

Salem R/C Pilots Association

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If you need flight instruction, call one of these instructors and find out when they are available to help you. Please make arrangements to meet them at the field. Do not assume they will be available when they are at the field.

Meeting night, bring any project to show and tell. Visitors are always welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information about the club, attend a meeting as a guest or contact any of the club officers. Club dues are \$75.00 per year. We are listed with the local hobby shops.



In Case of Emergency:

Tell the 911 operator you are at the radio control model flying field.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, December 19, 6:15 PM

Garmin Industries

2345 Turner Rd SE, Salem, OR

Please wait at the main entrance for an escort into the building.

SALEM R/C PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Nov 21, 2019 General Monthly Meeting

The Nov meeting of the Salem R/C Pilots was called to order by Prez Alan L in the Large gathering room at Garmin Industries at approx 7:31pm with 22 Pilots in attendance. It is great to see MORE of our pilots coming to the monthly meeting than have in the past. Way to go and please keep up coming .

Minutes: YES the minutes of the last meeting were LONG but there was much news and goings on so it was needed. Those last months minutes were approved as published and we moved on.

Treasurer's Report: Stephen WHEELED his way to the front of the room. He is getting better in the foot dept. BUT still needs a little help getting around and his 3 wheeled device seems to be working our well. We do wish him a speedier recovery on the fooots. The club has some money in the bank...(check you Treasurer's report sent out separately by email for the exact amount), Not bad for the beginning of the year. There are 20 members to date and we have an average age of 63.4.

OLD BUS:

Ted F had a card for Phil Olson (our usual thanks for the use of the pond last summer) and passed it around for all to sign. WE will also send him the check for \$400 also as usual and begin again next year. WE want to thank Ted for all he does during the summer months to make the float flys come off so well. WE also wanted to thank Lynn McDonald for the crane device he made this summer to help put the planes in as the water level got lower. Alan had a short video that he showed of the crane in operation on the dock.

There was again discussion from Matt as to whether we wanted Him to weld rods to the front of the flight stations as a more secure way of protecting the pilots during flight BUT was still a concern about the OUR aircraft if it hits the steel SO it is was sorta decided that we would recover the stations with safety fence OR maybe some type of fishing net and Pete will get some prices so we know what is what. This still does not rule out that we may do something with a hard surface sometime.

Ted F is also trying to coordinate with the Dallas club on a float fly and our warbird event and get it on the calendar. Stephen says that all these things are already on our Web calendar so we need to get it out to the other clubs.

Ted F again, gave us an update on the Winter Build. If you have not heard about this event WELL many of US (approx 30) have paid \$5 and said we would build a plane from a KIT and have it ready to fly (all on One Day in May)(I heard Saturday, May 9th, Ed) next year. If you would like to join this merry band of glue happy modelers JUST Give Ted a call and you to can have a winter full of balsa and glue (or foam board or 3D printing or ... Ed).

Yes SANTA we are ready for the ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY. The date is the 19th of December and we will meet around 6:15pm in the meeting room at Garmin. Remember this is a pot luck so bring your favorite Christmas dish, Pilots bring a White Elephant gift for another pilot and the spouses bring a favorite Ornament to exchange. This is our annual event and it is a great fun filled evening. Alan says he has (as always) another way to steal during the exchanges and also some GREAT game(s) to play and win a trip to the North Pole. The club is furnishing the ham, drinks, rolls etc BUT bring goodies. Hope to see all of you there and have a great start to your holiday. Merry Christmas--
----- the management.

Stephen says the New BBQ is at the field. This is one that can be built in BUT we will just use it as is so far. Also we could use another Propane unit.

WE have a new member, Greg Meyers from Newberg and we welcome him to our merry band of gravity defiers.

As was written in the last news letter a change in the by-laws concerning key and gate and dues. WE want to thank John Stroup for taking the time to go thru this area of our by-laws and update them. It sounded like all had taken the time to read the changes in the minutes SO Alan brought the item to a vote and the vote was YES to the changes. If you did not see the changes you can certainly look back at the minutes and update yourself.

Merle H again brought up the Mac Swap meet for next year that will be on March 14. The event has been moved to a building out on highway 18 where there will be more room and tables. There will be much more about this after Christmas, BUT if you want to get ahead of the game call Merle and he can tell you all about table rental etc. This is a great event and a good way to GET or Get Rid of stuff. One of the new rules is IF you have a table you will be required to stay at least until 1:30 pm so as to give late comers a chance to see and BUY. Also there may be donuts left.

The Annual POLAR BEAR FLY will (as usual) commence on Jan 1, 2020 at around 9am at the field Rain, Snow or shine. This is a great way to start the year and get in that first flight, eat chili, get cold and see all the other NUTS that came out in the weather. If you did not sign up for bringing a dish or food please call Dave Dibble and let him know what you will bring to the party. It is a fun day so Plan to get up early, dress warm and come have a ball.

