

Prop Spinner Chatter



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Club News and Other Information

Last Club Meeting

December 20 – 10 a.m. - Orchard Point Park. Attending were Bill Badstubner, Jim Corbett, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Next Club Meeting

January 17 – 10 a.m. - Orchard Point Park. Rain meeting at Prairie Schooner.

Local Flying

December 19 - John Thompson reports - We had a great meeting and flying session Saturday in our first visit of the season to Orchard Point. Weather was good for flying and the field was in pretty good shape after we moved the soccer goals off the circle.

There was very little wind but the direction was a bit quirky, leading to some unexpected deviations from planned maneuvers.

Participating were Bill Badstubner, Jim Corbett, Mike Hazel, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. We also met Kyle, the camp host, who greeted us warmly.

December 27 - John Thompson reports - We had a good flying session at Orchard Point. Attending were Bill Badstubner, Jim Corbett, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems. The air was almost still and the temperature chilly but we all know how to dress for that. Lots of flying was done.

January 10 - John Thompson reports - We had an outstanding flying session last Saturday at Orchard Point. Perfect winter flying weather. Almost no wind, cool but mild temperature, partly sunny skies and what little breeze there was pointing away from the sun.

Participating were Bill Badstubner, Russ Hester, Dave La Fever, Gene Pape, John Thompson and Gary Weems.

Notes about Orchard Point:

The county parks department is leaving the gate that we use open (a change from past years). If the county suddenly decides to close the gate, the protocol is this: We unlock the gate with our combination lock, which should be in the daisy chain. We close the gate behind us while we are inside, to prevent the general public from coming into the closed area. If the gate is open when we get there, we don't have to close it behind us.

The per-session flying fee at Orchard is \$5, which covers the cost of our county permit. Maximum is \$25, so you can pay it to the treasurer all up front or as you go for five sessions.

Everyone needs to have a valid Lane County parking pass, which you can get at any Lane County Bi-Mart or from the Parks department. Cost is \$40, \$20 for senior citizens, \$5 for one day.

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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:

John Thompson
2456 Quince Street
Eugene, OR 97404

Make checks payable to Eugene Prop Spinners.

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Orchard Point Park – December 20



Mike and Bill ready for the meeting



John flying



Dave, Gary and Gene at the flight line



Gene with show and tell motor



Mike and John almost ready for the meeting



Gary getting lines for his plane



Orchard Point Park – December 27



Bill flying



John launched for Gene



Pits



John flying



Gary flying



Gene flying



Orchard Point Park – January 10 – John Thompson photos



Bill getting ready



Lots of planes ready



Gene starting, Russ holding



Bill, Gary, Russ, Gene and some planes

WOLF News –

1-24 11:30 a.m.
WOLF Annual General Meeting (A.G.M.)
All Good Things Restaurant
190 Main Street, Aumsville, Oregon

Dues for 2026 are \$35.
They can be paid at the meeting if you want to save a stamp.

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Upcoming Model Activities

Feb, 7 Oregon Flying Fun No. 2, Church on the Rise, Roseburg, Ore. Traditional fun fly sponsored by Roseburg area control-line fliers.

March 6-8 - 1/2-A Money Nats, Whittier Narrows Recreation Area, South El Monte, Calif., for F2D Combat and High-Performance 1/2-A Combat.

March 18-21 - Vintage Stunt Championships XXXVII, Danny Lopez Park, Tucson, Ariz., for

Old-Time, Classic, Super 70s and Ringmaster events. Pre-entry required by March 8.

Prop Spinner Club officers

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

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