

The Monthly Newsletter of the Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club

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Next Club Meeting - Tuesday April 17th at 7PM.

Meeting location: Abby's Legendary Pizza, located at 1970 River Road, Eugene.

This meeting is BYOP (Buy Your Own Pizza).

Roger Dahl - President roger@artistry-in-motion.com



Hey All,

One of my favorite things about Spring is watching the days getting longer a little more each day!

It reminds me that summer is coming!

I'd like to invite all our members to

take advantage of our lovely flying field as the weather allows! We really have a nice place to enjoy our hobby!

Join us this month for our club meeting! See you there!

Roger

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AMA Charter #530

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<u>Field Maintenance</u> Jim Corbett



<u>Jeff Lutz – Secretary / Treasurer</u> <u>jefflutz@g.com</u>

Secretary and Treasurers report

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Eugene RC Aeronauts 2018 paid members (54 members paid as of 4/11/18)

Al Barrington	Frank Blain	Dave Carlstrom
Alan Wellentin	Darren Faiman	Oliver Willis
Bill Martins	Gary Morehead	Pat Willis
Brad Werneth	Geral Yarborough	Richard Walker
Chase Colling	Gerald Johnston	Robert Funk
Chick Foster	Jeff Grey	Robert Salle
Chuck O'Donnel	Jeff Lutz	Roger Dahl
Dave Fenner	Darren Thramer	Quinn Aikens
Dave Shiltz	Jim Corbett	Roger Winz
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Don Hansen	John Byrne	Ron Hokenson
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Doug McWha	John Schaad	Scott Fellman
Dale Williams	Kurt Hiner	Theo Willis
Doyle Cook	Mel Graham	Tom Kopriva
Dwayne Graville	Mel Thompson	Warren Edwards
Elizabeth Fellman	Mickey Cohen	Peter Firth
Evan Colling	Mike Burgess	Wayne Warmund

Treasurers report for April 2018

Balance as of March 15, 2018: \$7,064.00

Checks written for:

Jim Corbett field exp. \$31.56 US Bank paper statement fee: \$5.00 Oregon Department of Justice \$20.00 Club Corporation fee: \$50.00 Total expenses for April 2018 \$106.56

Income for March

Member dues \$710.00

Total income for March \$710.00

Balance as of April 11 2018

\$7,667.44

The next meeting is Tuesday April 17 at Abby's River rd. 7:00 p.m. Hopefully the weather will start to change soon and we will be able to take advantage of the new field Jim Corbett has worked so hard on.

Sincerely, Treasurer Jeff Lutz

Meeting Minutes from March 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:05

Treasurers report from read and approved.

Meeting minutes from February read and approved.

Old Business:

Roger is working with Merry Cohen to have a plaque cut as a memorial to Mickey Cohen.

May 26 will be the maiden flight day for the winter build planes as well as a day to remember Mickey and dedicate the new field table Frank will build and install the plaque.

Budget for 2018 was completed and will be included in this newsletter.

New Business:

Meetings at the field this summer will be on the third Saturday of the month. BBQ lunch will be served at 12:00 and the meeting will start at 1:00 p.m.

Signs requiring ID badges be worn will be taken down. Members should not feel like they are forbidden to fly if they have forgotten their ID.

No pilot fees will be required for the Memorial Day and Labor Day fun fly's.

\$1500.00 was approved for a new set of sprinklers to help water the field.

Discussion was brought up about how to attract new members to the club.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

2018 ERCA budget proposal

Income:

Membership renewals: \$3,000.00 New member dues: \$250.00 New members field dues: \$300.00

Donations \$800.00 Event pilot fees: \$600.00 Total: \$4,950.00

Expenses:

AMA charter renewal \$80.00 Club AMA insurance \$40.00 State incorporation fee \$60.00 Field lease \$1,500.00 Field toilet \$550.00 PO box \$70.00 Office supplies \$100.00 Newsletter costs \$65.00 Internet web page \$125.00

Field expenses:

Mower battery \$60.00
Mower belts \$30.00
Mower/pump parts \$100.00
Locks & Keys \$0.00
Gasoline \$700.00
Motor oil/grease \$50.00
Weed killer \$50.00
Fertilizer/grass seed \$300.00
Chairs/tables \$0.00
Pest traps \$20.00
Gravel \$500.00
Field sand \$500.00 ?

Field improvements:

Power station expenses \$100.00 Pit tables and chairs \$0 Rules and info signs \$0 Fire/ first aid/safety \$50.00 Trash disposal \$0

Events & Promotions:

Member awards \$200.00 Pizza Meetings \$275.00 BBQ propane/supplies \$70.00 4 Fun flys food \$200.00 Contest/raffle prizes \$200.00 Field meeting food \$150.00 Advertising/ promotion \$0

Charitable contributions \$200.00

Total expenses \$5,717.00

Projects that would need funding for 2018:

5 pod sprinkler set up \$1,400.00

Field Maintenance Report - Jim Corbett



Watering this summer (input requested)

INFO

The club has voted to buy another 5 sprinkler pods. We have 6 pods now, this will make 11 pods. With the new 2" pump and the second well we should have enough water flow.

