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# The Clark Flyer May 2007



Well summer has finally arrived and flying will hopefully hit full steam real soon. The

fun fly meets are happening each month and Larry Tate has 2 scale meets scheduled with the first one coming up on May 19. This is only a tune up for the real contest in September.

John Shirron is looking into the club being part of a swap meet or trade show, working in conjunction with other clubs in Portland and the local hobby shops in our community. I have been a member of a club that has done one of these shows and they can be rewarding to the clubs involved. They do how ever require a lot of membership participation and support. John is preparing a full briefing at the next meeting on what he has found out for us.

Ted had his model at the meeting that had suffered with an explosion of the airborne battery pack. The amount of damage to the plane was amazing. The explosion had also ruined the receiver and switch

assembly. Ted is not sure what caused the explosion. The pack had been peak charged and there was nothing hooked up to it when the explosion happened. I do not believe that anyone will ever know why this happened, however the point is that we all need to make sure that our batteries and charging practices are safe. This incident could have hurt someone which just adds to the need to be safe and careful with your batteries.

I want to once again thank all the local Hobby Shops that support our club. Our raffle prizes all come from one of them at a reduced price each month and allow the club to make a little money on the raffle. We also need to thank John Shirron who sets up our raffles every month and makes sure that we always have prizes at every meeting. The next time you are in one of our local hobby shops, Thank them for all they do for our club.

Well guys and gals, now that Tia has soloed we all need to be practicing as I am being told she is going to be a ringer at the fun fly's. Congratulations young lady.

See ya at the field, Dave

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#### **Meeting Minutes** May 9th, 2007

Dave Agar

Guests at the meeting: Tom Oneal and Chad Hurdle

Steve Piper gave a treasures report. We have \$6897.21 in the checking account and \$5.00 in the savings account. We still have not paid our field rent as we have not received an agreement from the Fair yet. We have on going bills of the Porta Pot. We now have 74 members.

Ted Atmore made a motion to get 3 CDs as soon as possible to get some of the money out of checking and into an interest CD. The motion passed.

There is a fun fly scheduled for May 12.

Larry Tate reminded the membership about the upcoming scale meet tune-up scheduled for May 19 with a rain day of May 20.



Ted Atmore's Plane after a battery explosion. A good reminder to always be careful when charging your batteries.

John Shirron gave a briefing on the possibility of the club sponsoring a swap meet. John contacted the Fairgrounds. The event center can be rented for \$1500.00 to \$5000.00 depending on what is needed. John is talking with the local hobby shops and will give us another briefing at the next meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Ted Atmore stated the he and Ed are working with 5 Jr. ROTC cadets at Prairie High school. They are flying over the track and progressing quite well.



May Raffle: Hangar 9 Semi Scale Cessna ARF Won by Richard Teson

Randy reported that there has been a rash of radio hits at the field as of late. I will contact Jerry Holcomb to see if the AMA has any checkers that we can use to hopefully trace down a source.

Ted Atmore reported the Tia had soloed. Congratulations!!!!

Ted Atmore gave a safety report on battery safety. Ted had his plane at the meeting that had suffered a battery explosion. The damage to the plane was quite extensive and damage to the radio components was total loss. Ted is not sure why the explosion happened, but his experience tells us all that care needs to be executed when charging batteries.

Coyote Hobbies in Oregon City donated 2 hats that were raffled off at the meeting. They were won by Cliff Bemrose and Chad Hurdle.

The raffle prize was won by Dick Teason.

The criers raffle was won by Mike Scott who was not at the meeting.

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More pictures from the meeting.



Mike Akers and his raffle Plane. A Seagull Models PC-9. Mike says if flies like a dream. Very nice Mike.



Cliff Bemrose and his scratch built plane. Cliff says there were no plans he just started gluing bals together. Graphics were done by his son.

#### Just a couple of reminders...

If you want a hat or badge, please send me an email or contact me at the meetings and I will put you on the list. They cost \$10.00 each or 2 for \$20.00 (what a deal). Please email me (jreshirron@wa-net.com) if you would like to order either one of these fabulous fashion items. When I get enough requests, I will submit the order.





Also, If you have any magazines lying around that you want to get rid of please give them to me. I will resticker them with the club's name and distribute them to local area businesses.

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#### Field Safety and Spring Clean Up

by

#### Dave Brown, AMA President

It's that time of the year again. Finally flying season is here and as club officers, it's our duty to our members to give the field a once-over to look for those safety hazards that are bound to creep up on us.

Obviously we need to check the fences and the grounds for holes into which a person might fall. Look out for any leftover stakes from some previous project. Keep in mind that many of our accidents are of the trip-and-fall type. It is equally important that we look for items that could cause this sort of accident as it is to look for things that might cause or worsen an accident involving a model airplane.

While you are at it, check the various boards to ensure that the correct emergency numbers are posted. Be sure that you have the correct longitude and latitude of the field posted in case it becomes necessary to call in a life-flight unit. Do you have a map to the nearest hospital? If not, then get that out of mothballs.

One idea that I saw at a club a few years ago was a duplicate set of all of the emergency information including the map on a removable plaque that could be taken with someone transporting an injured person to get help.

While you are considering safety, have you thought of how you would deal with a fire? Believe me, this isn't a threat to take lightly. Fires occur on a regular basis Never use a standard fire extinguisher to treat a lithand we need to be prepared to deal with them.

Now that electric models are becoming a large part of our activities, it is not uncommon to have to deal with a fire in an electric model. Do you have the right type of fire extinguishers for this type of fire? A few buckets of dry sand can be a big help in dealing with a Li-Poly fire, whether it occurs during charging or after a model crashes and damages the battery. NEVER PUT WATER ON A LITHIUM FIRE!

