, Terminator HLG

[Claus Thiele Modellbau](#) ; Falke, Keibitz, Milan, Weihe, and others (in German)

[CLM-Pro](#) ; Trotter

[Dave's Toys](#); Aus supplier for Vladimir's Models: Blaster, Elf, Snipe...

[Decker Planes](#); Spinnin Birdy (in German)

[DeX SAL](#) ; DeX 0.77m SAL

[DJAerotech](#)/; Chrysalis traditional built up HLG. Also their "Ask D&J" has lots of good info.

[Dr. Chucho](#); Dr. Chucho SAL Glider

[Dream Flight](#); Libelle

[Dyne-o-mite](#); Dyne-o-Mite 1M SAL Glider

[Edge](#); RC Groups thread on the Edge Airfoil series - refer to the top post for links to designs buried deeper in the thread

[Fliegenbar Gmbh](#); Azurreich

[Flightcomp](#) ; Vortex, Fireblade, Brko, MAAT, Strike 3 Mini

[Flightpoint](#); Hawk, Iago, Shaka

[graham1234's planes](#) : Designs by RCG user [graham1234](#): [Storm](#), [Blackjack](#), [Karisma](#),

[HJZ](#) ; Predator II

[Hobby Club](#) ; Blaze, Rubi

[Hokusei model shop](#) ; Chinese Mini DLGs similar to Apogee Sport

[Horizon Hobby \(UK\)](#) Dee-L-Gee 995mm PNP

[Hyperflight](#) ; UK supplier of Mini Vick and Big Vick, Alt, Schloiderding V2, Spinnin' Birdy RE and Aileron, Elf, Malibu Pro, Hawk / Light Hawk, Strike 2 and 3, Dream Flight Alula-Trek and Libelle, Stiletto Lift 1.2m, Flipper 1.25m, Blaster 2, 3, and 3.5, #Boom F3K, Stark 2017 and Pro, Smile F3K, Snipe SN, SNT and 2

[ICare](#) ; Osiris, Gladiator, Sailfish

[Icarus](#); Icarus 1.2m DLG

[Kennedy Composites](#) ; Blaster 2, Blaster 3, Blaster 3 ST, Elf, Snipe

[Manta](#); RC Groups Thread on the Manta - built-up Drela DLG

[Microbirds](#) ; Feather Micro Glider ***New***

[MiMi](#)

[Modelflight](#) ; AUS supplier of Long Shot

[Modellflug-Technik](#) ; K-wing

[Momentum Model Technologies](#) ; Arctus, Polaris

[Nano](#)

[Oleg Golovidov](#) ; Hawk, Flitz2&3, Stream NXT, Falcon, Flitzebogen, Stream, Concept CX4-TD, Validol

[PCM](#) ; Fireworks, Flow

[QSC](#); QSC 32 inch (80cm) SAL

[Skybench Aerotech](#); Lil' Bird, Sunbird

[SoaringModels](#) Kite, Dart

[SoaringUSA](#) ; Athena, Boom, Brko, Catia, Chicco, Chili, Concept CX5, Fireworks IV Carbon, Miras, NRJ, Stiletto Lift, Strike 3, Vice, Vortex 3&4

[Stratair](#) ; Athena, Bat, Chili F3K, Risk, Steigeisen, Ultegra, and X-Ray Micro.

[Tralla la](#); Tralla la 80cm DLG

[Vick Models](#) Vick, Alt

[Vladimir's Model](#) Yoda, Snipe, Elf

[Wright Brothers RC](#); Gambler AG

Building Supplies:

[Aerospace Composite Products](#)

[AeroMarine Products](#); Resins and Molding Rubber

[Aircraft Spruce](#); Full scale aircraft supply but has lots of stuff a hobbyist could use

[AMT Composites](#); South African Composites Supplier

[Balsa USA](#)

[Balsa Wood Inc](#)

[Composite Structures Technology \(CST\)](#)

[Core Cutting](#); CNC foam cutting by RCG user

[Traian](#)

[Discount Composite](#)

[Fiberglass Supply](#)

[FibreGlast](#)

[Goodwinds Kites](#); Tailbooms

[National Balsa](#)

[Soller Composites](#)

[Specialized Balsa](#)

[Sig Balsa](#)

[Sweet Composites](#)

[Thayercraft](#); Glass Cloth

[US Composites](#)

Reference/How-to/Inspirational:

[Everything](#); [SensibleNick](#)'s "Everything" thread, now being curated by [Plane_Tech](#) - references to lots of how-to

[Airfoil Programs Thread](#)

[FAI](#); Contest rules

[Foam Properties](#)

[How to Transport your Handlaunch](#); Links to examples of transport boxes

[Molding / Bagging Threads](#)

[Radio Carbon Art](#); Videos on building and flying handlaunch

[Radio Controlled Soaring Digest](#); Check out the [Archives](#) especially March-October 2006 which documented the build process for Maple Leaf's Encore

[Reese Productions](#); Lift Ticket videos

[SAL Glider Yahoo Group](#); Good historical info but activity there all but ended in 2007

[SuperGee Thread](#); Go here to get a full education on building and flying foam-core composite DLGs,

centered around Mark Drela's seminal design, the SuperGee.

