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Events in March 2011:

- **12 Swap Meet—McMinnville**
- **26 Agate Club Pylon Racing**
- **26 Swap Meet—Grants Pass**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Rogue Eagle Members and welcome to the year 2011!

We enjoyed a well-attended Jan. 11 general club meeting. A lot of our members renewed their membership, and some new members joined our club. Please note that you can send your renewal dues to: Rogue Eagles R.C. Club, P.O. Box 8332, Medford, OR 97501

Ruth Beck is our new treasurer and she will be taking care of that instead of Werner Bruckner, our past treasurer. Thank you Werner, and all our past club officers who gave their time and effort to do the business of the club.

We have a full schedule of events this year that cover the wide range of interest of our members. We hope you will take the opportunity to participate and involve yourself in these activities.

We encourage you to come to the club meetings. We are going to try to make the meetings expeditious and productive from a business standpoint. We are also going to have some interesting and informative activities at the latter part of our regular club meetings. Members, also bring some of your new stuff for show and tell

We would also like to see more of our members at the board meetings, and we want your input. Let's have a good, safe and cooperative year, and remember, this hobby is something to get up in the air about, aye!!!!



Joe DeAscentis, Pres.

Board Meeting Minutes January 25, 2011

Opening:

The meeting was formally opened for business at 7.05 p.m. at the Central Point Senior Center by the President, Joe DeAscentis. There were sixteen members present.

Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the January 11th. General meeting, prepared by Wray Freitas, were read by the Secretary. A correction was moved by Joe. It was recorded that Jay Strickland was the close friend of Pacific Asphalt. This is incorrect and the proper person is actually Ron Kelso. A motion was moved seconded and approved to accept the minutes as amended.

Joe reported that he and Ruthie Beck had been along to the Rogue Federal Credit Union to have the names for the accounts formally changed. Ruthie is in the process of taking the treasury over but is currently fighting some computer problems.

Joe announced the names for the new Officers and contributors:

President.... Joe DeAscentis.
Vice President.... James Fowler.
Treasurer.... Ruthie Beck.
Secretary (pro tem) Alan Littlewood.
Field Maintenance Supervisor.... Sam Arrigo.
Events Co-ordinator.... Rick Lindsey.
Webmaster.... Rick Lindsey.
Safety Co-ordinator.... Werner Bruckner
Newsletter Editor.... Ben Musolf.
Public Relations Officer.... Calvin Emigh.
Members at Large.... Paul Chapman, Larry Cogdell, Gary Croucher.
Flight Instructors.... Richard Schwegerl, Rick Lindsey.

Bill Grove stated that he is willing to continue helping with Flight Instructing.

Joe mentioned that there are a couple of Job Descriptions missing in the Membership Manual that are needed. Namely, for Safety Co-coordinator, Newsletter Editor, Members-at-large and Flight Instructor. Joe and Rick Lindsey have composed the descriptions and Joe read them out loud to the meeting and invited any additions or changes. A motion was moved seconded and approval was given to add these new Job Descriptions into the Membership Manual.

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Joe reminded everyone that safety is everybody's responsibility so we should all watch out for unsafe practices and help out the offender, but do it in a friendly, civil and sensible manner. There is no need for any bad feelings or aggression.

New event proposal.

Steve Coleman addressed the meeting and presented his proposal to add a new event to the 2011 calendar. This is for a Free Style 3D flying competition. He outlined the potential costs, income and benefits that would likely ensue to the club. Jeff Jarvis would be the C.D. There was some discussion on this and what dates might be possible. The Board tabled the topic for further discussion and consideration.

Charitable contributions.

Joe talked briefly about the policy of the club regarding charitable contributions. Donations levels will be determined beforehand. When final revenues have been received, then it will be simple to calculate what dollar amount will be contributed. There will then be no need for further debate later about what level a contribution should be.

Neighboring club events.

