

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

Our last meeting was Sunday November 20 - COLD, overcast, no wind. Mike Denlis, John Thompson, Gene Pape, Mike Massey, Floyd Carter, Gordon Rae, Tom Kopriva and Jim Corbett attended the meeting.

John Thompson reports - The meeting was well-attended but only a couple of us flew.

Saturday November - 26 - Gordon Rea reports - If you have not seen it yet, I wanted you to see John Thompson great looking new stunt ship. John has been working on the trim as well with the needle assembly adjustment.

The weather at the field was great. It was special for me was to have Mel Marcum and his son, Mike, come out. I had not seen Mike for more than 40 years when we flew as kids. Mike, who makes his home in southern California, flew an Oriental and showed he still is comfortable at the stunt controls. Mike also flew a 1/2 A combat plane that was only good for a sick engine run and a wild flight. It is always great having Mel out and cheering people on as he always has. Mike Massey was also out flying, accompanied by his brother-in-law Mike.

John Thompson reports - We had a great flying session last Saturday ... Gordon Rea, Mel and Mike Marcum, Mike Massey and I all were in attendance, along with Mike's brother-in-law Mike. It was great to see Mike Marcum flying again after a long layoff.

One detail ... I've put some more "gopher food" in the mower shed. If you see any new gopher activity, feel free to "feed" our

little pets. The airport staff is aware of the subterranean activity, too, so they may take care of the problem for us pretty soon.

Sunday November - 27 - Three of us showed up, no flying, just some BSing.

Saturday December 3 - John Thompson reports - It was foggy and cold but dead calm at Eugene Airport, and three of us got lots of flights in. Gordon Rea flew his Profile Oriental, Dave La Fever flew a Nobler and a Ringmaster, and I put several flights on the Dawg. Mel Marcum and Tom Kopriva also dropped by for a visit.

Saturday December 10 - COLD again - Gordon Rea, John Thompson, Mike Massey flew, Gene Pape and Jim Corbett attended for a short while and then retreated to some place WARMER!

A reminder about Field protocol: If the rental car agencies are moving cars to the overflow lot, in most cases we can fly. You can tell that they're rentals because they will all be lined up in a row at one end or side of the field. If the booth is manned and they are charging the public for parking, we do not fly. If the booth is not manned, but there are cars scattered all over, those are public parking and we do not fly without getting Ops permission.

Dues R Due - Officer Election time also

Next Club Meeting

Time and place - 10:00 AM **Sunday, December 18**, at the field. Or at Wings restaurant in the airport terminal if the weather is bad.



At the Field November 20



It was a "COOL" meeting



Good looking Dawg



Mike Massey's newest plane

At the Field November 26 - 27



Mel, Gordon and Mike

< DAWG waiting for a drink



Nov. 27th and no one flew.

At the Field December 10



**Dear Fellow Prop Spinners** Gordon Rea comments

I want to thank you for your warm welcome at the beginning of this year after being away from the hobby for 39 years. It's been great to get acquainted with you at the flying field and at various flying events.

I remember from my youth how helpful and encouraging friendships are in building and flying. In the same way, your warm welcome has been a real lift to this retreat as I knock off the rust and catch up on some of the developments in airplane building, equipping and flying.



I look forward to another year of flying with you and learning more of your stories. Thanks again for your continuing welcome.

Gordon

Oregon flying fun! Three of the four in the series have their dates set

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!

Sunday, Jan. 1 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. 11 at Sunshine Park, Roseburg

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

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

Saturday, March 3 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 7 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

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Upcoming Model Activities

December 31 - Broadway Bod Busters Misery Meet, High-Performance 1/2-A Combat and Fast 15 Kill Combat, Robert Smith's house in Roy, Wash.

January 1, 2012 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 1, East Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Happy New Year fun fly, first in the four-part Oregon Flying Fun series, includes a flying raffle.

Polar Bear Fun Fly, Rice Mill Road Park, Richmond, B.C., 10 a.m. until ?? followed by lunch at Banners on No. 3 Road.

February 11 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 2, Sunshine Park, Roseburg, Ore. Second in the four-part Oregon Flying Fun series, includes flying raffle.

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John Thompson, Treasurer
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