[Switchjacks](#); SwitchJack and Wiring Harness Links

[Tailwind Gliders](#); Calc tools and instructional vids

[Vacuum Bagging and Molding](#); Phil Barnes Techniques

[Vacuum Free Tail Surface Glassing](#) How-to on producing glassed tail surfaces without vacuum-bagging equipment

Old or Dead Links:

Planes -

[Bowman's Hobbies](#); Javelin - dead link as of mid- 2018

[Bug Yahoo Group](#); Bug - Yahoo Groups shut down December 2020

[Canterbury Sailplanes](#) ; Eagle - dead link as of mid- 2018

[Crazy Canuck Gliders](#) ; Vortex - dead link as of mid- 2018

[Dave's Aircraft Works](#); Hosted by SkyKing RC Products; Dragonette, Schweizer 1-26 - dead link as of mid- 2018

[CS Flugmodellbau](#) ; KiSal - dead link as of mid- 2018

[Davy](#); Scratchbuilt micro-HLG plans in DXF format - dead link as of late 2016

[Enduro Composite Models](#) ; Apogee Elite, Apogee Sport; Link is apparently dead as of 8/12

[European Top Planes](#); Tweagle - dead link as of May 2025

[Edge RC](#) ; MiSAL - dead link as of mid- 2018

[f3x](#) ; SALpeter, Aspirin, RAD2 and Stobel - dead link as of mid- 2025

[Falken](#) ; RC Groups Thread on the Falken - no activity since 2010

[Great Planes](#) ; Fling DL

[HKM](#) ; Concept Xtreme 2, 3, 4 - dead link as of mid- 2018

[HobbyKing](#) ; Raven PNP - apparently no longer offered as of June 2025

[Isthmus Models](#); Zephyr traditional built-up HLG, others - dead link as of October 2022

[Jones' Prototypes](#) ; Vandal - Link is dead as of 1/14

[Liftworx](#) ; Swyft - No longer taking orders as of May 2013

[Little Nipper Yahoo Group](#); Grandfather of the Seeker / Swyft - Yahoo Groups is gone

[Merlin Hobbies](#) ; Ice Fire II reseller - dead link as of mid-2016

[Miniplumes](#) ; Topset II - dead link as of mid- 2018

[Mistra](#) - not on site as of August 2021

[Modellbau Bichler](#) ; EU supplier of Horejsi Joy and Longshot II, Valenta Apache, Huron and Baby Fly - Dead link as of October 2022

[The MONSTR Shop](#); US Distributor of TopSky - dead link as of mid-2016

[Mountain Models/Laser Arts](#); Boomer, Quickflick II kit and short kit, DL-50, Supergee II short kit (templates), Spinner XT EPP Kit - dead link as of October 2022

<http://nqrc.com/>; Quickflick Kits, plus DLG onboard electronics solutions: [apparently closed](#)

[Pacific Glider Works](#) ; Arrow 5 and Arrow Pro 5 - dead link as of mid-2018

[Peak Hobby](#) ; Binary, Binary 900 and Ice Fire II Manufacturer - dead link as of October 2022

[Possum Works](#) ; Avenger 3 - No activity since 2012

[RC Builder](#) ; Lighthawk, Lightspeed, Blade, Razor - dead link as of mid- 2018

[Rocky Mountain Soaring Association](#) ; Old school javelin HLGs "Aspen Leaf" and "Soarcerer" - main rmsa site is live but the listings for these HLGs is a dead link as of mid- 2018

[Skip Miller Models](#) ; Ultegra, Steigeisen, Super Freak - dead link as of mid-2018

[Sklep Modelarski Exspert](#) ; Comet - dead link as of October 2022

[SkyHighHobby](#) ; Micro 21" - dead link as of mid-2018

[SMT Solinske Modelltechnik](#) ; YASAL - dead link as of October 2022

[Spritz](#) ; Spritz Molded DLG - dead link as of mid-2018

[Steelhead Products](#); Fry and Fry MKII ; Link is apparently dead as of 8/12

[Top Soaring](#) ; Top Sky 2.0 and Mini Top Sky Manufacturer - dead link as of mid-2018

[TUD Modelltechnik](#) ; Manufacturer of Aspirin and SALPeter - no longer on site as of August 2021

[Twister](#) - no activity since 2013, Atlanta Hobby no longer distributing

[YPSI](#); Fenix (in Czech) - dead link as of August 2021

[Zaerotech](#) ; Zip 33 - dead link as of mid-2018

Reference -

[Fiberglassing without vacuum](#); Wax Paper / Weights method for tails - dead link as of mid-2018

[Hilaunch](#); Reflective tape, hinge tape - dead link as of mid-2018

[Polecat Handlaunch University](#) - dead link as of mid-2018

Suppliers -

Cheap Battery Packs (was [cheapbatterypacks.com](#)) - as of 2025 removed the direct link since it redirected to a malware site

[Clarasonic](#); US and China Supplier of Rohacell - dead link as of mid-2018

[Compufoamcore](#); CNC foam cutting by Laszlo Horvath - dead link as of mid-2018

[Lonestar Balsa](#); Back in business as of 2/2009, dead link as of mid-2016

[Stealth Plane Works](#); CNC foam cutting by Anker Berg-Sonne - dead link as of mid-2018