

# Prop Spinner Chatter



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## Club News and Other Information

### Last Club Meeting

Our last meeting was on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Some dues were collected.

### Club Flying

Sunday January 17 – Our meeting was a bit damp, but held at the field. Attending the meeting were Mike Denlis, John Thompson, Tom Kopriva, Mel Marcum, Gene Pape, Mike Massey, Jim Corbett and prospective member Dwayne Granville. Mike Robinson arrived after the meeting.

John Thompson reported - Weather forecast was for windy, some rain. But when we got up in the morning, there was no wind and it wasn't raining.

When we arrived at the field, there was still no wind and a light sprinkle that might or might not stop. Should we fly, or should we go to the restaurant? We decided to fly.

A good turnout of club members showed up, plus one new recruit. Sprinkles increased. We held our meeting fairly quickly and got busy flying. Still almost no wind. Sprinkles increased. A few of the brighter minds decided to go home and watch football. Of the several who stayed, Jim Corbett, Mike Massey and I did the flying, a couple of flights each. Sprinkles increased to steady rain.

We gave it up about 11:30 a.m. We were home in time to get some shop time in!

P.S.: By the way, I post little reports on our weekend flying on the Flying Lines NW Message Board, accessible via Flying Lines web site It has reports on our flying going

back about three years. Take a look, and feel free to add to it.

Saturday January 23 – Mike Massey reported - It was suggested by those who shall remain nameless, that I mention the flying conditions today. As you all know, in the past when I go out alone on a predicted bad fly days, the weather has been phenomenal. So, I went today with predictions of a marginal fly day and GUESS WHAT? Sun kept shining in my eyes and not enough wind to blow in any cloud cover. Oh well, the things we must endure.

But at least I had a few witnesses to corroborate my claim. Counting myself, there were three Mikes. We also had Dwayne, the potential new flyer, drop by. Mike D had a little engine trouble so only got a short flight. Mike R flew a couple of 15 minute rounds and I flew 1 with the yellow Whatchamacallit and 2 on the "scratch" Pathfinder. The Pathfinder has real possibilities.

Sunday January 31 – John Thompson reported - Was a fine, partly sunny day with almost no wind at the Eugene flying field. Gene Pape, Mike Massey, Jim Corbett and I did a lot of flying and Floyd Carter came out for a visit. Stunt, combat and sport planes. We were all in T-shirts by the end of the session. What an enthusiasm-builder!

Floyd gave Jim another plane (KAY DOO) to fly.

February 6-7 - Mike Massey flew on Friday and Saturday.

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## Club News and Other Information *(continued from page one)*

Sunday February 8 - John Thompson reported - A good group was at the Eugene Airport for a very good flying day. Overcast, but perfect flying conditions, almost no wind. Gene Pape, Mike Massey, Tom Kopriva, Floyd Carter and I all flew.

Floyd's electric stunter really impressed. He's had this plane for a while but just did some adjustments and it flew great.

### Event Reports

See the full Fun Fly report on Northwest Flying Lines web site at <http://flyinglines.org/>

### Next Club Meeting Time and Place

Time and place – 10:00 AM **Sunday, February 21**, at the field.

Or at Wings restaurant in the airport terminal if the weather is bad!

## **DUES are due!** John Thompson, Treasurer

It's that time of year again ... time to pay the annual Prop Spinners dues.

Your dues money goes for club expenses, including field maintenance and equipment, AMA charter expenses, state nonprofit registry, and any other expenditures approved by the club over the course of each year. Dues are \$25 per year.

You can pay your dues by cash or personal check. Make checks out to "Eugene Prop Spinners." Deliver payments to the treasurer at the flying field or mail to:

John Thompson

2456 Quince St.

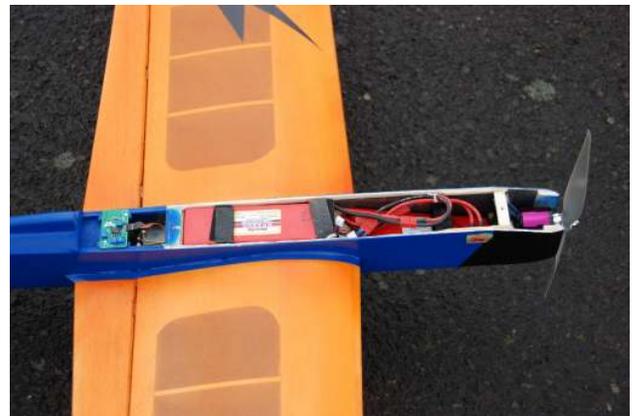
Eugene, OR 97404

## **Floyd is flying Electric** February 7, 2010

Floyd Carter's latest electric is performing GREAT!



