

FLIGHT LINE

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Nov Meeting Highlights

Attending guests were Canby Duster Club president Terry Criswell and his wife Jackie.

After the reading of the minutes and the state of the treasury reports, Bob Tinsley recounted for us the latest indoor flying session at the local armoury.

It was reported to Gary Cosmer that the website had been offline for about a week. He said that no one had contacted him. If you cannot access the site, and if this lasts more than a day or two, then call or email Chuck Adams and he will contact Gary.

Terry Criswell informed us on the Dusters and how eager they are to help host Pearl Harbour Days, and how to get there. He mentioned that there should be food available.

The expedition to Lake Mayfield Reservoir is planned for Saturday November 20th, to check on the suitability for float flying.

All incumbent officers were renominated. Then they were re-elected.

Show and tell. Gary Norton brought in his partially completed Proctor Nieuport 11, he intends to have it ready for the 49er Qualifier. Gil Soyster showed off his prints of his beavers on floats artwork, and DC3 on floats. He has these for sale, at a great bargain.

Raffle. Marshall Smith now has an inedible Pizza (GWS flying); Bill Ely picked up the Sig Kadet Senior; Guy (almost always gets something) Foreman took the Fuel; Gary

Cosmer has a new Ernst Ultra stand; Dale Talley and Mike Whitney each have another spare glow plug; Jim Kist needs to find a project for his O.S. 46LA; I think Gil Soyster got a trinket, but I wasn't quick enough to record what that was. Thanks to **RC Modeller NW** for the help with the prizes.

Lake Mayfield Expedition

Saturday 20th of November 2004, a delegation of Skyknights rendezvoused at Lake Mayfield Resort near Mossyrock, WA. Several of us had brought aircraft to test the potential site. A few Weaver What' its, and several Magics, and a scale Heinkel floatplane, also one electric aircraft. The campground was nice as were the camp hosts. The flying site was flyable, but very tight.

Pearl Harbour Days

Sunday the 5th of December 2004, a date which probably won't live in infamy. But should be memorable to all who showed up shortly after sunrise to guide or observe this event. There were 15 intrepid pilots brave enough to fly 21 sorties in three flight waves of seven attackers each. The limbo poles never stood a chance, I know that each one was hit at least once; and, most took more than that.

Many thanks to the **Canby Dusters** for graciously allowing us to share their field. I

know that there were many attendees from several of the local clubs, making this a great Metro area event. The **Dusters** ran a concession that included: coffee, hot cocoa, doughnuts, muffins, cookies, and chilli; all for fairly reasonable prices.

The bottom line was that we brought in \$190.00 to donate to the children's cancer fund. Thanks to all for the support.

Bob Balch Award

It's getting late if you have a fellow modeller that you think deserves to be nominated for the SkyKnight annual sportsmanship award. This is intended to identify and thank people who have given extra time and effort to help make our club, and our events successful and worthwhile to be involved in.

Named for deceased club member Bob Balch; who I'm told was a true sportsman, he would help out any and all who needed or requested help. First awarded in 1991, the following people have been recognised with this honour (in chronological order): **Matt Shields; Jerry Holcomb; Dick Hansen; Jim Weaver; Steve Milos; Guy Foreman; Bill Ely; Ron Caspell; Gary Norton; Joe Topper; Barb Anderson; Lorreta Holcomb; and Dale McDonald.**

You might be a redneck pilot if you think GPS means: Going Perfectly Straight.

More Indoor Flying

Bob Tinsley has arraigned the dates for indoor flying at the Armoury. They are as follows: 2005, Jan 5th & 19th; Feb 2nd & 16th; Mar 2nd, 16th, & 30th; Apr 13th & 27th; and finally, May 11th & 25th. Thank you Bob and Terry, you put out a great effort.

Parking at the Field

Now that the wet weather is here, parking is no longer allowed south of the pit

benches. This area gets way too wet and soft, and cars do get stuck in the down grade to the drainage ditch. You may pull up to the benches to load or unload, but park back toward the road and the windsock.

AERONAUTICAL DEFINITIONS:

BALSA- AN EXTREMELY LIGHT SUBSTITUTE FOR GOLD.

Training

If you want help, give one of the instructors a call to make arrangements.

Current instructors are:

Don Curry (temp ph)	503-667-6453
John Fox	503-657-4354
Dale McDonald	503-761-3109
Pete Shull	503-668-2886
Jim Kist	503-669-8208
Mike Whitney	503-668-6405
Steve Martin	503-663-7883

*******CALENDAR*******

2005 Club meetings at Camp Withycombe

Start time is 7:00 P.M.

Jan 10th Feb 14th Mar 14th Apr 11th

Jan 22nd

**Club Banquet at North's Chuckwagon
6:30 PM for info: Bob Tinsley**

Apr

Spring Opener Float Fly, Roslyn Lake

*******Exec board meetings*******

Jan 3rd Gary Cosmer 503-761-2606

Feb 7th Jim Kist 503-669-8208

Mar 7th Chuck Adams 503-658-2955

Apr 4th Bob Raser 503-698-6459

Club Jackets

Chuck Adams will take orders for club jackets; they are available in sizes of large (L), extra large (XL) and extra-extra large (XXL). Other sizes may be available. These come in Wolf Grey with club logo on the

back. Prices are changing. Contact Chuck at (503) 658-2955 to order.

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QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED

Classifieds

Classified ads will be published for 90 days. Ads may be re-published by contacting the Editor. Deadline is the Tuesday before the regular Monday night meeting.

For Sale:

1988 Chevrolet Aircraft Carrier. Holds four fully assembled Proctor Aircraft. Runs like a sewing machine. Always hangared.

Contact: Dick Hansen ph 503-653-2578.

Dremel scroll saw. \$25 or best offer

Contact: Dale McDonald ph503-761-3109

Christmas Shopping Here

Skyknight member Gil Soyster has some prints of his aviation art that he is willing to part with. Two of these are of DeHavilland Beavers on floats. They have sold for \$80 to \$100, but he will sell them to us for \$40. He also has a DC3 on floats this print is of a pencil drawing, and has sold for \$20. All are 16" by 20". He showed these at the December meeting, you may contact him at ph. 503 257 8649, or gilsart@sterling.net



Gil's DC3 on floats pencil drawing



Gil's two Beaver on floats prints

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Dennis Meyer with Magic



Dick Hansen taxis in



Dennis Abernathy and What's It



Expedition HQ



Larry's 3D self design



Terry prepares for flight

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Spot Landing



Tailgating



Bad Attitude



Ran out of Magic and Luck



Jim Weaver



Jennifer Larson loads a Bomb
Pearl Harbour Days photos Courtesy of
Eric Scudder and Jennifer Larson