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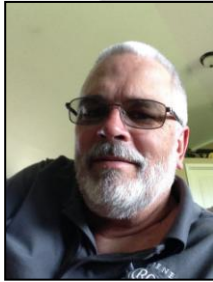
November 2017

Next Club Meeting – Tuesday November 21st at 7PM.

Meeting location: Abby's Legendary Pizza, located at 1970 River Road, Eugene.

This meeting is hosted by ERCA. In simple terms FREE PIZZA.

Roger Dahl – President roger@artistry-in-motion.com



Hey All,
We will be needing to vote for club members, so if you would like to make a nomination, make it known at our next meeting!
See you at the meeting! Rog

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Treasurers report for November 2017

Balance as of October 11, 2017: \$7193.39

Checks written for:

Linksky Webhosting: \$119.40 for website

Above all sanitation: \$65.75

Total expenses for October: \$185.15

Income for November 2017:

Membership dues: \$55.00

Donation \$15.00

Total income for November 2017: \$70.00

Balance as of November 14,, 2017: \$7,078.24

At this months meeting the pizza is on the club and the elections for club officers are being held so come to Abby's River Rd., have some pizza and cast your vote.

I have updated the Winter Build Challenge page with a list of builders and the planes they are building. Also a date in May has been set for the maiden day of the winter builds. Even if you are not building a plane it will be a fun day to come out and see some cool kit builds take to the air.

See you at the meeting, Jeff



ERCA Minutes for October 2017

The meeting began at 7:04 p.m. at Abby's Pizza on River Rd.

Under Old Business:

- The Porta-Potty service was cancelled for the year.*
- The field was mowed for the first time since reseeding on 10/17/17.*

-Jim C. reported that costs for refurbishing the runway are approximately \$1,100.

Under New Business:

- Elections for club officers will be held at the November meeting at Abby's on River Road.*
- Members discussed the possibility of finding a new meeting location that is quieter than the current Abby's location.*
- Members discussed ways to bring in new club members and new club officers.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

I suspect that I am not alone in that I sorely missed being able to fly during those last couple of months of the flying season on our main field while it was being resurfaced. I do not take for granted the privilege we have of a local RC club, a local field in a nice setting in which to practice our hobby. When the next season rolls around, I will take full advantage of "getting back in the air" and enjoying the pure pleasure of flying my warbirds.

Along with the fun of flying comes the responsibility of helping the club any way we can. For some of us, that may mean helping maintain the field...for others, participating in events, and for others, taking leadership positions. I do know that we can all do something -- whatever our schedules and our daily lives allow. I'm encouraging all of us -- myself included -- to get out there and have fun come next spring, but also to do whatever we can to grow the club and the sport.

Happy Flying,

Dave

2017 ERCA Upcoming Events

HAPPY THANKSGIVING
THAT'S ALL FOLKS!

2017 ERCA Club Officer Contact Info.

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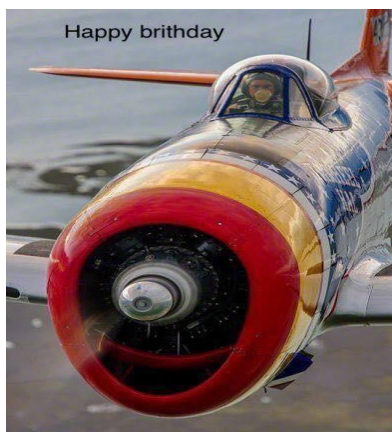
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November Birthdays



Doyle Cook 11/15
Robert Salle 11/23
Denny Cannard 11/24
Michael Guidero 11/24
Wayne Wahrmond 11/26
Jon "Todd" Goss 11/2

ERCA Winter Build Challenge

Maiden Day for Winter Build Challenge is: May 19th

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. Its 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 someone 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

Here is a list of the builders committed so far:

