



RC AEROGRAM

The Monthly Newsletter of the Eugene RC Aeronauts Flying Club

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Next Club Meeting – Tuesday April 18th at 7PM.

The meeting will be at Abby's Legendary Pizza located at 1970 River Road, Eugene.

These meetings are a great time to bring your project or new bird for show and tell to share.

Presidents Report – Roger Dahl

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Hi All,

The wet weather seems to be putting up a fight, but I have faith that we will see more sun soon!

I want to say thanks to Jim Corbett, who has outmaneuvered the weather to mow the field for the first time this year, and as we get some more dry weather, and after a work day, we should be in great shape for our first fly-in on Memorial Day! Also thanks to Al Barrington, who brought out his gravel road fixer upper, and spent some time fixing the road!

I look forward to a good year at the flying field!

Stay safe,
Rog

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Treasurer's Report – Jeff Lutz

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Treasurers report April 2017

Balance as of March 14, 2017: **\$6,364.68**

Checks written for:

Oregon Department of Justice: **\$20.00**

Jim Corbett field expenses: **\$59.98**

US Bank service charge for paper statement: **\$5.**

Total expenses: \$84.98

Income for March:

Member dues: **\$475.00**

Total income for March: \$475.00

Balance as of April 10, 2017: **\$6759.70**

Lets hope the weather starts to dry out so we can start getting some flying in. I have resorted to installing bush wheels on my 1/4 scale cub just in case it doesn't dry out soon. See you at the next meeting.



Secretary's Report – Dave Fenner dbfenner@comcast.net



ERCA minutes for March 21, 2017 meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. at Abby's Pizza on River Road. The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. The minutes for the February meeting were read and approved.

Under Old Business:

Pat discussed the upcoming Monster Fest. It was decided that the entry fee will be \$30 for all 3 days; and that the event will be open to "all size" airplanes.

-The event will run for 3 days -- Friday, August 18th through Sunday, August 20th.

-Brad agreed to be the Contest Director for the Monster Fest.

-Pat agreed to search for donors for the event.

-There will be 1 raffle drawing on Saturday, and 1 drawing on Sunday.

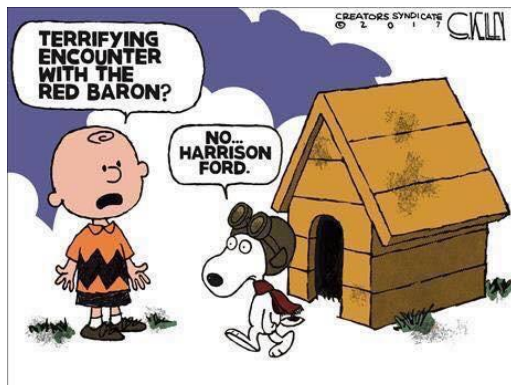
-A food vendor will be provided on Saturday.

Under New Business:

-A Creswell Swap Meet will be held in May.

-It was announced that there is a need for a new load of gravel for the driveway.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.





Flying Safety

If you are the first one at the field, open the club house.

That is where the first aid kit and fire extinguisher are.

1. Fly with a buddy.
 - a) To spot.
 - b) To assure the field is clear for take-off and landing.
 - c) To assure others on the flight line hear announcements.
 - d) To assist if your plane goes down.
 - e) To assist in starting.
2. Follow the flight pattern to avoid mid-air collisions.
3. Dead stick has the right of way.
4. Do not take-off or land with anyone on the field.
5. Announce or pass along.
 - a. Entering runway.
 - b. taking off.
 - c. Dead stick landing.
 - d. Landing.
 - e. On the runway.
6. Fly within the boundaries and not over any restricted areas (Mike's house).
7. Never fly over or in the direction of the pits.
8. Do fly within your skill limitations. We all need to push the envelope a bit, that's how we progress, but pushing it too hard too fast can have nasty results.
10. Don't fly the aircraft too far away, it doesn't take long for an RC aircraft to become a tiny dot in the distance, and you have no idea what the aircraft is doing, which way is up.
11. Don't turn on a MHz transmitter if you see other modelers around. Check which frequency band they are using first; they also could be using a MHz TX so you need to be aware of the potential clashes.
12. Do not taxi in the pit area.

2017 ERCA Upcoming Events

*May 16th Membership Meeting at Abby's, River Road *NH @ 7PM.*

May 29th Memorial Day Fun Fly.

June 20th Membership Meeting at ERCA Flying Field @7PM. ERCA will provide burgers, hot dogs and drinks. You are encouraged to bring a side dish, deserts, chips or make a cash donation.

July 4th Warbird Fun Fly

July 18th Membership Meeting at ERCA Flying Field @7PM. ERCA will provide burgers, hot dogs and drinks. You are encouraged to bring a side dish, deserts, chips or make a cash donation.

