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COMING EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 pm **Greg House Residence** 2261 Coker Butte Rd., Medford 779-8968

---February 2nd-3rd---N.W.Model Expo '91, Puyallup, WA 9am - 6 pm Saturday 10am - 5 pm Sunday 206-848-3943 Bob Ford -or-206-537-9613 Dave Turner for info

---February 12---Rogue Eagles Club Meeting 7:30 pm Moose Lodge, Medford

> PAST TENSE

The 1990 Christmas Awards Banquet was attended by 101 happy RC addicts and guests, including the Assistant Vice President of AMA Dick Wickline and his wife Linda, and was pronounced a big success by one and all. As each person entered, a name tag was provided, and a "winning" ticket was deposited in the "HIS" or "HERS" container. A 5 member band provided by Dick Zediker himself, played enjoyable "foot stomping" music, and the buzz of holiday excitement and conversation added to the celebration. Barbara Bennett had placed her hand-made favors and decorations on all the tables, a project on which she spent many busy hours, and one that provided a delightful atmosphere, as well as personal remembrances of the wonderful evening. The 3 mini, live Christmas trees were presented during the drawings to Sandy Zediker, Doloris Sheehorn, and Joan Barth.

Dinner was served at 7pm, and after all hunger pangs were satisfied, the long awaited prize drawings Thirty attendees received prizes ranging from transmitter bags and propellors to RC models and engines, all donated by the companies and individuals listed in the November newsletter. "Ooo"s and "Ahhh"s were heard all over the room, as guys, gals, and kids

came forward to receive prizes of every description.

The "Broken Prop Award" was presented to Martin Sherman who had a slight altercation with a rock slope when his glider performed a different maneuver than he desired.

Ron VanderMeulen received the "Modeler of the Year Award" to the tune of applause from all. He was also presented with a plaque expressing the sincere gratitude of everyone for his many efforts and accomplishments in behalf of the membership during his tenure as Club President.

Greg House was then presented with the gavel symbolic of the leadership he assumes as elected Club President for the year 1991.

The moment then came for the drawing for the Futaba FP-7UAF FM System Radio; and who should come up with the winning number but the daughter of Tom DeAscentis! Congratulations! and let's see this gal at the field soon, OK?

Three of the original members of the Rogue Eagles were also in attendance at the Awards Banquet. Joe Hassler, Dick Wickline, and Bob Hawkins carry that honorable and enviable distinction.

An important piece of business was the last thing included in this fulfilling and fun evening. It was decided that there would definitely be another banquet during December of 1991! Obviously a good time was had by all, and a vote of gratitude and sincere thanks goes to the Bennetts and any others who spent so many hours providing 101 Eagles and family and friends with a lovely evening.

NOT FEELIN' SO HOT

Millie Coleman has not had an enjoyable holiday; extended illness has continued to be her unwelcome companion. Send a card and cheer her with the fact that she is missed. We all wish her a much happier

and healthier year to come!

Barbara Bennett welcomed the New Year from her hospital bed where she recuperated from spinal surgery. Her return home will see her sporting a fashionable back brace, and activities will be quite restricted with exception of a 3-5 mile walk she will be required to take daily. Doctor Campagna stated that she was lucky she wasn't in a wheel chair! Bob stated at the club meeting that she certainly was returning to her "old self" as she was starting to "bug" him again....

OFFICIAL CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

The Club Board of Directors decided that to avoid any confusion with the County Parks regarding improvements to the Agate Skyways, Bob and Barbara Bennett would be the authorized club representatives who would carry suggestions or questions to the Parks Department. Obviously, only those attending the Club Board Meetings will know of plans being made by either the Parks or the Club, and therefore it is logical that only those representatives instructed by the Board carry information discussed in the meetings. Please address any suggestions or questions you may have regarding the County Parks to the Eagles President or to the Bennetts, not directly to the Parks Dept.

THE AMA AT PUYALLUP

There will be no AMA "Sales/Service" booth at the Puyallup NW Model Expo this year. Also, no AMA dues will be accepted there. However, AMA representatives will provide a transmitter check station and two representatives who will answer questions.

PATTERN CONTEST JUNE 22-23

Bob Giossi, chairman of the 1991 Pattern Contest, reports that at least 6 aerobatics fliers have already indicated intentions to participate. Looks like a super event is coming! Get your practice in; at any level. He says you don't have to be an advanced flyer to participate, so make your plans now for an exciting time in June.

SEND IN YOUR 1991 DUES

If you want to receive a newsletter and other club privileges from here on, be sure to get your dues in ASAP to Barbara Bennett, Bob Miller, or any other Club Officer. Also, don't forget to renew your AMA membership. Big things are brewing for the 1991 year, so don't miss them by not being a club member!

