Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

January 18 - 10 a.m. Meeting was at Orchard Point Park. It was a cold morning at Orchard Point Saturday but we were all warmly dressed and thus had a pleasant, productive meeting and flying session.

February - Meeting canceled due to Fun Fly in Roseburg and no known pressing business.

Next Club Meeting

March CANCELED – Weather not cooperating with us.

Local Flying

February 20 - John Thompson reports – We had a good flying session at Orchard Point. Though our usual winter flying day is Saturday, we were chasing a window of nice weather and we hit it just right. Thursday's temperature was mild (for winter), and there was almost no wind. Attending were Jim Corbett, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Lots of flying was done from about 10 a.m. until nearly 2 p.m.

February 27 - John Thompson reports - We had another nice winter flying session at Orchard Point. Temperature was mild (shirt sleeves!) and there was a very light breeze blowing, uh, every which way.

Attending were Jim Corbett, Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Lots of flying and socializing.

March 8 - John Thompson reports – We had a good flying session at Orchard Point. Mild temperatures up to around 60 and a very mild breeze. Attending were Jim Corbett, Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Out of town

Feb. 15 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 2, Church on the Rise, Roseburg, Ore.

All of us who went to Roseburg for the fun fly Saturday had a great time. Our Roseburg friends always put on a great event with good food and prizes. There were three circles available for flying and the usual array of interesting airplanes. Prop Spinners attending included Mike Hazel, Russ Hester, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. For a full report and photos, see flyinglines.org. Thanks for the fun and food, Roseburg fliers!

March. 15 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 3, Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem Airport, Salem, Ore.

NEWS FLASH!!! Due to the certainty of bad weather this coming Saturday, we are postponing the Salem Fun Fly until next Saturday the 22nd.

Watch your email for updates. WOLF is deliberating about postponing again.



Orchard Point Park - February 20 -



Dave launching Gene's Super Cub



Dave's planes



Gene's Super Cub



Gary's planes



John's planes



Dave Launching John's Barnstormer



Orchard Point Park - February 20 - continued



John flying





John launching for Dave



Gene flying



Dave flying



Gary flying



Orchard Point Park - February 27 -



Gary has two headed to the field



John's planes waiting



Russ getting ready



Russ starting



Gary launching for Russ



Russ flying



Orchard Point Park - February 27 - continued



Gary flying



Dave fueling



Gary planes ready



Flight line



Dave starting



Gary flying, John and Russ assisting



Orchard Point Park - March 8 -



Gene flying the Super Cub



Gene adjusting



Gary fueling



Sterling Yak-9 built by Mel Marcum and currently owned by Dave



Ready line



John's 80mph Combat plane waiting



Orchard Point Park - March 8 - continued



Four busy pilots



Russ launching for Gary



Dave tuning



Gene launching for John



John launching for Gary



Dave flying



Oregon Flying Fun No. 2 – Church on the Rise, Roseburg, Ore - *Flying Lines photos*

Oregon Flying Fun No. 2 — 2025

from flyinglines report

Oregon's traditional fun-fly series made its traditional Roseburg stop on a windless, mild February day that provided opportunities for lots of control-line flying and hangar talk.

As usual, the Roseburg area control-line enthusiasts hosted a delightful event that included a tasty barbecue lunch and a nice array of prizes. The Church on the Rise flying field now features two grass circles — one including a Carrier deck — as well as an asphalt area suitable for smaller airplanes.

Participants brought out an array of unusual airplanes to fly on a day with almost no breeze. The field was damp from recent rains but solid enough for plenty of flying.

Those attending included Mike Hazel, Russ Hester, Walter Hicks, Bob Lewis, Terry Mitchell, Bil Mix, Chris Nicholls, Gene Pape, Alan Rader, Stan and Georgie Olzaski, Mark Schluter, John Thompson and Gary Weems, and some others whose names were not recorded.



Russ Hester of Florence, Ore., launches Gary Weems' Flite Streak. Flying Lines photo.



Stan Olzaski tunes his Nemesis vintage Combat plane while Gary Weems holds.



A warm was a gathering place between flights.



Local CL fliers provided an array or door prizes so that every participant took home a couple of items.



Northwest Control-Line Regionals - May 23-24-25. - Roseburg Regional Airport



Dear Control-Line Fliers:

Pacific Northwest control-line model aviation clubs would like to invite you to the Northwest Control-Line Regionals on Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-24-25.

The 52nd Regionals offers 33 separate competition events.

The contest will be held at Roseburg Regional Airport in Roseburg, Oregon. Limited RV space is available on site. Motels, restaurants and camping are within a short driving distance.

This AMA AA-sanctioned contest features four PAMPA classes of Precision Aerobatics, Old-Time Stunt, Classic/Nostalgia 30 Stunt, sportsman and expert classes of Profile Stunt; AMA Fast, High-Performance 1/2-A and 80-mph Combat; Profile, Class I, Class II, .15, Sport 40 and Nostalgia (profile and Class I/II) Navy Carrier; Northwest Sport, Northwest Super Sport, and Northwest Flying Clown Racing, Sportsman Flying Clown Racing and Dallas Goodyear Racing; Authentic, Sport, Profile, 1/2-A and Fun Scale; and 1/2-A Proto, .21 Sport, .21 Proto, Northwest B Proto and F2D Proto Speed.

Information about the contest and copies of the contest flyer and discount advance entry forms can be downloaded from the Where the Action Is section of the flyinglines.org website. Rules for Northwest competition events also are at flyinglines.org.

Further information on the Regionals can be obtained from John Thompson, 2456 Quince St., Eugene, OR 97404, e-mail jthompson4051@gmail.com, or phone (541) 689-5553.

Sincerely, John Thompson, Assistant Contest Director

The 52nd Northwest Control-Line Regionals
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FIELD NEWS - John Thompson



FIELD NEWS: Monday's Feb. 24 sudden windstorm produced some havoc at the Can Do Ranch, which we try to maintain in good condition even during the times when the circle is underwater. Gusts toppled the portable toilet, damaging the lock and spilling the contents. Ugh. Also, the cover was partly dislodged from the riding lawn mower. Not to worry. Our crack Flying Field Emergency Response Team (FFERT) had the potty upright and back in place and the lock repaired by mid-day Tuesday. (Jim showed just how effective you can be with a hammer for several related jobs!) FFERT member Gary Weems planned to finish interior cleanup (ugh, again), within the next few days.









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Upcoming Model Activities

April 11-12-13 - NW Model Hobby Expo, Evergreen State Fairgrounds, 14405 179th Ave. S.E., Monroe, Wash.

April 12-13 - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Former three-day contest now condensed into two days. Aerobatics, Combat, Navy Carrier, Racing and Speed events planned. All details tentative.

May 23-24-25 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore.

If you would like to sponsor a trophy or prizes, download a trophy sponsorship form. If you can help as a contest worker, download volunteer information.

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