

Fireball Flyer

Monthly Newsletter for the Northwest Fireballs
January 2012

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by DON CURRY

This will be the first of twelve meeting updates from me, so here is the way that I remember it.

I would like to thank Mark, again, for directing our annual new year's fun fly. It was the best one since I have been a member. It was well attended, good food, lots of flying and just talking.

I think that our contest planning is well underway and other than the new park permit fees, which I believe we should discuss further, we are on schedule.

We did not come to an agreement yet on the circle-center repair project but I think we should do something before our contest even it only a temporary fix. Please let me know your ideas.

I hope you will call or e-mail me with any new agenda items that you would like for our next meeting. At the moment we only have the same items on the list as the January meeting.

Since I have been a member of this club, Richard and Mark have been the president and they both made it look easy. After my first attempt, I can tell you I was very nervous but since we are all friends what difference does it make.

Please keep building, flying and having fun. In my opinion that is what we are all about. If I don't see you at the field I hope to see all of you at the next meeting.

Thanks
Don

2012 Officers

President	Don Curry
Vice-President	Jim Harper
Secretary	Jerry Olson
Treasurer	Barbara White
Member-at-Large	Geoff Christianson

2012 Committee Chairmen

Banquet	Doug Powers
Contest Director	Leo Mehl
Newsletter Editor	Barbara White
Plan Curator	Bill Lee
Safety Officer	Richard Entwistle

ROSTER CORRECTIONS

The updated 2012 roster is being provided to all club members. We also welcome a new member! Several members met Tom Brightbill, our second member from Oregon City, at the New Year's Day Fun Fly at Delta Park (he's wearing the green coat in the group photo).

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Thirteen members attended the meeting.

New officers for 2012 were installed: Don Curry (President), Jim Harper (Vice-President), Jerry Olson (Secretary), Barbara White (Treasurer) and Geoff Christianson (Member-at-Large).

The agenda was accepted and the meeting minutes and treasurer's report for the previous month were read and approved.

Continuing and New Business

Mark Hansen reported on the New Year's Day Fun Fly. The event was a great success, the weather cooperated as an additional bonus. There were 23 participants putting up many flights. In addition to the flying, food was plentiful, highlighted by the chili cook-off. A raffle was also conducted awarding door prizes.

Doug Powers reported on the banquet planning. He has checked out McMenemy's Kennedy School, Der Rhinelander and a banquet buffet in Beaverton. Kennedy School was cost prohibitive. The buffet venue did not appear to be a great option due to seating arrangements and mediocre reviews. We agreed on Der Rhinelander and set the date for January 28, 2012.

Bylaw amendments to Article III - Membership, discussed at the December meeting, were presented for vote. With one modification, all amendments passed. Revised bylaws will be supplied to all club members.

Fireballs Calendar

02/11	Fun Fly #2, Roseburg
02/12	February Meeting
03/03	Fun Fly #3, Salem
03/11	March Meeting
04/07	Fun Fly #4, Eugene
04/08	April Meeting
04/20-22	Jim Walker Contest
05/13	May Meeting/Mother's Day
05/25-27	Regionals Contest
06/10	June Meeting

Contest planning continued, including the greater-than expected cost for the park permit; also, a requested reschedule of Friday's events was approved and the poster revised.

Circle Repairs: Richard Entwhistle reported on repair options. The area (center of pilot's circle) will need to be heated to at least 65 degrees Fahrenheit in order for sealant filler material to adhere to the existing surface. The area could be tented to keep it dry and facilitate heating. Sealant filler material is available at local retail outlets. No action was taken, we will continue to investigate cost and options.

The February meeting was scheduled and the meeting was adjourned.



Present
The 2012 Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up!
East Delta Park, Portland, Oregon
April 20th, 21st and 22nd

Friday, April 20

RECORD RATIO SPEED: 9:00am - 11:00am, resumes at end of Northwest Clown Racing until done, all speed classes. At the conclusion of the speed event, the paved circle will be made available for Stunt practice. Also on Friday, the grassy areas adjacent to the paved circle will be open all day for practice flying of all types.

NORTHWEST CLOWN RACING: 11:00am until completed (no later than 2:30pm, earlier if fewer entries)

Saturday, April 21

HIGH PERFORMANCE 1/2A COMBAT: 10:00am, to be flown over grass circle #3, double-elimination. AMA "Kill" rules in effect.

NORTHWEST PROFILE STUNT: 9:00am - Noon, to be flown over the paved circle.

CLASSIC-NOSTALGIA STUNT: 1:00pm - until completed, to be flown over the paved circle.

OLD TIME STUNT: 10:00am - until completed, to be flown over grass circle #2.

Sunday, April 22

NORTHWEST 80mph COMBAT: 10:00am, to be flown over grass circle #2, double-elimination. AMA "Kill" rules in effect.

RECORD RATIO CARRIER: 9:00am - 3:00pm, all AMA and Northwest classes.

SKILL CLASS PRECISION AEROBATICS: 9:00am - until completed, to be flown over the paved circle.

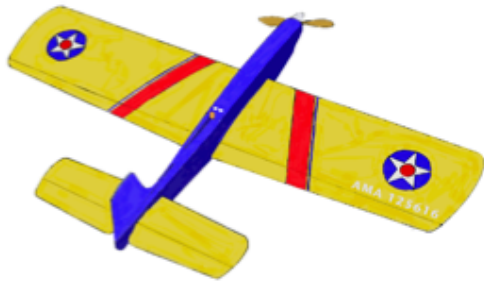
General Information

CONTEST DIRECTOR: Leo Mehl, mehlprtind@q.com, 503-257-5005

AMA SANCTIONED EVENT: Current AMA membership is required of all entrants. Flyers can join or renew their membership at the event. Stunt BOM appearance points will be calculated: if you build the plane, you will receive up to 20 appearance points, if you finished an ARC, up to 10 appearance points, and if the plane was an ARF or built or finished by others, zero appearance points.

ENTRY FEE: \$20 for the first event and \$5 for each additional event, up to a maximum of \$30 for the entire contest.

Mark Your Calendars:



Control-Line Northwest Regionals

May 25-26-27, 2012

Dear Control-Line Fliers:

Pacific Northwest control-line model aviation clubs would like to invite you to attend the 42nd annual Northwest Control-Line Regionals on Memorial Day Weekend, May 25-26-27, 2012.

The Regionals this year offers 40 separate competition events. Trophies and/or merchandise prizes are offered in all events, along with special category grand championship trophies.

The contest will be held at Eugene Airport in Eugene, Oregon. Camping, rest rooms and food concessions will be available on site. Motels, restaurants and RV 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, 80-mph and Vintage Diesel Combat; Profile, Class I, Class II, .15, Sport 40 and Nostalgia (profile and Class I/II) Navy Carrier; Mouse I, Northwest Sport, Northwest Super Sport, and Northwest Flying Clown Racing; Precision, Sport and Profile Scale; and 1/2-A, 1/2-A Proto, A, B, C, D, FAI, Jet, Sport .21, .21 Proto, Formula 40, F2D Proto and Northwest Sport Jet Speed.

Information about the contest and copies of the contest flyer, advance entry forms and a link to information on local accommodations can be downloaded from the flyinglines.org website. Rules for Northwest competition events also can be found at 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, or phone (541) 689-5553.

**Sincerely,
John Thompson
Contest Director
Northwest Regionals Management Association**

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WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO THIS WINTER??

Dave Royer, working on his Warrior in the basement workshop:



Alice Cotton-Royer's Sterling Mustang:



and a rubber-powered tissue model for her class (kids making models based on plans from a teacher in Canada):

