

The Really Great SAM 8 Speaks



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Roster of the old dawgs....

STEVE DONA.....'THE PREZ'

ROBERT HATCH.....VICE PRESIDENT

HOMER SMITH.....SECRETARY-TREASURER

DAVE GARDNER.....SCRIBE OF THIS RAG....

Notice: Next Meeting:

**July 9th, 2015, Rainbow Café, 112 E. Main St., Auburn, WA,
10:30 am-1 pm..(or thereabouts....)**

Notes from the Prez:

Summer!!!

Time to go out and do some flying!

Time to prepare for the Tangent Contests!

(Time to finish up last winters models!)

We have now put together a schedule for some long awaited flying in the Snohomish field.

Don't just show up at the field; we have to follow protocol and be on the field when Dave Cassell can be there to "supervise". Not to worry there will be plenty of chance to take your models out and set them free. Remember, this field is not all that big so plan on a quick DT for power models and ¼ motor for competition rubber ships.

Plenty of really nice restaurants in Snohomish for everyone. The pie place is my personal favorite (really nice during a spirited bike ride too).

Chuck is busy working out the details for our cute little ½ size Clodhopper kits so clear off the work bench and get ready for a fun summer of building and flying.

I hope to see you there.

Steve Dona, The Prez

SAM 8 Minutes June 11, 2015

President Steve Dona opened the meeting at 12:32 PM with his usual greeting for those attending. The crowd was a more normal size but the kitchen was slow so we started late.

Steve reported that Finn Hill is done for this year. Next year is a go with better communication hoped for with the students. The A6 event is a winner and Bruce Kimball set a sizzling time of 4:58 for everyone to shoot at or next year. This time is for a no touch event where the model cannot touch anything or the time ends. He used plastic covering on the model to save weight. Steve built two new models for the event (lots of midnight oil to complete them) and got them flying pretty well. Steve asked the group a question to ponder for next meeting: do we start earlier next year to get more gym time?

WMC is contemplating having more than one two day indoor contests next year at Albany. That would make it a lot easier to justify the trip rather than the one day events. I am sure we will hear more as the year progresses and they do their planning for next year.

Bob and Katy Harper's Engine Run Clinic was another smashing success. Those attending are running out of adjectives to describe the great time they have there. They are getting so popular that some of the attendees are having trouble hearing their engines start and there have been some clipped fingers. No one wants to do anything to change the successful formula so some are going down the beach to run and hear better. Steve ran an Anderson Spitfire that was particularly loud and there were actually some grumblings.

We have a deal with the Snohomish flying site. Up to five flyers can be on the field at one time. One caveat is that we cannot interfere with the dog activities so the Dog Club is going to work out a schedule so we know when the field is available. A motion to proceed with payment was made and approved by all.

Chuck Bower (AMA VP for this district) has a laser cutter and Steve is working with him to see if some kits can be produced for the club. It will take some time and doing.

John Richards brought a very nice 30" electric powered Strato Streak to the meeting. It is radio assisted and John gave the model to Tom Morris. It pays to be lucky whom you sit next to at meetings.

David Higgins brought a Bostonian model to show the members. It was well made, as all of David's models are and sported a great finish. Your scribe did not get the name of the model design written down.

An auction was held and included models, etc. from Bob Hatch. We also had some other material to sell but your scribe did not record the name of the donor. The meeting closed at 1:52.

June 6th, Last Indoor Day at Finn Hill

A few more pics from the Finn Hill Gathering.....



The friendly contingent of students and helpers, including Bruce Kimball, Dave Higgins and Steve Dona, getting it all together!

Making good conversation with the parents; Christian and his mom, Bruce and Steve providing great adult guidance and expertise





(Left) Bruce Kimball mentoring Christian in the fine art of A-6 trimming and flying

(Below) Bruce's A-6, on the wing, to another successful flight!



Pics from Oregon WMC Three Amigos Contest:

(Right)
Bill Gallant and E-20
(where's the tail??)



Dad, Mom and student (sorry, no name...) indulging in the fine art of model airplane construction!

Tom Kopriva launching..... ... Arlene and her CLG



Bob Stalick and his P-20,
with large support rig for
small airplane!



Ted Vernon, seriously winding.....

ACTIVITIES

2015 Indoor Sessions:

As of June 6th, we are through with the indoor flying sessions at Finn Hill middle School.
(school's out for the summer!)

Build Sessions:

SAM 8 is conducting build and covering sessions, with scheduling altered because of the onset of flying season! Additional sessions will be scheduled and notifications sent out.

