

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

February 21st at the field. The following attended: Mike Denlis, Jim Corbett, John Thompson, Mike Massey, Floyd Carter, Gene Pape, Tom Kopriva and Roger Winz.

The wind was "flyable" but a bit uncomfy at about 8mph plus. Mike Massey and John Thompson put up flights but everyone else stuck with the hangar flying.



Out of the wind meeting spot.

Out of town Flying

Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 was held in Salem on March 7. See report later in newsletter.

Worth mentioning

Congratulations to Gavin Baker on his solo at the Fun Fly in Salem!

The next and last in the series:

Oregon Flying Fun No. 4, on April 4 at the Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum, McMinnville, Ore. Any plane, any kind of flying, no entry fee, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; win prizes in "flying raffle."

Northwest Control-Line Regionals

The Northwest Control-Line Regionals returns for its 44th running on Memorial Day Weekend of 2015.

As you may know, the contest was suspended for 2014 because of loss of the site in Eugene, Ore.

The 2015 Regionals will be in Roseburg, Ore., and it will be the same major modeling competition as it was in the first 43 years.

Feel free to contact John Thompson if you have any questions.

Next Club Meeting

Time and place – **10 a.m. Saturday March 21st**, Club Meeting at field or at Wings if weather is bad.

Flying dates reserved

Flying dates: March the 14th, 21st, and 28th. All are Saturdays.

PS – the Treasurer will still take your dues if you have not got them paid for this year.



At the Field – February 21



John breaking one in



Flight line



Mike trying to scare his plane

At the Field – March 8th



Mike Massey fueling



Mike Denlis in the air



Mike Denlis and Floyd Carter talking batteries



Mike Massey chasing a shadow



Cleaning TIP – Bob Lewis

I was cleaning up the little OS .25 I won at the Salem Fun Fly and it reminded me I have been meaning to pass along a tip.

I like to keep my engines clean and running cooler. Some time ago I found a article in a model magazine about Dawn Power Dissolver for cleaning up engines and mufflers. I was interested because it was detergent based as opposed to all those industrial solvents which get to your liver, are abrasive to some metals and interfere with your sex life, if any.

I found Dawn Power Dissolver at Walmart and it works great. It works best if you spray it on and let it soak 20-30 minutes, then scrub it off with a scrub brush.

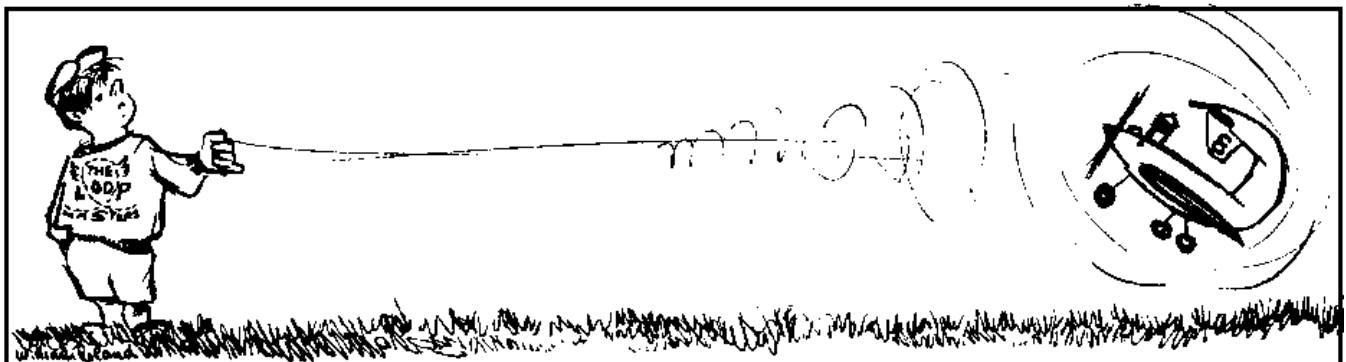
BUT they don't seem to carry it any more, in fact I can't find anybody who does, BUT I have found a substitute made by the Formula 401 people. It is called Krud Kutter and I found it in the paint section at Home Depoe. It seems to be identical - at least it works identically.

By the way, if you need to repaint all or part of a greasy plane, there is nothing better to get them squeaky clean before starting to repaint.

