

# Prop Spinner Chatter



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## Club News and Other Information

### Club Flying

April 17<sup>th</sup> was a weekday session. John Thompson got his Vector back in the air and Mathew had his first flying lesson.

April 26 and 27 both were good flying days, with lots of different aircraft in the air.

May 4<sup>th</sup> was windy, Bruce Hunt visited and flew, John Thompson and Gene Pape also tore up the air. Mike, Floyd, Bill and Jim were content to watch. The 14 mph wind was enough to keep us on the ground.

May 10<sup>th</sup> Mike reports - Pretty good flying session on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> with Bill, Matthew, Floyd, and myself. Floyd still can't get the engine on The Grand Poobah to needle rich for some reason so he postponed flying until this Sunday. Bill flew the Score for the first time. I bored everybody practicing wingovers and inside squares for three flights but made some progress I think.

Matthew got a few laps with one of the 1/2A airplanes. I think the answer here is to just start out with something more stable and farther away! See you Sunday.

### Our Flying Field

Mike Denlis and Jim Corbett tried to get to old mower to behave, it is having carb flooding problems. Jim has set up another mower for the automated system and has tested it. It still needs some fine-tuning. Mike sprayed the weeds in and around all three circles and most of the east side of the asphalt. Ran out of time and water after 5 gallons.

### Jim Walker Memorial 2008

The Northwest contest season started off April 18-20 in Portland. John Thompson, Mike Hazel and Gene Pape attended.

It was speed on Friday, Profile Stunt, Classic Stunt, Navy Carrier and 1/2-A Combat on

Saturday, and Precision Aerobatics and 80mph combat on Sunday.

The weather was fine on Friday, chilly and a bit blustery on Saturday, and actually pretty nice on Sunday. View the full report on <http://flyinglines.org/>.

### Last Club Meeting

Our monthly meeting was on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Present: Mike Denlis, John Thompson, Mel Marcum, Floyd Carter, Bill Spalding, Gene Pape and Jim Corbett. Tom was out of town, so John took the minutes. John gave the treasure's report and current members list.

Mel reported that Morrie is very ill and in hospice. Motion made to dispose of old riding mower.

Motion make to institute a "mentoring program". John proposed a mentor program in which a Prop Spinners member will be assigned to work with each new or potential new club member to help the new person learn to build and fly. This was approved.

The upcoming "Regionals" and an event at the museum were discussed. Mel reported that the Oregon Air & Space Museum is going to hold an air fair on July 12-13, and we are invited to have a booth there, and also to fly at our field on that weekend. Mel was appointed chairman of the Prop Spinners booth effort for this event.

Field striping: John and Jim repainted lines on the field, reading it for the regionals.

### Next Club Meeting Time and Place

Time and Place – 10:00 AM **May 18<sup>th</sup>** at the flying site.

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.



**At the Field** April 17, 2008



Mathew Spalding, ready for his first flight.



He is in the air, congratulations Mathew!



Thompson's Vector is back in the air.



And it still lands very well. *Jim Corbett photos*

**At the Field** April 26, 2008



Bill Spalding's NEW X-RAY  
*Jim Corbett photos*



Flying well for the second time



Got loose, cut lines and thump.



**At the Field** April 27, 2008



Bill Spalding's NEW Nobler



Flying great like a Nobler

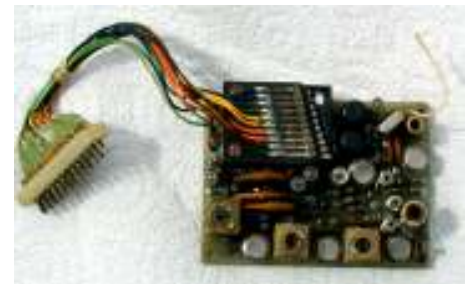


The meeting called to order.

*Jim Corbett photos*



Mel with an almost ready to fly Focus



A "Guess what it is" to ponder.

**TECHNIQUES - by Mike Denlis**



Mike has mastered the art of flying "Shadow Craft".

He says it is more fun than 'Air Guitar" and quieter as well, and "I have found that infrared glasses help on cloudy days with the shadow airplanes!". He goes on to say "I HAVE found it really hard to gather up shadow pieces after a crash!. The invisible dope is kind of tricky as well".

He also cautions "Don't try this at home". Seems that the neighborhood cats go whacko chasing it.



**At the Field** May 4, 2008



Bruce Hunt is almost ready.



Gene's dogfighter ready.



