

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Club Flying

March 16th was a great flying session! Weather was nice, perfect flying conditions (almost no wind). Temperature not too bad and warming as the day went along. We had a well-attended club meeting and did lots of flying.

Welcome to the flying group, Jeff and Josh Gonzales. Both new fliers got some handle time and will be back with planes to fly with us soon. That makes two new sets of father-son flying teams in the past two weeks.

Saturday March 22 had nice weather after the fog lifted. Lots of flights on stunt, combat, sport and trainer planes. We welcome to the flying group yet another new member, Bill Spalding, who got in a successful flight on one of the trainers.

Also it was great to see Gene Pape flying as well as John Thompson and Jim Corbett getting flights in.

Three weeks in a row we had different pairs of "Father and Son" arrive at the field.

Saturday April 12th saw a first, an Electric Tri-motor, by Floyd Carter. Also we had a couple visitors from the ERCA club (Doug and Rich) and club member Doug Devereaux from Florence joined us for awhile.

Our Flying Field

Mike Denlis reports; Turf removal beside the trailer finished, the mower carburetor cleaned and now runs smoothly at full throttle and the wind sock bearings were lubed as best I could standing on top of my truck. We really need an extension ladder

to do this properly, but know I got plenty of lube on me and the truck!

The City mowed the grass. Next project is weed spray which will probably happen on the 27th.

Circle lines will be repainted prior to the Regionals this coming May.

Meeting

Our monthly meeting was on March 16th. Present:: Mike, Tom, John, and Jim. Guests: Jeff and son Josh. Late arrivals: Floyd and Morrie provided harassment.

John may move \$2,000 to a CD from money market to earn some interest

Jim suggested club dues increase to \$20 per year.

Possible letter to assisted living centers to discover if there is any interest in them receiving our newsletter.

The next meeting date may be moved to 4th Sunday in April due to conflicts with contest schedule.

Club Meeting Time and Place

Next meeting – 10:00 AM **April 27th** at the flying site. **Date changed** due to a conflict with contest date.

Club meetings are normally the third Sunday of the month, 10 a.m. at the field, or at the "Wings" restaurant if the weather is bad. Bring a plane anyway, there may be a "BREAK" in the weather.

It was suggested that if you arrive at the field, the weather is crummy and the gate is NOT open, hang a **WINGS** tag on the lock to let the next person arriving know that you are waiting for them in the restaurant.



PROJECTS

Rumor has it that someone is building a Dogfighter. Another rumor is a souped up electric is being worked on. The third rumor is we have one member that is still trying to paint fuel soaked balsa - he has been at this awhile.

FIRSTS THIS YEAR

Jim Corbett had the first crash on his Clown, inverted nose in (lets see... up is down when wheels are up... up is up when the wheels are down...got to remember that stuff), breaking the spinner, prop and shedding the tail weight.



Gene Pape got on a handle of a club plane that just went round and round.



Mike Denlis's Tutor took to the air. It flew well, and so did Mike.



Josh was all smiles.



Tech Talk – “When this turns it goes real fast”!



TECHNIQUES

One wheeler racing / trainer plane over grass.



Tune it



Launch it

Outside Loop! Thanks for the DEMO Gene!



Start level



Climb up



Go inverted



Bring it back down

TIPS

BALANCING ACT



Here is a simple balancing stand you can make from some 1x4 inch wood. Make the hole for the rigid wire just a little larger so the wire can slide in and out easily. For the setscrew, use a wood screw and reinforce the hole with CA. Bend the rigid wire at a 90-degree angle and insert it into the oversize hole - now you're ready for the plane. Set the wire to the proper distance and place the plane on the stand with the front of the wing just touching the wire. Now balance the plane like you normally do.

Works great! - Thanks **Bill Lennox, Ilion, NY**



Oregon Flying Fun No. 4 April 6, 2008, McMinnville, Ore.

This is an AWESOME photo. A single click, not an out-take from a movie shot. My compliments to the camera man.



