

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

November 16th 10 a.m. at Eugene Equipment Auction (AKA High Land Arena - AKA Can Do Ranch). Attending the club meeting and flying session were: Jim Corbett, Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Next Club Meeting

Meeting will be Saturday, December 16th 10 a.m. at Orchard Point Park.

Local Flying

Nov 16 - John Thompson reports – We had another good flying session after our meeting at the ranch. It was a bit chilly and foggy, but very little wind, so lots of flying was done. Attending were Jim Corbett, Mike Denlis, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Nov 30 – No flying, it rained alot.

Dec 7 - John Thompson reports – Field condition update - Picture says it all.



Dec 9 – Jim Corbett reports – Our first flying session this fall at Orchard Point Park. Attending were: John Thompson, Jim Corbett, Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, and Gary Weems.

Dues-R-Due

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

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Make checks payable to Eugene Prop Spinners.

Out of town flying

Nov 17 - John Thompson reports - There was a good flying session in Salem attended by Prop Spinners and Western Oregon Control-Line Flyers members, including Mike Hazel, Jerry Eichten, Jim Corbett and Gary Weems (that I know of — there may have been others). Weather was perfect for that one, too.

Out of town Event

Nov 25 - After-Thanksgiving Race 2023, Delta Park, Portland. EPS and WOLF member Mike Hazel competed in the NORTHWEST SPORT RACE finishing first.

Good job Mike!



Eugene Equipment Auction - November 16 - Meeting, show and tell and Flying



Meeting about to start



New sign at entrance to ranch



Show and Tell - Gene's Voodoo



Dave has three ready to fly



John's planes



John flying electric combat plane



Eugene Equipment Auction - November 16 - continued



Dave flying



Gary flying



Gary flying



John flying



John assisting Gary

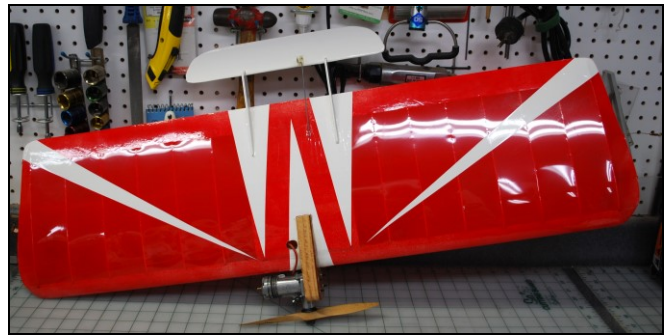
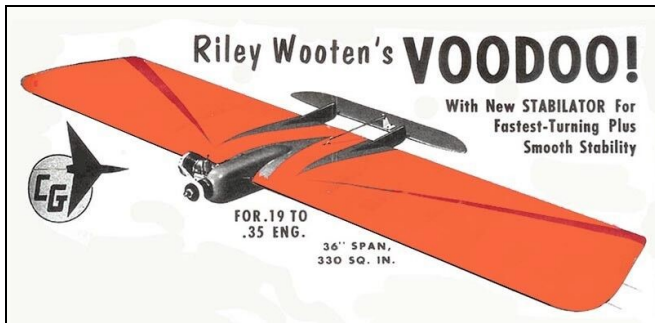


Gary's Cardinal



Riley Wooten designed Carl Goldberg Voodoo - Gene Pape reports

The model in the picture is a scratch built copy of the Riley Wooten designed Carl Goldberg Voodoo kit. It's powered by a mid '50s vintage Fox Stunt 35 with an 8-8 Top flite wood prop. Covering is laminating film sprayed with a mist coat of red Rustoleum 2X. The white trim is Top Flite Econokote. This model was built with all extremely light wood and ready to fly weight is 12 1/2 ounces where a typical kit model finished with silk and dope and powered by a vintage combat engine will weigh 19 ounces.



Fox Combat Special - Gene Pape reports

This engine is part of my journey (which is not complete by any means) through Norm McFadden's engine parts. As I was building the Fox Combat Special Mk III for the Creamsicle that was signed for Norm's family at the Bladder Grabber I came across this crankcase from an engine I had sold to Norm sometime in the late '80s. I filled it with parts and it will go on one of the 2 intact models I have remaining from that era.



Fox Combat Special Mk III



Creamsicle



WOLF Field - Salem - November 17



Gary's plane



Bruce Tunberg Fueling



Mike's plane



Launching



Jim's plane



Launching



WOLF Field - Salem - November 17 - continued



Gary flying



Mike flying

After-Thanksgiving Race 2023 - November 25

Racers conclude NW contest season with annual fall go-fast session

Jim Walker Memorial Control-Line Flying Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore., Nov. 25
Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs

By Gary Harris

We got lucky on the weather with some fog and chilly temperature early in the morning but by the time we started flying the sun came out and heavy clothing was soon getting removed.

First event was Dallas Sport Goodyear Race. This particular event was popular at the Northwest Regionals at Roseburg over Memorial Day Weekend. Enough interest was shown for the club to have the desire to try it in Portland at our After-Thanksgiving Race contest. Do you realize that we have followed through with this Racing on the Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend since 2016?

NORTHWEST SPORT RACE (5 entries)

1. Mike Hazel, Mehama, Ore. — 4:26 (5)
(Pilot: Jim Cameron)

See full report:

<http://flyinglines.org/after.thanksgiving.race.23.html>





Orchard Point - December 9



Preparing the flying circle



Dave's planes waiting



Gene with three Voodoos



Gary's Vector



John's planes ready for fuel



Dave, John and Gary



Orchard Point - December 9 - continued



John flying his electric combat



Gene launching for Russ

From January 2023 edition of Sweden's LINA newsletter

Safety First, Foremost, and Forever!



Most injuries happen when we turn the engine over for starting. A slightly flooded engine might kick back and the sharp trailing edge of the propeller cuts into your finger. Or you don't get your finger out of the prop-arc fast enough and the prop hits you. Both incidents can be avoided if you start the engine backwards. By this I mean, flicking the propeller backwards "against" the compression, but not "over" the compression. You basically just accelerate the propeller backwards and let inertia do the rest. Before the engine reaches the ignition point, your finger is already out of the way. This method needs a little practice, but works very well with most engines.

Frank Wadle

See the complete newsletter at: <http://flyinglines.org/LINA.1.23.pdf>

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Upcoming Model Activities

Jan. 1, 2024 - Oregon Flying Fun No. 1, Jim Walker Memorial Field, Delta Park, Portland, Ore. Fly any kind of control-line airplane. No entry fee. Flying raffle prizes and lunch. Sponsored by Northwest Fireballs.

March 13-16 - Vintage Stunt Championships XXXV, Christopher Columbus Park, Tucson, Ariz. Old-Time Stunt, Classic Stunt, OTS Ringmaster, Ignition OTS, Super 70s. Entry deadline Feb. 29.

May 23-25, 2024 - 51st Northwest Control-Line Regionals, Roseburg Regional Airport, Roseburg, Ore., for Aerobatics, Combat, Navy Carrier, Racing, Scale and Speed. Sponsored by Northwest Regionals Management Association.

Prop Spinner Club officers

Mike Denlis, President
Jim Corbett, VP, Secretary, Newsletter Editor
John Thompson, Treasurer
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