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***Don't Foget
Club Dues!***

ATTENTION ROGUE EAGLES

On Sunday, January 29th, our club will host the “Bill Grove Memorial Fly In” and fund raiser.

This is a pot-luck or just fly-in to give us the opportunity to remember Bill and to help one of our own. Proceeds will go to Mrs. Grove to bridge the delay of her benefits caused by legal red tape.

sUAS NPRM Slips to 'Spring 2012'

In a recent meeting with representatives of the FAA’s Unmanned Aircraft Program Office, it was learned that publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for the small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) rule has again been delayed by several months. Going into the 2011/2012 holiday season we believed that the proposed rule would be released sometime in January or February. However, citing “unanticipated issues requiring further analysis,” the rule failed to clear the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST) before year’s end.

Current projections show the rule clearing OST by the end of January. It will then be sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) where OMB will evaluate the regulation for potential adverse impact on small businesses and small government entities. OMB’s review could take as much as ninety days which would put publication of the NPRM in May 2012. Nevertheless, there is some optimism that OMB’s review will not take the full ninety days and the current best guess on the release date for the NPRM places it in 'Spring 2012.'



ALL THUMBS - FROM THE PREZ’S CHAIR

My name is Jay Strickland and I approve this monthly forum

Whew, after a whirlwind campaign, several scandals and probably a hanging chad or two, I find myself the acting president of our beloved RC club. I suppose now I must have an agenda, a vision if you will. After giving it a great deal of thought I guess my program is that everyone operate (relatively) safely with consideration and courtesy to your fellow RCers and that everyone thoroughly enjoy our hobby using the club as a resource. In addition we all must act and do the things that bring positive light upon our hobby and our club.

That being the theme here are a few details: 1.) The runway. We all know the runway has seen better days and must be given priority in thought, funds and effort. Really it is the basis for everything we do as a flying club and must be treated as our capital investment. If you think about it, if all we had was some kind of runway and nothing else, we would still be able to enjoy our hobby.

Consideration and courtesy to your fellow RCers. That sounds so simple yet can be so hard. Believe me I am not excluding myself, I’ve had my moments. I always admire the soft spoken fellow who considers every ones position on an issue calmly and maybe even compromises his own operations to allow another to feel more safe or comfortable with their exposure. No matter how right you are, Respecting one another is more right.

Public perception and our image as modelers. This has to be a 24/7 job for all of us. In these times of trouble with terrorism and possible new FAA restrictions, flying field losses or just plain funding issues, How we are seen as a group can help with solutions or be our downfall. I believe we also must be more aligned with charities. I would like to form a standing committee to explore this and the public relations opportunities that go hand in hand.

Having said all of that let me go on record as saying we have a really great club filled with some really great talented people. Some of you are just a lot of fun to be around and I think we can make this whole thing even better! That is all for now, **Granddog out.**

Christmas Dinner Awards

The Christmas Party was held at J.J. North's in sunny Grants Pass this last Friday and a good time was had by all. The head count was 37 and there was plenty of food to go around. As per the Rogue Eagle's yearly custom, five members were singled out for their contributions above and beyond the call of duty.

By virtue of his selfless and dedicated persistence, Ron Dilday was awarded this year's **BROKEN PROP AWARD**. Ron "earned" this award by sending 3 plus airplanes to their just rewards in that great landing field in the sky. Ron vowed to try for "two in a row" for next year.

Joe DeAscentis won the **PYLON CHAMPIONSHIP** proving that age is not a detriment to going fast. Ben Musolf was second with Rick Lindsey a distant third.

On a more serious note, Larry Myers won the **MEMBER OF THE YEAR** award for the Eagle that gave the most of himself during the past year. As you all may already know, Larry put on the Air Show (with the VERY able assistance of John Parks) this August. Larry and John virtually lived at the field till the event was concluded. The 2011 Air Show was wildly successful.

And finally, Martin Sherman won **MODELER OF THE YEAR** by unanimous vote which is due to so many things he does for the club as well as making and constructing some of the finest models to be found in the Rogue Eagle's hanger.

Congratulations to all of you and our wish is for all of you to have a great New Year! Rick Lindsey



Proposed runway fund plan

As you all know, we had a runway fund raising effort in 2011. The plan fell short of it's goal and most of the funds that were raised were returned as promised. The fact that it fell short in no way reflected the tremendous work and creativity put by the runway committee. The plan had one inherent flaw though in that it depended on individuals to contribute. It is time we make the commitment to our runway as an entire **CLUB**.

The Executive board would like to propose the following plan in order to raise funds to renew our runway. This proposal is only a policy motion and not a bylaw change. It can therefore be changed readily as the club sees fit. We will call this the 10% runway fund proposition. The way it will work (if ratified by the membership) is to take 10% of whatever our general fund account balance is at the end of each month and contribute it to the dedicated runway account.