<i>300s</i>	<i>Jeff Lutz</i>	<i>Great Planes Extra</i>
<i>P-47</i>	<i>Frank Blain</i>	<i>Top Flite Giant Scale</i>
<i>Smoothie XL</i>	<i>Mickey Cohen</i>	<i>Balsa USA</i>
<i>Astro Hog</i>	<i>Chick Foster</i>	<i>Scratch Build</i>
<i>Pattern Plane</i>	<i>Mel Graham</i>	<i>UFO with OS65</i>
<i>Aeromaster</i>	<i>Mel Graham</i>	

Astro Hog

Dwayne Graville

Sig

*Combo Airplane
/ Heli.*

Alan Wellentin

*Should be an interesting
Maiden!*

Skymaster

Pat Willis

Wendell Hostetler

Waco Biplane

Roger Dahl

Ikon Nwest

Skylark

Dave Calstrom

Goldberg

Some Pictures of Winter Build Challenge Projects



Jeff Lutz's Extra 300



Jeff Lutz's Extra 300



Chick Fosters Hog



Chick Fosters HOG



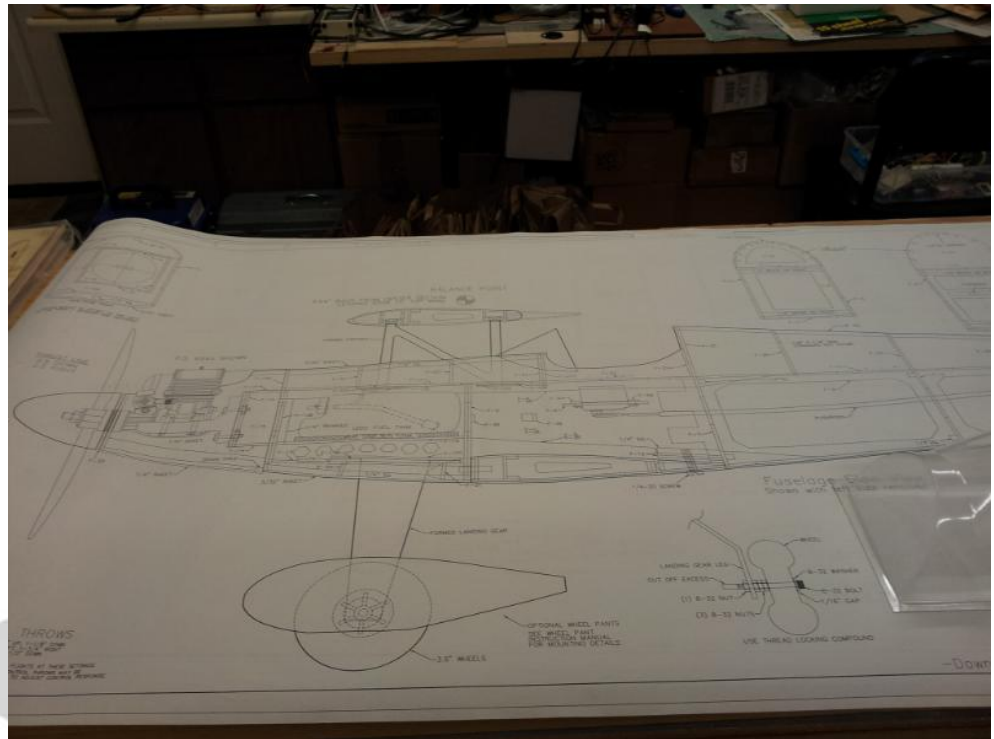
Franks P-47 Fuselage Painted



P-47 Wing, Rivets and Panel Lines Ready to Prime



Mel Graham's Arrowmaster



Peeking inside the box of Arrowmaster Kit



Mel found the lumber for the Arrowmaster



Hardware Also

ERCA runway redo 2017 progress

*November 12 – Main runway ready for flying
The grass is green and has been mowed three times.*



*As this is the WET time of year
use caution flying from WET
the grass.*

*IF you leave muddy footprints
walking on the runway, your
wheels will most likely throw
mud on your aircraft.*