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This book provides an overview the Schneider Trophy racers and their performance in the race events. I understand the cost being a function of the availability and the audience size, but I have to say I was somewhat disappointed with the level of detail on the airplanes themselves. I would have expected a bit more information about construction, testing, philosophy, and more detailed 3-views, etc. Overall, if you're willing to spend the money to complete your library on this great series of events, then it's worth it. If you're looking for a comprehensive reference on detail of these racers, you may not find what you're looking for in this book.

Beautiful book. To date the best book I have seen on the Schneider float planes. Detailed history with great photos.

Its photograph is beautiful but, I wish more 3 view Drawing.

Good info from a great fan of air racing. Could have included more non competitors and more history. Nevertheless it was great that the book was put together in the first place.

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