

FLIGHT LINE

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July Meeting Highlights

The July meeting was called to order under a blue sky, and a hot evening. After Dick Hansen was persuaded to land his airplane, several guests were introduced: John Lowe; Peter Kirkpatrick; Jacob Langley; Matt Rouse; and our guest of honour, Frank Thornburg.

Department reports: Not much to report from the departments this month. The newsletter editor had to apologise; in the rush to get ready for Pine Hollow, I finished the newsletter and got it printed, but; did not forward it to the webmaster for online viewing (got it done that night at home).

Jerry Helfrich advised that for safety, callout when you are walking an aircraft out to the runway, since the grass is tall.

Pinehollow: All preparations are finished.

Expo: Chuck Adams (Prez) reviewed the items discussed at the meeting he held at his home. The bottom line is that we will try to concentrate on getting more members active and interested in the club activities.

Evergreen Scale Rally: Final preparations for Evergreen were briefly gone over. Guy Foreman will handle the windsock Café.

Guest of Honour: Frank Thornburg had been invited to talk about his life experiences in Aviation. He talked about his days helping to design many large flying boats, and the models used to determine how well they would fly. He worked for

several aircraft manufacturing firms; and with a few well known personalities, such as Kelly Johnson when he was at Lockheed. If you missed this, he was invited back; possibly for the September or October meeting. We'll try to have the P.A. system so that everyone can hear him.

Prize Raffle: A \$50.00 gift certificate at Tammie's hobbies went to Glen Thornton, Craig Cook, and John Lowe (each, not to share); Guy Foreman picked out the Hitec Receiver and also picked out a Day-Glo Orange 2005 Pine Hollow hat; Brian Watts got both a motor mount and some CA glue; Andy Tidwell also took a motor mount; Bill Seale got a miscellaneous assortment of parts in a cardboard box; and Andy Waterman has a timer.

Northwest Seaplane Championship at Pine Hollow Resort

After a very unnerving Friday, during which the wind blew hard, steady, and nearly constantly; Saturday and Sunday turned out much improved over the last couple of years. With only 21 registered entries, the first and second rounds of flight went pretty quickly and rather smooth.

Only a brief rain shower during round two sent everyone scurrying for shelter. Most took the opportunity for a lunch break, then back to the flight lines. During a brief pilot meeting, a consensus was reached to try and

“get-er-dun”, and fly round three on Saturday. But Mother Nature didn’t want us to have nothing to do on Sunday. The wind picked up before we could get in the air.

Sunday morning, was even nicer than Saturday; and round 3 went off extremely well. When the water spray settled, and the results tabulated, the top fliers were announced. Then awards were distributed, the raffle prizes drawn for and the pilots drawing prizes all chosen; then it was pack it up and move-em-out time. A huge thanks to all who helped, there were many, but the biggest thanks go to: Jim Weaver, Bob Raser; Pat Williams; and Nelson Scott and his team Jennifer, Amy, and Madison.

Pine Hollow Results:

Electric; 1st Bob Hoover; 2nd Luis Munoz; 3rd Dale McDonald.

Scale Static: 1st Bill Bachman; 2nd Dick Hansen; 3rd Jim Weaver.

Scale Flying: 1st Bill Bachman; 2nd Dick Hansen; 3rd Jim Weaver; 4th Larry Shepard.

Fun Fly: 1st Bob Oeck; 2nd Nelson Scott; 3rd Bill Bachman; 4th Bob Raser; 5th Steve Saylor.

Dawn Patrol & Classic Airplane Race

August 20th and 21st are the dates for this year’s R/C antique airplane show. Come on down and see these **magnificent men and their flying machines**. The site will be Molalla R/C association field

Amity Float fly

There are only two days left for you to attend the Amity float fly in, they are Saturday Aug 13th, and Sunday September 18th.

Field Reminder

Be sure to use your Skyknight card at Orient field & AMA card for guests. So everyone knows that you are current. Keep it in your flight box so you don’t leave it at home.

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

2005 Club meetings at Camp Withycombe

Start time is 7:00 P.M.

Sep 12th Oct 10th Nov 14th Dec 12th

Aug 20th & 21st Dawn Patrol & Classic Airplane race (with Proctor Antic Race) Molalla R/C Assn Molalla, OR

Sep 18th Rubber Ducky Float Fly at Roslyn Lake

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

Sep 6th (Tue) Guy Foreman 503-257-8841

Oct 3rd Steve Martin TBA

Nov 7th Dennis Meyer 503-661-2461

Dec 5th Ardis Hood 503-654-0173

Training

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

Current instructors are:

John Fox 503-657-4354

Dale McDonald 503-761-3109

Mike Whitney 503-668-6405

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Classifieds

Wanted: Plans for a C.G. Senior Falcon. If anyone would let him copy them; contact Jim Alderson at ph # 503 653 7208.

For Sale: Top Flight Gold Edition P51D 65” wingspan. NIB \$120.00

Contact John Fox, at ph # 503 657 4354

For Sale: ex SkyKnight Stan Ransom would like to sell two aircraft: **1)** Goldberg Eagle2, O.S. 46FX, Futaba RX ch12, 4 servos & battery pack, and Futaba pilot assist. Asking \$250; **2)** Goldberg Eaglet 50, O.S. 25FX (new), Futaba RX ch27, 4 servos, battery, asking \$175. Call Stan at 503 654 5860 (he might bring them to the May meeting)

Available: Gil Soyster mentioned that Mike Clancy has helicopter parts that he sold to a club member, and would like to deliver them.

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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Pine Hollow Pictures

Bob Raser and Jim Weaver. Tom Wenzel doing the limbo. Bob Hoover's Electric Whats It. Jennifer sells tickets while Tom looks at his score sheet. Bill Bachman and his award winning Beaver. Dick Hansen's Macci is ready to fly.



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