

# Prop Spinner Chatter



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## Club News and Other Information

### Last Club Meeting

**January 18** - 10 a.m. Meeting was at Orchard Point Park. It was a cold morning at Orchard Point Saturday but we were all warmly dressed and thus had a pleasant, productive meeting and flying session.

**February** - Meeting canceled due to Fun Fly in Roseburg and no known pressing business.

**March CANCELED** – Weather not cooperating with us.

### Next Club Meeting

**April 17** – 10 a.m. Thursday at the Ranch / Eugene Equipment Auction flying site.

### Local Flying

**March 22** - John Thompson reports - We had a good flying session at Orchard Point, with temperatures reaching over 50 and just the slightest steady breeze. Attending were Jim Corbett, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Lots of flying was done!

We also had our March club meeting — after the flying, which was a good call, as some sprinkles started during the meeting. The one significant decision that was made related to our upcoming season of flying at the Can Do Ranch/Eugene Equipment Auction flying site. We decided to raise the per-session flying fee to \$10 from the previous \$5, in order to increase our monthly payments to the ranch owner. So, be ready to pay \$10 per session when we resume flying at the ranch.

**April 5** - John Thompson reports – It was perfect flying weather at Orchard Point. A couple of the regulars were missing but the small group of us who were there did lots of flights. Temperature hit the low 70s, and the tiny breeze was steady and in one direction (not at the sun!). Attending were Jim Corbett, Dave La Fever, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Highlight of the day was seeing Gary fly another new Cardinal — an excellent flier right off the boards.

### Out of town

**March. 15** - Oregon Flying Fun No. 3, Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem Airport, Salem, Ore. The Salem fun fly happened after two postponements, and it was a great day of flying and socializing. Prop Spinners attending were Jim Corbett, Mike Hazel, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. It was great to get one more last (maybe) chance at flying at Bill Riegel Model Air Park.

**April 12-13** - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-Up, Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore.

As usual, the Northwest Fireballs put on a wonderful contest in Portland last weekend. Those participating from the Prop Spinners included Mike Hazel, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Congratulations to Gary for his first first-place Stunt trophy: Gary won a hotly contested Advanced Precision Aerobatics competition on Sunday. Congrats also to Mike Hazel for winning Old-Time Stunt in an event in which the top four places were separated by only three points!



Orchard Point Park – March 22 –



Gary flying



John launching for Gene



Flight line



Gene flying



Gary flying



Gary launching Gene's Flite Streak





Orchard Point Park – March 22 – continued



Gene launching for John



Gary's maiden flight of his new Cardinal



John flying



John launching for Gary



John launching for Gene



Gene's Flite Streak getting started





Orchard Point Park – April 5 –



Ready line



Gary launching for John



Gary's new Cardinal



Gary flying



Dave's planes waiting



Gene flying





Orchard Point Park – April 5 – continued



Dave launching for John



Dave prepping his BiPlane



John launching for Gary



Gary launching for John



Gary flying his new Cardinal



John flying





## **Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 — 2025**

*from flyinglines report*

**March 29, 2025, Salem, Ore.**

The longtime home of control-line flying in Salem is supposedly gone from the Northwest's flying site map. But a seemingly indefinitely postponement of the construction project that would pave this CL paradise and put up a parking lot (sorry, Joni Mitchell) has allowed Western Oregon fliers to enjoy a series of "last" events at Bill Riegel Model Air Park.

So it was that the [Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers](#) (WOLF) and [Eugene Prop Spinners](#) jointly hosted Oregon Flying Fun No. 3, the latest stop in Oregon's four-part fun-fly series. Next stop: Oregon Flying Fun No. 4 at the [Rogue Eagles RC club's control-line circle](#) in Eagle Point, Ore., on June 7.

Fun fly No. 3 was postponed twice because of gloomy weather forecasts, but the third try was a charm. Partly cloudy skies shielded pilots' eyes from the sun. The day started out breezy, delaying the first flights, but the wind steadily declined, and once the flying got going the circle was busy for the rest of the day (except for the lunch break).

As to that lunch break: Mike Hazel hosted a yummy mini-Zoot barbecue, with hot dogs and chili.







Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 – continued





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**Northwest Control-Line Regionals – May 23-24-25. – Roseburg Regional Airport**



# Northwest Control-Line Regionals<sup>nd</sup>

Roseburg, Oregon, May 23-24-25, 2025

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## Dear Control-Line Fliers:

Pacific Northwest control-line model aviation clubs would like to invite you to the Northwest Control-Line Regionals on Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-24-25.

The 52nd Regionals offers 33 separate competition events.

The contest will be held at Roseburg Regional Airport in Roseburg, Oregon. Limited RV space is available on site. Motels, restaurants and 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 and 80-mph Combat; Profile, Class I, Class II, .15, Sport 40 and Nostalgia (profile and Class I/II) Navy Carrier; Northwest Sport, Northwest Super Sport, and Northwest Flying Clown Racing, Sportsman Flying Clown Racing and Dallas Goodyear Racing; Authentic, Sport, Profile, 1/2-A and Fun Scale; and 1/2-A Proto, .21 Sport, .21 Proto, Northwest B Proto and F2D Proto Speed.

Information about the contest and copies of the contest flyer and discount advance entry forms can be downloaded from the Where the Action Is section of the [flyinglines.org](http://flyinglines.org) website. Rules for Northwest competition events also are at [flyinglines.org](http://flyinglines.org).

Further information on the Regionals can be obtained from John Thompson, 2456 Quince St., Eugene, OR 97404, e-mail [jthompson4051@gmail.com](mailto:jthompson4051@gmail.com), or phone (541) 689-5553.

**Sincerely,  
John Thompson, Assistant Contest Director**

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## Upcoming Model Activities

**May 23-24-25** - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore. If you would like to sponsor a trophy or prizes, download a trophy sponsorship form. If you can help as a contest worker, download volunteer information.

**June 7** - Oregon Flying Fun No. 4, Rogue Eagles CL circle, Eagle Point, Ore. Any kind of airplane, any kind of flying; lunch and prizes will be provided. No entry fee. Sponsored by Rogue Eagles. Download a flyer with all the details or email for information.

**June 21-22** - Stunt-a-Thon, Auburn Municipal Airport, Auburn, Wash. All details tentative.

**Aug. 22-23-24** - R.F. Stevenson Raider Roundup, Auburn Municipal Airport, Auburn, Wash. All details tentative.

### **Prop Spinner Club officers**

Mike Denlis, President  
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John Thompson, Treasurer  
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**Where the Action Is:** <http://flyinglines.org/Action.html>

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