I recommend it.



Bob Lewis photo





Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 – March 7th Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem, Ore.

Mike Hazel reports - Sunny skies greeted attendees for the Salem edition of the Oregon Fun Fly series. A bit cool in the morning, but hey, it is March! The wind waited to pick up until we were just about done flying for the day.

A lunch of chili and chips was served, along a good spread of prizes for the flying raffle at the end of the day.

Those attending that put up flights included: Walter Hicks, Bob Lewis, Dave Shrum, Tom Kopriva, Floyd Carter, John Thompson, Gene Pape, Gavin Baker, Mike Denlis, Mike Hazel, Dave LaFever, Dean Singleton, Dave Royer, Alice Cotton-Royer, and Richard Entwistle. There were some other modelers who showed up to spectate as well. Overall, a great day!



In foreground is Tom Kopriva's 1/2-A stunter, an excellent flier with a TeeDee .049. In background, two of Gene Pape's Wido Satans.

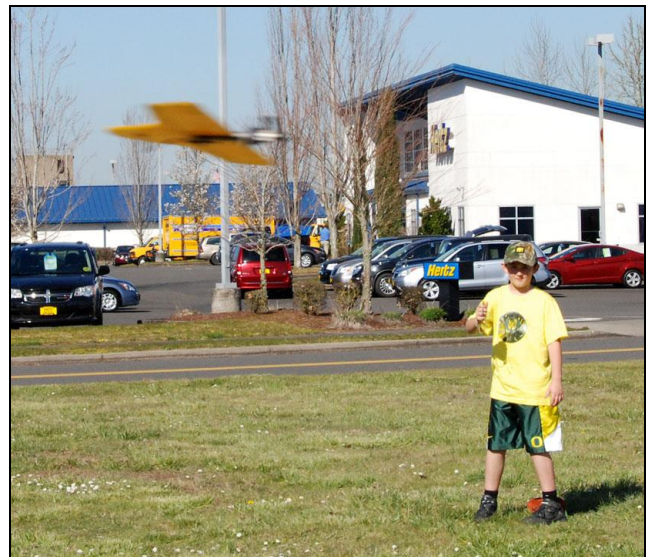


All you need to learn to fly control-line: Two coroplast-based trainers built by Mark Hansen and owned by the Eugene Prop Spinners. Gavin Baker (below) was one of many who have learned to fly on these simple, sturdy planes.



Dave La Fever likes warbird markings.

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Gavin Baker solos on the coroplast trainer.



Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 – continued.

Bob Lewis Reports - A really nice day (after we drove through miles of thick fog to get there) - a little breezy late but not a problem -- ALL DAY SUNSHINE!

Dave Shrum, Walter Hicks and I made it from our group. Dave brought some engines and a Shark 45 kit to sell and made some sales. Walter brought his repaired, big, bad, 4-stroke Hawker Sea Fury. It flew great. I made the maiden flights with my newest (#3) Ringmaster with the McCoy .25, but The 2 oz tank was too short. Dave Lafever brought his Wildcat and Flying Fool and got in some good flights. We launched each other.

All those Eugene 1/2 A guys were out in force and there were some really nice full stunt ships. I loved the yellow on top, blue on the bottom that said BURMA SHAVE in giant white letters on the blue wing bottom.

The Salem group served chili and chips and had a great prize table. I drew a cute little OS .25 FP with a tuned pipe! LOVE IT!

For those who couldn't make it, we missed you and you missed a really nice day.



Bob Lewis photos

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Upcoming Model Activities

April 4 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 4, Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum, McMinnville, Ore. Any plane, any kind of flying, no entry fee, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; win prizes in "flying raffle."

April 17-18-19 - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, East Delta Park, Portland, Ore., for Stunt, Combat, Speed and Navy Carrier. All details tentative; check back for details.

May 2 - Stunt Judging Clinic, Auburn Airport, Auburn, Wash., 9 a.m. to ????. Participants should bring a printed copy of the 2015 AMA Precision Aerobatics rules, a chair, a pen and a calculator.

May 9 - Northwest Skyraiders Club Fun Fly, Auburn Airport, Auburn, Wash.

May 22-23-24 - 44th Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Municipal Airport, Roseburg, Ore. The Regionals returns to the site where it was held from 1996 to 2001.

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