This runway account is to be used for the runway and the runway **ONLY!** A sample spreadsheet below will demonstrate approximately how the numbers will work out. The beginning balance used and the gain, (loss) numbers were compiled from a three year average (2008 - 2010) and may not be accurate for 2012 depending on member renewals and the associated dues. This plan will be discussed and voted on at the January club meeting.

Turbine Waiver Designation on AMA Membership Cards

We finally did it!

Many members of the turbine community have approached us in the past about combining the turbine waiver and membership card into one. After several reviews, more pondering, and some tweaking, we are happy to announce that starting with the 2012 membership year, turbine waiver designations will now be reflected on AMA's membership cards!

The turbine designations will be identified on the membership cards as follows:

Turbine Fixed, Turbine Rotary, Turbine Control Line and Turbine Homebuilt

Combining the data onto one card is a more convenient approach for all turbine waiver holders. It will also provide club officers and event officials with a much easier way to verify an individual's turbine waiver status.

If you have any questions regarding AMA's turbine program, please contact us at turbines@modelaircraft.org.



The Rogue Eagles are partnering with the Rogue Valley Flyers in a bulk fuel purchase. The cost per gallon is significantly less than retail.

These are 5 quart jugs (1 gallon + a quart) four to a case. You can order by the jug or the case.

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS FEB 25th, 2012

Contact Rich DeMartini with your order
Phone: 541-245-9858
Email: medrico@earthlink.net

When placing your order, include the following:

Name - Phone number - Email (if you have it)
Number of each kind of fuel (FAI, 10%, 15% etc.)



AMA LEADER CLUB AWARDS

In order to recognize the leadership of the best model clubs, the Academy has established the AMA Leader Club Awards. These awards can be earned by any AMA chartered club, by meeting certain standards of community service and activity.

There are three levels of AMA Leader Clubs: Bronze, Silver, and Gold. Once a club meets the minimum criteria, it qualifies for different levels based on performance.

AMA has established 6 goals (one goal can be waived) and nine electives to obtain Leader Club status. A club that meets the required five goals, plus three of the electives, qualifies as a Bronze level Leader Club. Meeting the required five plus six electives qualifies the club for the Silver level. The ultimate recognition, Gold level, requires that all goals be met. Each goal must be documented. In the event an elective does not pertain to your club's operation, an explanation included with your club's application is all that is necessary for inclusion in the program. For example, a club that is a soaring club exclusively and uses only winches or hi-starts will not have to deal with sound limitations at their field. Consequently, they remain eligible for Gold status. Their explanation will satisfy elective #5. The same holds true for a free flight club that is not faced with frequency concerns. Elective #1 would be satisfied by an explanation of their specific situation.

Each year your club will be sent forms and instructions with which it will be able to show the goals met, and the awards will be made and announced in Model Aviation magazine.

When a Club Qualifies for Leader Club Status It Receives:

- A certificate from AMA Headquarters.
- A gold, silver, or bronze finished pin for each current club member in the first year.
- Published recognition in Model Aviation and listing on AMA's Web site: www.modelaircraft.org.
- Inclusion in the annual list of Leader Clubs.

Gold Leader Clubs Also Receive:

- An engraved ID plate for the club field bulletin board.
- In the year following the fifth and tenth consecutive year of Gold Leader Club status, each club member will receive a special Five or Ten Year patch.

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AMA LEADER CLUB AWARDS (CONT)

Required Activities for Leader Club Status:

1. AMA chartered club for a minimum of five years.
 2. Club membership is open to all AMA members and is not limited to a certain number.
 3. Club has developed and posted Safety and Operational Rules at its flying site.
 4. Club has filed a copy of Safety and Operational Rules at AMA Headquarters.
 5. Flying field has separate areas for fliers and spectators, clearly marked as such.
 6. The AMA Safety Code is posted and visible at the club field.
- Program Requirement Modification: In order for a deserving club to be considered for Leader Club status, the club's district vice president may waive one of the above requirements for participation.

Leader Club Electives:

1. Club has implemented and enforces a frequency control plan that allows all 50 RC channels to be used at its club flying site where RC is allowed.
2. Club has implemented an AMA Adopt-A-School program or donates a Model Aviation magazine subscription to schools or libraries.
3. Club conducts a review of the AMA Safety Code at a club meeting at least once a year.
4. Club sponsors an annual public event, such as a mall show, flying show, or demonstration.
5. Club monitors noise levels and/or institutes club field rules, such as a requirement that models be operated at a maximum of 90 db at 9 feet.
6. Club has created an informational handout and provides it to the general public.
7. Club participates in charity programs or public fund-raising events.
8. Club has a formal lease or agreement for use of its flying site or owns its site.
9. Club participates in the AMA Introductory Pilot Program or has its own instruction program.

