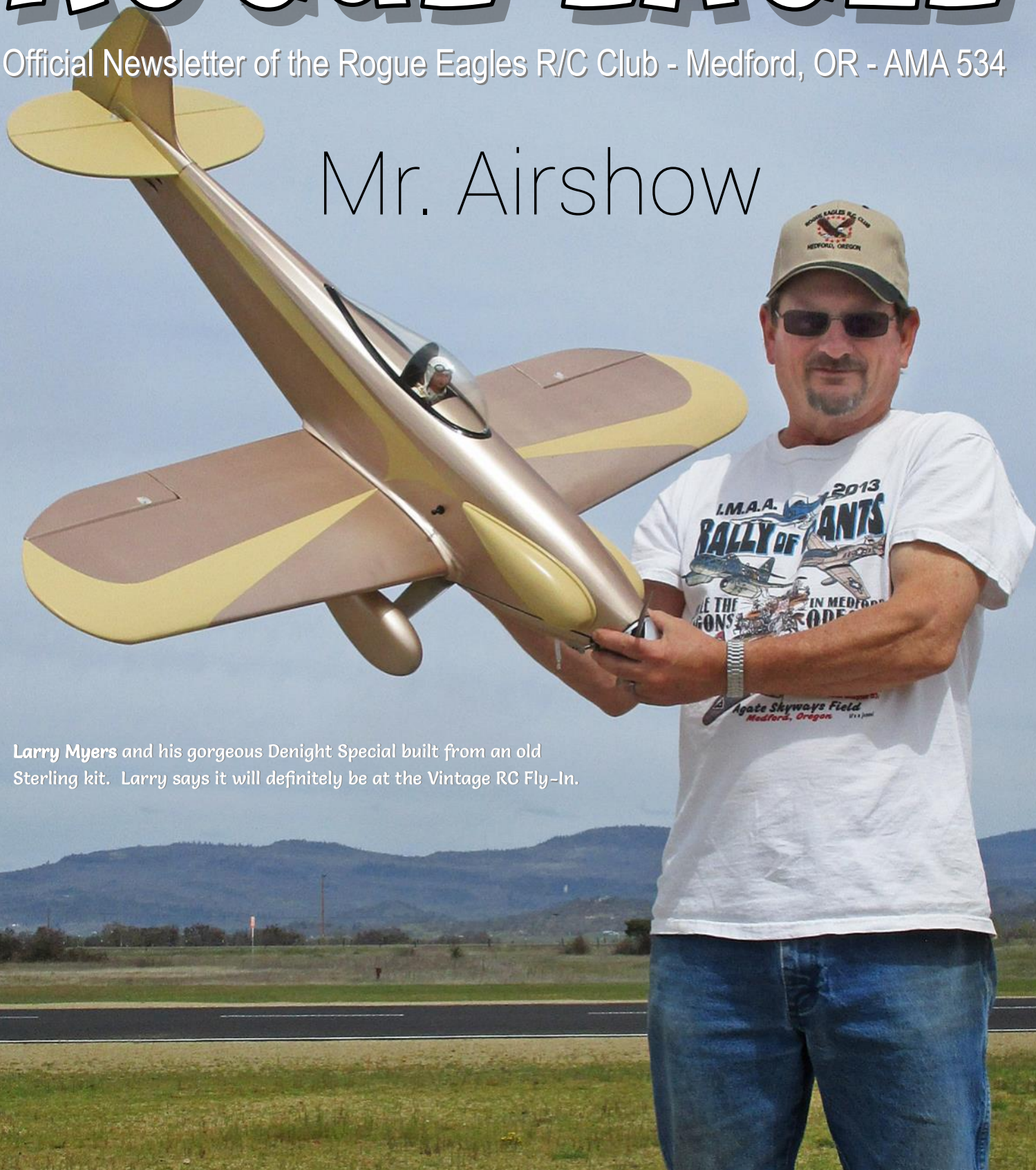


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ROGUE EAGLE

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Mr. Airshow



Larry Myers and his gorgeous Denight Special built from an old Sterling kit. Larry says it will definitely be at the Vintage RC Fly-In.



We Lose Another Great Man

I'm sure everyone is aware by now that we lost Ray Wasson Sr. to COPD in late July. Ray was the club Vice President for the past four years, but we all know he was so much more than that. He lived an incredible life with many passions, hobbies, jobs, and experiences. We know that because if you spent any time with him at all, the stories would begin to flow. Behind

the gruff exterior and gravelly voice was an deeply-intelligent, inquisitive, and exacting individual. He was a self-taught engineer with a natural feel for all things mechanical. He learned by getting his hands dirty and just doing it.

Ray was climbing the ranks in Precision Aerobatics along with his son, Ray Jr., and was admired throughout the pattern community. He loved coming out to Agate Skyways even as his health declined. And he wasn't just there to socialize, he was there to practice the pattern. Ray's memorial service at the VA National Cemetery in Eagle Point was well attended by Rogue Eagle club members. Ron Kelso and Paul Chapman both gave moving tributes to their dear friend, highlighting his gentle nature and willingness to share his time and skills when needed.