CLUB MEETING ACTIVITIES:

Some thoughts have been passed on the ye editor, to propose some alternative formats to the monthly meeting, for broader participant interest. Some have even proposed articles in this newsletter, cobbled from any relevant sources, on the order of trimming, how to look for thermals, construction hints, etc. We'll take this into consideration, dependent on contributions!

It was also suggested that there be a dedicated competition segment in the newsletter, for those specifically interested. (I actually thought we were doing that now! - dg)

Re the meetings:

Whaddaya think of having a questionnaire along the lines of 'What are you interested in??' Prez Dona actually put forth such an informal list a while back, to get an idea of what sort of activities that individuals in the group would like. That was geared more toward club activities, whereas this suggestion was relevant to club meeting content.

Suggestions included having members with certain special/interesting knowledge give a short presentation on their subject/top, for...say....a 10 minute presentation. Visual Aids, such as WIP models, slide shows and operational techniques would enhance such activity.

Subjects of potential interest noted were: aerodynamics, fuels, coverings, finishing, adhesives, trim, zen and the perfect inverted pullout, folding props, therapy following HLG excesses, tranquility and the Dyna-Jet (the correspondent was starting to drift here.....)

The thoughts behind these ideas are that not all members and meeting attendees are competition oriented, but really DO like model airplanes, in all varieties. They like the whole aspect of model aviation, including the social aspects of just getting together once a month and chewing the fat (or whatever else is on the Rainbow menu!)

Of course, the auctions are always a favorite, to get someone's lifelong valued treasures for a relative song! There seems to be an endless supply, but...unfortunately...fewer and fewer buyers.

The gist, here, of course, is that many of the members attend the meetings to hang out, update and renew friendships, but not to feel pressured to participate in someone else's passion.

This is all NOT to muddy any of the waters or offend anyone with a particular viewpoint....we each and all have our interests and passions and they can't all be served at any one meeting or activity. Let's all give it some thought to keep the meetings interesting and of reasonable length. We're all in this game/hobby/sport together.....and nobody gets out alive!

CLASSIFIEDS:

Anything ya got, modeling/model airplane related, let me know.....posting is free!

NW Skyraiders' Annual Summer Swap meet is imminent, as noted in the flyer below. This swap meet is fairly convenient, short and sweet (out in time for lunch!), with a great display and variety of stuff/treasures/junk to satisfy any bargain hunter's dreams!

WMC Schedule for the 2015 Season.....enough for everyone!

The Northwest Skyraiders'
**2015 ANNUAL Summer
CLUB SWAP MEET**

The Best CL, FF and RC Model Club Swap Meet of the Northwest!
Engines, Planes, Parts and Bits!

Saturday, July 25, 2015: 9 AM - 1 PM

SETUP: Saturday Morning: 8:00 am – 9 am

WHERE?

**Clover Park Tech College Aviation Center
17214 – 110th Avenue East
Puyallup, Washington 98374**

To get to CPTCAC, take Hwy 512 to the Puyallup Meridian Exit, up to South Hill....and go South forever (!)...in a little over 4 miles, turn East at the light at 176th/Sunrise Turn left again at 110th Ave E. (approx ½ mile). Take the entrance to the left at the sign for Clover Park Technical College Aviation Center. The open hanger will be straight ahead through the open gate to the runways.

NO ENTRY FEE FOR BUYERS / SPECTATORS!

Table charge is FREE / NADA / NOTHING (Whatta Deal!)
No reserved tables: first come, first served! BYOT if you want!
Bring your stuff, lots of money and the usual BS to fill the morning!

for information, contact:

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Dave Gardner, davegardner55@msn.com (425-793-1937)

2015 Old Time, Free Flight, Control Line and Club Modeling Event Schedule

Date	Event / Time / Location	Activity/Location	Contact
July 9 th	11:30 Luncheon at the Rainbow Cafe	Show and Tell	Auction
July 25 th	NWSR Summer Swap Meet - Clover Park	Puyallup, WA	NWSR
August 13 th	11:30 Luncheon at the Rainbow Cafe	Show and Tell	Auction
August 22-23	NWSR Dick Scobee Memorial Contest	Auburn Airport	NWSR
August 22-23	WMC: FAI + NW Free Flight Championships	Tangent, OR	WMC
August 22 nd	WMC Annual Spaghetti Feed and Potluck	Grell Farm	WMC
September 10 th	11:30 Luncheon at the Rainbow Cafe	Show and Tell	Auction
Sept 12-13	NWSR Stevenson Memorial Contest	Auburn Airport	NWSR
Sept 12-13	WMC SPOT meet	Tangent, OR	WMC
Sept 12 th	WMC Swap Meet and Pie Social -Free Table!	Grell Farm	WMC
October 3-4	WMC Fall Annual FF Meet	Tangent, OR	WMC
October 3 rd	WMC Annual Bean Feed Potluck	Grell Farm	WMC
November 28 th	NWSR Winter Swap Meet - Clover Park Av.	Puyallup, WA	NWSR

