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NEWSLETTER OF THE PORTLAND AREA SAILPLANE SOCIETY



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Annual Banquet update, Saturday January 22nd

NEW VENUE FOR PASS OUTING!!

The Annual PASS Outing annual awards banquet and will be moving to Woodstock Wine & Deli on **Saturday January 22nd**. There will be a wonderful dinner of Rib Roast and side dishes that should satisfy the most discriminating among us. The festivities start at 7:00 PM. It will cost \$30 per person and will include **two** tickets to the BIG HONKIN RAFFLE drawing.

The **BIG HONKIN** raffle promises to again be outstanding as Dave Johnson, Raffle Master, sez we already have \$800+ in the pot for prizes. **Note you do not have to be present at the meeting to win a prize... But you do have to have at least one ticket!** Tickets are \$5/ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.

The Attendance raffle is separate and you can enter it by paying a \$1 bribe/ticket to Bruce Alber at each or any meeting during the year. Bruce always has nice prizes and again you do not have to be present at the banquet to win.

Woodstock Wine & Deli

**4030 SE Woodstock Boulevard
Portland, OR 97202
(503) 777-2208**

Tom Culmsee, Banquet Master

Note: 2011 dues are due, see membership application on pg. 9. Please bring your dues to the January meeting, club banquet or mail them in to

PASS Meeting Notice for Jan. 11th.

The next regular club meeting will be on Tuesday the 11th, at the **Pizza place!** Usual times... Gather at 7:00 and start at 7:30 PM.

Round Table Pizza, 10070 SW Barbur Blvd., Portland, OR 97219 503-245-2211

PASS 2011 DDWS Challenge Guidelines

The guidelines for the PASS-2011 Challenge are slightly changed from the PASS-2010 Challenge. In the PASS-2011 Challenge the number of wings on the aircraft will be included in the calculation of the score.

- * The score for a flight is determined by multiplying the number of wings times the duration of the flight (measured in seconds) and then dividing that number by the wingspan of the aircraft (measured in inches).
- * A wing is any horizontal flying surface which is at least $\frac{1}{2}$ the area of the largest wing.
- * Each wing must be separated from all other wings by at least $\frac{1}{4}$ of the largest wing chord.
- * The wingspan of a multi-wing aircraft is the wingspan of the largest wing.
- * The wingspan is defined as the greatest value during the flight if the wingspan is configurable.
- * The object of the challenge is to record the highest scores for single flights in the specified categories.
- * An official flight may be flown anytime in 2011 using an aircraft under remote control by a PASS member.
- * There will be three categories for the contest: powered aircraft, thermal glider and slope glider.
- * The flight time for a powered aircraft is from the time it leaves a ground-based object until it once again contacts a ground based object.
- * The source of propulsion for a powered aircraft may be used for as long and often as desired.
- * Batteries may be recharged while the aircraft is flying.
- * A powered aircraft may use power, thermals or slope lift to assist in remaining aloft.
- * The flight time for a thermal glider is from when the source of propulsion is shut down until the aircraft contacts a ground-based object. Examples of propulsion sources are: winch, high start, electric motor, aero tow, mother-ship, handlaunch, etc.
- * Thermal gliders may use only thermal currents to assist in remaining aloft.
- * The flight time for a slope glider is from when the source of propulsion is shut down until the aircraft contacts a ground-based object. Examples of propulsion sources are: winch, high start, electric motor, aero tow, mother-ship, handlaunch, etc.
- * Slope gliders may use either thermal currents or slope lift to assist in remaining aloft.
- * The challenge is intended to encourage innovation within the club.
- * The guidelines may be amended by me at any time during the year.
- * I have the final ruling regarding the interpretation of the guidelines.
- * Prizes will be awarded to the winners during the 2012 PASS banquet.
- * Internal combustion engines are not allowed in the powered aircraft category.

