

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

March 18 – Canceled

Next Club Meeting

Time and place – **10 a.m. Saturday April 15th**, Airport if available or at Orchard Point if the weather is good or at the Willamette Grill (Airport) restaurant if the weather is not good.

Local flying

March 18 Mike Denlis,

John Thompson, Gene Pape, Dave LaFever and Mike Hazel flew at the Airport. Jim Corbett observed.

March 25 At Orchard Point – John Thompson reports – We had a nice flying session at Orchard Point. Five of us were there and three of us managed to get flights aloft. Weather was cloudy but no rain (aside from a few drops here and there) and there was just a slight breeze to give a good direction for flying.

Gene Pape, Mike Hazel and I did all the flying, but Jim Corbett and Mike Denlis were

there, too. Mike D's electric stunter suffered from a loose wire, so all it did was sit on the takeoff strip and beep. Better luck next outing!

April 8 At Orchard Point – John Thompson, Gene Pape, and Jim Corbett got flights in. Wind was a bit bumpy, a few drops of rain now and then. After we left the rain really came down.

Ranch update

Grass tall, ground wet. We are working on the tall grass, need several days of SUN to dry it out.

Out of town flying

April 1 John Thompson reports - A great time was had by all of us who participated in the fun fly last weekend at the Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum in McMinnville. Thanks to Jerry Eichten for organizing a great event.

Prop Spinners attending were John Thompson, Gene Pape, Mike Hazel, Mike Denlis and Floyd Carter. Details are on the Flying Lines website.

Northwest Control-Line Regionals See flyer <http://flyinglines.org/17.reg.flyer.pdf>

Northwest Control-Line Regionals

Roseburg, Oregon, May 26-27-28, 2017



Flying at Orchard Point Park - March 25 -

Gene Pape, Mike Hazel and John Thompson did all the flying, Jim Corbett and Mike Denlis were there, too.



Gene prepping



Mike checking



John fueling



Gene launching, John flying



Mike inspecting



Gene flying



Oregon flying fun #4 - McMinnville, Oregon. April 1st, 2017

April Fools Day 2017, McMinnville, Oregon at the Evergreen Aviation and space museum was the venue for the annual McMinnville Control Line Fun Fly. It had been rainy off and on going in and attendance was light, but Dave Shrum and I made the trip up from Roseburg (3hrs+/-) in my like new (+/-) 1998 Dodge 4x4 Ram pickup. The truck was loaded to the gills with my two planes and Dave's 20 (+/-) which he considers travelling light. When we got there we met (5+/-) of our buddies from the Eugene Prop Spinners, and a scattering from Portland and McMinnville.

There were two mowed (more or less) grass circles that were pretty wet, soggy and bumpy from the late rains, so most of us flew on an out-of-the way, roped off, section of one of the museum's asphalt parking lots. It stopped sprinkling, warmed up and was really a fine day for flying once we all got there and got set up. Shrummy flew the two sparkies (old-time spark ignition engined) airplanes sans mufflers - well, whoever heard of a muffler on a sparkey, anyway! I noticed the contest sponsors sinking down in their folding chairs when he started those bad boys up. He also scattered around some of his new scale jobs he's been building for the Regionals as a kind of show-&-tell. We actually forgot two which spent the day sitting out near the front steps of his house all day.

It was a good day flying, certainly not crowded even for one main circle and everybody got in all the flights they wanted. There were some great drawing prizes. They had me draw the first ticket and I tried to lie and say it was mine but got caught and the big, bad, brand new in the box OS .40 FP dual ball bearing R/C mill went to Eugene. Oh well, I didn't do so bad. I got a brand new electric starter and mine is looking like war surplus (from the losing side). Shrummy got a new set of flying lines and everybody there (10 ±) got something really nice. So it was a nice day and we had a GREAT time! Thanks, McMinnville! - Bob Lewis



Here are the two co-organizers of the Northwest Regional Control Line Meets each Memorial Day weekend. Mike is from Salem and John is from Eugene. This is Mike's boss profile Corsair stunt ship, and yes he can really fly it very well!



The flying circle is centered up against the planter on the right and the circle begins next to the planter on the left and goes around to the cars on the right. Now, this may seem a little strange to you as it did to me, but believe it or not we had no trouble at all with shrubbery.



Oregon flying fun #4 - McMinnville, Oregon. April 1st, 2017 - continued



The Boxcar Chief in the foreground and the Skylark in the background are Shrummy's sparkies. The Thunderbird in the middle was built by Floyd Carter of the Eugene Prop Spinners and given to Shrummy. It weighs about 1 lb (+/-)! Floyd builds LIGHT!!



My two airplanes (Fox.35 on the Larry Kruse Tomahawk II based on the old VECO kit and a McCoy .35 on My Ringmaster #3)

Bob Lewis Photos

Oregon Flying Fun 4 - Details are on the Flying Lines website.

April 1, 2017, McMinnville, Ore.

Weather had not been kind to control-line fliers in the 2017 Oregon Flying Fun series, but it cleared up for the fourth installment, as the fliers returned to the Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum grounds for the first time in two years. It was cloudy with a little drizzle early, but the weather improved steadily all day. Flying went on right past the door-prize hand out at 2:30 p.m. There was never more than a slight breeze, so CL modelers were able to entertain the trickle of spectators from among the museum visitors with a full range of types of flying. Sport, Stunt, Combat and Carrier planes were flown on one asphalt circle and one grass circle.



A display of really small airplanes brought by the Roseburg, Ore., fliers.



Some of the planes lined up in the pits with some of the museum's airplanes in the background.
Flying Lines photos.



Adrian Duncan's Model Engine History - Coquitlam, BC, Canada



Adrian Duncan maintains a website devoted to model engine history.

Website <http://adriansmodelaeroengines.com/catalog/main.php>

He also has an associated blog site. Some of you might find it interesting.

Blog <http://adriansmodelaeroengines.com/wordpress/>

Flying at Orchard Point Park - April 8

John Thompson, Gene Pape, and Jim Corbett braved the sometimes damp and 13 MPH wind at Orchard Point. All got in flights.



Gene getting ready.



Ready to launch.



Waiting for a pilot.



John and Gene have foldable totes.

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Upcoming Model Activities

April 29-May 1 - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, Jim Walker Memorial field, East Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Multiple events. All details tentative. Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.

May 26-27-28 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore. All details tentative.

June 10-11 - 36th annual Stunt-A-Thon, Chehalis Airport, Chehalis, Wash.

July 1 - Nearly 1/2-A Fun Stunt Event, Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C.

July 2 - Nostalgia Stunt, Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C.

July 8 - Northwest Skyraiders Summer Swap Meet, Clover Park Aviation Paint Hangar, Puyallup, Wash.

July 22 - Graffiti Combat, Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C.

Aug. 5-6 - Western Canada Stunt Championships, Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C.

Aug. 11-13 - Bladder Grabber XXXVIII triple-elimination Fast Combat tournament, Harvey Field, Snohomish, Wash.

Sept. 2 - Zoot Ranch Fun Fly, a flying picnic in Mike Hazel's backyard. Tentative. Email for information.

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Mike Denlis, President
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John Thompson, Treasurer
Gene Pape, Safety Officer
Jim Corbett, Newsletter Editor

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