<u>UPGRADE YOUR RADIO EQUIPMENT!</u>

Don't take a chance on losing that aircraft you have so carefully built to perfection by not doing everything possible to prevent radio interference. Avoiding the upgrade to narrow band frequency can possibly result in a catastrophic crash. Repeated accounts of areas holding contests where heavy concentrations of flyers, as well as pager proximity, should have provided every possible combination promoting interference, have related that due to the fact that only the upgraded, narrow band frequencies were used, not one incidence of disaster could be linked to radio conflicts. This kind of insurance is really very cheap when you consider the comparison to the monetary cost of a demolished, cherished aircraft, laid to rest by RFI or 3IM!

Club members discussed the different company offers for discounts available for the necessary upgrade; offers that will apparently cease after February or March. Also, don't wait until the last minute, as there is already a big backlog of radios waiting for upgrade, and you don't want to be unable to fly just because you

procrastinated.

One further reminder; any AMA sanctioned events will REQUIRE narrow band upgrades! Convinced yet?

CLUB CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

The club membership approved a change to the constitution wherein anyone nominated for a Club Office must have been a member for at least 18 months prior to the election. The intent is to make sure the prospective officer will have 18 months to learn about the customs of the area and the desires of the members before being given the challenge of fulfilling the wishes of that membership.

Secondly, a change was instituted requiring a rotation of the 3 Board Members At Large. No consecutive terms can be served, thereby making it possible for more of the club members to provide their valuable input by serving on the Board, thus utilizing a greater

variety of experience.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN 1991

Maintenance:

Ron VanderMeulen

Safety:

Cliff Sands

Frequency:

Rich Josephson

Public Rel.:

Joe Luli

BOARD MEMBERS 1991

Ron VanderMeulen Rich Josephson John Sheridan

SHOW N' TELL

Ron VanderMeulen showed his YSS (Short for Yard Sale Special) which he purchased for \$5! It turned out to be a Cessna that was a control line model. didn't leave it that way; for approximately \$45, he revamped it and turned up with a nice looking, and apparently nice reacting little 3.5 lb. model. He plans another test flight soon.

Henry Kantor brought a big Quadra 50 engine that he will install in his 1/3 scale Fly Baby biplane.

Cliff Sands displayed his new Super 7 radio that is programmable for up to 4 aircraft. Apparently it is very complicated and has him guessing.

Wilbur Cleveland brought a real antique; an old "Rocket" engine that evoked some discussion as to how this name was used for a later car engine after being legally freed for that purpose.

The 50/50 Club drawing brought a visitor, Adam Wehinger an unexpected \$16. What a surprise he had! Maybe he will be inspired to explore RC with this little bit of funding...

TENTATIVE 1991 CLUB SCHEDULE

The March club meeting will be the deadline for scheduling the actual dates for the following events. Chairpersons will express their willingness to lead the events, or those with no leaders will be cancelled.

Deep Pit Barbecue (Bob Miller, Ron VanderMeulen)

Scout display May

Mothers Day at Sams Valley (Rich Josephson) May

Pylon Race (Cliff Sands) May

Fly In/Swap Meet (Ron VanderMeulen, Cliff Sands) 7th Annual Pattern Meet (Bill/Helen Giossi) June

June

Displays Central Point, Eagle Point Ashland Airport Display July

July Rogue Valley Mall Display

July Annual Air Show (Rich Josephson CD, Bud Shirley, Aug.

Tom DeAscentis)

Club Barbecue & Building Contest (Greg House, Sep. Bob Miller, Tom Harmon)

Pylon Championship (Cliff Sands) Sep.

Club Fun Fly (Cliff Sands, Bob Bennett, Leila Sep. Horne)

Annual Awards Banquet Dec.

Other events relating to those shown are planned for other areas also. The full calendar with dates will be published as soon as available. Meanwhile, get your arms in practice for raising high when help is requested for plans for these fun events. They are only as successful as the exuberance with which they are planned. YOU ARE NEEDED! You have ideas no one has ever thought of, and you need to share them so we can have new, fun experiences. Let's make this year the biggest, most fulfilling year of all!

Are you interested in being easily identified at club meetings and at the field? Call Bob Miller for details

on the name tags.

A 2-line 1" X 3" with pin is \$3, but if you want to

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order one or get other info, call Bob -- 482-0638

DID YOU SEE....

The February 1991 issue of Model Airplane News showed a really special model built by our own Rich Josephson! Sure; you have seen that one fly at our own That's right, it is his H-500E, and he looks pleased as the proverbial "punch" in that picture! Can't imagine why...just a picture of him in a national magazine... Again, we congratulate Rich for that beautiful craft, and all the many, many hours of work it took to build it, as well as the many, many more it took to learn to f y it!