Bruce Rose, CD

Ember Pylon Racing (EPR)

David Portwood, CD

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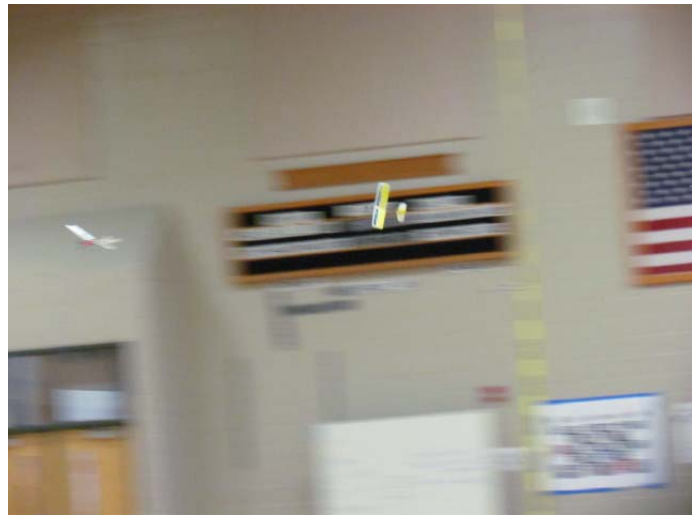
Saturday December 11 the Salem Soaring Society held it first indoor pylon race. The planes were out of the box Embers the only mod allowed were painting and larger batteries (you will see who had the biggest battery) the course was approximate 80 ft long and was marked by hanging yellow caution tape tied to the basketball hoops and then raising the hoops up. This provided soft obstacles to hit when you didn't make it around.

We flew 4 heats of 10 laps each, no penalties for hitting anything or landing and taking off again. For the first heat pilots stood at one end and flew left hand turns, the next heat we stood in the center of the course left hand turns again you had to walk in a circle as your plane went around you and the course. The next was from the opposite end of the gym same as the first heat. The last heat was flown from outside the course in the center, and was a right hand turn. There were planes all over the place with this one.

I may add the threatened figure eight next time. Terry Erickson was calling cuts at the far end and Bob Nelson was counting laps for us at the other.

See a video of the last heat - <http://passoaring.us/Videos/indoor2.wmv>

Thanks to Don Pesznecker for pictures!



2010 Indoor Flying Schedule sponsored by the Salem Soaring Society, Dan Fiedler, President

The indoor flying sessions are at
Clagget Creek Jr. High
1810 Alder rd
Salem, Or 97303

Indoor Fly is

12/11/10 Sat. 12:00pm to 2:00pm
1/15/11 Sat. 12:00pm to 2:00pm
2/12/11 Sat. 12:00pm to 2:00pm
3/12/11 Sat. 12:00pm to 2:00pm

\$5.00 Flight Fee for each session

This link is from Map Quest to the School

<http://mapq.st/h/5-pal0>

Indoor Pylon Racing for the first hour of each session

We will be racing out of the box Embers or Ember 2 (no Mods, ok you can paint it).

You may use a different battery (Bigger, may need a couple).

One design racing for now. Maybe we will upgrade to wall bangers (faster than your fingers) later, let's see how much fun we have with this format.

One hour of racing or less then "freeforall" as usual.

David Portwood, CD



PASS 2011 Officers and Awards

by Bruce Rose

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The election for the 2011 PASS officers was held during the December 2010 meeting. PASS members are bucking the national trend and have no desire to “throw the bums out!”

President: Bruce Rose

Vice-President: Jim Gibson

Secretary: Tom Fowler

Treasurer: Tom Culmsee

Director: Richard van Dijk (serving with Bruce Rose and Keith Ragsdale)

The winners for the annual trophies and PASS contribution awards are as follows:

Contribution to the Club: Nice Guys Finish First

February Floater: Flying the Wind (and Rain and Cold)

Handlaunch: Just Me and My Plane

F5B: Faster is Better

Slope: Gimme Some Wind!

Overall Season Points: I Fly Often

Putz: I Wish I Didn't Do That

More pictures from the indoor flying! Thanks Pesz!



