

# The Monthly Newsletter of the Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club



## RC AEROGRAM



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*Deadline for next edition: March 9, 2026*



Next Club Meeting – Tuesday, February 17, 2026  
7pm at River Road Abby's Pizza (No Host)



### *From Our President*

Fellow Flyers,

February is upon us, the weather is improving, and the field looks great. All the tables at the February 28th Swap Meet are sold and we have a waiting list. Kudos to Event Manager Ken Milbrett for making this event a reality a second year in a row. Ken will be organizing

swap meet staff at the February 17th club meeting. Roger Dahl will manage club table. At the January meeting the club approved a District 8 Pattern Plane competition for August 8th & 9th. The Contest Director is member, Gary McClellan. This event is a WIP and contingent on FAA approval of an altitude variance to 800 feet. The club also approved the purchase of a second Spektrum DX6 gen2 radio for our wireless Buddy-Box trainer system. I've been working with Roger to get this up and running. Buddy Boxing is a club benefit so if you need some stick time with a trainer reach out to Roger or Ken to schedule a session. There are always things to talk about at the club meeting, so I hope to see you there.

As always, "happy to be here".

DaveT

Note: This month's meeting is **"No Host"**—everyone pays for their own food and drinks. ERCA usually sponsors twice a year, the November and January meetings. Please support Abby's for generously providing the space.

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# Secretary and Treasurers report

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## ERCA Members 2026

### Officers (4):

- President: Dave Thomas
- Vice President: Al Barrington
- Treasury/secretary: Martin Booth
- Safety Officer: Brian Ostlind

As of February 8th, 2026:

### Members (67):

Anderson, Wally	Giessen, Mark	Petrie, John
Avila, Michael	Graham, Mel	Rawson, Paul
Barrington, Al	Gutierrez, Samar	Ray, Blandon
Bell, Cecil	Hansen, Augustus	Risbrough, John
Berger, Andrew	Hansen, Donnel	Schiltz, Don
Bergeron, Rick	Hiner, Kurt	Shay, Tristan
Booth, Martin	Hoard, Wayne	Sinclair, Dan
Bruckner, Cale	Hokenson, Ron	Singer, Solomon
Burgess, Mike	Jenkins, Nolan	Stuart, Jim
Carlstrom, Dave	Kristiansen, Mark	Thomas, Dave
Carmichael, Jesse	Leavitt, Lester	Thomas, James
Clark, Jefferson	Lee, Mike	Trujillo, Mark
Clark, Shaun	Lutz, Jeff	Von Moos, Larry
Cook, Doyle	Madison, Rod	Walsh, Adam
Cook, John	Maris, Richard	Webster, Wade
Corbett, James	Mattox, Monty	Wellentin, Alan
Dahl, Roger	McClellan, Gary	Werneth, Brad
Dziura, Eric	Milbrett, Ken	Willis, Hudson
Edwards, Warren	Moffett, Brad	Willis, Pat
Firth, Peter	Monsen, Samuel	Wilson, Sean
Fitts, William	Montgomery, Roger	Winz, Roger
Funk, Brian	O'Donnell, Chuck	Yarbrough, Geral
Funk, Robert	Ostlind, Brian	

## Treasurers Report January 2026

Balance:	January 10th, 2026	<b>\$9,806.97</b>
Expenses:	Abby's Pizza - Club Meeting	\$195.42
	Purchase of transmitter from Richard Maris	\$150.00
	Dump fees - DaveT	\$14.00
	Business cards - DaveT	\$20.98
	Above All Sanitation - monthly service	\$120.51
	PO Box Renewal	\$196.00
	AMA Club Charter & Insurance	\$135.00
	Oregon DoJ Charities Annual Filing Fee	\$20.00
	Additional name badge laminates	\$17.99
	Purchase of Tx case for buddy boxing Tx	\$30.00
	Oregon Business Filing	\$50.00
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$949.90</b>
Income:	Dues & new member fees	\$710.58
	Swap meet table fees	\$226.19
	Sale of plastic case	\$20.00
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$956.77</b>
Balance:	February 8th, 2026	<b>\$9,813.84</b>

### Other notes:

- Swap Meet tables are now sold out and all table holders have paid.
- We purchased a used transmitter and case to improve the buddy box set up that Roger used for club instruction.
- Our Secretary/Treasurer has taken care of the following annual club paperwork: renewing our AMA Charter, IRS registration renewal, Oregon charitable status renewal, Oregon business registration, and the PO box renewal.
- For the AMA Charter, we have regained the "Gold Leader Club" status. When we have the updated certificate, it will be posted on the website and in the club house.

Thanks, Martin

A former member, **Len Stolfo**, sent us a link to a video that he put together for **MonsterFest 2015**. A blast from the past he thought we might be interested in sharing it with members. Thank you, Len. [Video](#)

**From our Safety Officer: Brian Ostlind**, "Ask about the club trainer and buddy box for new pilots and/or veterans who need to dust off the cobwebs at the start of the season!"



## Field Maintenance

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### 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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\* **From our Landowner, Mike:** regarding hunting season. We can arrive at the field at 10:00 AM Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday for the "next few weeks".

I guess the "next few weeks" includes the balance of January and February?

### **From our Events Manager:**

We have scheduled our swap meet for Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at the Irving Grange, same place as last year.  
Load in stats at 8:30 AM and the main doors will open from 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM for the public.  
All 25 tables have been sold.

[Swap Meet Flyer](#)

Thanks,

**Ken Milbrett**

Events Manager- Eugene RC Aeronauts  
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## Coming Events: Save these dates

- Tue Feb 17 - Meeting At Abby's
- Sat Feb 28 - Swap Meet
- Tue Mar 17 - Meeting At Abby's
- Sat Apr 18 - Meeting At Field
- Sat May 16 - Meeting At Field
- Mon May 25 - Memorial Day fun fly
- Sat Jun 20 - Meeting At Field
- Sat Jul 4 - Warbird fly in
- Sat Jul 18 - Meeting At Field
- Sat & Sun - Aug 8-9 - Pattern Plane competition
- Sat Aug 15 - Meeting At Field
- Aug 21-23 - MonsterFest
- Mon Sep 7 - Labor Day fun fly
- Sat Sep 19 - Meeting At Field
- Tue Oct 20 - Meeting At Abby's
- Tue Nov 17 - Meeting At Abby's
- No December Meeting

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

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