

Prop Spinner Chatter

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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

March 21 – 10 a.m. - Orchard Point Park. We had our February club meeting and a flying session at Orchard Point Saturday. Attending were Bill Badstubner, Jim Corbett, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Next Club Meeting

April 16 – 10 a.m. - Ranch / Eugene Equipment Auction. Rain meeting Stockman's Café.

Local Flying

March 19 - John Thompson reports – We had a nice flying session, attended by Jim Corbett, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Lots of flying of Stunt, Combat and sport planes, weather in the 70s! Thanks, Jim, for getting the ranch field in shape!

March 21 – John Thompson reports – We had our March club meeting at Orchard Point, once again in good weather and with lots of flying. Attending were Bill Badstubner, Jim Corbett, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

April 4 – John Thompson reports – We had an abbreviated flying session at Orchard Point. It was an unusual day. Sunny and warm and sometimes windless — but when the wind did blow it was gusty and from all directions at once. That made for very spooky flying, especially when the wind came from the west over the line of trees. We all flew a flight or two and then said, "Let's save the airplanes" and headed home about noon. Probably just as well, as several groups of

picnickers and soccer players were arriving just as we left. Attending our flying session were Jim Corbett, Dave La Fever, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

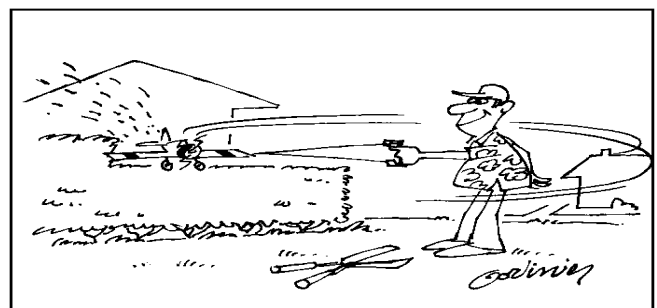
April 9 – John Thompson reports – We had a good, though lightly attended, flying session at the ranch. The field was in good condition and the weather mild, with a steady breeze in one direction. Attending were Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. Lots of flying was done.

Out of town flying

March 28 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 3, Bill Riegel Model Air Park, Salem Airport, Salem, Ore. Traditional fun fly sponsored by Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers and Eugene Prop Spinners.

Prop Spinners were joint sponsors of the delightful Oregon Flying Fun in Salem, along with the Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers club. Twenty fliers attended and flew every kind of CL airplane. Prop Spinners participating were Bill Badstubner, Mark Crouse, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, Will Naemura, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

See the full report on flying lines:
<http://flyinglines.org/Oregonfun.3.26.html>





Ranch / Eugene Equipment Auction – March 19



John launching for Gary



John flying



Gary flying



Dave Mike and Gary ready



Gary launching for John



Planes waiting



Ranch / Eugene Equipment Auction – March 19 – *continued*



Dave's P-40 waiting



Mike flying



Mike, Dave, John and Gary



John launching for Dave



John launching for Mike



Dave flying



Orchard Point Park – March 21



Ready for a meeting, Dave and Bill



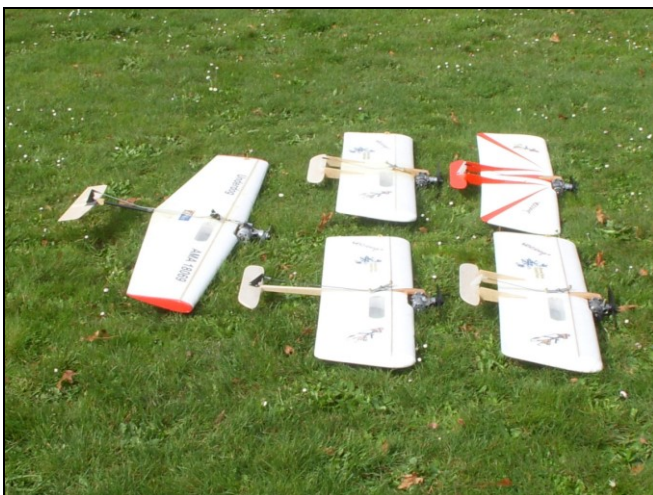
Ready for a meeting, Gene and John



Show and tell NWR shirt



Show and tell Dave's Waco



Gene's planes ready



Gene launching for Dave



Orchard Point Park – March 21– continued



John looking for the battery



Dave flying



Bill, Gary, Dave, Gene and John ready



John launching for Gene



Gary launching for Dave



Dave launching for Gary



Orchard Point Park – April 4



Latest addition to Gary's fleet



Gary flying



John's



Dave's



John launching for Gary



John launching Dave



Ranch / Eugene Equipment Auction – April 9 - John Thompson Photos



Gary flying his Flite Streak



Gene's planes



Gary's Vector ready



John's planes



Gene flying his VooDoo



Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 — 2026

A score of CL enthusiasts enjoy a sunny day of flying
March 28, 2026, Bill Riegel Model Air Park, Salem, Ore.

The Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers (WOLF) and Eugene Prop Spinners jointly hosted Oregon Flying Fun No. 3 on a day when the sun shone and there was only a slight breeze. Many flights were made by all kinds of control-line airplanes. WOLF Chef Mike Hazel cooked up a fine hot dog barbecue, and the sponsoring clubs offered a generous array of door prizes.

Among those attending were Bill Badstubner, Mark Crouse, Don Curry, Roy DeCamara, Don Dotter, Jerry Eichten, Gary Harris, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, John and Lynette Lickley, Niels Madsen, Leighton Mangels, Will Naemura, Gene Pape, Doug Powers, John Thompson, Bruce Tunberg, Gary Weems and Tim Wescott.



Action shot of some of the participants hard at work enjoying a day at the flying field: From left, Jerry Eichten (Newberg), Dave La Fever, (Corvallis), Gary Weems.



From left, Lynette Lickley and John Lickley of Redmond, Mark Crouse of Mount Angel.



Bill Badstubner of Eugene flies his electric Super Clown



Gary Weems flies one of his Cardinals.

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Upcoming Model Activities

April 18-19 - Jim Walker Memorial Spring Tune-up, Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore., for Aerobatics, Combat, Racing, Speed and Carrier, sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.

May 16 - Portland Barnstormers Swap Meet, Barnstormer Field, Aurora, Ore. Download a flyer with all the details or email for information.

May 22-23-24 - Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore.

Prop Spinner Club officers

Gene Pape, President
Jim Corbett, VP, Secretary, Newsletter Editor
John Thompson, Treasurer
Gary Weems, Safety Officer

Where the Action Is: <http://flyinglines.org/Action.html>

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