PASS February Floater Contests Don Pesznecker, CD

The schedule

Feb. 6th, location TBA* Pilots meeting at 10:00 AM
 Feb. 13th, location TBA Pilots meeting at 10:00 AM
 Feb. 20th, location TBA Pilots meeting at 10:00 AM
 Feb. 27th, location TBA Pilots meeting at 10:00 AM

*** Note we expect to fly at the Willamette Turf field but it has not been confirmed yet. Will send out a confirmation asap.**

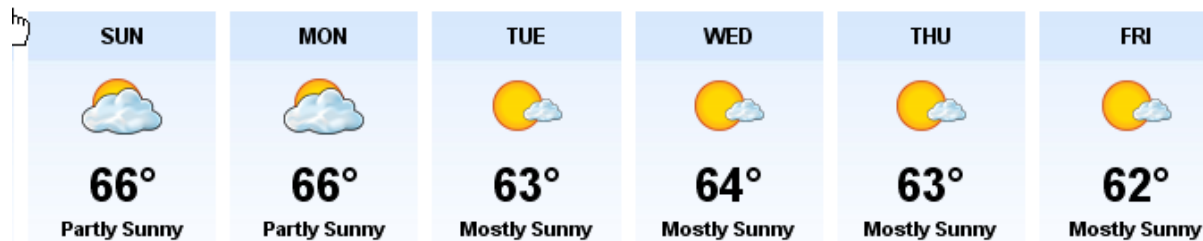
The tasks.

POKER RUN

- Number of rounds will be determined by the CD at the start of contest.
 - Perfect day = 5 rounds.
 - Not so perfect = 4 rounds.
 - Rain = 3 rounds.
- Pilots choice for task time 3 to 10 minutes each round. Times will be scored to nearest minute.
 - Landings are mandatory in landing area (100 foot circle) if you land anywhere else there will be 5% score penalty for that flight. Any part of the airplane in circle will count, inverted or in parts are OK.
 - Best hand will be best poker hand. Ties will be settled with international duration points.

Don Pesznecker, CD

The long range weather forecast for February Floaters



PASS Pictures

From the December club meeting. Hot raffle items... Shucks, no dancing eyeball or clacking teeth!



Craig Robinson's new Sunrise handlaunch (updated). Incredible workmanship!!!!!!!



PASS 2011 Contest Schedule, rev. 2 1-1-11

January 22 Sat

Hand Launch
Molalla State Park
Terry Erickson
503-982-0792
11:00

January 23 Sun

January 29 Sat

Open Slope Race*
TBD
Bruce Alber
503-799-1428 (cell)
11:00

January 30 Sun

February 5 Sat
No wind alternate date *

February 6 Sun

Sun Floater
Willamette Turf Farm
Pesznecker
503-502-1579
10:00

February 12 Sat

No wind alternate date*

February 13 Sun

Sun Floater
Willamette Turf Farm
Pesznecker
503-502-1579
10:00

February 19 Sat

Slope Fun Fly/Workshop
Bruce Alber
503-799-1428 (cell)
11:00

February 20 Sun

Sun Floater
Willamette Turf Farm
Pesznecker
503-502-1579
10:00

February 26 Sat

February 27 Sun

Sun Floater
Willamette Turf Farm
Don Pesznecker
503-502-1579
10:00

March 5 Sat

Slope Combat
Bruce Alber
503-799-1428 (cell)
11:00
location TBD

March 6 Sun

March 12 Sat

60" Slope Race*
Tom Fowler
503-799-5164
11:00
location TBD

McMinville Swap Meet

March 13 Sun

March 19 Sat

Salem Soaring Society
RES and Open contest
Dan Fiedler
503-559-9476
10:00

Kuenzi Sod Farm

March 20 Sun

March 26 Sat

*no-wind alternate date

March 27 Sun

Sleep-In Hand Launch
Keith Ragsdale
503-521-0817
12 NOON
Molalla River St Park

April 2 Sat

F5B (Electric)
Don Pesznecker
503-659-9624
10:00
Willamette Turf Farm

April Easter 3 Sun

April 9 Sat

April 10 Sun

Open Slope Race*
Bruce Alber
503-799-1428 (cell)
11:00
location TBD

April 16 Sat

F5B (Electric)
Don Pesznecker
503-659-9624
10:00
Willamette Turf Farm
April 17 Sun