Our "events calendar" has other club events listed in addition to our own. The Board does not consider the clubs to be in competition or that other club events should be excluded for any reason. The Rogue Eagles Events Co-coordinator and Webmaster will list all events that they deem appropriate according to this policy.

Runway surface.

There was an extended discussion about the state of the runway and cracks, past history and the merits of the various types of surface and work involved to repair. Joe will be meeting with a professional asphalt surfacing professional to investigate our possible options going forward to repair the runway.

Lake Selmac 2011.

The Rogue Eagles will be partnering again with the Rogue Valley Flyers to conduct the float fly. Joe requested names of people from our club who will definitely commit to provide manual assistance in the setup, teardown etc. for the event. Several hands were raised to volunteer this help.

R.E. Swap Meet.

The event last year held on September 18th was severely dampened by rain. Figuratively and literally. Joe suggested that we move the date forward so that we might enjoy better weather for the 2011 event. Presently it is scheduled for September 17th. After some discussion it was rescheduled to May 7th.

Flightmasters Potluck.

Rick Lindsey announced that we have again been invited to participate in the Flightmasters BBQ and Fun Fly in Keno on June 26th. Several people mentioned what a great field they have there and how well they treat R.E. members who show up. The event is very highly recommended. Rick is going to reciprocate and extend invitations back to their club to join our "pot luck" events.

Pattern Primer

Rick Lindsey stated that Rex Lescher (?) has proposed to run a "pattern primer" event the week before the N.S.R.C.A. F3A contest on June 10-12. i.e. June 4th for the primer. The intent is to introduce as many people as possible in pattern flying and get them interested in participating /competing. It would not involve shutting down the field for regular flying. A motion was moved, seconded and approved for Rick to proceed in scheduling the primer event.

Meeting frequency.

Alan Littlewood has proposed that we try to make the Board meetings more efficient and businesslike, with a couple of suggested options for reducing the meeting frequency to a level that is necessary to conduct business, but not excessive in terms of time and cost for the Board members. Currently it is impossible to get all the Board members together to the meetings. There was an extended discussion on this topic and there are some genuine issues and logistics involved to make any change. Joe is going to do some checking with the management of the Senior Center to see if there are any problems with us adjusting the Board meeting schedule. A motion was moved seconded and approved for the Board to proceed with investigating the possibility of adjusting the meeting schedule.

Pending By-Laws change.

Alan Littlewood stated that the proposed changes to the byelaws were hard copy mailed out to 34 members and emailed to 81 members. Hard copies were also sent to the 13 members with email addresses that are bogus, with a written note asking them to provide an up to date valid email address.

The proposed change is regarding the dues and fees section. The stamp cost for mailing these letters came to \$18.92. Voting on the proposed change is scheduled for the next General Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Show and tell.

Larry Cogdell brought in a beautiful FA18 for display.



Member Spotlight: Meet Jim Fowler

This month's member in the spotlight is our new Vice President, Jim Fowler. Jim, tells us a little about yourself:

I entered the radio control hobby in 1994, after retiring from 27 years in law enforcement. A very good friend of mine, Bob Tuck, was a tremendous help in showing him how to get started. I attended a meeting of the Rogue Valley Flyers Club in Grants Pass and got the bug. I was helped by a lot of people in all aspects of building and flying model aircraft. I had experience working on full scale aircraft after serving four years in the USAF as an instrument technician on the B-47 bomber prior to my career in law enforcement. With help from Bob and another friend, Ed Roseborough, a retired Air Force Colonel who also belonged to the club, I started experiencing how to fly, how to land and unfortunately, how to crash!

I had flown in aircraft before and at one time, I was training to get my Private Pilot's license. Flying model aircraft was very different! After a time the Rogue Valley Club could not find an appropriate flying field and had lost two flying fields already so I decided to join the Rogue Eagles Club in Medford. I have enjoyed this hobby through the years and hope to for many more to come. I have also enjoyed the people in both clubs. I don't think you could find a better bunch of people I live in Grants Pass with my wife Nadine and our little Dachshund, Waldi...

