

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

Saturday April 17th, John Thompson reports - We had a good club meeting and a great flying session at Can Do Ranch.

Next Club Meeting

Meeting will be this coming Saturday, May 15th, 10 a.m. at Can Do Ranch. If the weather is not good, we will postpone the meeting.

Local Flying

April 17 - John Thompson reports - Wow! We had a good meeting and a great flying session at the ranch Saturday! Fliers were Mike Hazel, Gene Pape, Gary Weems and me. Also attending the meeting were Floyd Carter, Jim Corbett and Mike Denlis. Weather was perfect, nearing 80 degrees, and there was a very slight breeze. Thanks to the help of Gene Pape, Mike Hazel, Gary Weems and others, the problem I had been having getting the prop to stay on the Gypsy was solved and the new Classic Stunt plane made its first three flights. Gene flew combat planes, Mike flew his Ringmaster, and Gary flew his Buster, Peacemaker and Flite Streak.

April 24 - John Thompson reports - Despite a gloomy forecast, a small but intrepid crew of Prop Spinners slipped a flying session in between the raindrops last Saturday. Gene Pape, Gary Weems and I got lots of flights in. It was sprinkling and breezy when we arrived at 10, but the rain stopped and the wind died down in a little while, and we flew until about 2 p.m.

May 1 - John Thompson reports - We had a wonderful flying session at the ranch

Saturday with a good turnout of fliers and lots of action in the air.

Flying were Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, John and Lynette Lickley, Gene Pape, Gary Weems and me, plus Jim Corbett was there for support. Weather was nice and the field was in perfect shape. Lots of interesting planes — combat, sport, scale and stunt.

May 8 - John Thompson reports - We had another enjoyable flying session at the ranch Saturday. Flying were Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, Gary Weems and me, with support from Jim Corbett and a visit from Dean Rea. Weather was nice and lots of flying was done.

Thanks to Gary for making a permanent fix to the north gate to the field, which had fallen off its hinges. Thanks also to Gene for reprogramming the sprinkler system and Gary, Russ, and Dave for helping set it up for the first time this season.

What a great club!.





Can Do Ranch

April 18 - John Thompson reports - Per our discussion at the meeting I purchased some new cones and installed them at the field, and moved the barrels under the tree. I left Gary's launcher barrels in place. Field looks nice and should be easier to handle when we are mowing, etc., and the wind should not blow the cones away.



I also put No-Pest Strips in the mower cover, the portable toilet and the trailer. The

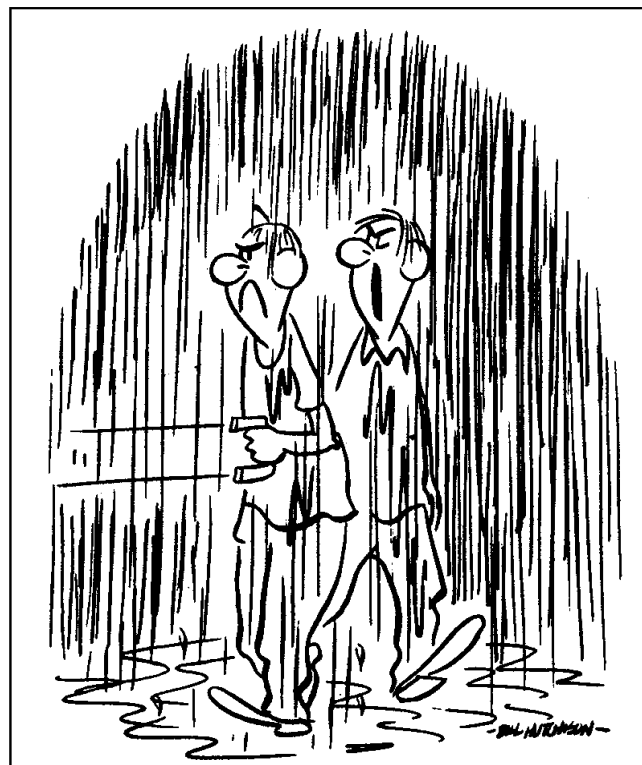
wasps expressed their displeasure but I managed to dodge them all.

That means the prospects of a wonderful summer of flying at ranch are in order. We are hoping to see a return of some of you who have not flown during the pandemic. Our stooging, social distancing, masking, etc., have kept us all healthy and allowed plenty of safe flying. Come join us!

Flying Lines

May 8 - John Thompson reports - Flying Lines is gradually posting all the old issues of the former print newsletter on the website. The one just posted contains an interesting historical article about the Prop Spinners. Check out flyinglines.org to see the article on the back issues page.

<http://flyinglines.org/FL146.April.1998.pdf>



"We sure picked a lousy time to try for an endurance record!"



Shop talk - May - John Thompson photos

John Thompson reports - Here is proof positive that the Pandemic has gone on too long.



Airplane details: Wee Wun, British design, 15-1/2" wingspan, Cox .010 power. Total flying weight: 2-3/8 oz.