For SAM 8 Activities, look on the SAM 8 Website, <http://www.the-great-sam8.com>

For WMC Activities, check on their website, WillametteModelersclub.weebly.com, or contact Bob Stalick at freeliter@aol.com.

For NW Skyraiders' Activities, check on <http://flyinglines.org>, or Dave Gardner at davegardner55@msn.com.

For LCRC, Contact: <http://www.lecrcers.com/> or Alan Piercy, 360-274-8632, avpiercy@lccers.com

The Really Great SAM 8 meets every second Thursday each month the Rainbow Café in Auburn at 11:30 AM. Come join us for lunch!

The RG SAM 8 newsletter is published every month, (more or less) and is posted on our website: <http://www.the-great-sam8.com> Notice of the newest newsletter will appear via e-mail on our Yahoo mailgroup. Join the group by contacting our Webmeister: Bob Macklin - macklinbob@msn.com.

2015 WMC Contest Schedule

Featuring a full slate of FAI, AMA, NFFS and SAM Events
And this year awarding the

50th Anniversary Al Grell Memorial ROW Trophy
In both Gas and Rubber events.



Contest Dates:

June 12-13- 3 Amigos Small Field Meet at Tumalo OR
August 21- Vintage FAI and Pro-P-30 Challenge in Rounds
August 21-22: Tangent Classic FAI Contest for small and large FAI
August 22-23: FAI Challenge for small and large FAI
August 22-23: NW Free Flight Championships
September 12-13: SPOT Meet
October 3-4: Fall Annual FF Contest

Bruce Hannah, CD
Bill Swift, CD
McBurnett and Roberts, CDs
Blake Jensen, CD
G. Gilbert and B. Grell, CDs
G. Gilbert and L. Wacken, CDs
Bruce Hannah and Bill Koran, CDs

Contest Location:

The 3 Amigos Contest is held in Tumalo, OR. (just W. of Bend). All other contests are held on grass seed fields just off Parker Road near Tangent, Oregon. Take Exit 228 East from interstate 5 onto Highway 34, turn right onto Seven Mile Lane and follow the signs to the field

List of Contest Events

(for the NWFFChamps, The SPOT Meet and the Fall Annual)

AMA Events: HL Glider, Jr. and Open, Catapult Glider, Jr. and Open, P-30 Jr. and Open, 1/2A Gas, A Gas-A Electric combo, BCD Gas -B Electric Combo, Mulvihill, Coupe/A-1 combo, E-36, ROW Gas and Rubber

NFFS Events: 1/4A Nostalgia/020 Replica Combo, Early Nostalgia, 1/2A Nostalgia, A Nostalgia, DC Nostalgia, Nostalgia Rubber Small and Nostalgia Rubber Large, One Design, Classic Glider, E-20.

SAM Events: Antique Ignition, ABC Pylon Ignition, Ignition Fuselage, O&F 23 Event, Wlock Event, Rubber Stick, Rubber Fuselage, Dakota Time Target, Electric OT Replica R/C.

Specialty Events: Hunt, Island Flyer Mass Launch, Catapult Glider Mass Launch and He Main HLG (at the Fall Annual only)

Other Related Activities:

-Saturday, August 21 at the Grell Farm, all contestants and friends are invited to the WMC annual spaghetti feed and potluck. Meals are served beginning at 6 PM. No charge.

-Saturday, September 12 at the Grell Farm, everyone is invited to the annual Steve Burchett Memorial Swap Meet and Pie Social. Tables are available at no charge. and pie and coffee are served at 6 PM. Setup for the event can begin at 5 PM. Closing time is when it gets dark.

-Saturday, Oct 3 is the annual "Bean Feed" potluck at the Grell Farm. All contestants and friends are invited. Meals will be served beginning at 6 PM.

Contact Information:

See Contest Flyers at <WillametteModelersclub.weebly.com> or the NFFS Website, or the Lost Hills Website. Contact the CDs of the contest in question or contact Bob Stalick at <freeflitter@aol.com> or phone 541-528-8101

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