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# THE WOLF CALL

2024  
January - February ~~2023~~ oops!

ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS  
CHARTER CLUB #3464

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## Upcoming Area Events

March 16 Mac Swap Meet

March 23 Roseburg Fun Fly

Greetings All! Here's your first issue this year to get you up to date on this and that.

First off, the NW Fireballs put on a nice New Years day fun fly at Delta Park in Portland. Pretty good turnout and good weather and some good eats. A great way to start the year I would say.

The paved circle is still there at the airport we used to call our home field. We do have permission to continue and use it and we should do so until we can't. A recent drive by revealed that those pesky Canadian honkers have left their signature calling cards all over. So if you want to fly you might want to bring a broom, blower or flat blade scoop shovel to clear a takeoff area.

On January 27th we held our annual general meeting. A reasonably good turnout for that, but unfortunately no good news as of yet regarding a new place to fly. Please read the report elsewhere herein.

And a bit of sad news..... Dave Shrum of Roseburg passed away several days ago. He was a spark plug for the control line hobby. Please go to the flying lines website to learn more about him. Though Dave was a slim man he cast a large shadow on the Northwest control line landscape. R.I.P. Dave.

We have what should be an up to date calendar of events in this issue. Coming up next month is the McMinnville swap meet. This event always has plenty of tables and vendors and usually quite a few bargains to be had. Always fun to attend whether you need anything or not!

Next up will be the fun fly in Roseburg. Just a reminder that if you haven't been to this venue you are really missing out. They have a great flying field and a clubhouse located right next to the flying action. Word has it that there will be plenty of door prizes for the pilots.

Also included with this mailing, is the new revised club constitution and by-laws. This has been long overdue, but finally it has been updated to reflect current realities.

Dues are due! A small handful of 2023 WOLF members have not renewed for this year. If you wish to continue on as a member, please send in your dues for 2024 ASAP so the books can be closed for the year on that. Dues are \$25 and can be sent to the WOLF address on this mailing. If you have not paid, there will be a red "X" here: \_\_\_\_\_

An updated member roster will be included in the next issue.

Here's another reminder that one of the world's best control line websites is maintained by our own John Thompson. [flyinglines.org](http://flyinglines.org) is where you should check in on a regular basis. I also use it as a convenient link in jumping to the Stunt Hangar forum.

## **WOLF Annual General Meeting January 27, 2024**

Our meeting was once again held at the Santiam Golf course restaurant near Stayton. 13 members and 2 guests were present. Meeting got underway at about noon with the first order of business being disbursing the door prizes.

Next item was hearing from the flying site committee members. Doug Knoyle gave the first report. He investigated two properties near the airport: the corner of 25th and Mission Street (where the car lots and other businesses used to be), and another parcel on 25th Street just west of the airport. As it turns out, both are under the same ownership. The Mission Street area looked promising in that there was a substantial amount of pavement there. However it was concluded that any usage would most likely be very short term at best, as it appeared there could be development there at anytime. There were also the usual concerns about noise and the proximity of residences and businesses. The other location west of the airport turned out to be unsuitable due to topography and proximity to businesses.

Doug then reported on his contact with the Salem RC flying club, who have a large field in Turner. He says that they would be interested in working with us. Doug reported that the most likely area in which a control line circle could be located appears to have issues with drainage. Also because of the runway configuration the possible circle area might be a bit small. Mark Crouse brought up some points about solutions and the expense of materials to build appropriate surface area. No conclusions yet about this field.

Doug also will be in touch with his real estate contacts regarding looking for open areas to investigate.

Jerry Eichten was next to report on his findings. His first point was contacting the airport manager to check again on possibility of some other area of the airport to use. It sounded like the manager was emphatic that there are no other areas to use, and indicated that there are

several other developments planned besides the expanded parking.

Jerry also made contact with the county parks, and they said no. Evidently there is a specific provision prohibiting powered model planes. The city of Salem parks department was also no help. Jerry also penned a letter to other city officials, but has not had a response. Jerry talked about his affiliation with the Barnstormers RC club who have a field west of I-5 near the city of Aurora. He says that they have lots of space, but flying would be restricted to electrics and muffled engines. Flying there would probably involve having to pay club dues.

Gene mentioned an interesting situation in the Millersburg (Albany) area. Just off of I-5 in the area of the former paper mill, a large paved area exists which is not being used for its intended purpose. Perhaps this can be investigated. Gene also indicated he would confer with Bob Stalick, who has contacts with farmers in the mid-valley area. Bob is affiliated with the Willamette Modelers Club, a free flight group from the mid-valley. The free flight group typically use a large farmer's area for their activities, but are limited to late summer and fall to do so.

The Treasurers report for 2023 was presented. Report was approved.

