



RC AEROGRAM

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Next Club Meeting – Tuesday August 23rd at 7PM. The meeting and potluck dinner this month will be held at the flying field. Come out early and get some flying in before the business meeting.

We will have potluck dinner before the business meeting while enjoying some flying and camaraderie with each other. The club will provide hot dogs, burgers, buns and condiments. To make a pot luck successful and fun PLEASE bring something to share. We always have a lot of chips so bring a salad or maybe a desert to share.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO BROUGHT A DISH FOR THE JULY MEETING.

This is a great opportunity to bring your project or new bird for show and tell to share.



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Presidents Report – Roger Dahl roger@artistry-in-motion.com



Hey All,

Summer is cooking on by!

I hope you all are having a great year!

We managed to have a good "Warbird Fun fly" on the 13th of August, and had far fewer crashes than we usually do, but a failed elevator s servo took my OV-10 out of action in spectacular fashion! Waiting in the

wings, however, was my new C- 47, built from a Top Flite kit, and it has about 4 flights on it now! The sound of twin four stroke engines singing in unison puts a smile on our faces! I want to thank all those who helped to make it a successful event this year! Dave Fenner for the ARF raffle

Prize donation, Jeff Lutz for donating the nice laser cut prize plaques, and to our field maintenance crew for giving us something green to land on!

Also, thanks to the Kiwanis Club for handling our food needs! We had some R/C donations made to the club at the event, and I am sorting, and testing for the upcoming swap meet in Albany, but if you need anything, let me know!

Last week, we had a small work party donate their time and labor to install the Geotex fabric over the carefully smoothed gravel, but apparently we did something wrong, as the fabric has not shrunk to a tight finish, as advertised! We will do some checking on this, and figure out a game plan for "ironing out" this problem! Stay tuned!

Plan on making our next meeting a flying good time by bringing something to fly, and we will provide something to eat as we usually do! Jeff Lutz has promised some of his baked beans, which go great with burgers or hotdogs, and if you can bring something to go along with that, just bring it! A \$5.00 donation helps to cover the costs for those who can contribute.

See you Tuesday afternoon, and if the wind is blowing hard, bring a kite!□

Rog

Treasurer's Report – Jeff Lutz jefflutz@q.com



Report for August 2016

Balance as of July meeting **\$7779.91**

Checks written for:

- BBQ supplies* \$28.03
- Jim Corbett field expenses* \$2,043.72
- Tri County fire ext. check up* \$30.00
- Above all sanitation* \$65.00
- Office supplies* \$25.98
- Mickey Cohen pit table supplies* \$45.86
- Roger Dahl trencher rental* \$74.00

***Total debits* \$2312.00**

Income:

- Sold donated plane parts* \$40.00
- Warbird fun fly pilot fees* \$160.00
- Raffle ticket sales from fun fly* \$245.00
- New member fees* \$125.00

***Total credits* \$570.00**

***Balance as of 8/23/16* \$6073.07**

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



For those of us who have been enjoying the sheer joy of flying our RC aircraft at the well-maintained ERCA field this summer, but aren't necessarily aware of why the field is in such good shape considering the hot weather, I just want to call attention to the hard work and long hours that Jim Corbett, among others, has put in.

Every time I go out to the field to fly (about 4 times/week) or set up for watering, Jim is there, either mowing, tweaking the pump, painting the grandstands (last week), putting down weed killer, or leveling the gravel for the Geotech field. Some know how hard he has been working at the field, along with many others (Roger and Jeff, to name two, and I know there are more)...but I just wanted to acknowledge the hard work some of our members have put in this flying season to make the field so enjoyable for the rest of us. I, for one, truly appreciate it, especially whenever I land my warbirds with those somewhat fragile retracts! Thanks, Jim, and the rest of the guys who have put in such good effort to maintain and improve our flying field.

Safety Report – Mike Burgess mikeshanb@hotmail.com

Nothing to Report



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2016 Upcoming Events

August 23^d Membership Meeting at the Field @ 7PM.

September 5th Labor Day Fun-Fly, All Day.

September 27th Membership Meeting at Abby's Legendary Pizza, River Road *NH @ 7PM.

October 25th Membership Meeting at Abby's Legendary Pizza, River Road *NH @ 7PM.

November 22nd Membership Meeting at Abby's Legendary Pizza, River Road @ 7PM.

***NH-No Host**, you purchase your own food and drinks.

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/>

Birthdays August 20th thru September 27th



Dave Bennett Jr. 9/3
John Byrne 9/26
Dwayne Graville 8/29
David Simington 9/8
Mel Thompson 9/3
Brendan Van Ryzin 9/18

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.

Roger Dahl has completed his DC-3 / C-47 built from a Top-flight kit with many Roger mods. It is a beautiful airplane. One thing for certain Roger does know how to paint. The airplane first came to the field on August 13th for some taxi testing and had its successful maiden on the morning of August 20th. With the twin Saito's it sounds like a full scale DC-3. Best of luck with your Gooney Bird Roger.



Taxi Testing



Interesting Maneuver, Causes the Heart to Pause

Last Months Activities

On July 30th several members of ERCA attended the Creswell R/C Flyers Float Fly at Dexter Lake. It was a great event at a beautiful location. For those of you that have yet to try float flying think about giving it a try. You will be hooked.



On August 13th ERCA held the first Warbird Fly-in. The weather was spectacular, wind non-existent until the afternoon and a field full of pilots, airplanes and visitors. There were great prizes including gift certificates, plaques for category awards and a P-51 that was raffled. The Kiwanis Club from Veneta was there to feed folks with great burgers and hot dogs.



Jeff keeping the Bank Account Full



Roger Doing Some Training and Recruiting



Lots of Aero-Planes



Warren About to Touchdown



Jims Bird



Franks P-51 on Maiden Fligh



Roger's Bronco OV-10 After Elevator Loss



Mickey's Great Plains Skybolt



Warren Having a Great Day



Al on Another 1 Hour Flight



Dave Hard at Work



A Call to His Agent (Is That Khoi on the Line)



Marty's Winner