Accidents are not the only thing to be prepared for. Medical emergencies can occur at flying sites. Perhaps it's a sign that we are getting older, but I hear of a number of heart attacks, strokes, and other incidents on AMA club sites each year. And of course, keeping our fingers out of the propellers is not a skill at which we have become adept.

We all hope that all of the preparations we make in this area are never used-if that were the case, we would all be quite happy. But I would far rather have spent a number of hours preparing for the emergency that never occurs than running around for a minute and wondering why we hadn't been prepared for the emergency that just happened!

Please fly safely. It's much more enjoyable than the alternative.



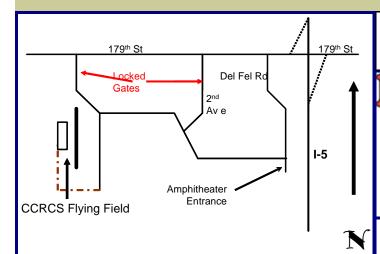
Alan Cooper's Lancair ES after taking out the electric motor and installing an OS 15 LA.

#### Tech Editor's Note:

ium fire, because they do not work and may substantially increase the hazard. Class D (metal/sand) extinguishers are the only type capable of putting out flammable metals through smothering the fire.

There are a variety of class D extinguishers available, however, for use at flying sites where lithium fires may happen, only two of the types should be used: powdered copper metal or graphite-based powders.

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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!



## May's Raffle Phoenix Aircraft Models Dolphin ARF

**Wingspan:** 61.4 in (1559mm)

**Wing Area:** 653 sq in (42.18 sq dm)

Wing Loading: 24 oz/sq ft (73 g/sq dm)

**Length:** 46.5 in (1180mm)

**Flying Weight:** 5.25 lb (2831g)

**Engine Size:** .40-.46 (2 Stroke)

Radio: 4 - channel

**Servos:** 4 servos

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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1128 Main Street, Oregon City, OR 97045 Phone 503-656-2172 www.coyotehobby.com

Email: info@coyotehobby.com

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



1224 Jantzen Beach Center, Portland, OR 97217 (503) 285-3917 www.islandhobbies.us







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#### Saturday, June 23th

USSMA Judges Training 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM Warbird Flying

10:00 AM Until 2:00 PM Fern Prairie Modelers Field the Camas/ Washougal Industrial Area

#### **Directions**

Head East on Hwy 14 turn right on 32nd Street Turn Left on Truman Rd Follow to the end Fly Warbirds, Have Fun!

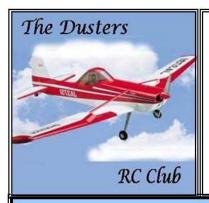


You are invited to bring your scale model, of a military aircraft, and join in the fun! This annual event is sponsored by Fern Prairie Modelers of Camas, WA, and is located 10 miles east of 205, off highway 14 in the Camas-Washougal industrial area.

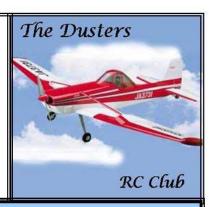
All military aircraft are eligible. Every flight gets you an extra chance for the Grand prize of \$50, 2nd \$30, and 3rd \$20 CASH! Have more than one war bird? Bring em' all, for a relaxed fly-in atmosphere. Fly when you want, as many times as you want. Static aircraft and hangar queens are welcome! You must fly, to receive your chance for the cash prize; each flight earns you a better chance to win! No entry fee! Bring your unfinished project for show and tell! Precision, Sport, Fun, Standoff, and even Squint Scale are all welcome! Open flying after 2:00PM.



Remembering America's Heroes http://www.rahusa.us/



# Plan to Attend The Duster's Annual Bigger Birds Over Woodburn Fun Fly Event Held at our Field in Woodburn Oregon Sunday June 24, 2007



Area Pilots and Spectators are invited to attend the Fourth Annual,

## Bigger Birds Over Woodburn

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Current AMA required
Field Opens at 9 AM

#### **\$5 Landing Fee**

Field Conditions are perfect!
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#### **NAVIGATION**

I-5 Exit 271 West on 214 to Butteville Rd. South on Butteville to Le Brun Rd

West on Le Brun Rd. until you Cross the Tracks

Look left, towards Duster Field



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#### **2007**

Applicants must be a member of the ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS (AMA) before they will be accepted for membership in the Clark County Radio Control Society. (CCRCS)

The initial initiation fee and dues must be paid at the time of submission of application.

Dues are \$56.00 per year, or \$4.67 per month. (If you were to join in June your dues would be \$32.69) plus \$20.00 initiation fee. Any renewal sent in before March  $1^{st}$  will be discounted \$5.00. (\$56.00 less \$5.00 early renewal= \$51.00)

Any member of the same household or any person holding a Junior AMA Membership receives a 50% discount on dues!

YOU MUST submit a photocopy (or show proof) of your AMA card with this APPLICATION.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Club Meeting:

June 13: 7:30PM Pythian Center 3409 Main St, Vancouver, WA

#### Fun Fly:

June 16/17: 9:00AM—1200PM CCRCS Flying Field 17200 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield, WA

#### War Birds over Washougal:

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

#### Bigger Birds Over Woodburn

June 24: Canby Dusters www.dustersrcclub.com

#### Dawn Patrol

August 17-19: Sharp's Field, Molalla, OR www.nwrca-dawnpatrol.com

#### **Cub Nuts**

September 21—22 Sharp's Field, Molalla, OR www.cubnuts.com

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