The club constitution and by-laws were the next item on the docket. A copy had been sent out earlier for club members to look at. Again, the document from 1995 was severely out of date and out of touch with today's operations. At the meeting another copy of this document was passed out which also contained some suggested changes. We labored thru all thirteen articles of the constitution and it was motioned, seconded, and approved to accept the changes that were brought forth.

Club officers for 2024: It was moved and seconded and approved to retain the current slate of officers: Craig Bartlett, President; Jerry Eichten, Vice-President; Mike Hazel, Secretary and Treasurer; and John Thompson, Safety Officer.

Upcoming events for our region were announced. Doug Knoyle read the latest listing

off of the Flying Lines website. Obviously there are no WOLF sponsored events at this time.

There was next a discussion regarding club dues. There were mixed opinions on this, but it was agreed that if such a time comes when we are able to establish a new flying site that there may be significant costs involved. Doug Knoyle motioned that the dues should be increased in 2025 to thirty five dollars. This was seconded and approved.

This concluded the official business and we adjourned at 2:40 PM.

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### 2023 Treasury Report

Beginning balance                    \$1516.20

#### Income:

Dues                                        640.00  
Donations                                35.00  
Event income                            533.00

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Total:                                    1208.00

#### Expenses:

Bank fees                                6.00  
Field lease                                12.00  
A.M.A. club charter                    120.00  
A.M.A. sanction fees                   35.00  
Newsletter                               147.60  
Toilet service                            300.00  
State corporation fee                   50.00  
Fall Follies park permit               458.00  
Meeting room                            50.00

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Total:                                    1178.60

Ending Balance                        \$1545.60

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## Late Breaking News.....

Dear WOLF members:

Because of circumstances on my home front, I feel it necessary for me to step down as your President. It has been my honor to serve in this role for this many years.

As per our club constitution, our very able Vice President, Jerry Eichten, will assume duties as your club president.

I am confident that he can assume the duties of President of our club. I will continue as a participating, contributing member as I can.

Tight Lines to you all always, Ciao

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During a recent conversation with Craig Bartlett I was surprised to learn he has decided to step away from his position as WOLF President. Craig's leadership and dedication to our club go back many years.

I appreciate all the work he has done caring for our field, administering events, serving as a club officer, and looking out for the best interests of WOLF. I've encouraged Craig to remain a member as long he wishes. Thank you Craig for your service!

- Jerry

## WOLF / Northwest Control Line Calendar 2024

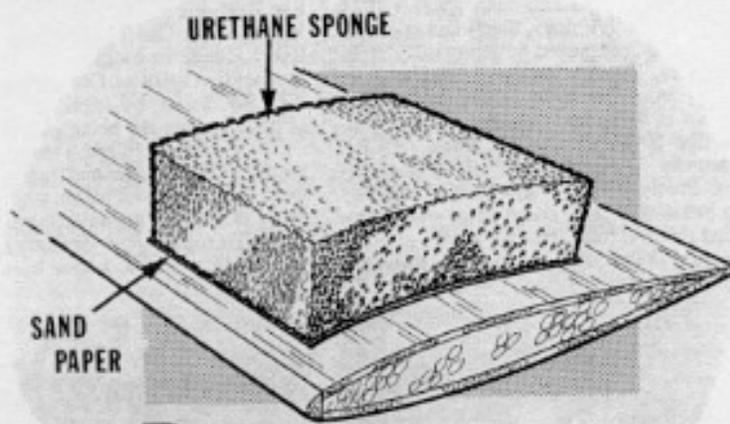
March 16	Swap Meet, McMinnville
March 23	Oregon Flying Fun #2, Roseburg
April 13 - 15	NW Model Expo, Monroe, Washington
April 26 - 28	Jim Walker Memorial contest, Portland
May 23 - 25	Northwest CL Regionals, Roseburg
June 7 - 9	AMA District XI Jamboree, Wenatchee, Washington
June 15	Oregon Flying Fun #3, Eagle Point, Oregon
June 22 & 23	NW Skyraiders Stunt-a-Thon. Details TBA
July 13	NW Skyraiders Summer Swap Meet, Details TBA
August 4 - 10	AMA Control Line Nationals, Muncie, Indiana
August 9 & 10	World Cup Contest, Muncie, Indiana
August 12 - 17	World Control Line Championships, Muncie, Indiana
September 7 & 8	NW Skyraiders R.F. Stevenson Memorial Raider Roundup, Details TBA
October 5 & 6	Worldwide Ringmaster Fly-a-Thon.

For latest news and updates on northwest events go to: [flyinglines.org](http://flyinglines.org)

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**McMinnville Aircraft Modelers  
Swap Meet March 16th , 2024  
Yamhill Valley Heritage Center  
11275 SW Durham Ln  
McMinnville , Oregon 97128  
Off HWY 18 just West of McMinnville  
Swap meet opens to public at 9am , entry is \$5.00 per person**

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