

The Monthly Newsletter of the Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club

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Deadline for next edition: February 14, 2019

<u>Next Club Meeting</u> – Tuesday January 15th at 7 PM At River Road Abby's Pizza (No Host)



WINTER FLYING RULES

During November, December, January and February on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays no flying is allowed prior to NOON.

DO NOT ARRIVE AT THE FIELD BEFORE NOON.

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Secretary and Treasurers report

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

Eugene RC Aeronauts 2019 paid members (20 members paid as of 1/8/19)

Officers 2019	Members	Quinn Aikens	
Roger Dahl President	Roger Winz	Robert Salle	
Frank Blain Vice President	Michael Guidero	Doyle Cook	
Jeff Lutz Treasurer/Secretary	Chad Gorake	Chuck O'Donnel	
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	Dave Carlstrom	Don Hansen	
	Sam Hiatt	Geral Yarborough	
	John Schaad	Doug McWha	
	Martin Booth		

Accepting membership renewals for 2019 now! Pay dues at the meeting and save time and postage. Renew your AMA membership for 2019 too.

Meeting Minutes November 2018

Meeting called to order 7:10

Meeting minutes and treasurers report read and approved.

Election of officers was held: Results

President: Roger Dahl

Vice President: Frank Blain

Treasurer/ Secretary: Jeff Lutz

Safety Officer: Mike Burgess

- Mike Stafford has donated his planes and parts to the club and Roger had them available for sale.
- Dave Carlstrom mentioned a newsletter that he would like to have our events listed in. I will try to find out which newsletter it is and share our events with the editor.
- Jim Corbett said he would store the wizard mower back in the shed at the field until mowing season comes around and then try to sell it again.
- Winter indoor flying is happening now on Wednesdays at Noon.
 Inside Willamalane sports complex in Springfield. Contact Jim for more info if interested.
- The winter build challenge is going on right now. Maiden flights
 will happen this May. Contact me for info if interested. Pictures
 of the ongoing builds should be in this newsletter.

See you at the January meeting, Abby's River Rd.
7:00 Tuesday, Jan 15
Sincerely Jeff Lutz

Treasurers report for January 2019

Balance as of November 15, 2018: \$6,310.34

Checks written for:

Mike Burgess Field lease: \$1,500.00

Abby's Pizza: \$160.64

Above all sanitation: \$69.75

Total Expenses for Nov-Dec: \$1,730.39

Income for November/ December:

Membership Dues: \$796.00

Total Income: \$796.00

Balance as of January 8 2019: \$5,375.95

- Membership dues for 2019 are now due. Please either mail your dues in or come to the next meeting and pay in person. I would like to see this process not take until the end of summer.
 Members paying late create extra work for me. And as of this time there is no compensation for being the treasurer. SO, HELP ME OUT PLEASE. Pay your dues on time.
- PS we will be discussing upcoming events for the upcoming year at the next couple of meetings so if you would like to see a new event or two happen, come to the meeting and let's make it happen.
- Also, don't forget the Winter Build Challenge is happening now so please feel free to join in with your build. Maiden flights will happen this May. There is still time to build a plane.

Sincerely, Jeff Lutz



Field Maintenance Report - Jim Corbett

Field notes:

The wind has rearranged some of the things at our field.

The weather station has been grounded, and the south sun shield for the pump will need some ties replaced.

The winter flying rules sign at the entrance of our road has gone south for the winter, will get a new one up soon.

(see Field Pictures)

Hopefully I will get those repairs done if the weather improves later this month.

The field was flyable on Jan 7th, not too wet to fly off the runway. The grass was not in need of a mowing yet.

JimC







Eugene RC Aeronauts 2019 Mickey Cohen Winter Build Challenge



Maiden day will be May 18, 2019
See next page for the rules and once again these rules are not set in stone.

NEW EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mickey Cohen Memorial Winter Build Challenge

Maiden day for winter builds will be:

Saturday May 18 2019

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.
- 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.

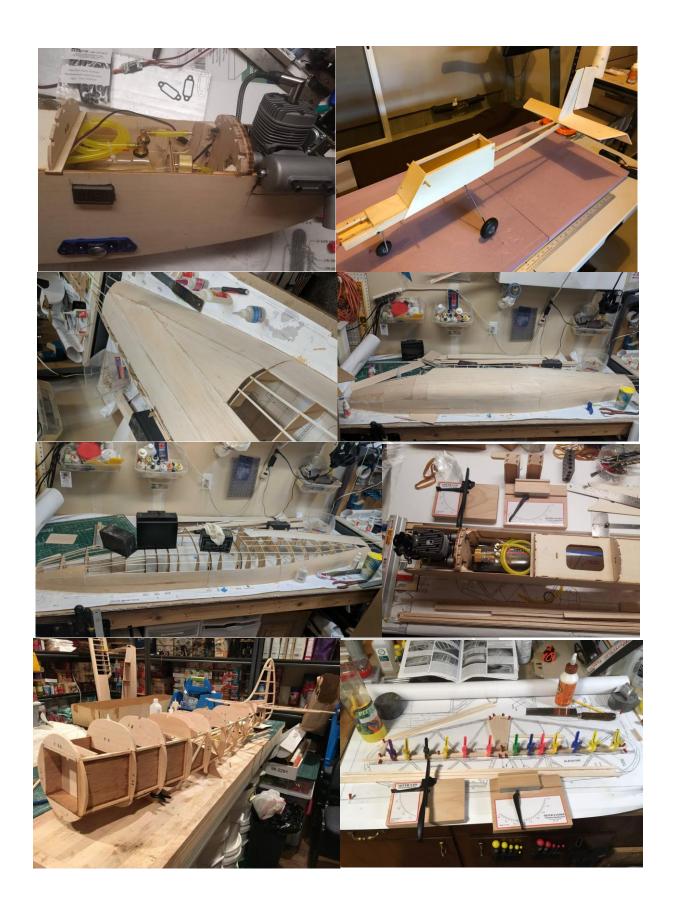
If you are a relative newcomer to building, take some time to research your kit options and talk with a few experienced club members for ideas and advice. If you are an established builder, grab a kit out of your stash and start gluing!

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

Once again, I will have plaques made for every builder that builds and flies a plane. I have contacted Balsa USA and RTL fasteners in hopes of getting a few raffle prizes to raffle off to the builders. At a minimum I will purchase a plane kit to raffle once again, this year. So, get your kits out and get to building. If you've never built a kit airplane maybe this winter is the time.







Recent Field Pictures Jan 7, 2019 - Courtesy of Jim Corbett





November 20 - Meeting and Show and Tell





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