

The Monthly Newsletter of the Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club



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Next Club Meeting – Tuesday, January 16, 2023,
7pm, At River Rd Eugene, Abby's Pizza Parlor

From Our President



Hey All,
Happy New Year!
I trust you all are doing well, and 2024 is
agreeing with you!

This winter weather is good for building
models, and I'm trying to finish up a Smoothie XL while
listening to the rain falling!
I would like to invite you all to come to Abby's Pizza on River
rd. for our first meeting of the year, on the 16th. Pizza and
soft drinks will be provided by the club, and we would like to
collect the remaining member dues at that time.
If you have a "new plane" to show us, bring it along!
Hope to see you all there,
Rog

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Secretary and Treasurers report

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ERCA Members 2024

Officers:

President: Roger Dahl

Vice President: Al Barrington

Secretary/Treasurer: Martin Booth

Safety Officer: Sam Hiatt

As of January 6th:

Renewed Members (21):

Bell, Cecil	Hansen, Donnel	O'Donnell, Chuck
Burgess, Mike	Hoard, Wayne	Rawson, Paul
Carlstrom, Dave	Hokenson, Ron	Salle, Robert
Corbett, James	Lutz, Jeff	Smith, Gary
Edwards, Warren	Madison, Rod	Thomas, Dave
Giessen, Mark	Mattox, Monty	Williams, Dale
Graham, Mel	McClellan, Gary	Yarbrough, GERALD

Members Not Renewed Yet (35):

Anderson, Wally	Goracke, Carl	Shay, Tristan
Bergeron, Rick	Hand, Bill	Stuart, Jim
Blain, Frank	Hiner, Kurt	Thomas, James
Bruckner, Cale	Hunton, Owen	Thompson, AJ
Clark, Jefferson	Johnston, Gerald	Webster, Wade
Clark, Shaun	Lee, Mike	Wellentin, Alan
Cook, Doyle	Martins, Bill	Werneth, Brad
Fenner, Dave	Milbrett, Ken	Willis, Oliver
Firth, Pete	Ostlund, Brian	Willis, Pat
Funk, Brian	Petrie, John	Wilson, Sean
Funk, Robert	Risbrough, John	Winz, Roger
Gmelch, Oliver	Schiltz, Don	

Treasurers Report January 2024

Balance:	Dec 8th, 2023	\$7,146.35
Expenses:	Club house lock	\$25.48
	Total Expenses	\$25.48
Income:	Sales of donated planes & accessories	\$550.00
	2024 Dues	\$355.00
	Total Income	\$905.00
Balance:	Jan 6th, 2024	\$8,025.87

Hello fellow aviators!

Here are the notes from the finance and admin side of the club this month:

- The storage area of the club house now has a new combination lock on it. If you need access to anything in this space, please contact one of the club officers to open it for you.
- 21 club members have now paid their dues for 2024. With the 4 club officers, that brings out total for the renewed 2024 memberships to 25. That leaves 35 members still to renew.
- Please can junior members still fill out the renewal form, so that I can confirm the desire to renew and make sure we have the correct contact information.
- I will have 2024 membership badges ready for the February meeting.
- As this completes my first year as treasurer, I thought I'd do a summary of the income and expenses for the club for 2023. I categorized all the transactions and grouped them up. Here is the summary:

Income:

BBQ Donations	\$	800.00
Donations (Ad-hoc, plane sales, etc.)	\$	2,543.50
Dues & new member fees	\$	4,190.50
Merchandise Income	\$	20.54
MonsterFest Income	\$	2,670.00
Sub-Total	\$	10,224.54

Outgoings:

Above All Sanitation	\$	(1,009.86)
Admin Fees	\$	(509.73)
Club Admin Supplies (Name badges)	\$	(59.96)
Field Lease	\$	(1,500.00)
Field Supplies & Equipment	\$	(4,594.31)
Food (BBQ Supplies or Abby's)	\$	(1,476.06)
MonsterFest Expenses	\$	(1,569.76)
Sub-Total	\$	(10,719.68)
Total	\$	(495.14)

Here are some interesting highlights:

- Donations for food at club meetings and events are significantly lower than the cost of the catering. Some of this is due to the two times the club provided pizza at Abby's (\$440 in total), but we still spent more on the BBQs than we received in donations for them (by about 30%).
- Money raised from donated planes and accessories accounts for nearly 25% of the club income. When you are considering offering a donation for something the club has been given, please consider how valuable this is for the club.
- Overall, the club made a loss of nearly \$500. If the number of donation items is lower in 2024 or if the club membership declines, we may end up with a large loss in 2024.
- At the January meeting, I will have my spreadsheet with the details of all these numbers, so if anyone has any questions, I'd be happy to dig in further.
- Last year I set up PayPal and Venmo for people to pay dues, donations and other things. As we brought in more than \$600 through PayPal payments, I have had to convert the accounts to business accounts for tax purposes. This means you can no longer do "Friends & Family" payments to the club, and we get charged a fee for every incoming transaction. I would ask that, moving forwards, if you wish to pay for something using PayPal or Venmo you add 3% to the amount you send to cover the fee (i.e. dues would be \$72.10 for an adult).

Thanks, Martin



Field Maintenance Jim Corbett



Field care

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.

ERCA watering crew

If you would like to volunteer for 2024, please email me.

We might start mid-May and finish mid Oct.

mailto:james.corbett@comcast.net

Coming Events: Save these dates

- **Club meeting – Tuesday Evening, January 16th, 7pm**
 - **At the River Rd Abby's Pizza, Eugene**
- **Upcoming meeting and event dates**
to be decided at the next meeting – be there to be first to know

Happy New Year and Happy Landings!

Happy Birthday!
To all members
born in the
month of
January

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