



# RC AEROGRAM

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## ERCA News and Information

**Next CLUB Meeting** – Thursday, May 24, 2012, 7:00 pm at EWEB. If you have a building project, bring it with you for "Show and Tell".

**At the April 19th meeting** - 18 members attended. Mickey won the 50/50.

President Brad Werneth showed an embroidered polo shirt with the new "Eugene RC Aeronauts" logo on it.

The logo is a Jeff Harris design.

Field power discussed. Project will be attempted from Member Donations. (without using club funds)

The web site is also being updated to reflect the name change and the domain address has changed to [eugenerc.org](http://eugenerc.org).

### Field TRASH

Member observation - We need to do some early training concerning trash. I was the last

to leave the field and picked up a full paper sack of trash.

I heard at the last meeting that we needed some new signs. I would like to recommend one. "We Do Not Have Garbage Service At This Field" "Please take your cans, bottles, and fast food bags and cups home." Thank you – The membership.

### Safety

Member experience - I nicked my finger today and went to get a Band-Aid and noticed that the bag that has the first aid supplies also has mouse droppings in it.

Also checked the fire extinguishers and they look fine.

As the result of a "small fire" on one of the field mowers we now have a "Water Jug" - yes it says Kerosene - but it also says WATER and is BLUE. It can be found just inside left of the Club House Door. Thanks Chuck Jenkins and Doug McWha.

Meeting minutes are ONLINE at: <http://eugenerc.org/meetings.html>

## ERCA Club fundraising

### RAFFLE

\$200 Gift certificate for Trumps Hobbies  
So, look under the sofa for loose change and buy tickets. It's a chance to win a Gift Certificate to purchase any item that is

available at Trumps and help out the club along the way.

Ticket Sales: Brad Werneth, Doug McWha, Jayne Krenz

**TICKETS \$2 each or 3 for \$5**

On our web site



Events Page



FaceBook Page

Thank you - Brad Werneth

Thank you - Pat Willis

## SAFETY NOTAM

### Small Fire at Field

I just wanted to let you know the lawn mower caught on fire yesterday. (May 6)

Pat and his son Theo were helping Doug mow the field when all of a sudden smoke started billowing out from the right side of the mower. It appears as if the blade pulley bearing got really hot and caught the cut grass that had accumulated inside the blade housing on fire. We were quick to grab the fire extinguisher and water bucket (although, the water bucket is a 5 gallon gas container marked water! Lol). We did not want to extinguish the flames with the extinguisher and have to pay for a new one so we tested the "water" by smelling it then doused the flames. It looked really funny and we were all laughing but it got the job done. There is no burn mark on the field and the flames were small and contained so there was really no concern.

I am very proud of our volunteer fire department (Myself, Pat Willis, Chris McVey, Mike Lee and Khoi) had it under control very quickly... approx. 90 seconds.

What did we learn?

1. We need to make sure the bearing is ok and gets greased as per maintenance instructions.
2. We need to clean out the blade housing from old grass prior or after mowing.
3. We need to replace the gas can marked with water with a real water jug. J

Theo was really bummed his mowing experience was cut short but handled it like a champ!

Mike Winklepleck  
Safety Coordinator

### Fly RC magazine Contest winner - Bill Broich

What I have received so far from Fly RC magazine.

Two page plan for the FW 190 A, Box of just about every adhesive made by Bob Smith Industries, Certificate for Balsa wood from Balsa USA, \$30 gift certificate from Du-Bro, Certificate for two rolls of covering, Certificate for two propellers from APC, Certificate for one gallon of fuel from VP Powermasters.

The magazine has told me I should see the rest of the necessary products within a few weeks. I need to finish my corsair before getting started on this project.

At The Meeting April 19<sup>th</sup>

Good turnout, 50 / 50 raffle added to the club funds.  
Several members brought items for show and tell.



Meeting came to order



Scott's Heli



Mel's Twin

At the Field May 12<sup>th</sup>



Pilots gathering



Jim taxiing in



Mike starting – 1 more flip



Frank getting ready



Bobby and Khoi fixing



Pat being supervised x2



Brad getting ready



Chuck O'D. launching



Oliver taxiing in

Project

# Field Power

aka Power Station aka Charging Station

I have been collecting donated items, doing some design and some building.



Most of the needed items have been donated or purchased for the project. Some CASH donations would be appreciated to offset some of my out-of-pocket expenses.  
Jim Corbett

See full report on EugeneRC.org's [Projects](#) page.

PYLON Racing 2012

**ERCA 2012 Race Season:**

- May 12 ~~Warm Up~~
- June 16 Race #1
- July 28 Race #2
- August 25 Race #3
- September 22 Race #4

**Club 40 Pylon - Contact:**

[Wayne Wahrmund](#)

**BAM 2012 Race Season:**

- April 14th: ~~Practice Race~~
- May ??th: 1st Contest Race
- July 14th: 2nd Contest Race
- September 8th: 3rd Contest Race
- October 6th: 4th Contest Race

**Club 40 Pylon – Contact:**

[Waldemar Frank](#)

2012 Meeting dates

- January 5 ~~Thursday EWEB~~
- February 23 ~~Thursday Pizza~~
- March 29 ~~Thursday EWEB~~
- April 19 ~~Thursday EWEB~~
- May 24 Thursday EWEB
- June 27 Wednesday Field

- July 25 Wednesday Field
- August 22 Wednesday Field
- September 18 TUESDAY EWEB
- October 25 Thursday Pizza
- November 29 Thursday EWEB
- December - No meeting



Field Report



Mike and Doug making holes.



