

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

November 17th – John Thompson reports - Thursday's club meeting and flying session reminded us that winter is on the way. Extra clothing layers are going to be needed for our flying for a while to come.

The meeting was attended by Jim Corbett, Mike Denlis, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. The current officers were re-elected for 2023 and several upcoming events were discussed

After the meeting, John and Lynette Lickley showed up with some planes and motors for sale.

Next Club Meeting

Meeting will be Saturday, December 17th 10 a.m. at Orchard Point Park.

Local Flying1

November 17 - John Thompson reports - After the meeting, Gary and John did quite a bit of flying. Everyone else fled for warmer venues. Gary's repaired Cardinal is flying very well and looks good as new.

December 4 - John Thompson reports - Well, the weather forecasters were wrong about Sunday, so there! It turned out to be a good day for flying. We waited out a few sprinkles when we first arrived at the ranch, then flew until 2 p.m. Only Gary Weems and I showed up, so we both got lots of flights in. Weather was cold — up to 41 degrees — but the air was almost dead calm. The sun came out just as we were packing up to leave.

December 11 – John, Gene and Gary flew. Jim was there to take pics. Very little wind, and the clouds kept the sun out of our eyes.

Out of town flying

The Prop Spinners were represented at the After Thanksgiving Race day in Portland on Saturday. Mike Hazel won a close-fought Sportsman Clown Race and finished second by about a lap in a close Northwest Sport Race. Also attending from the Prop Spinners was Mike's Nitroholics Racing Team partner, John Thompson. See flyinglines.org for a report and photos on the contest.

Nitroholics Racing Team member John Thompson makes a minor repair to partner Mike Hazel's Sportsman Flying Clown racer before a heat, as Mike holds.



Pat Chewning photo

Can Do Ranch - Orchard Point Park

John Thompson reports - As of the last time we checked, the Can Do Ranch circle was still solid, but that could change with the heavy rains expected soon.

If the ranch is underwater, we will make our first visit to Orchard Point for the season. Just in case, drop in to you local Bi-Mart and renew your Lane County Parking permit, so you are covered with the required parking pass when we start flying at Orchard. (If you have questions about Orchard protocol or the parking pass, you can contact me).



Can Do Ranch - November 17 - Meeting, selling and Flying



John has several planes ready to fly



Gene launching for Gary



Gene has planes ready for lines



Gary flying



Gary's Ringmaster



Gary's Cardinal



Can Do Ranch - November 17 - Meeting, selling and Flying - continued



John Lickley with some of the kits for sale



And a motor or two

Can Do Ranch - December 1 - indoor session



We were rained and winded out of our flying session on Thursday, though five of us did show up at the ranch. We headed to the Prairie Schooner for a nice lunch instead.

John, Gene, Gary and Jim stayed out of the rain.

Can Do Ranch - December 4 - John Thompson photos



Gary flying his Flite Streak



Gary flying his Cardinal



Can Do Ranch - December 11



Gary flying



Gary's Flite Streak



Not much wind



John assisting Gary



Gary's Ringmaster



Gene's combat ready



Can Do Ranch - December 11 - continued



John's fleet



Gary and his Cardinal



Gary launching for John



John launching for Gary

Can Do Ranch - December 11

On Saturday, someone tried to tow our trailer away. The fact that the outhouse was chained to the trailer prevented them from getting away with it.

But the lock that held the chain on the trailer was broken.

We decided to get four new locks: One for each gate, one to lock the trailer ball fixture closed, and one to replace the lock that held the outhouse to the trailer.

Gene has replaced all the locks; just not removed the old broken lock. More to the story at the meeting.

Dues-R-Due - John Thompson reports -

It's \$25 a year. You can give me cash or check at a flying session or meeting, or mail it to me at:

John Thompson
2456 Quince Street
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Make checks payable to Eugene Prop Spinners.



After-Thanksgiving Race 2022 - Delta Park, Portland, Ore., Nov. 26



Pat Chewning photo.

Fall colors surrounded the circle at Delta Park for the annual late-fall race. Planes are lined up in the pits as contestants get ready for the first race.

Annual go-fast day wraps up NW contest season

Jim Walker Memorial Control-Line Flying Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore., Nov. 26
Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs

By Gary Harris

Six competitors arrived in Portland at East Delta Park Saturday morning to burn up the sky flying Sportsman Flying Clown Race, Northwest Sport Race and Northwest Super Sport Race.

Sports Flying Clown Race entrants: Mike Hazel, Leighton Mangels, Doug Powers and John Thompson.

Mike and Leighton got the most laps during the preliminary heats so they advanced to the final with Mike Hazel edging out Leighton by one lap.

Northwest Sport Race entrants: Mike Hazel, Gary Harris, Leighton Mangels and John Thompson.

See full report: <http://flyinglines.org/after.thanksgiving.race.22.html>

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Upcoming Model Activities

Jan. 1, 2023 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 1, Jim Walker Memorial Field, East Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Fly any plane just for fun. Flying raffle, lunch, coffee and doughnuts. Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.

Feb. 4 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 2, Church on the Rise, Roseburg, Ore. Fly any plane just for fun. Flying raffle. Sponsored by Roseburg area control-line fliers.

March 4 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 3, Bill Riegel Model Airpark, Salem, Ore. Fly any plane just for fun. Flying raffle. Sponsored by Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers and Eugene Prop Spinners.

March 15-18 - 34th annual Vintage Stunt Championships, Christopher Columbus Park, Tucson, Ariz.

May 26-27-28 - 50th Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore.

Prop Spinner Club officers

Mike Denlis, President
Jim Corbett, VP, Secretary, Newsletter Editor
John Thompson, Treasurer
Gene Pape, Safety Officer

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