AVAILABLE BENEFITS

Vision/Dental Care Plan



AMA is pleased to offer Vision and Dental benefits to its members. Find out more information, or to enroll, by calling 800-747-4472.

NASA SUPER FLYING KING

A highly modified version of Bruce Tharpe's design of the Flying King is being used by NASA as a test bed for further development of autonomous ground collision avoidance system software that was successfully flight-tested at NASA Dryden on the F-16D behind it in 2010. (NASA / Tony Landis)



The aircraft, dubbed DROID for Dryden Remotely Operated Integrated Drone, is the newest – and smallest – member of NASA Dryden's flight research aircraft stable.



Rogue Eagles 2012 Event Calendar

MO	DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	CD
Jan	1	Chili Dog Fun Fly	Agate Field	Larry Myers (B4 7:30p) 541-770-3390
	14	Polar Bear Fun Fly	Myrtle Creek Airport	Bruce Harlow 541-863-1920
Mar	9-10-11	Swap Meet	Yamhill County Fairgrounds, McMinnville	Larry Miller 503-472-4987
	24	Pylon Race #1	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240
	31	Swap Meet	Josephine County Fairgrounds, Grants Pass	Art Kelly 541-472-9683
Apr	14-15-16	Float Fly	Agate Lake NOTE! 2.4 ONLY	Larry Myers (B4 7:30p) 541-770-3390
	21	Pylon Race #2	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240
	28-29	IMAC Contest	Agate Field	John Gaines 541-951-1947
May	5	Swap Meet	Agate Field	Joe DeAscentis 541-890-2765
	19-20	Warbirds	Agate Field	John Gaines 541-951-1947
	24 thru 27	IMAA	Castle Air Base	Mike Brown 503-549-3005
	26	Pylon Race #3	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240
	27	Fun Fly & Pot Luck Keno Club Invited	Agate Field	Rick Lindsey 541-776-5832
Jun	1-2-3	Fun fly	Klamath Glen	Sam Ellis 707-954-8284
	8-9-10	La Pine Fun Fly	La Pine	Jim Young 541-536-8523
	15-16-17	Float Fly	Platt I	Dave Olson
	23	Pylon Race #4	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240
	24	Lee Renaud	Agate Field	Jay Strickland 541-855-7161
Jul	7-8	Float Fly	Lake Selmac	Art Kelly 541-472-9683
	7-9	Warbirds over the Pacific	Cottage Grove	Gus Phillips 541 643-9430
	13-14-15	IMAA Fun Fly	Agate Field	Cliff Sands 541-941-0503
	21	Pylon Race #5	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240
Aug	3-4-5	IMAA Fun Fly	Yard Ranch (could change)	Bruce Harlow 541-863-1920
	10-11-12	Dawn Patrol	Yard Ranch (could change)	Bruce Harlow 541-863-1920
	18-19	Air Show	Agate Field	Larry Myers (B4 7:30p) 541-770-3390
	25	Pylon Race #6	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240
	24-25-26	Fun Fly	Klamath Glen	Sam Ellis 707-954-8284
Sep	1	VR/CS Fly-In	Agate Field	Richard Schwegerl 541-773-5479
	8	RVF Air Show	Grants Pass	Art Kelly 541-472-9683
	22	Pylon Race #7	Agate Field	Ben Musolf 541-608-7240



PA-48 PIPER ENFORCER

The Enforcer is a turboprop-powered light close-support/ground-attack aircraft built by Piper Aircraft Corp. Lakeland, Fla. It is based on the well-known North American P-51 of World War II fame. By direction of Congress, the USAF evaluated the aircraft, beginning in 1983. Testing was conducted in 1984 and the Air Force decided not to order the Enforcer.

Since the Enforcer was never in the Air Force inventory, it was not given an official military designation and did not receive an Air Force serial number. Instead, it carries the Piper designation PA-48 and Federal Aviation Administration registration number N481PE. Although the airframe resembles that of the P-51, the Enforcer is essentially a new aircraft.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Span: 41 ft. 4 in.

Length: 34 ft. 2 in.

Height: 13 ft. 1 in.

Armament: Mixed armament includes two GE GPU 30mm gun pods, MK-82 snakeyes, Bristol GRV-7 rockets, CBU canisters and MK-20 Rockeye antitank rockets

Engine: Avco-Lycoming YT-55-L-9 turboprop of 2,445 hp

Registration number: N481PE (no USAF serial number assigned)

PERFORMANCE:

Maximum speed: 403 mph

Range: 921 miles

Service ceiling: 25,000 ft.

Courtesy National Museum of the Air Force

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**NOTICE:
Club Meeting Schedule**



The General Meeting and Board Meeting are now held on the **SECOND TUESDAY** of the month.

Board Meeting: 5:30 pm

General Meeting: 7:00 pm

Meetings are still held at the Central Point Senior Citizens Center, 123 North Second Street.

See You There!



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