

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

Our last meeting was Sunday, March 18. Mike Denlis, Jim Corbett, John Thompson, Tom Kopriva, Jim Mackin and Gene Pape attended.

John Thompson reports - We had a good club meeting but the threatening weather prevented the smart ones among us from flying.

Despite nastiness all around, the weather actually was OK at the airport during our meeting, but nobody but me brought planes. So, after the meeting broke up, I did a couple of stooge-assisted flights on my Ares, while waiting for the Regionals caterer to show up to inspect the site. By the time the caterer arrived around 11:45, rain had returned.

Friday March 24 - Mike Massey and Dave La Fever flew.

Saturday March 25 - John Thompson reports - It's such a strange year for weather. Last Wednesday, we had several inches of snow. On Saturday, we had a great flying session in partly sunny, 60 degrees. A little wind did come up as the morning wore on, but we got lots of flights in. Mike Massey, Dave La Fever, Dean and Gordon Rea, Gene Pape, Dwayne Graville

and I were all there. We had fun watching Gordon make his first flights on a Chihuahua 1/2-A combat plane ... no problem for him at all! Next step, a Sonic Chicken! Gene had the front end of a Fora .36 combat engine open up -- which is a characteristic of this particular engine but fascinating to see, nonetheless. Mike flew his stunter, I flew my Dawg, Dave flew several different planes and Gene and I kept warm with Sonic Chickens.

Friday April 6 - Mike Massey, Dave La Fever and Jim Corbett flew and watched the mower go round in circles.

Oregon Flying Fun No. 4

April 7 -, Eugene Airport, Eugene, Or. Fourth in the four-part Oregon Flying Fun series. The weather cooperated and we had a good turnout. Bruce Hunt held a judging clinic.

May 25-26-27 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Eugene Airport, Eugene, Ore. Full array of CL events.

Next Club Meeting

Time and place - 10:00 AM **Sunday, April 15**, at the field. Or at Wings restaurant in the airport terminal if the weather is bad.

Meeting at the Field March 18



Restored BI-SLOB



Discussion of BI-SLOBs



Meeting business conducted



At the Field April 6



Mike getting ready



Hanger Queen waiting



Waiting their turn



Mike chasing a shadow



Hanger Queen no more



Second mowing

Oregon Flying Fun No. 4 April 7 Eugene Airport, Eugene

The fourth in the four-part "Oregon Flying Fun" series, included a stunt clinic, dogs and beans and a flying raffle. In keeping with the spirit of it being "No. 4", there were four circles active.



Gordon gets in the air



Flyers welcomed



Floyd taking off



Mike was not far behind



Aircraft gathering



Checking the controls



Oregon Flying Fun No. 4 April 7 Eugene Airport, Eugene - continued -

Modern Pattern Judging Clinic – conducted by Bruce Hunt

What Do Judges Look for in a Well Flown Pattern?



“I thought it would be helpful for pilots to hear what this judge looks for and sees as each maneuver is flown.”

Bruce handed out critique sheets and a copy of an article he published on judging.

Mike Massey, Marshall Palmer and Gordon Rea flew for the students to critique.

After each flight Bruce explained what he observed with the students and the pilots.

This clinic was not only helpful to prospective judges but for any pilots that fly pattern. Those of us that participate thank Bruce for a well done clinic.



Ready to launch



Burp the baby



Prize time

John Thompson comments

I just wanted to say a quick thanks to everyone who attended and made the fun-fly today such a great success.

Thanks especially to everyone who pitched in with the setup, the guys who cooked up the great feast, and those who donated prizes.

I think everyone had a pretty good time, and we sure picked a great day for the weather. Turnout was fantastic ... by my quick count we had 22 people.

Special thanks to Bruce for the stunt clinic. I'd like to try a stunt clinic again and devote a whole day just to that so we really can give time for everyone to fly and get the valuable insight from Bruce and any other judges who might want to participate.

Again, thanks to all for a great day.

See Full report on Flyinglines <http://flyinglines.org/Oregonfun.4.12.html>

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Upcoming Model Activities

April 20-21-22 - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, East Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Contest is sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.

May 5 - Chehalis Cup No. 1 for High-Performance 1/2-A Combat and 80mph Combat with cuts only, 52-foot lines, Yard Birds, Chehalis, Wash.

May 25-26-27 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Eugene Airport, Eugene, Ore. Full array of CL events.

See the Flying Lines website for more information.

June 9 - Northwest Skyraiders fun fly, Auburn Airport, Auburn, Wash.

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