Thank you Jim, and thanks for being our VP!

Safety Tip

Before you start your RC heli or airplane: Turn your transmitter on first, aircraft on second. Never turn your RC airplane or helicopter on with your transmitter off. Another transmitter in the area may take over and fly your airplane or helicopter into a tree, a power line, or right into the ground.

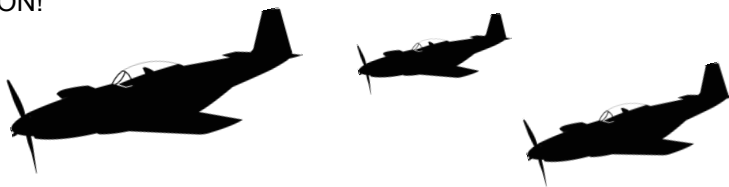
After you land: Aircraft off first, transmitter off second. Never turn your transmitter off with your plane or helicopter on. Stray signals from other transmitter can, and most likely will, take control of your airplane or helicopter.

2011 Club Pylon Racing— March 26th!

Race Pilots, Race Crews and Spectators... Fasten your seat belts, get those racers ready! We are about to begin the 2011 RACING SEASON!

Who will prevail this year?

Will it be YOU?



Join the fun and excitement of Club Pylon Racing - flight431@msn.com for details...

Rick Lindsey Says..

Please, use the forum on our web site, and while you're there, check out the rest of the site, it changes regularly! www.rogue-eagles.org



PBY Catalina

With over 4000 PBY's produced during WW2 the PBY became a familiar sight to servicemen in all theaters of action especially the pacific.

Originally intended as a patrol bomber, the "cat", as it was often called, served many duties for which it was not intended such as: anti submarine warfare, maritime patrol, convoy escorts, cargo transport, night attack and naval interdiction but the most famous duty it performed was as a search and rescue aircraft picking up downed aircrews and naval personnel. Thousands of servicemen owe their lives to the Cat.

General characteristics

Crew: 8 — pilot, co-pilot, bow turret gunner, flight mechanic, radioman, navigator and two waist gunners
 Length: 63 ft 10 7/16 in (19.46 m)
 Wingspan: 104 ft 0 in (31.70 m)
 Height: 21 ft 1 in (6.15 m)
 Wing area: 1,400 ft² (130 m²)
 Empty weight: 20,910 lb (9,485 kg)
 Max takeoff weight: 35,420 lb (16,066 kg)
 Wasp radial engines, 1,200 hp (895 kW each) each

Performance

Maximum speed: 196 mph
 Cruise speed: 125 mph
 Range: 2,520 mi
 Service ceiling: 15,800 ft
 Rate of climb: 1,000 ft/min

Armament

3× .30 cal (7.62 mm) machine guns (two in nose turret, one in ventral hatch at tail)
 2× .50 cal (12.7 mm) machine guns (one in each waist blister)
 4,000 lb of bombs or depth charges, torpedo racks were also available

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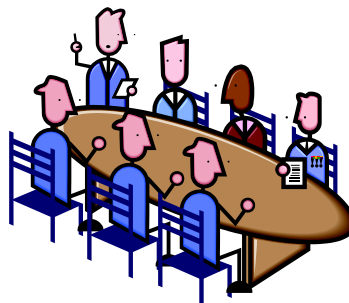
Club Meeting Schedule

ROGUE EAGLES GENERAL MEETING

SECOND TUESDAY of each month at 7:00 in the Central Point Senior Citizens Center, 123 N. 2nd Street, Central Point, OR. **Members and Visitors welcome!**

ROGUE EAGLES BOARD MEETING

Held on the **FOURTH TUESDAY** of each month at the same time and location as the General Meeting. All members are invited to attend.



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