THE VOTE: yes it was the evening to vote in the NEW officers for next year. Alan asked if there were any New suckers from the floor that would like to partake of the duties for the coming year BUT as usual there was that dead silence we have heard so often. SOOOOO, the vote was taken on each office and the winners were: Al C again as Safety officer, Stephen M for treasurer, Pete M for secretary, Dan A for VP, Matt M for chief instructor and Alan L as Prez. So ladies and gentlemen there you have the New club officers for 2020.

Also, it was mentioned that we could use NEW instructors so if you are interested call or see Matt Myatt at the field and he will be glad to have you in the fold. It was also asked if we could again have our Blue and White badges that denote instructors and other, so Pete will get the names needed and have these printed up and get them out.

TECH TIME:

Ted F brought a partially finished Ugly Stik that he says he now has taken UP to an ULTRA STIK. Changed the tail size, and added flaps. Also likes the way Bruce Tharpe does his leading edge with the cut out of the front of the ribs and fit the leading edge into the cut out shape. Going to use an OS 70 4stroke and used the landing gear he had from an U_CAN DO. Now called the Lightning Bolt. Should fly well and looks great.

John Stroup brought his 3D printed cowl (he says he printed IT several times to get all the bugs and holes in the right place) but looked awful good. He also says it take a full day to print the dang thing so plan on taking a hike or do something else while you wait. John says he is having a great time with his printer and software.

Dick Smith brought a few as usual, a flying wing pusher, blinky another small plane for \$35. Also, a high wing very open design and

wing concept with Hobby King covering. Dick also had a flyer with 6 of his planes for sale and if interested please give him a call.

Dave Lockard also built an Ugly Stik (his first time to build a plane from scratch) and he did a very good job. It will be a .60 size electric and he did use a lot of sorta lite ply in the construction. (just a mite heavy in places BUT it will fly well).

Ralph Duncan told the group that he has been buying his batteries from NO BS Batteries. They are the 1 2 3 type and work really well. Balance is needed. They are a LiFe, so just charge up and go.

It was also announced that a great place to get floats for your planes is scaleseaplanes.com. A good source to use..

That was all we could stand so we adjourned at 8:32pm

See you at the Christmas Party-----

Respectfully Submitted
Pete Melin, Secretary
Dec 5, 2019

This month I have a variety of videos for you to watch while relaxing during the holidays. First let's start with a look at a common tool we all use:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-mDgKtivuI>

and a novel tool we might find a use for:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cd2LY857oTY>

Matt and I are working on a large P-51D (started with a $\frac{1}{4}$ scale Bud Nosen P-51 kit) which has Robart pneumatic landing gear. This video is a good review of that system (long link!):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oupA8FLTpLc&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=Robart+List&utm_campaign=cdf044ad72-Robart_gear_finder_121217_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0cb8b16a15-cdf044ad72-476900149&ct=f%28Robart_gear_finder_12122017_COPY_01%29&mc_cid=cdf044ad72&mc_eid=a8622bf6bc

As most of you know, I am into 3D printing. What could more fun than 3D printing a plane to fly. Here are a few to look at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TPNiDbek_nQ

If interested be sure to look up the links in the description of this video for more information. The free source files for this airplane are here:

<https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:1659724>

Another project I first saw here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4PII917Yd-k>

I'm not particularly interested in using rocket power for my models so here is a more reasonable version:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JRH7djd_E_w

And the free source files for this one are here:

<https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:3040294>

And here is the forum on the flitetest site giving you lots of more information about this plane:

<https://forum.flitetest.com/index.php?threads/36-northern-pike-3d-printed-cuda-clone-it-flies-stls-are-posted.54579/>

If you are interested in a commercial source of 3D printed plane files, start here (I am currently making their Supermarine Spitfire MkIX):

<https://3dlabprint.com/>

I like to watch crash videos mostly because I like to analyze what went wrong. Some crashes are unavoidable, but I would guess most could have been prevented by not doing something stupid. What do you think?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Osy2PPOezao&feature=emb_logo

OK, sit back and let's enjoy some flying:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=EqL4MADy6w&feature=emb_logo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FBtIQcuf2jc>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=174&v=FFrm4gyWOPA&feature=emb_logo

And if you like the look and sound of the real thing:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDrh3NBnRLg>



Salem R/C Pilots Association Christmas Party

This month's meeting, Thursday, December 19, is the club Christmas party, at Garmin, 2345 Turner Rd SE, Salem. Remember, it starts an hour earlier, at 6:15 pm instead of 7:30 pm. This meeting is always one of the highlights of the year! The White Elephant (for the flyers) and the Christmas Ornament (for the ladies) gift exchanges are always a lot of fun! The club provides the rolls, meat, pop, and the utensils. Bring one of your favorite dishes or deserts to complement the dinner. See you there!

