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Some Famous Air Race Pilots

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James H. Doolittle, holder of the world land plane speed record of 294.38 miles per hour. Established at the 1932 National Air Races, flying a Gee Bee Special with a Pratt & Whitney Senior Wasp engine over a 3-kilometer course in the Shell Speed Dash.

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James G. Haizlip established a new West-East transcontinental speed record of 10 hours, 19 minutes in the Bendix cross country dash in connection with the 1932 National Air Races.

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Ben O. Howard and his Menasco powered speed ship "Mike" which flown by Roy Minor achieved the phenomenal speed of 241 miles per hour and captured the 550 cu. in. Sweptake Award at the 1933 National Air Races.

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Lieut. Comdr. Frank M. Hawks, veteran and colorful speed pilot and holder of innumerable inter-city, transcontinental non-stop and European speed records.

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Lee Gehlbach who has been a contender in high speed racing classics for the past two years, will be seen here in the several high speed events.

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Art Chester, a veteran air race pilot, in his Menasco powered Chester Special which he flew for the first time at the 1933 National Air Races.

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