*no-wind alternate date for slope race

April 23 Sat

HLG
Bob Nelson
503-645-5313
Molalla River State Park
NWSS Tune up

Mission, BC

April 24 Sun

NWSS Tune up

Mission, BC

April 30 Sat

Fern Prairie Modelers
Celebration of Silent Flight
Washougal, WA

May 1 Sun

Fern Prairie Modelers
Celebration of Silent Flight
Washougal, WA

May 7 Sat

F5B (Electric)
Don Pesznecker
503-659-9624
10:00
Willamette Turf Farm
NWSS Vancouver Tune up
Mission, BC

Revision History as of 1-1-11

V2 Changes by Bob Nelson
April 23rd. Move contest to
Molalla River State Park
July 23rd. Move contest to
Molalla River State Park .
July 24th. Remove completely -
I'm only doing one day

Added Montague Cross country
Added Cub Nuts, September, 17
& 18, 2011.



Portland Area Sailplane Society 2011 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ AMA# _____
Write all names as you wish them to appear in the roster (e.g. David or Dave?)

Address _____ CD? (Y/N) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Bus. Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Do you want your email address included on the PASS webpage? Yes No

Spouse or SO _____ LSF# / Level _____ / _____

Radio Frequencies _____

Additional Family Members

1. Name _____ AMA# _____
 LSF# / Level _____ / _____ Radio Frequencies _____

2. Name _____ AMA# _____
 LSF# / Level _____ / _____ Radio Frequencies _____

3. Name _____ AMA# _____
 LSF# / Level _____ / _____ Radio Frequencies _____

Dues	Full year	after 3/31	after 6/30	after 9/30
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior - under 19 - includes newsletter	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$1.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual - includes newsletter	\$30.00	\$22.50	\$15.00	\$7.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Family - same address - includes 1 newsletter	\$35.00	\$26.25	\$17.50	\$8.75
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter only	\$15.00	\$11.25	\$ 7.50	\$3.75
<input type="checkbox"/> \$5.00 Additional for new member - one time fee for name badge — Name(s) as you wish it to appear: _____				

\$ TOTAL PAID _____

For the newsletter, please send the:

- e-mail edition
(Adobe Acrobat format)
- hardcopy edition
(sent by US Mail)

Make check payable to: Portland Area Sailplane Society
Send to: PASS
Tom Culmsee
P.O. Box 805
Gresham OR 97030

Club meetings held on second Tuesday of every month from 7:30 to 9:30 P.M. at Round Table Pizza, 10070 SW Barbur Blvd. Visitors are welcome.
 Visit our web page at <http://passoaring.us>
 For current event information, call the PASS Voicemail 503-321-5199:
 To change outgoing message or to listen to received messages:

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May 7 Sat

F5B (Electric)
Don Pesznecker
503-659-9624
10:00
Willamette Turf Farm
NWSS Vancouver Tune up
Mission, BC
May 8 Sun

NWSS Vancouver Tune up
Mission, BC

May 14 Sat

Thermal Multitask
Richard van Dijk
360-891-2188
9:00
Willamette Turf Farm
NWSS Crooks Memorial
Lewiston, ID
May 15 Sun
NWSS Crooks Memorial
Lewiston, ID

May 21 Sat

Barry Kurath Memorial 2-Meter/RES
David Portwood
503-381-6992 (cell)
9:15

May 22 Sun

Barry Kurath Memorial 2-Meter/RES
David Portwood
503-381-6992 (cell)
9:15
May Memorial Day Weekend

May 28 Sat

Scale Aerotow
Jim Gibson
503-669-7271
10:00
Hollin Airport, Brooks
NWSS Ed Huffman
Farragut, ID
May
Memorial Day Weekend

May 29 Sun

Hand Launch
Terry Erickson
503-982-0792
9:30
Molalla River St Park
NWSS Ed Huffman
Farragut, ID

June 4 Sat

Thermal Deathmatch
David Portwood
503-381-6992 (cell)
9:00
Willamette Turf Farm
NWSS
Soar Paradise
Spokane, WA

June 5 Sun

Slope Fun Fly/Workshop
Bruce Alber
503-799-1428 (cell)
11:00
location TBD
NWSS

Soar Paradise
Spokane, WA

June 11 Sat

Salem Soaring Society
Hand Launch contest
Terry Erickson
503-982-0792
10:30
Kuenzi Sod Farm

June 12 Sun

Scale Aerotow
Jim Gibson
503-669-7271
10:00
Hollin Airport, Brooks

June 14 to 18, Tues. thru Sat.