The balance point came out just right. I have to make some lines now and give it a fly!



You will immediately wonder why the engine is mounted at an angle. That is because there are two sets of holes in the motor mount — one for the integral tank and one for the no-tank backplate.

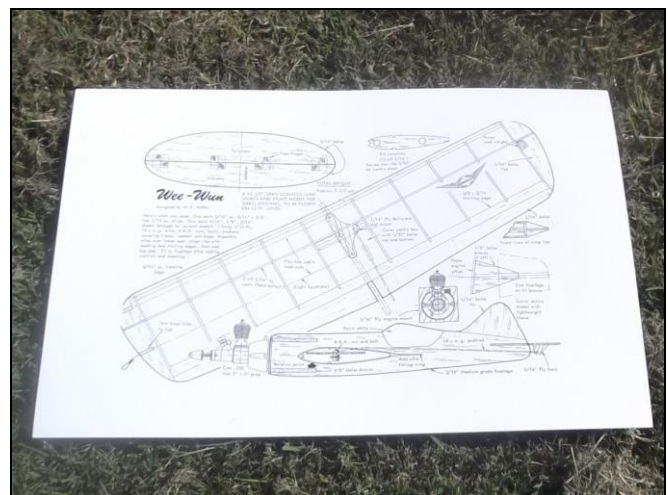
If successful, ZZ, you will have to build another .010 plane so we have an even playing field in a micro stunt contest.

Gene - It looks great! What is the final finish?

John - The photograph was carefully composed and lit to disguise the miserable condition of the finish. It was looking pretty good with the original dope and Rustoleum finish, but the automotive clear I put over it ruined the whole thing. I sanded off as much as I could and recoated with plain Rustoleum, no clear coat. Also had to do a lot of patches in the Solarfilm because the masking tape pulled the covering off. So it's cute, but not very craftsmanlike.

Mike Hazel - If it flies good, then you will want to make another one with 20 point finish, right?

John - Actually, I've decided to make all my planes this size. No storage issue!



Talk to John if you would like the plans.



Gathering for the meeting



0.049 with large tank



Mike Denlis calls the meeting to order



Mike Hazel shows RC tethered plane



Floyd and Gene discuss old kits.



Vintage EPS small shirt



Gene shows combat plane



Vintage kit



It is ready to fly



Launcher ready also



John's line up



Can Do Ranch - May 1 - John Thompson photos



Dave La Fever's plane.



Gary Weems' Flite Streak and Peacemaker.



Lineup of planes ready to fly.



Gary Weems' Buster in the launcher.



Dave La Fever's Jr. Magician and Flite Streak.



Russ Hester's 80mph Combat plane leaves the launcher.



Can Do Ranch - May 1 - John Thompson photos - continued



John Lickley coaches Lynette Lickley.



One of the Lickleys' planes.

Can Do Ranch - May 8



Dave's planes waiting



Discussion



Gene does the show and tell



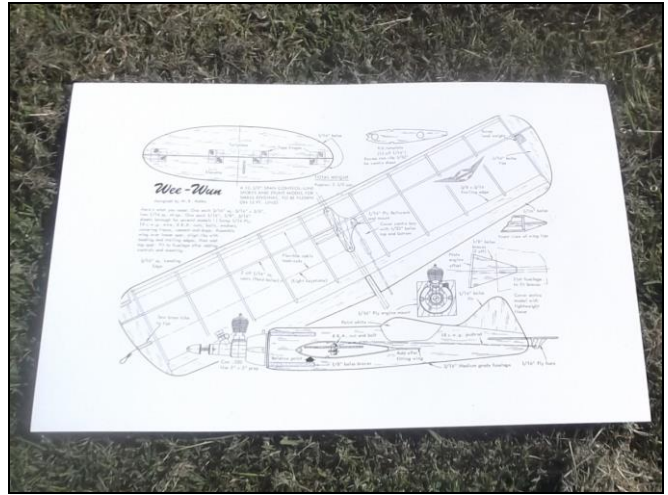
It works!



Can Do Ranch - May 8 - continued



Gary flying



Plans for John's .010-powered Wee Wun.



John flying electric combat



Result



About to launch



Lined up and waiting



Can Do Ranch - May 8 - continued



Dave launching



Russ's remote controlled launcher



John taking off



Dave assisting



John assisting



John making a low pass

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Upcoming Model Activities

July 10 - WOLF Lucky Hand Fun Fly, Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem, Ore. Details tentative.

Aug. 13-14-15 - Bladder Grabber Combat tournament, Harvey Field, Snohomish, Wash.

Friday: 1/2-A Combat double elimination

Saturday-Sunday: Seven rounds of AMA Fast Combat.

Aug. 14-15 - South Sound Outdoor Swap Meet, Faro Field, 1354 Pleasant Valley Road, Chehalis, Wash. Vendors plus RC and Control-Line flying. Sponsored by Faro Field Flyers

Sept. 3-4-5 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore.

Oct. 30-31 - Northwest Model Hobby Expo, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe, Wash.

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