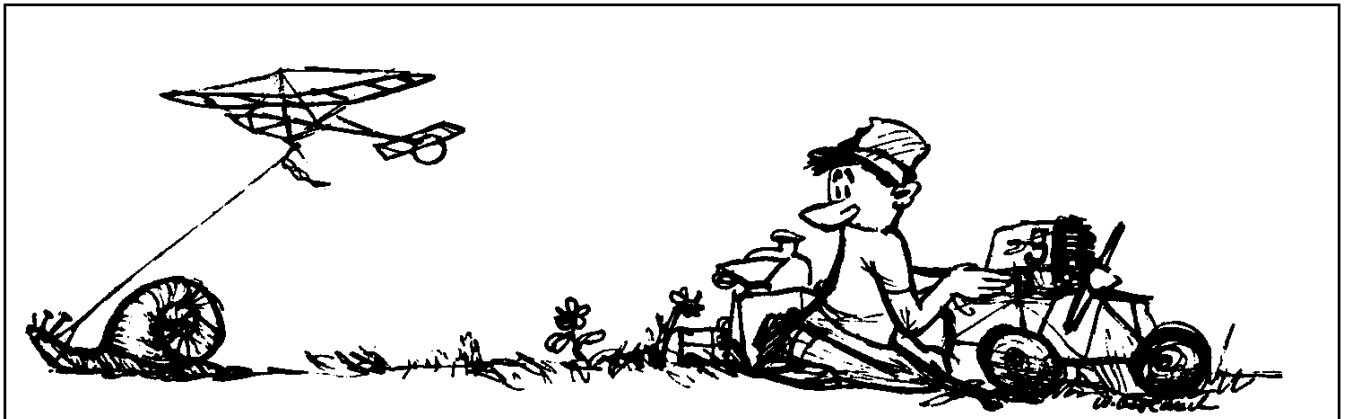
John's two aircraft waiting.

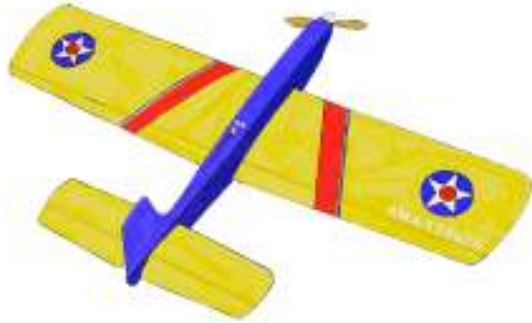


*Jim Corbett photos*

Experience and fortitude.

Wind 14 MPH from the North - Bruce Hunt, Gene Pape and John Thompson IN THE AIR





# Control-Line Northwest Regionals May 23-24-25, 2008

Pacific Northwest control-line model aviation clubs would like to invite you to attend the 37th annual Northwest Control-Line Regionals on Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-24-25, 2008, at the Eugene Airport in Eugene, Oregon.

Information and copies of the contest flyer, advance entry forms and a listing of local accommodations can be downloaded from <http://flyinglines.org>.

Further information on the Regionals can be obtained from the contest director, John Thompson, 2456 Quince St., Eugene, OR 97404, e-mail [JohnT4051@aol.com](mailto:JohnT4051@aol.com), or phone (541) 689-5553.

## Volunteers NEEDED

Setup starts Thursday May 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you can assist in moving and positioning the MANY blocks and stanchions that are needed to have a well organized contest, then PLEASE email [Mike Denlis](mailto:MikeDenlis) or phone him at 541-807-9713 to get on the list.

## Jim Walker Memorial 2008

Roving photographers captured the Flying Lines editor at play.



*Bruce Hunt photo*



*Gene Pape photo*

At left, John Thompson burps the Ares. At right, getting ready to fire up the "Evil Twin" in the Expert Profile Stunt shootout. Both JT and Bruce Hunt flew the twin. Full report with contest results at <http://flyinglines.org>

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## Upcoming Model Activities

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

Download the flyer: [2008 Regionals flyer](#).

Download a [trophy sponsorship form](#).

**June 21-22 - Stunt-a-Thon**, Pierce County Airport (Thun Field), Puyallup, Wash. All details tentative. [E-mail for information](#).

**July 4 - Northwest Skyraiders Static Display**, Les Grove Park, Auburn, Wash., part of city celebration. [E-mail for information](#).

**July 4 - Northwest Skyraiders CL Flying Demo**, Tacoma Narrows Airport, part of Tacoma Freedom Fair. Tentative. [E-mail for information](#).

### **Prop Spinner Club officers**

[Mike Denlis, President](#)

[John Thompson, VP, Safety Officer, Treasurer](#)

[Tom Kopriva, Secretary](#)

[Jim Corbett, Newsletter Editor](#)

Club flying at the airport flying site.

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