At meetings, Ray was often the voice of reason. He could masterfully break down any topic to its core elements and point out our options in simple terms. In tribute to Ray, the board decided to leave the VP slot unoccupied until the club elections in November. Big Ray was a Rogue Eagle fixture and will be missed, but not forgotten. RIP my friend, and condolences to the entire Wasson family.

An Invitation from the Rogue Valley Flyers

This invitation comes via Art Kelly, who writes, *"I'm writing to you on behalf of the Rogue Valley Flyers to invite any/all members of Rogue Eagles to join us for an open house, fly-in at the new field of RVF. It is scheduled for Saturday, 9/15, starting at 8:30. Just a casual event, no judging, no registration or fees, just a chance to get the two clubs together for some flying. There will be coffee and pastries and we'll keep our fingers crossed that the smoke will have subsided more by then.*

"The Grants Pass Skypark is located approximately three miles from the center of town on the lands of Ft. Vannoy Farms. To access the flying field, from Grants Pass drive west on G Street. Upon leaving town G Street becomes Upper River Road. There is a small sign posted at the access road to the Skypark. This road is directly across from the Josephine County Food Bank. (The address of the Food Bank is 3658 Upper River Road.) You will turn left onto the gravel access road. In about 1/4 mile this road intersects a T with another gravel road. Turn right and continue until you arrive at the Skypark."

I'm told the new GP field is a great place to fly - I'm looking forward to trying it out. Thanks RVF!

An Interesting Observation

Take a look at the chart at right. It's a snapshot of the current ages of our club members. It was compiled by Jess Walls, who provided the following comments: *"Here is a list of ages of current, responding, club members. It still has some members who have not renewed for 2018. The chart shows the ages of current members who have handed in a renewal form. That means not all current members were part of this. The under-19 group is misleading because they don't have to renew, they stay members until they turn 19. The actual number of ACTIVE members under 19 is 3. This chart is for reference purposes only. No other reason than that I was curious."*

AGE GROUP	NO. OF MEMBERS
0-19	17
20-29	1
30-39	1
40-49	2
50-59	14
60-69	23
70-79	33
80-89	9
90+	1

Well, I don't think it tells us anything we didn't know, or at least suspect. We are trending OLD. Not that there's anything wrong with that! This is where a club leader would normally plead for members to go forth and recruit young 'uns to get involved with our wholesome hobby. And I certainly wouldn't discourage that. But I've seen member after member bend over backwards to help kids **who show any kind of interest in RC** get and stay involved. This includes everything from flight instruction right up to the gifting of airplanes and equipment. From my point of view, we are doing a pretty darn good job of promoting the hobby.

But there's always room for improvement. At the last meeting, Larry Cogdell told us about a group of STEM students he is involved with. I'd love to see our club involved with more educational programs like this with schools, scout groups, churches, etc... If you're interested in that sort of thing, you should start on the AMA website to research their educational tools and programs.

New Receivers from Spektrum

I don't talk about new products very often, but this new line of receivers from Spektrum sounds pretty fantastic. The first thing you notice is the odd shape of the case. That's because they feature an internal antenna - that's right, no antenna wires! They have also done away with the bind plug. The receiver shown here is the full-range DSMX six-channel version. Click on the photo below to visit the Horizon Hobby info page. If you really want to learn more about these receivers and the technology behind their wireless antennas, [click here to see the YouTube video.](#)



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Good until 9/14/18

Welcome to the Rogue Eagles!

We have a new member this month...

Dennis Detloff from Eagle Point

About the Newsletter

This issue marks five complete years of being your newsletter editor. That's twelve issues per year, so this is my 60th newsletter. But as you know, all good things come to an end. Not this month though, I'm looking to finish up 2018 with four issues remaining.

You may or may not have noticed the NL has been released a little later each month for the past three or four months. Responsibilities have been adding up and it's just been harder to find free time lately. So when I do sit down to work on it, I always feel like I should be doing something else. As I'm writing this, it's not certain this issue will be finished and released in the proper month. Rats.

Maybe I put too much effort into it, but the compliments make me feel like I'm doing something right. Oh, and it's still fun - I get a similar satisfaction from each NL that I get from finishing a new model. Not exactly, but similar.

Looking ahead, the club will need a new editor to keep the Rogue Eagle alive and well. Is it you? Your NL doesn't have to look like mine. It doesn't have to take as much time. And you don't have to do it for five years. But I feel like the NL is an important part of the club experience. And it comes with a position on the board. Give it some thought.

Bruce

Bell & Ross Racing Bird (Proposed Design)



How cool is that? Click either pic for more info...

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National Model Aviation Day

Mall Show

What a fantastic turnout of Rogue Eagle members (see list, next page) and what an amazing mix of display models!

We fed the mall patrons a tasty blend of aviation knowledge and friendly club spirit. Well done everybody!



Look at this collection of helicopters in a variety of sizes. Gabriel Stephens had a tableful of drones that attracted lots of attention. There were giant-scale bids all the way down to micro electrics. We had a great time sharing them all with the mall crowd. And when things slowed down, there were always club members around to chat with about modeling. It was a long day, but enjoyable.