Sprinklers being tested



Two more Big Bird restraints ready to use.



Unloading – Loading spot has fresh marking.



Pump back on the well.



Fresh signs installed.

## Upcoming local events

**Control-Line** Regionals Northwest  
May 25-26-27, 2012  
Eugene Airport Overflow parking lot.

**ERCA** – Memorial Day Fun Fly  
May 28, Monday - ERCA Field  
Time: 9am to 6pm weather permitting.

**South Lane RC**  
Warbirds over the Pacific  
July 7 & 8 Sat-Sun at Mosby Creek

**ERCA** - Big Bird Fun Fly  
July 14, Saturday - ERCA Field  
Time: 9am to 6pm weather permitting.

**ERCA** - Fun Fly  
August 18th, Saturday - ERCA Field  
Time: 9am to 6pm weather permitting.

**ERCA** - Labor Day Fun Fly  
September 3rd, Saturday - ERCA Field  
Time: 9am to 6pm weather permitting.

## Treasurer's Report

Our club membership is currently at 75 and growing. Welcome back to Jed Orme who has renewed with ERCA and will be making another trip from Indio, CA to the Eugene area again for the summer. He's looking forward to flying with us again.

Also, welcome to new member applicants Dave Bennett Sr., Dave Bennett Jr., and Don Hildebrand all from Eugene. Don has been a member of the Florence club (FARCAA) for the past few years and was referred by one of our members, Doug Devereaux.

We have a prototype designed for the new member Photo ID badge that was discussed at the April meeting. The details are being hammered out. We hope to have something to show the membership at the next meeting. It will be a challenge getting everyone's photo. You can help by allowing us (Jim Corbett) to take your picture at a meeting or the field. Otherwise, you could attach a .jpg photo file of yourself to an email that you would like us to use. (No Anthony Weiners please) Send to: [albarrington@msn.com](mailto:albarrington@msn.com)

The club treasury is at \$6989.76 as of 5/18/12. Our expenses since the April meeting have been for the usual Toilet service and field maintenance. We bought lawn fertilizer and repair parts for the mowers.

Special Thanks:

The club saved a bundle thanks to the volunteered labor of Jim Corbett in repairing the mowers. Also, thanks to Doug McWha, Wayne Wahrmund, Pat Willis and others for their volunteered time maintaining the field. Thanks to all members who make the effort to keep our field safe, neat and FOD free by picking up debris in the area.

I hope everyone has been able to take advantage of the recent blessing of good flying weather. I'm guilty and will do it again if I get the chance before the rain returns.

Happy landings.

AL Barrington  
ERCA, Sec/Treas

<b>For Sale – See <a href="http://eugenerc.org">eugenerc.org</a> For Sale page for complete listing</b>
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**Spektrum DX5e** - Brand new, in the box, never used. \$45. Full range 2.4GHz radio works with AR600 receiver.

Jim Thomas [jnphomas@comcast](mailto:jnphomas@comcast)

05-15-12

**CMP GILES G202 .50 SIZE** \$150.00 / \$75.00

I have owned this since new. It has about 20 flights on it. This plane still looks very nice. Here is what is included - All servos installed w/Hitec HS425BB on all control surfaces. (bought new when plane was purchased). New wheel pants, Extreme Pilot, Volt Watch under canopy, Charging jack/on off switch, 1450 NIMH Hobbico

rec battery (Bought new when plane was purchased).

Plane can be purchased without servos and receiver battery for \$75.00

Email ?'s to [Risbrough@att.net](mailto:Risbrough@att.net) or leave message @ 541-767-9883

05-10-12

**Vintage Dayton riding mower** – asking \$150  
See flyer for more information -  
[http://www.eugenerc.org/Text/ForSale\\_Dayton\\_Mower.pdf](http://www.eugenerc.org/Text/ForSale_Dayton_Mower.pdf)

Jim Corbett [james.corbett@comcast.net](mailto:james.corbett@comcast.net)

04-21-12

<b>President's Report</b>
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Wow, the weather has been great, I hope everyone has had a chance to get to the field and get some flights in. I have been out almost every weekend this month and it's been some of the best flying for me in years. This last Saturday there was no wind from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. when I left the field.

We have a Fun Fly this coming Monday, Memorial Day Fun Fly. It was added last month because we didn't want to wait until July for our first Fly-in. There will be no landing fee and no prizes but there will be food. I have invited the Salem and Corvallis clubs to come and join us for a fun day of flying and conversation. Let everyone know about the event and come out for the fun.

Jim Corbett is really making progress on the electric charge station. Take a look at the web site under projects for a look. We will need to decide where to place the station and form a work party to dig a trench from the generator to the bench to place the conduit with the wiring. Contact Jim if you would like to help out with the project, this is an all donations based project with no club funds. Jim has a list of items needed to finish the bench and work that needs to be done to get it installed. For now we are using a gas generator that is on loan, but if the bench gets a lot of use we will be talking about the club buying and installing some solar panels to power it.

Come and buy some tickets for the \$200.00 gift certificate to TRUMP'S HOBBIES. I want to draw for the certificate at the Memorial Day Fun Fly. You don't need to be present to win. We will also have a 50/50 pot at the club meeting on Thursday and a 50/50 pot at the Fun Fly on Monday.

Hope to see you all at the field and at the May club meeting.

Regards, Brad S. Werneth ERCA President 2012

PS. The Embroidery Logo on my polo shirt was done at NeedleWorks, here is a link to their web site <http://needleworksforyou.com/>. The owner is Mindy and she has the logo on file.

<b>--- That's All Folks ---</b>
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