Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

December 16th 10 a.m. at Orchard Point Park. Attending the club meeting and flying session were: Jim Corbett, Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Next Club Meeting

Meeting will be Saturday, January 20th 10 a.m. at Orchard Point Park or at the Prairie Schooner. Watch your email for updates.

Local Flying

Dec 16 - John Thompson reports – We had a great flying session after our meeting at Orchard Point last Saturday, attended by Jim Corbett, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Temperature was in the 40s but there was no wind and lots of flying was done.



Mike Hazel not shown because he was flying, John Thompson not shown because he was taking the picture. I believe I counted 15 airplanes including a couple not shown.

Dec 23 – No flying, holiday conflict.

Dec 30 – John Thompson reports – We had a good flying session at Orchard Point between the raindrops. Yes, there were showers and we got a bit damp in a squall as we packed up to leave. But we did lots of flying. Participating were Jim Corbett, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems, and we had a visit from Slava Malovan, a new Northwest flier specializing in Combat who lives in Portland. Welcome, Slava!

Jan 6 – Cancelled due to light rain from 10 until noon.

Jan 13 – Cancelled due to forecast of 32 deg cold and possible snow.

Dues-R-Due

It's \$25 a year. You can give me cash or check at a flying session or meeting, or mail it to me at:

John Thompson, 2456 Quince Street, Eugene, OR 97404

Make checks payable to Eugene Prop Spinners.

Out of town flying

Jan 1 - Mike Hazel and Gary Weems flew at Oregon Flying Fun No. 1

Out of town Event

Jan. 1, 2024 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 1, Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.



Orchard Point Park - December 16 - Meeting, show and tell and Flying



Planes lined up and ready



Gary's NEW Flite Streak



Mike and Gene chatting



John flying his electric combat



Dave and Gary prepping



Gary launching for Dave



Orchard Point Park - December 16 - continued





Dave flying John flying

Treasurers Notes

- Gene Pape paid 2024 dues for two of our recently deceased longtime members (Jim Mackin and Tom Kopriva), in their honor.
- Jim Corbett has been unable to fly very much because of health issues, but faithfully pays his \$5 per flying session.
- Some of the club's four life members have continued to give \$25 annual donations in lieu of

their dues. This year those donations came from John Thompson and Mike Hazel.

• Throughout the year, EPS members frequently make purchases for the club for which they "forget" to turn in receipts for reimbursement. It's hard to quantify how many valuable donations of this time are received and from which members, but a general thanks to all of them is deserved. You know who you are!

2023 Competitor of the Year

Mike Hazel wins fourth Competitor title



Flying Lines photo.

Mike Hazel is seen at the 2023 Fall Follies in Portland, Ore. with his Ringmaster, flown in Old-Time Stunt.

Mike Hazel of Mehama, Ore., captured his fourth Competitor of the Year title by participating in several control-line competition categories in 2023.

Scores points in Navy Carrier, Racing, Speed and Stunt

Hazel also the Competitor of the Year title in 2016, 2018 and 2021.



Orchard Point - December 30



Flying area



John flying his electric combat



Gary fueling



Flightline



Gene's plane waiting for lines



Gene showing needle value assembly



Oregon Flying Fun No. 1 - January 1 - Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore.

"The Northwest Fireballs welcomed Pacific Northwest Control-Line Flyers to the 2024 season with Flying Fun No. 1 at Delta Park in Portland.



Mike Hazel photo.

Mostly sunny skies smiled on the group, who enjoyed some of the best flying weather in months — blue skies, no wind, and a comfortable 42°. Fourteen flyers, with 25 planes, put up flights on two circles.

Attending this year were Terence Bardue, Darrin Bishop, Jim Cameron, Don Curry, Roy DeCamara, Gary Harris, Mike Hazel, Niels Madsen, Leighton Mangels, Will Naemura, Bill Varner, Jesse Walls, Gary Weems.

See the full report at: http://flyinglines.org/jan1funflies.24.html

Jess Walls waits to launch Gary Weems' Flite Streak.

Voodoos - Gene Pape reports - This concludes my large variety pack of Voodoos.

The clear laminating film trimmed in red Solarfilm one is powered by an OS Max 35 Combat Special



The White and Yellow one is covered with Pellon non woven featherweight fusible interfacing covered over with clear laminating film trimmed with yellow Econokote and powered by a Veco Combat Special. Both engines are somewhat rare.





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Upcoming Model Activities

March 13-16 - Vintage Stunt Championships XXXV, Christopher Columbus Park, Tucson, Ariz. Old-Time Stunt, Classic Stunt, OTS Ringmaster, Ignition OTS, Super 70s. Entry deadline Feb. 29.

March 16 - McMinnville Aircraft Modelers Swap Meet, Yamhill Valley Heritage Museum, McMinnville, Ore.

March 23 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 2, Church on the Rise, Roseburg, Ore. Fly any kind of control-line airplane. No entry fee. Lunch will

be provided. Sponsored by Roseburg area control-line fliers.

May 3-5 - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Details to come. Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.

Prop Spinner Club officers

Mike Denlis, President Jim Corbett, VP, Secretary, Newsletter Editor John Thompson, Treasurer Gene Pape, Safety Officer

Where the Action Is: http://flyinglines.org web site.