This will change the way we water the field. Last year we watered twice a week, west end and east end. This year we will water once a week, alternating weekly between the west and east ends.

Last year we put out the sprinklers (6 pods) twice a week and put them away twice a week. That took four people to do the tasks each week.

This year (with 11 pods) it should only take two people to do the tasks each week.

Last year's schedule (the watering starts in the evening and runs all night long)

West end of runway

Mon evening – Setup - sprinklers, fuel & start pump

Tue morning – Put away - turn off pump & store sprinklers

East end of runway

Wed evening – Setup - sprinklers, fuel & start pump

Thu morning – Put away - turn off pump & store sprinklers

This year's schedule

We can setup on any of the following evenings and put away the morning after that.

Mon, Tue, Wed or Thu

West end of runway one week, east end the next week. (this staggers the placement of the sprinklers to get more even water coverage)

INPUT Requested

What I would like is some input from our members as to which of the days they suggest we schedule the watering?

Please email me with your thoughts.

Also if you would like to volunteer to be part of the watering crew, please let me know.

Jim Corbett

Upcoming events

May 5 - CRCF Swap -n- Shop May 26 - Mickey Cohen Memorial Winter Build Challenge - Maiden day for winter builds



Eugene RC Aeronauts <u>Mickey Cohen Memorial</u> Build Challenge

Maiden day for winter builds will be:
Saturday
May 26, 2018

The main goal of the Winter Build Challenge is to stimulate and encourage traditional model building within the club. It will also be a good platform for sharing modeling techniques and will hopefully provide some good content for our newsletter and Facebook page. Don't be afraid to bring your build to the monthly meetings for show and tell or advice from fellow builders. The WBC is for experienced builders and beginners alike. It's important to know you will NOT be judged at any time on your building skills.

The end game for this event will be a maiden flight party, sometime in the Spring of 2018 (probably May sometime). All entries will be expected to make their maiden flight, one-at-a-time, on that day. If you are not comfortable flying your plane, you can have somebody else do the test flight. After all the maiden flights are done, successful builders become eligible to win prizes or cool stuff yet to be determined.

Here's the Challenge:

Must be a NEW build from a balsa kit or plans. No repair jobs of previously flown aircraft. No ARFs. No foamies.

Previously started kits are okay, but they should have no covering and the framework must be less than 50% completed.

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Models must be radio-controlled, of any size or complexity, and powered with glow, gas, or electric.

To enter, you must post at least one current photo showing the starting point of your project in our newsletter or on the clubs Facebook page. Remember, this is a social event - no secret projects allowed.

To finish the challenge, your plane must be flown at the maiden flight party. The plane must take off, make at least one lap, and land.

The Challenge is open to any AMA member.

For now, let's consider these guidelines to be semi-fluid. There may be good reasons to make some tweaks down the line. It's not like this is a competition. The idea is to challenge yourself, learn a thing or two, and have fun.

If you are a relative newcomer to building, take some time to research your kit options and talk with a few experienced club members for ideas and advice. If you are an established builder, grab a kit out of your stash and start gluing!

Questions, suggestions, comments, or ideas? Contact Jeff Lutz 541-954-8955 jefflutz@q.com

Here is the list of builders I have so far:

Jeff Lutz Great Planes Extra

Frank Blain Top Flite Giant Scale P-47

Mickey Cohen Balsa USA Smoothie XL

Chick Foster Scratch built Astro Hog

Mel Graham UFO with OS 65... Pattern plane

Dwayne Graville Sig Astro Hog

Alan Wellentin Combo of plane and Heli...

Should be an interesting maiden

Pat Willis - Wendell Hostetler Cessna 310 Skymaster

Roger Dahl - Ikon Nwest Waco Biplane

Dave Carlstrom - Goldberg Skylark

Warren Edwards - Sig Four-Star 20 converted to fuel

I have purchased a Sig 40 size cub to raffle of the day we maiden next spring. Every one that builds a plane for the Build Challenge will get a ticket for the raffle. I am also going to have plaques cut for all the participants in the build challenge.

Some Pictures of Build Challenge Projects



Jeff Lutz's Extra 300





Another Jeff Lutz Project





Chick Fosters HOG



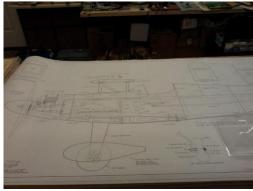
Franks P-47 Wing, Rivets and Panel Lines Ready to Prime



Fuselage Painted

Mel Graham's Arrowmaster





Peeking inside the box of Arrowmaster Kit



Mel found the lumber for the Arrowmaster



Hardware Also

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Recent Field Pictures 2018 - Courtesy of Jim Corbett

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