

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

Saturday November 21st, John Thompson reports - We had a good club meeting and flying session at the ranch. Weather was chilly but not windy, so lots of flying was done. Attending were Jim Corbett, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, Gary Weems and me. Mike, Dave, Gary and I did all the flying. Mike's little .09-powered Firecat, built by Dave Shrum, was fun to watch!.



John Thompson photo

Mike Hazel and his Sneeker at the ranch on Nov. 21.

Next Club Meeting

Meeting postponed. The heavy rain has submerged the ranch, so if we do have a flying session, it will be at Orchard Point. (10 a.m. is the usual start time.)

Local Flying

November 28 - John Thompson reports - Saturday was one of the best flying days of the year. Sunny, 40s, up to about 50, almost

calm. Gary Weems and I did all the flying but Jim Corbett and Peggy Weems were there for support. Too bad some more fliers weren't able to attend — you missed a great session. I flew all the planes I brought at least once. Gary had some equipment issues but did lots of flying. One entertaining event was that Gary clipped a prop on takeoff from the strip and the Peacemaker vibrated itself into two pieces. The plane was repairable.

December 5 - John Thompson reports - Another beautiful day for flying; only three of us showed up at the field but we had a great time flying in the sunshine. The wind (what little there was) even blew in a direction away from the sun a good part of the day. Gary

Weems and I did all the flying and Jim Corbett was there for support. Sorry that so many missed a wonderful day of flying.

December 12 - John Thompson reports - Sun came out and it was in the high 40s, dead calm. Great flying day! Gary Weems, Dave La Fever, Jim Corbett and I had all the fun. Dean Rea visited.

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Meeting and Flying at the Ranch - November 21



Meeting show and tell starting



Mike Hazel and his Sneeker



John discussing mods to his plane



Dave's fleet



John has several ready to fly



Gary starting



Meeting and Flying at the Ranch - November 21 - continued



Gary flying



Mike and John getting lines attached



Dave taking off



John, Mike and Gene

Flying at the Ranch - November 28



Gary is ready



Gary flying



Flying at the Ranch - November 28 - continued



Ready to launch



John taking off



John's fleet ready



Gary's plane has launched



Gary taking off



Gary's plane has a vibration



Flying at the Ranch - December 5



One electric, one fuel



One electric, one fuel



Ready to take off



And it did



Launched



And flying



Flying at the Ranch - December 12



Gary's plane ready to launch



Gary flying it



Dave taking off



And flying



Dean and John chatting



John has planes ready to fly

**Miscellaneous - December****WEN-MAC**

Dec 14 - Gene Pape passed along this link to a WEN-MAC story.

http://modelengineneews.org/people/wenmac.html?fbclid=IwAR0D45C8kP9jmBi5g3cb-xuSqC1jOAelEn3U_M41ZC4719ZtUAj8b6FiShk

Jim Corbett – My first plastic control line plane \$17.95.

I broke off the outboard wing and could not find a glue that would hold it on for a complete flight. Used two pieces of a tin can and four 4-40 bolts and nuts to keep it on.

**Orchard Point update**

John Thompson reports - This is a status update on the situation with parking permits at Orchard Point. We are required to have Lane County parking permits if we plan to park our vehicles when flying at the site, which we will begin doing after the water inundates the ranch.

The \$10 special permit price for the Prop Spinners is no longer available. There is a new parks administrator who has ended the discount. However, anyone over age 62 can get the pass for \$20. As always, it is good for a year at any county park. The full rate is \$40.

We do not charge the weekly \$5 flying fee at Orchard Point, so that helps offset the cost of the permits for regular fliers.

Also, just fyi, we are entering the last year of our second three-year permit at Orchard. I have started the process of applying for a renewal for the next three years.

To get your parking permit, telephone the county at 541-682-2000. They will charge your credit card and mail you the permit. If they do not have your "senior" status on file, you may have to go to the parks office and show ID to get your senior discount.

You can also purchase the parking permits at Lane County Bi-Mart stores; because we don't get the \$10 special rate any more, there's no need to go to the parks department. Be sure to ask for the senior rate of \$20.

I also checked Orchard Point. The EPS lock is still there and correctly in the chain. Someone has lubed it up and it is easy to open at the old combination.

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Upcoming Model Activities

May 28-29-30, 2021

Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore. Aerobatics, Combat, Navy Carrier, Racing, Scale, Speed.

Friday: 80mph Combat, Vintage Combat, Old-Time Stunt, Navy Carrier, Speed

Saturday: High-Performance 1/2-A Combat, 15 Fast Combat, Classic Stunt, Nostalgia 30 Stunt, Profile Stunt. Navy Carrier, Scale, Speed

Sunday: Precision Aerobatics, AMA Fast Combat, Navy Carrier, Racing

All details tentative. Watch this space for flyer, entry forms and other details.

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