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# The Clark Flyer March 2007



As we move into spring, we have scheduled Fun Fly's and scale contest's to start out the summer flying season. Once again, our club is

blessed to have members that willing donate their time to put together these events. In years past they have proven to be such a great time and enjoyed by all.

Ed Wiese and Ted Atmore have been spending time with the ROTC group from Prairie High School. They have conducted ground school and are working with the ROTC commander to schedule flights for the cadets involved. Ted has asked for any members that can make a donation of time and or supplies to help with the cadets finishing their planes to please contact him or Ed. Once again our club is blessed to have these members doing the volunteer work that they do. Thanks ever so much.

Dick Teason asked me to contact the Pearson Air Museum concerning a summer program they are having with the youth of Clark County. I have sent the director an email and I will keep the membership posted.

We had some disturbing news at the meeting about a member who has given up on model aviation due to a disability. Our field falls short on some accessibility issue's however the club will do what ever is needed to assist in any way, any member that needs assistance. If you have special needs of any kind, please talk with any board member or member and as a group we will make the field work for you and lend assistance as needed.

It is time to clean out the work shop. On April 15 we are having a fun fly from 9 to 12 followed by a swap meet from 12 to 3. The field will be closed to open flying until 3 pm. Here's a chance to clean up the shop and make some spending money. Last year was a huge success.

Just got home from the fun fly. John Shirron did a great job of running the meet and a huge Thanks to Dave and Nancy Koon for the donuts and coffee. (Dave was insistent concerning the placement of a table cloth and plants on our breakfast table. It was a nice touch and we all felt like we were having breakfast at the Waldorf. Nice touch Dave. ) It was wonderful. We had 4 different events and 4 different winners, however at a fun fly everyone is a winner. We were also treated to watching a turbine powered helicopter fly after the fun fly. I was impressed. The next fun fly will have some pylon racing included, so get the 15 powered planes dusted off or built and be ready.

See ya all the field, Dave

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# Meeting Minutes March 14th, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by President Dave Agar

The minutes from last meeting were posted on the web site.

A discussion was held about the 2 scale contests that are coming up. These events are being run by Larry Tate. The first event is a practice meet and is on April 7 with a rain date of April 8. The second event is the contest and is scheduled for September 22 with a rain date of September 23. This is a stand off scale contest.

The fun fly is March 18 with John Shirron as the CD.

We will be having a work party on March 31 to spread gravel around the pit area and taxiway to try and fill in some of the low spot's. Thanks to ED Weise for getting the prices for rocks.

We have a club member who has a friend that will seal our runway for a lot less money that our other price quotes. This will most likely happen in the spring. The field closure will be posted.

If you fly with a Spectrum Radio, you are required to post your club card on the frequency board.

Ted Atmore and Ed Wiese briefed the membership on the ROTC program that they are working with at Prairie High School. They have conducted ground school and will be giving flight lessons soon.

Steve Piper gave a treasures report. We have \$6,534.49 in the bank. Steve is planning on moving \$1000.00 into a CD which will be the field fund.

Steve Piper asked about having a club trainer at the fun fly events.

Ted Atmore asked about Community Service grants to help with some of the costs so that the members of the ROTC group can complete their planes.

The April fun fly will be held on April 15 from 9 to noon. It will be followed by a swap meet being or-

ganized by Randy Boardman from 12 to 3. Dave Agar is the CD for this fun fly.

John Shirron talked about mailing newsletters to some members and supplying them to the local hobby shops.

Larry Tate had his Tiger Moth on display.

Dave Agar had his Chipmunk on dispalay.

Mike Akers won the raffle.

The criers raffle went unclaimed so next month is in the neighborhood of \$120.00 for the winner.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45



March Raffle: Seagull PC-9 40 ARF Won by Mike Akers

With a new year and new members, I am starting a list of people who would like to purchase either a club hat or club badge. They cost



\$10.00 each or 2 for \$20.00 (what a deal). Please



email me (jreshirron@wanet.com) if you would like to order either one of these fabulous fashion items. When I get enough requests, I will submit the order. Vol 07 Issue 3, March 2007 Page 3

# **FUN FLY REPORT**

We held our first fun fly of the year on March 18th. While the weather was a bit dicey to begin with it ended up being a beautiful day. Nancy and Dave Koon made us all feel at home with a lovely



Creative Place setting. Courtesy of Nancy and Dave Koon
Photo by Ken Blanding

place setting and a lot of donuts and coffee.

Thanks!!!

We started the fun fly with an event called Fast & Slow. The plane flies a straight course twice. First pass is for all out speed. (Diving plane is



Scott Malone's Citabria Photo by Ken Blanding

NOT allowed.) Second pass is flown slowly as possible, maintaining reasonable altitude and course. Largest difference in the two times wins. Time starts at when plane crosses the end of the runway. Time stops when plane crosses the other end of the runway. While

their were a couple of vocal opponents to this event, most enjoyed it. The top three finishers were Scott Malone, John Shirron and Randy Boardman.