This sweetheart was mesmerized by Larry Cogdell's Night Vapor electric model (upper left). Larry was constantly flying his Vapor and a co-ax heli to the delight of the crowd. Of course, that was between stints helping people on the flight simulator. Larry is the driving force behind the Mall Show. We are lucky to have him as our PR guy.



Here's Larry helping a couple of happy shoppers (above).



We passed out nearly a thousand Airshow flyers at the mall. There is no doubt that it drummed up a lot of business. Chuck Ammerman (below) held the attention of this enthusiastic crew for quite a while. Maybe, just maybe, he planted a seed of aeronautical love that day!

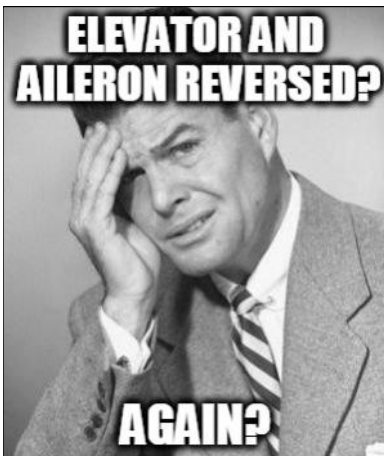




Click the pic to see the KOBI Channel 5 news coverage of the



Rogue Eagle's Mall Show display



Mall Show Workers

- Larry Cogdell
- John Gaines
- Babe Caltabiano
- Jack Shaffer
- Bruce Tharpe
- Dave Bartholomew
- Raoul Salem
- Alan Littlewood
- Jess Walls
- Joe Geiger
- Bob Wolcott
- Bill Humphries
- Chuck Ammerman
- Wray Freitas
- Ron McElliot
- Pat Joyce
- Bruce Lemmerman
- John Buford
- Suzanne McCuistion
- Dale McCuistion
- Calvin Emigh
- Larry Myers
- Clark Wolf
- Jay Strickland
- Joseph Jones
- Gabriel Stephens
- Eric Kirby

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Myrtle Creek Airport
 Fly-in and Pancake Breakfast
 Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018
 8:00 to 11:00 AM

Editor's Note: This looks to be a full-scale fly-in, not a modeling event.

Pancake & Eggs, Sausage, Juice and Coffee
 \$5.00 per person, **Cash only**

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Club Info Page

For information about the club, how to join, past newsletters, photos, and much more, please visit the Rogue Eagles website.

www.rogue-eagles.org

Meeting Information

The next two General Membership Meetings are scheduled for

Tuesday 7pm, September 11, 2018

Tuesday 7pm, October 9, 2018

We meet at the Central Point Senior Center, 123 N 2nd Street in Central Point.

[Click here for directions](#)

Seen at the July Meeting



Steve Schooler's immaculate Pietenpol Air Camper

Seen at the August Meeting



Raoul Salem's foamy Ki-61 Tony

Club Merchandise

These items are usually available at the meetings. To purchase, call [Suzanne McCuiston](#) 541-613-0633

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S-XL \$10 XXL \$12



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Coffee Mug



\$12

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Float-Fly at Eel Lake

Sept. 21st ~ 23rd, 2018

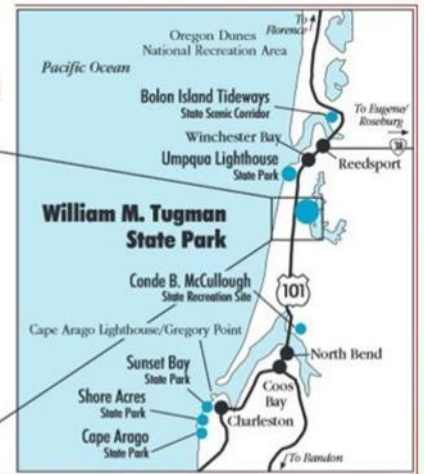


This event will be held at Tugman State Park - located on Hwy. 101 just 1 mile north of Lakeside, Oregon between North Bend (10.5 miles to the south) and Winchester Bay (5.3 miles north). Hwy. 38 at Reedsport is 8 miles to the north.

Area Information about Eateries, Motels and RV Campgrounds - include:

- 94 on-site camping sites at Eel Lake Campground for \$26/night (w/elect. & water) . Reservations are necessary for Loop "A" sites but Loop "B" sites are on a 'first-come-first-served' basis. The Park also has one dozen yerts (\$43./per night) in different sizes (no indoor cooking).

**William M. Tugman State Park
~ Eel Lake Campground ~
72549 Hwy 101, Lakeside, OR 97449**



More Area Info-

- Lakeside - Lakeshore Lodge & Restaurant (McKay's Market nearby), Seadrift Motel & RV Park
- Winchester Bay - Bedrocks Pizzeria - Chowder House & Grill, coffee shops, and markets
- Reedsport - Ocean Garden (Chinese cuisine), Economy Inn, and Best Western Inn & Suites



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