



Barnstormers' Newsletter - March 2024

President's Report

Welcome Barnstormers!

Have you noticed? The weather is getting better!

We will meet at Willamette Aviation at Aurora Airport Monday, March 18th starting at 7:30 PM. If you need directions, they will be at the end of the newsletter.



We will have a number of new members to welcome in.

If you have some show and tell items, please bring them to the meeting.

Dave Tozer has been most successful and generous in his effort to collect and redeem bottles and cans. We have generated thousands from his work. Please bring bottles and cans to the meeting for Dave.

Newly printed brochures are now available with updated photos and text. Copies will be at the meeting.

Calendar of Events planned for 2024:

McMinnville swap meet - this Saturday - March 16, 2024

April 20 - Field Runway work day (April 27 weather fallback date)

June 22 - Open House - food truck, flying events

July 20 - Fun Fly

July 27 - Field Work (if necessary) or Flitetest type event

August 17 - Swap Meet - open to public and other clubs

Other dates:

McMinnville swap meet - March 16, 2024 - check mcminnvilleaircraftmodelers.com

Hillsboro Air Show - May 17-19

HobbyTown swap meet - Happy Valley store May 18. Check for details

McMinnville Air Show - August 31-September 2

Cubnuts - August 17-18

We still have Barnstormers hats like the one in my photo if you are interested. Let me know.

We have great support from our local hobby shops that offer excellent service and also provide us with gift cards and products for our events. Contribute to their success by 'buying local' so that they will be here when we need them. I have included some names and addresses below. If you are familiar with others, let me know.

As many of you know, Fir Point Farms was very generous to the Barnstormers, allowing us to collect many bottles and cans last October, but also offered a nice donation to the club following our participation in their Harvest Festival. When in the Aurora area be sure to stop by and enjoy their fine food offerings, as well as visiting the Butteville Store next to our field.

Regards,

Larry



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**Our field is located just south of
Butteville, Oregon. See our live
view on our website webcam.**

This is a new poster that is being distributed to retirement communities, local hobby shops and other places to generate interest in RC flying at Barnstormers. If you know of a location that we might benefit from, let me know and I will provide it.

Vice President's Report

Check out the videos on the website!

New members – if you have not joined our text chat, please join. It is a great way to communicate when you and others may be headed to the field.

To join, download the WhatsApp free app. Text me at 503.475.5900 with your first and last name through WhatsApp and I will add you to the list.

Remember – Airspeed is everything! Cheers.

Kyle Huberd

United Airlines Flight Operations
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Field Manager's Report -

Hi, guys. It looks like the weather is getting better.

That means the grass will be growing. I could use some help mowing. Please give me a call at 503 706 1460 if you would be willing to assist. Wouldn't it be fun to ride around on a mower! I would appreciate it very much if someone could help.



I will be setting up yellow jacket traps because of the warmer weather coming up. The adjacent farmland east and south of us has clover planted. The field will probably attract honey bees, so you do not want to land out there if possible!

Harry Lenz
papaharry2@yahoo.com

Treasurer's Report and WebMaster

Our finances are doing well. We have transferred funds from a low interest-bearing account to one that will generate higher interest rate income. We can then draw those funds when we get to a point that requires them, but we will earn more income in the meantime.

As we have discussed before, members should consider volunteering for the various club activities. We cannot rely on just a few members to carry all the burden of the club activities, so please see where you might be willing to help.

If anyone would like to contribute to and learn about web site maintenance, I would be happy to teach you and share the responsibilities.



The field camera will be more active as weather improves so we will change the frequency to every 15 minutes from the current 30 so you can see field activity more often. We will assess what we might want to change going into the next winter in terms of battery/solar panel support to provide stronger service during that period.

Thanks
John

Secretary and Safety Officer

Greetings Barnstormers! Great flying days lately!

I am committed to ensuring the safety of everyone and their model aircraft while flying.

Safety is everyone's business and responsibility.



As mentioned, watch your EDF jet model aircraft being flown.

EDF models can be challenging to operate so stay within the designated flight area of our field. We all need to ensure that all flights stay within the designated area.

Dave Derhalli
Safety Officer and Secretary
david.rd@comcast.net

Flying Instructor's Report

Training continues on Saturdays with sessions starting around noon, weather permitting. Be sure to factor in the wind because anything over 10 MPH and gusty conditions can be challenging for new pilots.

If you will be working with a new or unfamiliar radio, it is always helpful to bring along the user manual.

Instructor Greg Meyers is willing to work with new pilots during the week, depending upon his schedule. Contact him at 541.517.5036 and gms1021@gmail.com



Dan Phillips
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Membership Committee

Hi All,

Thank you so much for getting the information to me for our roster. If for some reason you haven't obtained your FAA Certification, or your TRUST certification, please do that and send the information to me. We will have a number of new members to vote into our membership on Monday night, so get out of your recliner, hop in your car and join us.



Be sure to verify the date when your AMA membership expires so that you can ensure it remains current and thereby continue your membership in Barnstormers. I will send out a reminder note letting you know the month your AMA will expire. It will be a similar reminder to the one you will get from AMA. I am in the process of updating the new members booklet so that it has current information. Enjoy this next weekend as the weather is supposed to be very nice...no rain!!!

Keep 'em in the air and have fun flying.

Again, if you need a name badge, please let me know.

Should any of you not have my contact information, it is:

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Oswego, OR 97034

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503-807-8729

Directions to Willamette Aviation Conference Room:

From the north, take I5 to Exit 282A to Canby/Hubbard after crossing the Willamette River.

At first traffic light, turn left (east) on Arndt Road.
At next intersection, a traffic light, turn right onto Airport Road NE.
In 1/2 mile, turn right into Willamette Aviation through the gate.
The conference room is to the left as you can see in the photo here.

From the west, or northwest, take 219 South from Newberg to Champoeg Road, head east past our flying field through Butteville to Arndt Road and you run into the airport. Proceed through the Canby-Hubbard Cutoff intersection to Airport Road NE, turn right and go down to Willamette Aviation.

Coming from the south, most people should know where Aurora Airport is located since you probably pass right by it going to and from. Take 99E to Hubbard Cutoff and that goes right by the airport on the west. Turn east (right) on Arndt Road, then south (right) on Airport Road NE.

23115 Airport Rd NE, Aurora, OR 97002



We thank Brad for allowing us to use his software to draft our newsletters and distribute to our mailing list. Thank You.

Note from Brad:
Keep us in mind when your friends and neighbors start talking about a real estate move. Having someone you know and trust who also is in the top 3% in the state is a strategic advantage.

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