The second event, Climb & Glide, the Pilot is given 30 seconds after takeoff to climb high as possible. At 30 seconds, the engine is stopped. Throttle is advanced to prove dead engine. Landing must be on runway. High time wins. In the event of a tie, the plane landing closest to the intersection of the runway centerlines will win. The top three finishers were Dave Agar, John O'Rourke and Ed Weiss.

The next event was Precision Touch and Go. There are lines painted on the runway. The object is to do as many touch-n-go's as possible within a 2-minute time limit within the two lines, without touching the ground outside the lines. You get as many passes to get as many touches between the lines as you can within. The top

three finishers were Dave Yardes, Greg Agar and Randy Boardman.

The object of the next event, Taxi Races, is a contest is to race planes on the ground with their wings for one lap around cones that will be placed on the runway centerline, 150 feet apart. Steering will be by rudder and / or nose gear. Two racers will race at a time. Each one will start at opposite



Randy Boardman and his Morris knife attempt to bust the balloon. Photo by Ken Blanding

ends of the runway on opposite sides of the centerline. At the start, the nose of the plane must be even with the cone and make one lap, rounding each cone finishing at the cone where they started the race. The race will start at the word Go from the CD and end when the last plane crosses the finish line. It was a single elimination tournament. Contestants participate at their own risk and are responsible for their own collision re-

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pairs. Thankfully there were none. The top three finishers were John Shirron, Dave Yardes and to break the balloon or stick the points will be Greg Agar.



John Shirron's Stick hitting the string but not breaking it. Photo by Ken Blanding

In Balloon Bust, the object is to hit and break a balloon that is attached to a pole on the field. Time will start when the plane leaves the ground and will end when the plane lands on the field.

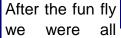


A great turnout for the first Fun Fly. Photo by Ken Blanding

Yes, if it lands in pieces it will count as long as at least the stick was broken. The pilot may pass

up wind or down wind. Each pilot will get 3 tries based on when the pilot breaks the balloon. Time

will be a tie breaker within equal scoring points. Since I was the only one who even connected with the string or balloon (see photo) I declared myself the winner.





A free for all balloon bust. Photo by Ken Blanding

treated to a unique flying experience by Scott Malone who flew his turbine helicopter. Very impressive Scott.

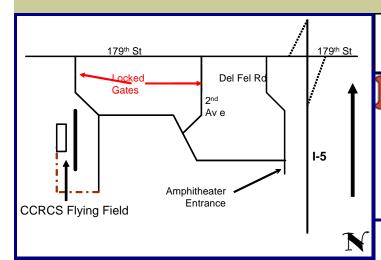


Scott Malone's Turbine powered helicopter. Verv Cool. Photo by Ken Blanding

Thanks again to Nancy and Dave Koon for the breakfast and ambiance and to all those that braved the weather and came out. See you next time.

John Shirron

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# **Directions:**

Exit 9 from I-5 (Battle Ground Fairground exit) Head west to 2nd Ave. There are two ways to get to the field. Spectators and club members can use the Amphitheater entrance (open from 8 AM. until 9 PM. most days).

If locked club members can use the club entrance off of 2nd Ave. You must be a member and know the combination of the lock!



# April's Raffle Hobbico TwinStar ARF

**Wingspan:** 56 in (1420 mm)

Overall Length: 49.5 in (1260 mm)

**Flying Weight:** 5.5-6.5 lb (2.5-3.0kg)

**Engine Size:** Two 2-stroke .20-.40 cu in (3.5-6.5 cc) or two 4-stroke .26-.30 cu in (4.5-5.0 cc) engines

Radio: 4- channel

**Servos:** 5 servos & Y-harness

Clark County Radio Control Society members shop at the following locations

# Hobby Town USA

8720 N.E. Centerpointe Dr. Suite 219 Vancouver, WA 98665 (360) 823-0904 Fax: (360) 823-0906

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Discount Pricing on R/C Cars, Planes, & Boats HO-N Trains, Plastic Models, Rockets, and Paints Open 7 Days A Week 4503 N Interstate Ave (Take Exit 303 off I-5) (503) 287-4090



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Monday- Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM / Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM / Sunday 12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# Club Meeting:

11 April 2007 7:30PM Pythian Center 3409 Main St, Vancouver, WA

# Fun Fly:

15 April 9:00AM—1200PM CCRCS Flying Field 17200 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield, WA

# Swap Meet:

15 April 1200 PM—3:00 PM CCRCS Flying Field 17200 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield, WA

# Celebration of Silent Flight:

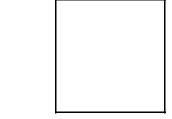
May 5-6 Fern Prairie Field, Washougal, WA http://www.fpmc.org

# War Birds over Washougal:

June 23 Fern Prairie Field, Washougal, WA http://www.fpmc.org

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