August 15th Membership Meeting at ERCA Flying Field @7PM. ERCA will provide burgers, hot dogs and drinks. You are encouraged to bring a side dish, deserts, chips or make a cash donation.

August 18th, 19th and 20th Monster Fest.

September 4th Labor Day Fun Fly.

*September 19th Membership Meeting at Abby's, River Road *NH @7PM.*

*October 17th Membership Meeting at Abby, River Road
NH @ 7PM

*November 21st Membership Meeting at Abby's, River Road,
Hosted by ERCA @7PM.*

FAA Requires RC Aircraft Registration

Don't forget to renew your AMA membership and register to receive your required FAA number which must be on all your aircraft, the number must be visible without having to dig through the airplane. This applies to any RC aircraft weighing over ½ lb. Also remember that AMA requires that you have your AMA number or your name and address affixed to each aircraft. AMA sells great preprinted labels for your convenience.

HERE IS THE LINK TO REGISTER: <http://www.faa.gov/uas/registration/>

2017 ERCA Club Contacts

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April Birthdays



Farrell Bird 4/5
Gerald Johnston 4/9
Len Stolfo 4/23
Dave Carlstrom 4/24
Rex Leshner 4/30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL

Note from the Editor

This newsletter belongs to all the members of ERCA. If you have some input, a project or a for sale item you would like in the newsletter send it to mickeyn83mc@comcast.net

**WHEN YOU GET TO THE FLYING
FIELD AND REMEMBER YOUR
TRANSMITTER IS STILL AT HOME
ON THE WORKBENCH.**



Active Projects

If you have a build project that's new or have updates to a project we showed in a previous newsletter please send some pictures along with information about the project so that we can share it in the newsletter. New additions to your hangar are also a great item to share. Send some pictures of your shop.



Check out something different in radio control.

No need to wait for the field to dry out.



From eastbound beltline (Hwy569) take delta hwy north exit or from westbound beltline take delta hwy valley river exit and turn right. Follow north through traffic light of GREEN ACRES AND DELTA HWY about 1/8 mile past Eugene sand and gravel and the last building which is a county building on the left is a driveway. Take GATE 4 entrance. (GRAVEL ROAD) You will see the pond. We are on the west side of pond. This is all near HOME DEPOT AREA

2017 Racing Season is HERE!!!
Dust of those hulls and polish your props!

- Fun run March 5
- Race 1 March 19
- Race 2 April 9
- Fun run April 23
- Race 3 May 7
- Race 4 June 4
- Race 5 July 16 (Emerald Cup)
- Race 6 August 6
- Race 7 September 17

Other Fun runs, Tests and tunes will be added throughout the season as needed.

Gates open at 8:00 am racing starts at 10:00 am. 10 dollars for a day of racing. race all the classes you want. NAMBA card is required for racing.

Some of the exciting classes this year will be 1/12 scale/ Pspec, 1/10 scale hydro, tunnel hull nitro and electric, A mono, Pspec outrigger, stock gas and mod gas!



SWAP & SHOP

Shop for Radio Control
Airplane, Boat, Car and Helicopter related items

Saturday May 27, 2017

At the Creswell Community Center
Swap & Shop Hours: 9 am - 3 pm
General Admission - \$3 at the door

Pre-pay for a table - \$20 Setup Hours: 8 am - 9 am
(Contact Bill Hastings for a form)

Raffle for a
HOBBICO
NEXSTAR



Raffle tickets \$5 - will be sold at the swap meet.

Driving Directions to Creswell Community Center, So. 1st St. & C St., Creswell
Take I-5 to exit 182 (Creswell), turn west and cross the rail road tracks, turn left on 1st street.

Contact: Bill Hastings 541-895-2495 wehastings@centurytel.net for information.

CRCF 2017 Events **Fun Fly n Swap, Sat. June 24**
Paint Ball Shoot and Fun Fly July 22

Club Web Page: creswellrcflyers.org

CRCF Swap & Shop 2017

Attention Float Flyers and those that want to give it a try.

Greetings:

The Benton County Radio Control Club (Adair) does a monthly float fly at a pond just south of Corvallis. Especially during the summer months, this can be a great time to enjoy a change by demonstrating your skills flying off of water. Last summer we initiated an Associate Member program for members of other local clubs, allowing AMA members to fly with us. The Associate Membership is \$10 per year. Normally this is done on the third Sunday of each month, starting at about [9:00](#) in the morning. It is a private pond but is an AMA approved site with agreement between our club and the Corvallis airport. As a private property we fly with the permission of the owner for members only which gets granted each month. The current coordinator is Jeff McNutt and he sends out a reminder each month. This month it conflicts with Easter Sunday so it's being moved to the next Sunday, the 23rd. If you're interested in joining us at the pond, give Jeff a call at [541 738 6001](tel:5417386001) or call/email Dave Young our Secretary at [541 760 6290](tel:5417606290), email 3oregon@comcast.net.

Regards,
Dave Patana, President





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