

FLIGHT LINE

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Dues: still, it's not too late

Bill is still taking dues. Here is his address if you can't make it to a meeting. Bill Ely 7891 S.E. Jefferson Ct., Milwaukie, OR 97267. Adult dues are \$55.00, half price for youth (under 18 yrs old), except free if still attending school. Free youth must reapply each year so that we know you are still interested in belonging to the club.

June Meeting Highlights

President Chuck Adams called the meeting to order, forty eight members and guests were present.

Those guests consisted of: Greg Powell, Brian Williams, Alan Zion; and new member Cory Parsons.

The secretary recited the minutes of the Executive Board meeting the week before; and the treasurer had no report, except to say that dues money is still coming in.

Chuck Adams and Bob Tinsley revealed that all of the monies donated for our effort to hold the NW Model Expo here, are being returned to the donors, with many thanks for the effort and support.

Chuck then called for the major officer and department reports. The only thing of note here was that Mike Whitney reminded everyone to check their engines for compliance with our noise limits. You should do this not only with each new aircraft, but each time you put a new prop (different brand and/or size, as in change of

diameter, pitch, or both), a different engine, muffler; and even just periodically; like the beginning of the season, or after a few months of flying. Also if someone asks you to check your noise level, please just do it to show them that you have nothing to hide. And if you think someone's aircraft is too loud you shouldn't be afraid to ask them to check their noise and prove that they are fine.

Chuck thanked Mike Whitney, Jim Kist, and anyone else who helped out to make the club picnic a success.

The prez also had a few other items: he wants all who attend the meetings to hold their side conversations until after the meeting, so that he and everyone else can hear what is being said by whoever has the floor to speak at the moment. He also asked if anyone will be willing to help organize an executive committee to look into an EXPO in 2005; this will be something of a club long range club planning group. He then asked if there is anyone interested in helping Bill Ely out as a membership assistant to the treasurer.

The youth and new member (temporary card holders) field rules were reviewed.

Steve Martin is the point man for the OMSI youth day at our field this year. It will be on Friday August 20th, 2004.

Nick Smith mentioned that Mrs. Varn will be holding an R/C estate sale on June 26th, to sell Roy's equipment.

Ken Strohmeier asked about the possibility of getting a flying experience for some Candlelighter's, children with leukaemia; at our field, they could be from 6 years old to teenagers. After a short discussion, nothing was decided either way.

For Pine Hollow, we need someone to tow the club trailer up to the site, and we need someone to run the scorekeeping.

At the raffle drawing, Fred Dixon picked a Cap 232 kit, Larry Jensen snagged a HITEC flight pack, Trevor Howell has a new Mini Field Box, and Cory Parsons has a whole new gallon of Morgan Fuels Omega blend to convert from liquid form, into rotational energy, by the release of heat through combustion.

Field Safety

Gary Cosmer reminds us all to visually check left and right as we carry an aircraft out to the taxi area from the pits. While holding a running A/C, you can rarely hear someone calling for a takeoff or landing; or, hear another engine farther away, whether on the ground or in the air. Be careful, and remember that you are not the only one at the field.

Training: Solo Qualifications

Some of the members who have passed their solo flight checkout this year are as follows: **Jerry Helfrich, Doug Roles, Jason Maxfield, Glen Thornton, Brian Williams, Dale Talley, and Trevor Howell.** Congratulations to all of these individuals.

Definitions

Engine failure: what happens when your fuel tank becomes filled-----with air.

Gliding distance: always----one half of the distance between your aircraft, and the landing strip.

Training

Tuesday night training resumed April 6th, if you need help any other time, give one of

the instructors a call to make other 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*******

Aug meeting at Camp Withycombe on the 12th, starting at 7:00 P.M.

July 10th & 11th

**Northwest Seaplane Championship
Pinehollow Resort. CD Dale McDonald**

Aug 6th, 7th & 8th

**Evergreen Scale Rally at Molalla RC
Association field. CD Dale McDonald**

August 20th

**OMSI youth day at the field
Coordinator: Steve Martin**

August 21st & 22nd

**Dawn Patrol & Classic Aeroplane Race
Molalla R/C Assn Field**

Sept 19th

Rubber Ducky at Roslyn Lake

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

Aug 2nd Dale McDonald 503-761-3109

Sept 7th (Tuesday) we need a volunteer

Oct 4th

Nov 1st

Evergreen Scale Rally

Volunteers wanted to help make our premier contest a success. Come on join the team, and get a chance to see some of the

top scale model aircraft up close, and talk to some of the builders/ pilots. This is a great show, and as a helper, you can get even closer than you would as a spectator. Contact Dale McDonald at phone number (503)761-3109; leave a message, if home I will answer, if not will call you back.

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). These come in Wolf Grey with club logos. Prices range from \$33.25 to \$34.25. Contact Chuck at (503) 658-2955 to order.

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.

Wanted: Used R/C Gear

Looking for any kind of R/C gear that you are not using. It will be used to recycle equipment to younger members of the club. Bob Tinsley 503-257-3057

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Jerry Helfrich



Gary Cosmer, Steve Martin, & unidentified



Pete & Adam Shull

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