# Prop Spinner Chatter



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#### **Club News and Other Information**

#### **Last Club Meeting**

April 16<sup>th</sup> at the Airport – We had a club meeting and some flying. Attending were: Mel Marcum, Mike Denlis, Floyd Carter, John Thompson, Jim Makin and Jim Corbett.



A short meeting



and some shadow flying

#### **Next Club Meeting**

Time and place – 10 a.m. Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>, at the Airport or the Willamette Grill (Airport) restaurant.

#### Flying dates

We are on the calendar for the Saturdays in May for the Airport overflow lot. The end of April was the end of flying at Orchard Point Park until late this fall.

#### **Trailer for EPS**

Mel Marcum has offered to give the Prop Spinners the nice trailer he has used for airplane storage and transport. It will give us a good place to store and a way to haul our mowers, cones and other field equipment that Jim Corbett has been shuttling back and forth between our flying sites.



Prop Spinners crew picked up the club's new trailer from Mel Marcum. Thanks, Mel!



#### Local flying

May - 4 - John Thompson reports -. Well, despite the wind we had a pretty good flying session last Sunday. Gene and John flew a lot of combat planes and I dug the Dawg out of the attic for another flight or two (ugh). Mike Denlis flew his Trivial Pursuit. Jim Corbett also was there and we had a couple of visitors.

#### Out of town flying

April 15 – 17 The Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, East Delta Park, Portland.

John Thompson reports - A great time was had by all Prop Spinners who attended last weekend's big contest in Portland. Mike Hazel, Gene Pape, Floyd Carter and I all flew in the Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up. There was a good turnout of competitors and weather was perfect for a great event. See Flying Lines for details of the competition.

#### FYI:

The newspaper reports the death of Walt Bindram, 68, a very active member of the Prop Spinners in the 1970s and early '80s. Walt was a nice guy and a great flier.

#### Possible flying sites

Robin Mason reports - Matt, and I found this 40 acres, it's owner Wayne Rieskamp, so not city or county. Me and Matt joined there Acc. For \$50 a year and have the run of the place. It would be good maybe for you and Mike D, to check this out, we met with him today and told him a lot about Control line flying, took two planes and let him see what they were all about, its a big place lot of low and mowed grass, but no pavement yet, but I told him about how a lot fly on pavement, for meet reasons. I asked about Aug. there was only one small thing going

on in that month. It's out of Lebanon going east, past the 55 mph sign, then left at the first left, going over the RR Tracks, then down across from the fire station left. I took a picture of the sign, at the entrance.



John Thompson reports - Some good news regarding our flying site options.

Mike D., Gene, Jim C. and I have been exploring the potential of a new flying site not far from the Eugene Airport. Today Mike, Jim and I met with the site owner.

The property is associated with a horse stable. There appears to be room for one, maybe two, grass circles. There's also a nearby arena with basically a smooth dirt surface that would be available sometimes.



The grass area is in tall grass now that would need some grooming. The site owner



is going to mow it this week, so we will have a better idea of the surface conditions, and he is willing to do some leveling work for us at a reasonable hourly fee. We would have to do some final rolling/smoothing and our usual mowing, so at least one club work party is likely to be needed to get the field in shape.



Best of all, the site owner is willing to let us use the site for a very reasonable daily use fee (\$5 per person).

The site is in a location that most likely won't cause any noise conflicts, except for possibly the very loudest planes. There is a picnic area available and a restroom. There

also is water and power nearby. We would be able to keep our equipment trailer there.



The property is for sale, but the owner is not trying very hard to sell it, so it probably will be available for some time to come. Nevertheless, I would recommend that we continue to fly at the airport at least some of the time, so we keep that option available. Bottom line, this new site will give us an alternate to the airport in the summer, and it will be available year-round because standing water is not a problem.

We'll provide a full report on this site at Saturday's club meeting.

#### More trailer photos - April 16









## Flying at the Airport - April 16













Flying at the Airport - April 23







Flying at the Airport - April 30









#### Oregon Flying – Upcoming Events - See Flying Lines for the full scoop

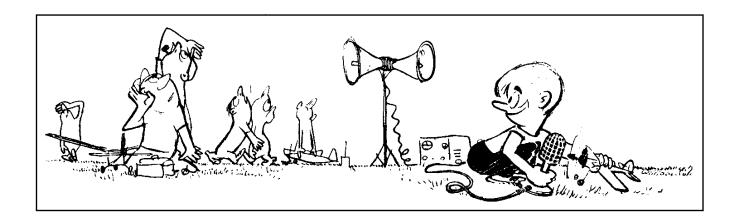


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### **Location: Roseburg Regional Airport!**



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# **Upcoming Model Activities**

May 27-28-29 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore. Traditional Memorial Day Weekend contest for all CL events. Sponsored by Northwest Regionals Management Association. All details tentative.

**June 11-12** - Stunt-a-Thon, Auburn Airport, Auburn, Wash. Traditional June stunt contest sponsored by Northwest Skyraiders.

July 1 - VGMC/PAC Fun Event Day for Nearly 1/2-A Stunt, Multi-Engine Profile Scale, Nostalgia Stunt (email for rules), Carrier and Balloon Burst. Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C. Starts at 10 a.m. with Nearly 1/2-A Stunt. Sponsored by Vancouver Gas Model Club and Pacific Aeromodellers.

**July 9** - Combat Graffiti 2016, Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C. Static judging atd 10 a.m, flying to follow.

#### **Prop Spinner Club officers**

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