How's this for being "one" with your airplane? Dave Royer seen flying his Chief at Oregon Flying Fun No. 4 in McMinnville, Ore., on April 6. *Flying Lines photo.*

A dozen fliers showed up for this year's event, and there was lots of flying despite a few sprinkles and wind gusts. Among those flying were Jack Pitcher, Gerald Schamp, Dave Royer, Jerry Eichten, Mike Denlis, Mike Hazel, Doug Powers, Richard Entwistle, Bruce Hunt and John Thompson. Also attending was new CL flier, Bill Spalding, who came with the Eugene Prop Spinners contingent.

A variety of airplanes in the pits. From left, Mike Denlis' Big Red, Bruce Hunt's Lark, John Thompson's Ares and Dave Royer's Chief. *Flying Lines photo.*

Mike and Laura Hazel came up with a perfect description of the two-circle McMinnville field): It's CL's "**boutique field.**" Everything's always perfectly manicured and welcoming. There are usually spectators drifting out from the museum to watch the flights.



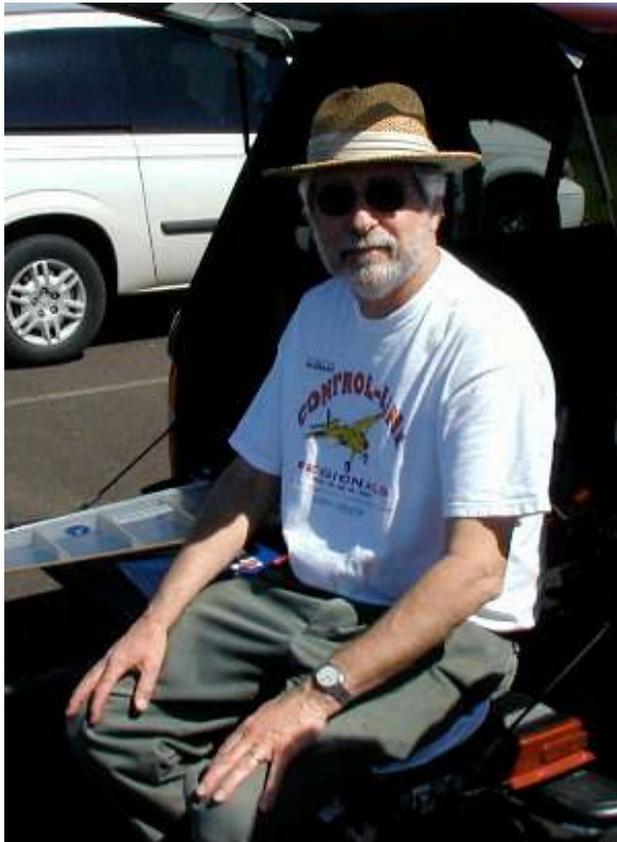
Flying continued from about 10 a.m. to about 2:30 p.m., and then TEAM host Jerry Eichten handed out some nice prizes in the flying raffle.

My thanks to John Thompson for coverage of the event. Good photos, good reporting!



Saturday at the Field April 12, 2008

Airplane flyers must wear the proper attire at our field. Consideration given to task assigned and weather of the moment.



Male model John Thompson.



Floyd was not happy with the power of just "Twin", so he now has a "Floyd Tri-Motor". The power problem went away.



Any attire is OK with an airplane attached.



Grand Poo-Bah



And maiden flight

If I understand it correctly – while waiting for the paint to dry on the "Floyd Tri-Motor", he designed and built the above "Grand Poo-Bah". It flew like if was a tried and proven kit.

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Upcoming Model Activities

Club flying at the airport flying site. Spring rains are here! So I suggest you bring a water-proof airplane, a wind proof umbrella and let's FLY.

April 18-19-20 - Jim Walker Memorial, Delta Park, Portland, Or. Friday: Record Ratio Speed. Saturday: Record Ratio Carrier, 1/2-A Combat, Profile Stunt, Classic Stunt. Sunday: Precession Aerobatics, 80mph Combat. Contest Director Gary Harris. Download a flyer with all the details from <http://flyinglines.org>

May 10-11 - Skyraider Fun Fly, Riverview Park, Kent, Wash. All details tentative.

May 23-24-25 - *Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Eugene Airport, Eugene, Ore.*

June 21-22 - Stunt-a-Thon, Pierce County Airport (Thun Field), Puyallup, Wash. All details tentative.

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