Great looking!



No extra room inside.

## **Misc stuff**

Passed along from Mike Massey: Virtual Aircraft Museum - <http://www.aviastar.org/index2.html>



**At the Field** January 17, 2009



Shall we have a meeting?



OK It's a meeting.



And then we fly.

*Jim Corbett photos*

**At the Field** January 31, 2010



Roll out the lines.



Less than a sec after launch



Notice the shadow, NICE TD!



Missing wind.



Mike Massey did not care.



It is going to be FUN!

*Jim Corbett photos*

**Oregon flying fun!** February 13, 2010 EPS members having fun in Roseburg



One line can be a handfull



Fox Folly and Mike.



Yes it's a flying aircraft.

*John Thompson photos*



# Oregon flying fun!

Northwest Fireballs, Eugene Prop Spinners, Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers and Roseburg area CL fliers present ...

## Oregon flying fun!

A quartet of control-line fun-fly events

Everyone invited — No entry fee! 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

If the weather is bad, go to the alternate site listed for “hangar flying” socialization!

### ~~Saturday, Jan. 2 at East Delta Park, Portland~~

Bad weather meeting site: Delta Park Burger King; cell 503-995-1158

Info: Fireballs: Mark Hansen, fastcombat@comcast.net, 503-234-1971

### ~~Saturday, Feb. 13 at Sunshine Park, Roseburg~~

Bad weather: Elmer’s restaurant at I-5 Exit 125; cell 541-537-0061

Info: Dave Shrum, 541-672-8893, dnpshrum@charter.net

### Saturday, March 13 at Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem

Bad weather: Flight Deck restaurant, 1 block south of the flying field; cell 503-871-1057

Info: WOLF: Bruce Hunt, bhunt@swbell.net, 503-361-7491

### Saturday, April 3 at Eugene Airport, Eugene

Bad weather: Wings Restaurant at the airport terminal

Info: Prop Spinners: J. Thompson, johnt4051@aol.com, 541-689-5553; cell 541-554-8848

- Bring any and all airplanes ... do any kind of flying!
- Every flight is an entry in the “flying raffle.”
- Flying raffle prizes will be awarded after a drawing

Come to *all four* fun-flies and support *four* great Oregon CL flying groups!

Academy of Model Aeronautics membership required

# Oregon flying fun! Roseburg Report February 13, 2010



Planes ready for the event.



Making sure the prop is tight.



Start it and then fly.

Jim Corbett photos



**Oregon flying fun!** Roseburg Report February 13, 2010 (continued)



Just ONE control line.



Two Mikes & only ONE line.



ONE line launch.



ONE line landing approach.



THREE lines on this one.



A three minute attempt.



Feeding time.



Three minute announcement.



Three minute rules explained.



Smooth take off.



Hatched or born?



Another three minute try.

*John Thompson and Jim Corbett photos*

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## Upcoming Model Activities

**March 13** - Oregon Flying Fun No. 3, Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem, Ore. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Any kind of plane, any kind of flying, flying raffle for prizes. Sponsored by Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers. Download a flyer from Flyinglines.org.

**March 13** - McMinnville Aircraft Modelers Swap Meet, Yamhill County Fairgrounds, McMinnville, Ore.

**March 27** - Chehalis Cup Contest No. 1 for 80mph Combat, cuts only. All details tentative.

**April 3** - Oregon Flying Fun No. 4, Eugene Airport, Eugene, Ore. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Any kind of plane, any kind of flying, flying raffle for prizes. Sponsored by Eugene Prop Spinners.

### Prop Spinner Club officers

[Mike Denlis, President](#)

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[Tom Kopriva, Secretary](#)

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