ANNIVERSARIES

Bob and Hilary Miller Fred and Shirley Sargent Dick and Helen Wood Dec. 10 Dec 20 Jan 22

BIRTHDAYS

December:

Robert Miller, Dec. 1
Selena Harmon, Dec. 12
Dan Hensler, Dec. 16
Jeanne Barth, Dec. 17
Crystal Josephson, Dec. 18
Shanna Barber. Dec. 31

January:

Pete Hines, Jan. 1 Clayton Miller, Jan. 9 Rich Schwegerl, Jan 10 Linda Sue Knudsen, Jan 24 Robert Knudsen, Jan 25

If you don't see your name and your date, take it for granted that your editor does not have the information, and take appropriate steps to provide her with it. Thanks, and happy birthday and anniversary!

FOR SALE

Lanier 60 size Laser, ARF Kit \$95. Rich Josephson 779-2445

Bob Bennett and those helping him announce that the Club trainer and all allied equipment, including buddy cords, will be ready for use before spring. Now is your chance to contact a club instructor and get with the program! Set up your date, and learn to fly!

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CYANOACRYLATES CARCINOGENIC OR NOT?

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Articles in the February R/C Report, and the December AMA National Newsletter present some direct opposites in opinions about the safety or danger of the cyanoacrylate glue modelers are accustomed to using in their hobby. The AMA article cites 4 quotes from "SAX" a 3000 page chemist's book regarding toxic/dangerous risks. 1. A hot soldering iron or covering iron can heat the glue and produce hydrogen cyanide gas. 2. The fumes possess lethal toxicity as they rapidly enter the blood through the lungs. 3. They can produce excessive accumulation of sub-surface fluids in the lungs that inhibit transfer of oxygen/CO2 in the blood supply. 4.

They are recognized carcinogens.

However, the R/C Report features an article reputing these 4 items, as the author could not obtain a copy showing these "quotes", and states that the AMA article was an almost direct quote from an earlier article published in HIGH FLIGHT, the IMAA quarterly publication, which was in fact a "rough copy of a letter published still earlier in the SAM newsletter". Inasmuch as this author did have a reaction to chemicals himself, it demonstrates that whether or not it is considered as dangerous as the article states, it is only wise to use great caution in handling ANY chemicals, and to consider anything not intended for humar consumption as potentially dangerous, and to take logical steps to protect against possible reactions.

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Have you ever tried to repair a broken firewall or any other part, only to find that it was oil-soaked. Or maybe you found out that your fuel tank was leaking, and the entire nose area was soaked in oily fuel.

Well, here are two simple ways to remove the oil from the wood. If it is not too bad, you can spray some K-2-R spot remover on it. Let it dry to a powder, then take a small bruch and brush away the oil-soaked powder. Repeat if necessary until you are satisfied with it.

If the area is badly oil-soaked, then try this. Take some cornstarch and mix it with common rubbing alcohol. Mix it into a paste. Take the paste and spread it over the oil-soaked area or part. Let it dry overnight (about eight hours). Then brush away the oil-soaked powder. What happens in both cases is that the alcohol is absorbed into the wood. It then breaks down the oil. Next it evaporates, carrying the oil to the surface with it. Then the powder or cornstarch absorbs the oil right off the surface into it.

When you remove the powder from the wood, you are also removing the oil with it. You can purchase these items at any grocery store. Try it, it works!

MID-MICHIGAN R.C. CLUB Russ Ragan, Editor 505 Hlawatha Drive Mount Fleasant, MI 48858

MODEL CLEANING FLUID

I guess that we all use some kind of cleaning fluid to get the dust, dirt, and oil off our planes when we have finished flying. Window cleaner is perhaps the most common. Here is a formula for a mixture that is almost as good as Windex and a lot cheaper. This comes from the CARDS NL of Lansing.

Water (soft, if you can get it)

Rubbing alcohol

Ammonia

Detergent (dishwashing)

Shale vision washing at 40 ounces 10 ounce

Shake vigorously. Store in a sealed, dark container in a cool place. To use, spray on and rub off.

SOCIETY OF ANTIQUE MODELERS 74 Jack Tatum, Editor Box 4294 Clearlake, CA 95422

HOUSEHOLD TIP FOR REMOVING GLUE

Skin-So-Soft bath oil by Avon has just proved it is worth its weight in gold to me.

It will remove that awful "hot stuff"-type glue from

glass, metal, and most plastics.

I recently sprayed some on a counter where the glue had been for almost a year and nothing would remove it. I let it sit for a few minutes and it came rig off! No kidding!