**ORIGINS 2022 REPORT**

Our first Origins of the 2020’s is in the books! Better late than never, even if we were missing some regulars and attendance wasn’t back to last decade levels. Between COVID protocols and a surprise new admin requirement it didn’t quite feel “normal”, but it was still great to see everyone who was able to make it.

As usual, the Puffing Billy® competition came down to the finals bonuses. The top ten all had their four category wins, but Michael Cheng easily had the best run through the finals to capture his third Origins PB title. Anthony Carver finished within a caboose length to take second place, but he needed one more final win to have a shot. Tim Jansen won the Challenger class with an impressive third place finish, eleven spots ahead of his closest competition. The rest of the top ten were 2019 Origins winner Shiv Chopra, Anthony Medici, David Belew, Charles Hooks, Roger Jarrett, Chris Meyer, and Phil Cottrell.

The Iron Man competition came down to a hard-fought, three person race between Charles Hooks, Michael Cheng, and Anthony Medici. Michael and Tony made a valiant effort, getting in some last-minute games to make a run, but they couldn’t quite catch up to Charles, who added to his impressive collection of Iron Man plaques. Rounding out the top ten were Boris Baidacoff, Tim Jansen, Chris Meyer, Phil Cottrell, Shiv Chopra, Roger Jarrett, and Adrienne Labotka.

Congratulations to the winners, and to everyone who managed to make it Columbus in spite of it all. A special thanks to our volunteers who gave up some (or a lot!) of their time to make things happen for the TGA. See you in Indy!