Montague X-Country
Montague, CA

June 18 Sat

F5B (Electric)

Don Pesznecker
503-659-9624
10:00
Willamette Turf Farm
NWSS
Fry Fly
Pasco, WA
June 19 Sun

NWSS
Fry Fly
Pasco, WA

June 25 Sat

LSF Thermalitis NWSS
Tom Culmsee
503-667-4532
9:00
Willamette Turf Farm

June 26 Sun

LSF Thermalitis NWSS
Tom Culmsee
503-667-4532
9:00
Willamette Turf Farm
July 4th July Weekend
July 2 Sat
NWSS

Sun Fly
Pasco, WA
July 4th July Weekend
July 3 Sun
NWSS
Sun Fly
Pasco, WA

July 9 Sat

F5B (Electric)
Don Pesznecker
503-659-9624
10:00
Willamette Turf Farm
NWSS
Soar at Paradise
Spokane, WA

2011 Aero-Tow schedule*

First of all, here are the NW dates that I know about:

Yakima Aerotow, Glessner's Field, Union Gap, WA, Gene Cope CD May 20-22

**Medford Spring Aerotow, Snider Creek (Sam's Valley) OR, Randy Banta CD
April 29-May 1**

Skamokawa Aerotow, Cathlamet WA, Bob Neitzke CD June 24-26

Monroe Aerotow, Monroe WA, Don Bailey CD July 22-24

Mission BC Aerotow, Anderson's Sod Farm, Dave Smith CD, Aug 5-7

Pasco Aerotow, Pasco WA, Wil Byers CD Aug 12-13 (tentative)

Shasta Aerotow, McCloud CA, Mike Deleo CD Aug 26-28

Medford Summer Aerotow, Sam's Valley OR, Randy Banta CD Sept 3-5

Buena aerotow, near Zillah, WA, Wil Byers CD Sept 2-4 (need confirmation)

Skagit Aerotow, Concrete WA, Lynn King CD mid Sept

Wenatchee Aerotow, Wenatchee WA, Dave Jensen CD Sept 30-Oct 2

Here are the dates we now have for Brooks:

- **May 28, Saturday**
- **June 12, Sunday**
- **July 16, Saturday or July 16-17**
- **August 21, Sunday**
- **September 24, Saturday**
- **October 22, Saturday**

I'm thinking of maybe turning the July date into a two day event to determine if we can draw anyone down from up north. What do you guys think? After we get the dates nailed down I'll check with Betty Hollin to make sure she's ok with our schedule.

Jim Gibson, Coordinator

***Note: This schedule is a preliminary draft, dates to be confirmed.**



**Portland
Area
Sailplane
Society**

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Mailing Address Line 1
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Upcoming Events:

January 22 Sat

PASS Annual Banquet

7:00 PM

Woodstock Wine & Deli

Willamette Turf Farm

Pesznecker

503-502-1579

10:00

January 22 Sat

Hand Launch

Mollalla State Park

Terry Erickson

503-982-0792

11:00

February 19 Sat

Slope Fun Fly/Workshop

Bruce Alber

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11:00

January 23 Sun

January 29 Sat

Open Slope Race*

TBD

Bruce Alber

503-799-1428 (cell)

11:00

February 20 Sun

Sun Floater

Willamette Turf Farm

Pesznecker

503-502-1579

Willamette Turf Farm

10:00

January 30 Sun

February 5 Sat

No wind alternate date *

February 6 Sun

Sun Floater

Willamette Turf Farm

Pesznecker

503-502-1579

10:00

February 12 Sat

No wind alternate date *

February 13 Sun

Sun Floater

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