

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2002 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s) **Project Number** Emily M. Helbig; Julia C. Strumpell 22098 **Project Title** 5...4...3...2...1... Blast Off! **Abstract Objectives/Goals** Objective: To find out what fin design flies the highest and what fin design is in for the longest time. We think the triangular fin will fly higher because it will fly straighter. Methods/Materials Materials and Methods: We had flown five rockets that are the same weight The nly thing different about each rocket is the fin design. We have flown each rocket three times and we then average the three heights and the three lengths of time the rocket was in the air. We used materials such as cardboard, model paints, string, plastic, model glue, balsa wood, and model rocket engines. **Results** Results: Our results show that the circular fins fly better then triangular fins. The circular shapes fin consistently had a higher altitude. Conclusions/Discussion Conclusion: My conclusion is that the more the fin stilks out the higher it goes because there is more stability so it will fly straighter. **Summary Statement** t fin designs for rockets to see what shape caused the rocket to fly the highest. Help Received Mother helped re-type report, Dad helped build rocket and drive us places